

# Brown County Board Minutes



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November 16, 2021

The Brown County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, November 16, 2021, at 5:15 P.M., in the Brown County Courthouse meeting room with members Acting Chairman Dennis Bauer and Reagan Wiebelhaus present. Buddy Small was absent with an excused absence. Also present were Brown County Clerk (BCC) Travis Hobbs, Brown County Attorney (BCA) Andy Taylor, Brown County Assessor (BCAA) Terri Van Houten and Brown County Treasurer (BCT) Deb Vonheeder.

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

Those in attendance rose and stated the Pledge of Allegiance.

Bauer moved to approve minutes from the November 2, 2021 Commissioner meeting as written and officially recorded in Commissioner Book 22. Wiebelhaus seconded. Roll Call: Wiebelhaus Aye, Bauer Aye and Small Absent, motion carried.

Bauer moved to approve minutes from the October 18, 2021 Special Commissioner meeting as written and officially recorded in Commissioner Book 22. Wiebelhaus seconded. Roll Call: Bauer Aye, Wiebelhaus Aye and Small Absent, motion carried.

BCHS Turpin was not present to give a Road Department report.

No action was taken on the year end certification of County Highway Superintendent for determining Incentive Payment and Resolution. The item was placed on the next agenda.

BCT Vonheeder confirmed the December 15, 2021 Highway Bond payment to be paid from the Highway Buy Back fund.

Susan Cook was not able to be present relating to the Niobrara Scenic River Event. The item was placed on a later agenda.

Small left a statement which was read by Commissioner Bauer, stating that Brown County received a check for \$8,483.00 which brings the grand total to \$232,206.00 from NIRMA dividends over the years.

BCAA Van Houten discussed a contract for appraisal services with Lake Mac Assessment, LLC.

Wiebelhaus moved to approve the contract between Brown County Assessor and Lake Mac Assessment, LLC for \$2,095.00. Bauer seconded. Roll Call: Bauer Aye, Wiebelhaus Aye and Small Absent, motion carried.

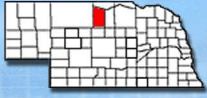
The Board discussed getting bids for the heating and cooling units.

Bauer moved to approve the Notice of Bidders for Heating and Air Conditioning for the West wing of the Courthouse. Wiebelhaus seconded. Roll Call: Wiebelhaus Aye, Bauer Aye and Small Absent, motion carried.

BCA Taylor discussed transferring the pickup from the Assessor's inventory to the Courthouse inventory.

Wiebelhaus moved to approve Resolution #2021-56 transferring the pickup from the Brown County Assessor's inventory to the Brown County Courthouse inventory. Further transferring the usage and maintenance of the vehicle to be the responsibility of the Brown County Clerk or duly authorized staff. Bauer seconded. Roll Call: Wiebelhaus Aye, Bauer Aye and Small Absent, motion carried.

Brown County Attorney (BCA) Andy Taylor, discussed the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Brown County and The Nature Conservancy.



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Bauer moved to approve Resolution #2021 – 57 the MOU between Brown County and The Nature Conservancy. Wiebelhaus seconded. Roll Call: Bauer Aye, Wiebelhaus Aye and Small Absent, motion carried.

Wiebelhaus moved to approve the claims and the Brown County Clerk's monthly fee report for October for \$3,666.03. Bauer seconded. Roll Call: Bauer Aye, Wiebelhaus Aye and Small Absent, motion carried.

Public comments were heard.

The meeting adjourned at 5:47 P.M.

The next regular meeting of the Brown County Commissioners will be Tuesday, December 7, 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.