



# Saline County Board Minutes



## SALINE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The regular meeting of the Saline County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:34 a.m. on Tuesday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020 by Chairperson, Marvin A. Kohout. Present were Kohout, Russ Karpisek, Janet J. Henning and Stephanie A. Krivohlavek Commissioners, County Clerk Anita K. Bartels, Administrative Assistant Tim McDermott. Commissioner Philip Hardenburger was absent, and County Tad Eickman was present between court commitments.

Notice of said meeting was posted in the County Clerk's Office, on the Saline County Website, and published in all three county newspapers prior to the meeting, in compliance with State Statutes.

Let the record show that all proceedings are electronically recorded.

Kohout advised those present of the open meetings law posted at the back of the room.

Krivohlavek moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Karpisek. Voting aye were Henning, Karpisek, Kohout and Krivohlavek, nays none, motion carried.

Karpisek moved to approve the minutes of the October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020 regular meeting, seconded by Krivohlavek. Voting aye were Karpisek, Kohout, and Krivohlavek, Henning abstained, nays none, motion carried.

Under Citizens Forum, Wendy Keller addressed the Board with concerns involving the building permits for chicken farms near her home. Keller stated her biggest concern is water. Their well pumps 9 gallons per minute, their neighbor Dennis Broz pumps 4 ½ gallons per minute w/sand and Dennis Bors pumps 6 gallons per minute. The information Keller found on the internet was 200,000 chickens would require 25,000 gallons per day. Her concern is this demand for water will deplete the water supply to the residents in the area. If water is trucked in, along with feed trucks, it would increase traffic and wear and tear on the roads. Not knowing where in the process the building permits were, she asked if there was anything that could still be done.

Gary Veprovsky expressed his dislike for the method the chicken farm was handled at the last meeting. He felt the Board should have waited two weeks to get more information, stating it was poor politics with a quorum of only 3 board members. Krivohlavek explained the Board was not voting on approving the building permits. The vote was on whether the permits should be considered one or two separate permits. Krivohlavek stated the Deputy County Attorney gave the opinion the building permit applications were completed following the Saline County Planning and Zoning current regulations.

It was noted more citizens need to attend the Planning and Zoning Committee meetings. The issues of the wind farms, chicken farms and other zoning issues are discussed at these meetings, before permits are issued. If citizens would attend the Planning and Zoning Committee meetings, many issues could be addressed or prevented before permits are issued.

Krivohlavek asked Highway Superintendent Bruce Filipi if the Roads Department is contacted during the building permit process to address possible road issues. Filipi stated Roads is not involved the process.

Dean Hatcliff, representing his neighborhood, addressed the Board stating his property is a ¼ mile from eight of the proposed chicken barns. He stated County Road I is a death trap. He does not believe it is fair to their air quality with the south winds to deal with the increased dust and smell.

It was asked if a Nebraska Rural Water District or the Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy is involved in issuing building permits. Planning and Zoning Administrator Lyle Weber, stated water is not part of the Saline County building permit application process, only the land. County Attorney Tad Eickman will investigate the authority the NRD's and NDEE may have in these situations.

Brian Pribyl spoke to expand on Veprovsky's comments. He thought the chicken farm issue should have been tabled to obtain more information, hopefully to avoid ramifications.

Laura Novak who lives 1 1/2 miles south from the Pleasant Hill chicken farm location, addressed the Board stating the intersection at County Road 1900 and Road I does not have stop signs, and corn fields on 3 sides. She is disturbed by the lack of neighbor notification. Novak stated there is a house 1/8 mile from the location and several other homes nearby. Pollution, smell, dust and increased traffic on these roads are a big concern.



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Kohout stated he received a call from Dave Musil, expressing water concerns with the proposed chicken farms.

Karpisek asked Eickman if a moratorium could be done on these chicken farms. Eickman stated it would need to be placed on the next agenda for action to be taken.

Eickman stated he will further investigate the Planning and Zoning Regulations. It may be the Planning & Zoning Administrator can bring these two building permits before the Planning & Zoning Board which could allow for public comments and input.

At 10:38 a.m., Weber and Raymond Slama requested approval of a minor subdivision of approximately 4 acres in Section 35 Township 7 Range 4. Krivohlavek moved to approve, seconded by Karpisek. Voting aye were Krivohlavek, Henning, Karpisek and Kohout, nays none, motion carried.

Southeast Nebraska CASA Executive Director Marci Fehlhafer and CASA Administrative Assistant Sonia Almodovar, gave the Board a very positive update on their services. Fehlhafer reported she had applied for and received the Response and Recovery Grant, along with the Stabilization Grant. With these grants they were able to hire two temporary employees. They have started a podcast called CASA Talk. Currently there are four published and can be found on any podcast platform. They have just launched a virtual capital campaign called CASA For Every Kid. Where they hoping to raise \$10,190.00 to recruit 10 more volunteers. Felhafer is hoping Almodovar will become permanent and for her to possibly have an office in the Courthouse to serve Saline County. Marci is working to become bilingual and their Marketing Director is bilingual. Felhafer thanked the Board for their support. Henning commented CASA has grown under Marci's leadership.

At 10:45 a.m. Kohout announced the Board would recess;

At 10:57 a.m. Kohout announced the Board would reconvene;

Under correspondence, Bartels reported receiving from the City of Crete, their October 20<sup>th</sup> meeting agendas for the City Council, Public Works Committee, Legislative & Development Committee, Public Safety Committee and Finance Committee; and their October 26<sup>th</sup> agenda for the Planning Commission; from SENND their October 22<sup>nd</sup> Executive Committee Agenda; from Blue Valley Community Action their October 20<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting Agenda for the Board of Directors, the August 18<sup>th</sup> zoom virtual meeting minutes; the October 2020 Reports to the Board of Directors and the July-September 2020 News Clippings.

Kohout received communication from the Crime Commission relative to our diversion program with the County Attorney's office and LeAnn Manning. The communication was a follow up to the cooperation during the October 2020 grant monitoring.

Under report of officials, Krivohlavek reported receiving several calls regarding the chicken farms expressing concerns with the water supply and roads. She attended the October 15<sup>th</sup> Saline County Area Transit meeting, reporting the buses are up and running with thorough daily cleaning.

Kohout reported attending the Employee Wellness Meeting, Planning and Zoning Meeting; a zoom meeting with the Governor; and has an upcoming Solid Waste Management meeting where they will discuss the issue of the lack of a weighted quorum to make decisions.

Karpisek attended the Employee Wellness Committee meeting.

McDermott reported on the October 14<sup>th</sup> flu clinic; the Sheriff Tax Sale was moved from October 14<sup>th</sup> to November 19<sup>th</sup> at 2:00; on October 14<sup>th</sup> he attending the courthouse security consultation in Plattsmouth; October 15<sup>th</sup> Maintenance Workshop with Dan Johnson in Aurora; has an upcoming Wellness Committee meeting on November 9<sup>th</sup>; attended webinars, one with Pam Bourne on the Work Environment after COVID and the other on employee mental health; on Thursday a meeting with SpyGlass regarding the audit of communication billings.

Highway Superintendent Bruce Filipi presented a request to occupy a right of way by Windstream WO#71500003000123, OSP-23080 for approval to bore new copper cable at County Road 800. Karpisek moved to approve, seconded by Henning. Voting aye were Karpisek, Kohout, Krivohlavek and Henning, nays none, motion carried.

Filipi reported they are in the midst of replacing the bridge on the Plymouth road. Roads is continuing to replace driveway culverts and bridges as weather permits. Filipi is continuing to monitor roads the wind



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farm contractors are using and has issued more fines for violations by the truck drivers. The Board gave Filipi guidance to contact EDF to amend the contract to increase the fines for these road violations.

Henning moved to approve the September 2020 Clerk Fees in the amount of \$14,406.11, seconded by Karpisek. Voting aye were Kohout, Krivohlavek, Henning and Karpisek, nays none, motion carried.

Henning moved to approve the agreement with Anita Stougard to implement the Saline County Juvenile Service Plan, seconded by Krivohlavek. Voting aye were Krivohlavek, Henning, Karpisek and Kohout, nays none, motion carried.

Henning moved to approve Resolution #2020-074 for the Amendment and Addendum to NIRMA/NIRMA II Intergovernmental/Interlocal Agreements, seconded by Karpisek. Voting aye were Henning, Karpisek, Kohout, and Krivohlavek, nays none, motion carried.

Krivohlavek moved to approve the agreements with Saline County and the Young Diversion Workers Ana Perez Mendez and/or Syerra Watson for the implementation of school intervention work, seconded by Karpisek. Voting aye were Karpisek, Kohout, Krivohlavek and Henning, nays none, motion carried.

Henning moved to approve the Audit Agreement allowing The SpyGlass Group to analyze the communication service agreements of Saline County for the purpose of cost recovery, seconded by Karpisek. Voting aye were Henning, Karpisek, Kohout and Krivohlavek, nays none, motion carried.

Henning moved to approve Resolution #2020-075, transferring \$240,000 from the Inheritance Fund to the General Fund to be reimbursed when funds become available, seconded by Krivohlavek. Voting aye were Kohout, Krivohlavek, Henning and Karpisek, nays none, motion carried.

Henning moved to approve Resolution #2020-076, transferring \$5,100 from the Inheritance Fund to the Juvenile Services Aid Program Fund to be reimbursed when funds become available, seconded by Karpisek. Voting aye were Krivohlavek, Henning, Karpisek and Kohout, nays none, motion carried.

Henning moved to approve claims as submitted, seconded by Krivohlavek. Voting aye were Henning, Karpisek, Kohout and Krivohlavek, nays none, motion carried.

## GENERAL FUND

General Payroll	Salaries	110,724.95
Anytime Plumbing	Bldg Maint	619.16
Matt Baumann	Reimb	53.71
Blobaum & Busboom	Bugt	6,430.00
Becky Boryca	Reimb	26.39
Copycat Prntg	Crt Csts	248.67
CAMC	Hlth	1,517.00
Dawson Co Clk Of Dist Crt	Crt Csts	248.97
Dawson Co Sheriff	Crt Csts	450.00
Dawson Co Treas	Crt Csts	180.56
Dollar General	Bldg Spls	46.90
Dee Drake	Reimb	12.74
Eakes	Off Spls	1,276.03
Tad Eickman	Mil	1,136.34
ES&S	Elctn	6,940.13
Farmers Coop	Fuel	159.00
First Concord	Hlth Ins	8,980.89
First State Bank	Off Spls	102.26
Friend Comm Hlth Sys	Hlth	165.00
Galls	Unif	140.51
Scott Ryan Gropp	Atty fees	7,000.00



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Helena Chemical	Bldg Maint	108.00
Holiday Inn Express-Lexington	Crt Csts	3,744.00
Kathy Homolka	Mil	643.26
Jefferson Co Em Mgmt	Cntrct	3,819.99
Jindra Irrigation	Maint	99.80
Jones Plumbing & Heating	Bldg Maint	435.00
Jury Duty-District Court	Crt Csts	10,126.38
Michael Kosmicki	Atty fees	450.00
Law Enforcement Targets	Spls	180.00
Lee's Refrigeration	Bldg Maint	476.17
Anthony Lytle	Reimb	17.73
Maximus	Cntrct	2,600.00
MIPS	Off Equip	150.00
Alan Moore	Reimb	30.04
Amber Mulbery	Mil	402.50
Cody Mulbery	Reimb	25.75
NE Notary Division	Off Spls	30.00
NE Public Hlth Envr Lab	Crt Csts	735.00
NIFCO	Bldg Maint	293.70
William Ouren	Hlth	75.00
Phelps Co Crt	Crt Csts	4.75
Region V Systems	Bdgt	6,126.00
Sack Lumber	Spls	6.36
Saline Co Atty Petty Cash	Reimb	33.04
Saline Co Register of Deeds	Crt Csts	62.00
Sapp Bros	Fuel	973.02
Secretary of State Rules & Regs	Cntrct	20.00
Dillon Semrad	Reimb	28.93
Seward Co Ind	P&P	1,051.82
Shared Service Sys	Spls	72.74
Sid Dillon	Veh Maint	77.25
State of NE DAS Acctg-Central Fin	Data Proc	147.60
State of NE Dept Correction Svcs	Cntrct	5,385.64
Summit	Spls	8,436.27
Diane Troshynski	Reimb	11.78
Verizon	Comm	1,630.55
Visa	Bldg Spls	403.22
Visa	Veh Maint	484.91
Visa	Crt Csts	329.20
Visa	Off Equip	810.64
Visa	Pstg	2,196.05
Visa	Pstg	9.20
Visa	Crt Csts	156.65
Visa	Spls	26.00
Visa	Crt Csts	699.05





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Visa	Off Spls	54.56
Visa	Equip Spls	79.04
Walker	Off Spls	33.08
Walker	Off Spls	49.08
Witness Fees-District Court	Crt Csts	4,773.97
Yanda's AVL Rental	Crt Csts	3,198.92
Richard Zimmerman	Reimb	9.33
Zito Media	Comm	204.95
41 Auto Parts	Spls	36.41
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911 Custom	Spls	237.00

## ROAD FUND

Roads Payroll	Salaries	23,314.47
Ace Irrigation	Spls	3,836.40
Beatrice Concrete	Gravel	38,994.71
Beaver Hardware	Spls	5.69
Black Hills	Util	31.33
Costco	Spls	120.00
	Equip	
Crane Sales & Svc	Maint	696.82
CAMC	Hlth	355.00
Filtercare	Maint	348.77
KT's Market	Spls	16.49
Midwest Petroleum	Spls	695.00
Orschelns Card Svcs	Spls	11.96
Pogue Const	Spls	4,150.00
Pomp's Tire Svc	Veh Maint	245.00
Rock On	Gravel	5,918.92
Sack Lumber	Spls	8.99
Speece-Lewis Engineers	Cntrct	12,841.74
Visa	Spls	843.95
Walker	Unif	49.33
Weldon Parts	Spls	53.53

## BAILIFF FUND

Bailiff Payroll	Salaries	1,163.38
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## VISITORS PROMOTION FUND

Saline Co Ag Society	Reimb	475.00
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## VISITORS IMPROVEMENT FUND

Saline Co Historical Society	Reimb	500.00
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## EMPLOYEE WELLNESS FUND

Visa	Spls	238.46
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## AGING SERVICES FUND

Aging Services Payroll	Salaries	2,930.72
Samantha Cosaert	Prgm	100.00
Marcia Emal	Prgm	152.50
Madison Hoover	Mil	14.95



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Tia L Kreshel	Prgm	100.00
Darlene Pribyl	Prgm	127.50
Visa	Prgm	716.99
Visa	Prgm	1,814.27

### DRUG COURT FUND

Kalkwarf & Smith	Atty fees	1,200.00
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### JUVENILE SERVICES GRANT FUND

Family Svc Assoc of Lincoln	Cntrct	3,535.00
Ana Perez Mendez	Prgm	294.00
Anita Stougaard	Prgm	1,020.00
Syerra Watson	Prgm	180.00

### 911 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND

Geocomm	Cntrct	2,802.70
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### 911 WIRELESS FUND

Geocomm	Cntrct	1,644.30
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### COMMISSARY FUND

Eakes	Off Spls	292.72
Summit	Spls	3,483.71

### ALL FUNDS

First State Bank	Fed Tax	14,420.22
NE Dept of Rev	State Tax	6,460.89
First State Bank	Soc Sec	28,539.08
BC/BS	Hlth Ins	110,303.74
Ameritas Life	Retire	22,940.75
Delta Dental	Dental Ins	2,317.47
VSP	Eye Ins	499.92
AFLAC	Ins	1,396.15
MassMutal	Def Comp	2,228.00
Colonial Supp Ins	Ins	233.81
Teamsters	Dues	294.50
Madison Nat'l Life	Life Ins	48.04
Madison Nat'l Life	Dis Ins	185.76
First Concord	Café	2,197.07
New York Life	Ins	118.90
NE Child Support	Garnish	197.08
AZ Child Support	Garnish	86.06
General Collection	Garnish	186.40
Credit Mgmt Svcs	Garnish	163.42

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m. The next regular meeting will be on November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. in the Saline County Commissioners' Room, Court House, Wilber NE.

ATTEST:



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Anita K. Bartels, County Clerk

Janet J. Henning

Marvin A. Kohout, Chairperson

Stephanie Krivohlavek

Phil Hardenburger

Russ Karpisek, Vice-Chairperson

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I, Anita K. Bartels, County Clerk in and for Saline County, do hereby certify that the minutes of the October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020 meeting were presented and approved as presented.

Anita K. Bartels, County Clerk

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