



# Saline County Board Minutes



## SALINE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The regular meeting of the Saline County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:35 a.m. on Tuesday, May 25, 2021 by Chairperson Russ Karpisek. Present were Karpisek, Marvin A. Kohout, Janet J. Henning, and Stephanie A. Krivohlavek Commissioners, and County Clerk Anita K. Bartels; County Attorney Tad Eickman was present between court commitments. Commissioner Philip Hardenburger was absent

Notice of said meeting was posted in the County Clerk's Office, on the Saline County Website, and published in all three county newspapers on May 19, 2021, in compliance with State Statutes.

Let the record show that all proceedings are electronically recorded.

Karpisek advised those present of the open meetings act posted at the back of the room.

Kohout moved to approve the agenda with two changes, to reschedule the Public Hearing for proposed zoning regulations for June 22, 2021, to allow publication and ten day notice of the proposed changes and to specifically list the proposed changes on the agenda for June 22, 2021, this is according to the recommendation of County Attorney Eickman and to close the Public Defender Bids at 11:00 a.m., seconded by Krivohlavek. Voting aye were Henning, Karpisek, Kohout, and Krivohlavek, nays none, motion carried.

Kohout moved to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2021 regular meeting, seconded by Henning. Voting aye were Karpisek, Krivohlavek, Kohout, and Henning, nays none, motion carried.

Under Citizens Forum, Chuck McKay addressed the Board, Karpisek read an email he received from Gary Veprovsky and announced an email was received from Dave Vavra.

Under Correspondence, Bartels reported receiving from the City of Crete the May 18<sup>th</sup> meeting agendas for the City Council, Public Works, Finance and Personnel Committees; the May 27<sup>th</sup> zoom meeting agenda from SENDD; an email from Diane Vlasak regarding sick leave donations for catastrophic leave; letters from Gans Family Farms LLC and Beth Salman regarding the Kansas Nebraska Heritage Area Partnership efforts.

Under Report of Officials, Henning reported attending a Historical Society meeting;

Kohout reported attending an Employee Recognition meeting, County Budget Workshop, Planning and Zoning meeting; spoke with Berggren regarding the tuck pointing and an upcoming NACO Board meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup>;

Krivohlavek has a June 21<sup>st</sup> Aging Services meeting;

Karpisek reporting being a part of several discussions with County citizens on the Planning and Zoning Public Hearing.

Krivohlavek moved to continue to follow the CDC guidelines, stating as of today May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021, if you are NOT fully vaccinated for COVID, masks are encouraged when entering the Courthouse, seconded by Kohout. Voting aye are Karpisek, Kohout, Krivohlavek, and Henning, nays none, motion carried.

At 10:00 a.m., Ryan Kramer and James Quach with Unite Private Networks submitted their proposal for voice, data and internet service for the Saline County Courthouse, Law Enforcement, Extension Office and Aging Services. A decision to accept the proposal was postponed until an IT individual or IT service is in place. Notice is to be given to Windstream to change their services to month to month.

Scott Havel and Will Togstad addressed the Board regarding the ALS services and how the reimbursements are issued to the ambulance services. These payments haven't been issued since September 2019, the reason being a claim for payment has not been submitted to the County. Togstad is to make contact with Crete Area Medical Center to determine how the ALS services are tracked and billed to the County.

Nicky Zalesky and Planning and Zoning Administrator Lyle Weber presented for approval a minor sub-division for Don Bartels, Section 16-5-1E. Krivohlavek moved to approve, seconded by Henning. Voting aye were Kohout, Krivohlavek, Henning and Karpisek, nays none, motion carried.

Weber presented for approval an administrative sub-division for Ralph Drake, Section 32-8-2E. Kohout moved to approve, seconded by Krivohlavek. Voting aye were Krivohlavek, Henning, Karpisek and Kohout, nays none, motion carried.

Chief Probation Officer Ashley Griess and Problem Solving Coordinator Chris Reece, presented an update of the services the Probation and Drug Court offices have provided this past year.



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At 10:52 a.m., Karpisek announced the Board would take a brief recess;

At 11:06 a.m., Karpisek announced the Board would reconvene;

Emergency Manager John McKee presented two quotes from Everbridge, to possibly replace the current service of Alertsense. This service would serve Fillmore, Jefferson, Saline, Thayer and Nuckolls Counties. Both quotes are based on population, one including Crete and one without Crete. This service is designed to be dispatch specific. McKee is to notify Crete we would like to have them included in this service and confirm if they want to be included.

At 11:20 a.m., Krivohlavek moved to close the bidding for the Public Defender, seconded by Henning. Voting aye were Henning, Karpisek, Kohout and Krivohlavek, nays none, motion carried.

One bid for Public Defender was received from Attorney Scott Gropp. The bid is for \$80,000.00 per year for each of the two year contract (pay request will be \$6,666.67/month) plus \$4,000.00 additional annual allowance for interpreters. Billing for interpreters to be submitted separately. If \$4,000.00 interpreter allocation is not fully consumed, remaining funds are retained by Saline County.

Krivohlavek moved to accept the bid from Scott Gropp, seconded by Kohout. Voting aye were Karpisek, Kohout, Krivohlavek and Henning, nays none, motion carried.

Krivohlavek moved to approve the bid from STRIV to upgrade the technology in the District Courtroom, seconded by Henning. Voting aye were Kohout, Krivohlavek, Henning and Karpisek, nays none, motion carried.

Eickman and Bartels will proceed with the bidding process for Information Technology (IT) support.

Discussion was held regarding Ace/Eaton's request to split the increased cost for culverts he has incurred because of rising steel prices. Henning moved to deny the request to split the cost increase, seconded by Kohout. Voting aye were Krivohlavek, Henning, Karpisek and Kohout, nays none, motion carried.

Highway Superintendent Bruce Filipi recommended the Board accept all gravel bids opened on May 11, 2021 for the 2021-2022 fiscal year. Henning moved to accept all gravel bids, seconded by Kohout. Voting aye were Henning, Karpisek, Kohout and Krivohlavek, nays none, motion carried.

Filipi recommended the Board reject all culvert bids opened on May 11, 2021 for the 2021-2022 fiscal year. Henning moved to reject all culvert bids, seconded by Krivohlavek. Voting aye were Karpisek, Kohout, Krivohlavek and Henning, nays none, motion carried.

Filipi recommended the Board accept all crushed rock bids opened on May 11, 2021 for the 2021-2022 fiscal year. Kohout moved to accept all crushed rock bids, seconded by Henning. Voting aye were Kohout, Krivohlavek, Henning and Karpisek, nays none, motion carried.

Filipi gave an update on various road projects, including the replacement of rusted culverts, putting in driveways with what he has in stock and clearing ditches. He also stated due to the cost increases being experienced for culverts, he will no longer have them available for public sale. Culverts will only be available if they are permitted.

Krivohlavek moved to approve the Board meeting date from Tuesday, November 8, 2022 to Monday, November 7, 2022 due to the 2022 General Election, seconded by Henning. Voting aye were Krivohlavek, Henning, Karpisek, and Kohout, nays none, motion carried.

Henning moved to approve the 2021-2022 Region V EPC agreement, seconded by Kohout. Voting aye were Henning, Karpisek, Kohout and Krivohlavek, nays none, motion carried.

Eickman recommended the Board approve the By Laws of the Board of Adjustments. Krivohlavek moved to approve, seconded by Kohout. Voting aye were Karpisek, Kohout, Krivohlavek and Henning, nays none, motion carried.

Henning moved to approve the April 2021 Clerk Fees in the amount of \$28,424.25, seconded by Krivohlavek. Voting aye were Kohout, Krivohlavek, Henning and Karpisek, nays none, motion carried.

Henning moved to approve Resolution #2021-037 transferring \$1,500 from the Inheritance Fund to the Adult Drug Court Fund, to be reimbursed when funds become available, seconded by Krivohlavek. Voting aye were Krivohlavek, Henning, Karpisek and Kohout, nays none, motion carried.



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Henning moved to approve Resolution #2021-038 transferring \$5,000 from the Inheritance Fund to the Grant Fund, to be reimbursed when funds become available, seconded by Kohout. Voting aye were Henning, Karpisek, Kohout and Krivohlavek, nays none, motion carried.

Henning moved to approve Resolution #2021-039 transferring \$7,500 from the Inheritance Fund to the Juvenile Services Aid Program, to be reimbursed when funds become available, seconded by Krivohlavek. Voting aye were Karpisek, Kohout, Krivohlavek and Henning, nays none, motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding the renewal of Blue Cross Blue Shield with NACO. It was noted with the NACO BCBS, the benefit of First Concord and Life Insurance is included. Krivohlavek moved to renew with NACO BCBS, seconded by Henning. Voting aye were Krivohlavek, Henning and Karpisek, abstaining with conflict was Kohout, nays none, motion carried.

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

## GENERAL FUND

General Fund Payroll	Salaries	119,044.60
All Star Glass	Equip Rpr	323.00
Rebecca Anderson	Atty Fees	1,440.00
AsphaltKingdom.com	Bldg Spls	2,798.00
Lyle Bartels	Milg	55.78
Matt Baumann	Reimb	25.00
Berggren Architects	Bldg Rpr	1,047.32
Bryan Heart	Hlth Ins	20.00
Kara Burda	Reimb	50.00
Cellebrite	Cntrct	4,300.00
CAMC	Hlth Ins	2,424.00
Dell	Equip	39,649.95
Forrest Doyle	Milg	98.00
Dee Drake	Reimb	16.08
Eakes	Off Spls	1,051.09
Ecolab	Bldg Maint	183.57
ESRI	Sftwr	400.00
Farmers & Merchants Bank	Spls	106.02
Farmers Coop	Fuel	18.50
First Concord	Ins	7,366.16
First Concord	Ins	546.00
First State Bank	Spls	284.36
Friend Comm Hlthcr Sys	Hlth	1,230.00
Andrew Glenn	Hlth	476.00
Gropp Law	Reimb	444.80
Scott Gropp	Atty Fees	7,000.00
Gworks	Sftwr	3,150.00
Bernard Hoesche	Milg	11.76
Horwath Laundry Equip	Cntrct	860.07
Integration Partners	Cntrct	169.96
Interstate All Battery Center	Spls	418.60
Kalkwarf & Smith	Atty Fees	1,213.00
Vergene Kracke	Reimb	150.00



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Latimer Reporting	Cntrct	174.80
Mallory Safety	Unif	111.99
Marshall & Swift	Data Proc	371.95
Mechanical Sales	Cntrct	2,523.30
Microfilm Imaging Sys	Cntrct	150.00
MIPS	Cntrct	5,334.32
NACO	Trng	2,249.09
NE Assn Cty Clerk Reg & Elect	Trng	250.00
Officenet	Off Equip	775.52
P.A.T. Mktng	Unif	795.00
Physicians Lab	Hlth	108.00
Postmaster	Pstg	200.00
Protex Central	Cntrct	1,043.91
Quadient	Cntrct	300.00
Quadient Leasing	Cntrct	998.04
Quill Corp	Off Spls	57.31
Region V Sys	Cntrct	2,354.00
Saline Co Atty	Reimb	270.36
Saline Co Crt	Reimb	618.00
Saline Co Dist Crt	Reimb	198.00
Saline Co Reg of Deeds	Plat Bks	54.00
Sapp Bros	Fuel	1,772.97
Sec of State	Cntrct	20.00
Seward Co Ind	P&P	387.06
Shop Qwik	Fuel	84.74
Siemens Ind	Cntrct	1,179.00
State Ind Prod Corp	Spls	1,492.76
State of NE	Cntrct	147.60
Striv	Cntrct	5,000.00
Alan Strouf	Milg	14.00
Summit	Spls	9,504.13
Thomson Reuters	Cntrct	143.85
Thyssenkrupp Elevator	Cntrct	168.00
Us Bank Equip	Off Equip	157.70
Verizon	Comm	1,509.71
Visa	Comm	5.15
Visa	Data Proc	323.14
Visa	Spls	127.32
Visa	Pstg	80.00
Visa	Comm	52.00
Visa	Pstg	678.44
Visa	Fuel	53.90
Visa	Spls	12.99
Visa	Emp Bnqt	74.99
Visa	Off Spls	55.51



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Visa	Trng	280.05
Visa	Off Spls	234.70
Walker	Spls	71.21
Windstream	Comm	6,893.54
Zito	Comm	83.94
3 & 33 Mutual Aid	Dues	25.00
41 Auto	Spls	50.96

## ROAD FUND

Road Fund Payroll	Salaries	23,852.73
Beatrice Concrete	Gravel	34,497.71
Crete Lumber	Spls	287.90
Eakes	Off Spls	15.95
NPPD	Util	280.37
O'Reilly Auto	Spls	3.79
Officenet	Spls	59.70
Sapp Bros	Fuel	2,822.90
Scherbarth Ace	Spls	60.25
Schuerman Welding	Spls	10.50
Shaffer Comm	Equip	66.00
Speece-Lewis	Cntrct	737.50
Sudrla Water Svc	Maint	300.00
Truck Center	Spls	78.10
Visa	Tax	1,143.54
Young'S Welding	Spls	39.37

## BAILIFF FUND

Bailiff Fund Payroll	Salaries	1,205.92
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## VISITOR'S IMPROVEMENT FUND

Dorchester Comm Fndtn	Reimb	1,000.00
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## WELLNESS FUND

First State Bank	GC	53.25
Visa	GC	40.00
Visa	Spls	108.94
Workwell	Cntrct	486.00

## AGING SERVICES FUND

Samantha Cosaert	Prgm	110.00
Marcia Emal	Prgm	145.00
Farmers Coop	Fuel	44.80
Tia Kreshel	Prgm	418.00
Seward Co Ind	P&P	27.10
Visa	Pstg	250.00
Visa	Prgm	51.75
Visa	Sp Prjt	1,571.39

## DRUG COURT FUND

Dairy Queen	GC	200.00
Kalkwarf & Smith	Atty Fees	1,200.00



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McDonalds	GC	200.00
Pizza Hut	GC	200.00
Postmaster	Pstg	110.00
Runza	GC	200.00
Sonic	GC	200.00
Taco Johns	GC	200.00
Verizon	Comm	120.03
Walmart	GC	500.00

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FUND

Homestead LEPC	Fees	143.31
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## JUVENILE SERVICES GRANT FUND

Better Living Counseling	Prgm	1,424.96
Family Service Assoc	Prgm	4,200.00
Ana Perez Mendez	Prgm	30.00
Anita Stougard	Prgm	1,570.66
Syerra Watson	Prgm	36.00

## 911 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND

Windstream	Comm	233.11
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## 911 WIRELESS FUND

Windstream	Comm	1,212.79
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## COMMISSARY FUND

Summit	Spls	6,172.14
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## COURTHOUSE DEBT SERVICE FUND

UBT	Bond Pmt	34,276.80
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## ALL FUNDS

First State Bank	Fed Tax	14,711.28
NE Dept of Rev	State Tax	6,834.90
First State Bank	Soc Sec	29,615.28
BC/BS	Hlth Ins	109,570.32
Ameritas Life	Retire	23,815.94
Delta Dental	Dental Ins	2,292.63
VSP	Eye Ins	506.17
AFLAC	Ins	1,356.30
MassMutal	Def Comp	2,278.00
Colonial Supp Ins	Ins	233.81
Teamsters	Dues	252.00
Madison Nat'l Life	Life Ins	52.76
Madison Nat'l Life	Dis Ins	178.95
First Concord	Café	2,165.40
New York Life	Ins	118.90
AZ Child Support	Garnish	86.06
Credit Management Services	Garnish	186.40
Professional Choice Recovery	Garnish	15.77



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At 12:16 p.m., Henning moved to enter closed session to review applications for the Wellness Committee Chairperson and a Catastrophic Leave Request, seconded by Krivohlavek. Voting aye were Krivohlavek, Henning, Karpisek and Kohout, nays none, motion carried.

At 1:10 p.m., Krivohlavek moved to exit closed session with no decisions made, seconded by Henning. Voting aye were Karpisek, Krivohlavek, Kohout and Henning, nays none, motion carried.

Since there were multiple applications received for the Wellness Chairperson, an interview will be conducted for each applicant on June 8, 2021. Bartels will schedule the interviews.

Henning moved to approve the Request for Catastrophic Leave, seconded by Kohout. Voting aye were Henning, Karpisek, Kohout and Krivohlavek, nays none, motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:12 p.m. The next regular meeting will be on June 8, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. in the Saline County Commissioners' Room, Court House, Wilber, NE.

ATTEST:

Anita K. Bartels, County Clerk

Janet J. Henning

Marvin A. Kohout

Stephanie A. Krivohlavek

Philip Hardenburger, Vice-Chairperson

Russ Karpisek, Chairperson

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I, Anita K. Bartels, County Clerk in and for Saline County, do hereby certify that the minutes of the previous meeting held on May 11, 2021 were approved as presented.

Anita K. Bartels, County Clerk

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