

Brown County Board Minutes



(ALL MINUTES ARE UNOFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED AT THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING)

June 7, 2022

The Brown County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, June 7, 2022, at 5:15 P.M., in the Brown County Courthouse meeting room with members Chairman Buddy Small and Dennis Bauer present. Member Reagan Wiebelhaus was absent with an excused absence. Also present were Brown County Clerk (BCC) Travis Hobbs, Brown County Attorney (BCA) Andy Taylor 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.

Bauer moved to approve minutes from the May 17, 2022, Commissioner meeting as written and officially recorded in Commissioner Book 22. Small seconded. Roll Call: Bauer Aye, Small Aye and Wiebelhaus Absent, motion carried.

BCHS Kenneth Turpin updated the Board with road department projects.

BKR Extension, Chandra Plate presented the Board with the proposed 2022-2023 BKR Extension Budget and discussed needs for electrical work in the extension office.

The Board authorized Plate to order the desk for the extension office.

Brown County Deputy Clerk (BCDC) Becky Hardy discussed the NIRMA renewal rates and optional deductible rates. The rate was reduced from the last year.

Bauer moved to remain with the same deductible rates for the next year. Small seconded. Small Aye, Bauer Aye and Wiebelhaus Absent, motion carried.

Brown County Deputy Clerk (BCDC) Becky Hardy presented the Board with the Café Plan Ending 2022 Key Employee Questionnaire and the Café Plan Ending 2022 Highly Compensated Employee.

Bauer moved to acknowledge the Café Plan Ending 2022 Key Employee Questionnaire and the Café Plan Ending 2022 Highly Compensated Employee, with Small initialing the plans. Small seconded. Roll Call: Bauer Aye, Small Aye and Wiebelhaus Absent, motion carried.

BCDC Hardy presented the Board with First Concord Benefits Adoptions Agreements revisions.

Bauer moved to approve the package from First Concord Benefits program regarding revisions to Section 125 and authorize Chairman Small to sign the adoption agreement. Small seconded. Roll Call: Small Aye, Bauer Aye and Wiebelhaus Absent, motion carried.

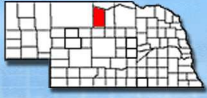
Small moved to approve Resolution #2022-25 transferring \$9,317.50 from Highway Buy Back Fund to the Highway Bond Fund. Bauer seconded. Roll Call: Bauer Aye, Small Aye and Wiebelhaus Absent, motion carried.

Bauer moved to provide permission to the Brown County Treasurer to pay the County Highway Bond payment of \$9,317.50 and to pay the Hospital Bond payment, \$218,551.25. Small seconded. Roll Call: Small Aye, Bauer Aye and Wiebelhaus Absent, motion carried.

BCA Taylor presented the Board with a copy of the Brown County Hospital Board Bylaws. The Board reviewed the proposed amendments and had no objections.

The Board reviewed a letter from Brown County Public Defender, Mike Borders with Borders Law, Broken Bow, Nebraska. Borders requested an increase of his contracted fee currently \$42,500.00.

Small moved to increase the contract fee for Mike Borders of Borders Law, Broken Bow, Nebraska to \$45,000.00. Bauer seconded. Roll Call: Small Aye, Bauer Aye and Wiebelhaus Absent, motion carried.



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Small moved to approve the claims and the Brown County Clerk's monthly fee report of \$5,893.53, Brown County Sheriff's monthly fee report of \$495.57 as presented. Bauer seconded. Roll Call: Bauer Aye, Small Aye and Wiebelhaus Absent, motion carried.

The Board acknowledged the budget request from the Ainsworth Public Library.

No Public comments were made.

The Board discussed and worked on preliminary budgets.

The meeting adjourned at 6:53 P.M.

The next regular meeting of the Brown County Commissioners will be Tuesday, June 21, 2022, 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.