

# Brown County Board Minutes



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October 19, 2021

The Brown County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, October 19, 2021, at 5:15 P.M., in the Brown County Courthouse meeting room with members Chairman Buddy Small, Reagan Wiebelhaus and Dennis Bauer present. Also present were Brown County Clerk (BCC) Travis Hobbs and Brown County Highway Superintendent (BCHS) Kenneth Turpin.

Chairman Small acknowledged the Open Meeting Act posted near the entrance to the Meeting Room.

Those in attendance rose and stated the Pledge of Allegiance.

Small moved to approve minutes from the October 5, 2021 Commissioner meeting as written and officially recorded in Commissioner Book 22. Wiebelhaus seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried

Ann Fiala and Darlene Miller were present representing the Ambulance Association to discuss the sealed bids for the ambulance, that were opened at the October 5, 2021 meeting. Bauer moved to accept the bid in the amount of \$225,997.00 submitted by Fyr-Tek and authorize Chairman Small to sign the purchase agreement for a new ambulance. Wiebelhaus seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried.

Small moved to sign Resolution #2021-50 food service contract between Big John's and the Brown County Sheriff's Department for prisoner meals. Wiebelhaus seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried. Bids were opened at the October 5, 2021 meeting.

BCHS Turpin was present to give a Road Department report.

The Board discussed the Annual Certification of Program Compliance and Resolutions as well as the Standardized System of Reporting (SSAR).

Wiebelhaus moved to approve SSAR as presented and authorize Chairman Small to sign. Bauer seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried.

Wiebelhaus moved to approve Resolution #2021-51 County Annual Certification of Program Compliance 2021 with the Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classification & Standards and authorize Chairman Small to sign. Bauer seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried.

Susan Cook was not present on the Niobrara National Scenic River event and was added to the November 16, 2021 Commissioner meeting.

Brown County Attorney (BCA) Andy Taylor, discussed the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Brown County and The Nature Conservancy. No action was taken on the MOU as changes need to be made before signing. The item was added to the next agenda.

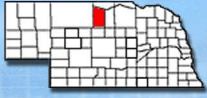
BCA Taylor discussed past due Landfill fees owed by John Flor. Mr. Flor has presented a proposed agreement to pay the back fees and the County waive fees going forward. The Commissioners rejected Flor's proposal. BCA Taylor will compose a letter to Flor saying such.

Small moved to approve Craig Smith and Jake Graff to serve on Brown County Veteran's Memorial Committee.

After discussion and lack of understanding of the number of vacancies to be filled, Small removed his motion. No action was taken, the item was added to the next agenda.

The Board discussed obtaining the services of Terry Holt with LifeGuard MD USA to maintain all Brown County AED's and first aid cabinets. The only costs are for products replaced. The Commissioners consented to utilize the services of LifeGuard MD USA.

At 6:00 P.M. Tyson Larson appeared telephonically to discuss the road tab of G-Works. The Commissioners asked Turpin to explore other options before committing to G-Works.



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The Board discussed an opioid litigation settlement letter received by the County. If the County signs on, they will receive funds from a settlement agreement if it is reached. Bauer moved to authorize Chairman Small to sign on behalf of the Brown County Board of Commissioners regarding the opioid litigation settlement. Wiebelhaus seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried.

No Public comments.

Small moved to approve the claims. Wiebelhaus seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:40 P.M.

The next regular meeting of the Brown County Commissioners will be Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at 5:15 PM, Brown County Courthouse, Ainsworth, Nebraska.

This meeting's public notice was published in the Ainsworth Star-Journal, aired on KBRB Radio, and posted at the Brown County Clerk's office, where all agendas and minutes are kept current for public inspection at any time.