

Brown County Board Minutes



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December 7, 2021

The Brown County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, December 7, 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, Brown County Attorney (BCA) Andy Taylor, Brown County Assessor (BCAA) Terri Van Houten and Brown County Treasurer (BCT) Deb Vonheeder.

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.

Bauer moved to approve minutes from the November 16, 2021 Commissioner meeting as written and officially recorded in Commissioner Book 22. Wiebelhaus seconded. Roll Call: Wiebelhaus Aye, Bauer Aye and Small Abstain, motion carried.

BCHS Turpin was not present to give a Road Department report but left a report which Small read aloud.

The Board discussed the Year end certification of County Highway Superintendent for determining Incentive Payment and Resolution.

Bauer moved to approve Resolution #2021- 58 Year End Certification of County Highway Superintendent for determining Incentive Payment with all three commissioners signing. Small seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried.

Susan Cook, Acting Superintendent, Niobrara Scenic River Event, informed the Board of a possible award covering the Niobrara Scenic River corridor that could open up potential economic development opportunities.

BCA Taylor discussed a service agreement between Village of Johnstown and Brown County regarding Brown County providing road services.

Wiebelhaus moved to approve Resolution #2021-59 agreement between Village of Johnstown and Brown County regarding road services provided by Brown County and authorize Chairman Small to sign. Bauer seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried.

BCA Taylor discussed the Lawn Care Contract between Brown County and Paulson Lawn Care Services. No action was taken, the item was placed on the next agenda.

The Board discussed setting salaries for the January 2023 – January 2027 official terms. No action taken. The item was placed on the next agenda in order to allow public comments.

The Board discussed the University of Nebraska Extension Inter local agreement with Brown, Rock & Keya Paha counties.

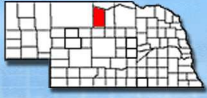
Bauer moved to approve Resolution #2021-60 University of Nebraska Extension Inter local agreement with Brown, Rock & Keya Paha counties and authorize Chairman Small to sign. Wiebelhaus seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried.

BCA Taylor discussed the Resolution regarding grant funding for community fishing pond project. No action taken. Item was placed on the next agenda.

BCA Taylor discussed the Memorandum of Understanding between Holt, Boyd, Wheeler & Brown Counties for Juvenile Diversion Program.

Wiebelhaus moved to approve Resolution #2021-61 Memorandum of Understanding between Holt, Boyd, Wheeler & Brown Counties for Juvenile Diversion Program and authorize Chairman Small to sign. Bauer seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried.

BCC Hobbs presented the Board with a sign permit renewal for a sign, Discover the Sandhills, located south of Highway 20 on land owned by John Gross, Permit #802002268SA.



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Wiebelhaus moved to approve the sign permit renewal, Permit #802002268SA and authorize Chairman Small to sign. Bauer seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried.

BCT Vonheeder discussed paying the upcoming bond payment and reimbursing KBR Solid Waste for equipment sold on Big Iron Auction.

Small moved to approve Resolution #2021-62 a Budgeted transfer from Highway Buyback Fund to Highway Bond Fund, \$117,859.58. Bauer seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried.

Wiebelhaus moved to provide permission to the Brown County Treasurer to pay the County Highway Bond payment of \$117,859.58. Bauer seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried.

Bauer moved to provide permission to the Brown County Treasurer to pay the Hospital Bond payment, \$213,813.75. Small seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried.

Small moved to authorize the County Treasurer to pay KBR Solid Waste for Surplus equipment sold through Big Iron Auction \$26,882.50. Bauer seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried.

Small moved to approve Resolution #2021-63 a Budgeted transfer from Miscellaneous General within the General to Reappraisal of \$8,000.00. Wiebelhaus seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried.

Chairman Small left the meeting at 6:14 PM

Wiebelhaus moved to approve the claims and the Brown County Clerk's monthly fee report for November for \$8,080.91. Bauer seconded. Roll Call: Bauer Aye, Wiebelhaus Aye and Small Absent, motion carried.

Public comments were heard.

The meeting adjourned at 6:15 P.M.

The next regular meeting of the Brown County Commissioners will be Tuesday, December 21, 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.