

A meeting of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners was convened in open and public session at 9:00 a.m. on September 27, 2023, at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska. Present were Chairperson Terry Lerdall and Member Glenn Hofman and Bruce Bader. Clerk Cynthia Evans was present to record the proceedings. Co. Atty. Beverly B. Louthan was also present.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Valley Voice, Cambridge, NE on September 14, 2023. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the published notice. All proceedings of the Board were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The undersigned Clerk hereby certifies that these minutes were written and available for public inspection within ten (10) working days after the date of said meeting.

The meeting was duly called to order and Chairman Lerdall announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted on the wall of the meeting room.

The Minutes of September 13, 2023 were read. Motion by Hofman, seconded by Bader to approve the minutes as read. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Lerdall, Hofman, Bader, motion carried.

Audit and approval were made for the following payrolls and claims:

GENERAL FUND: PERSONAL SERVICES- September Payroll: \$70,404.76; AFLAC, \$802.31; Ameritas, \$8,004.17; BCBS, \$12,415.74; Delta Dental, \$843.88; Empower, \$200.00; First Concord, \$1,190.02; IRS, \$15,224.70; B. Bogle Louthan PC, \$2,604.11; Madison Nat, \$68.77; NE Child Suprt Sys, \$500.00; NE Dept of Rev. \$2,331.38; VSP, \$191.86 OPERATING EXPENSES- Applied Connect Tech, \$3,938.20; ATC, \$124.70; Black Hills, \$105.94; CAMAS, \$693.07; J. Collins, \$165.07; Comm Act Prtnrshp of Mid NE, \$782.32; J. Daake, \$2,000.00; DAS St Acct, \$167.75; Davis Law, \$212.50; D. Davis, \$45.00; Dawson Co Shrf, \$1,080.00; DPPD, \$1,092.24; Elwood Pub Lib, \$916.75; ERSI, \$440.00; Furnas Co Emgcy Mgr, \$2,958.00; Gosper Co Crt, \$101.00; GTP Acq, \$370.07; Heldt, McKeone, & Copley, \$50.00; Ideal Linen, \$182.94; Lex Clipp Herald, \$82.99; R. McFarland, \$45.00; MIPS, \$2,017.54; NACO, \$100.00; J. Naputi, \$45.00; NE Tech & Tele, \$852.73; E. Shultz, \$39.30; Urbom Law, \$125.00; Village of Elw, \$217.24; C. Vossler, \$45.00; Woodward's, \$35.00; SUPPLIES- N. Atterberry, \$70.00; Aurora CoOp, \$310.00; MARC, \$471.04; Mendards, \$209.41; Platte Vall Comm, \$1,045.25; Red Barn, \$1,010.73; Run N Iron, \$80.00; USave, \$2,156.38; EQUIPMENT RENTAL- Hometown Lsg, \$229.88; Quadient, \$4,000.00; CAPITAL OUTLAY- Anderson Ford, \$29,929.00; Chase, \$285.87; Computer Asst, \$135.00; Verizon, \$200.05;

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PERSONAL SERVICES- September Payroll: \$38,778.14; G. Brakhahn, \$1,128.31; M. Schutz, \$678.45; S. Griffith, \$2,456.31; Aflac, \$39.10; Ameritas, \$4,270.13; BC/BS, \$5,354.80; Delta Dental, \$545.28; First Concord, \$945.83; IRS, \$9,132.01; Madison Natl, \$51.70; NE Dept of Rev, \$1,257.41; VSP, \$99.39; OPERATING EXPENSES- ATC, \$51.98; Aurora CoOp, \$3,342.73; Baum Hydra, \$2,064.84; Black Hills, \$57.44; CAMAS, \$18.77; DPPD, \$128.99; John Deere Fin, \$4,966.84; K. Lehmann, \$317.61; Lofquist Weld, \$1,375.00; McFadden Auto, \$277.85; Meridian Rntl, \$96.10; NACO, \$25.00; NE Tech & Tele, \$249.94; NMC, \$12,622.86; RDO Truck Ctr, \$823.38; D. Schurr, \$91.19; SW Farm & Auto, \$39.98; Surplus, Ctr, \$260.39; TVPPD, \$48.42; Verizon, \$164.60; Vill of Elw, \$53.47; R. Warner, \$147.04; SUPPLIES- Ag Valley, \$182.72; Bauer Blt, \$241.50; Card Svc, \$18.23; CHS Agri Svc Ctr, \$343.89; Dultmeier, \$98.20; Gothenburg Tire, \$2,017.45; Lewis Shrp, \$42.00; Matheson, \$39.06; Mead, \$81.94; Menards, \$260.32; Newman Traf Sgn, \$87.15; Nutrien, \$7.30; Overton Sand & Grav, \$15,028.92; Paulsen, \$45,172.79; Pomp's Tire Svc, \$13,241.34; CAPITAL OUTLAY- Anderson Auto, \$20,199.00; Oak Creek Eng, \$1,725.00;

TREASURER'S MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS: \$224,203.03.

Todd Whitney, Extension Educator and others were present to report that the current office manager is planning to retire after the first of the year and they are considering changes to the duties of the office manager. They would like the new manager to manage the office part time and also go out to the schools part time, this would cause the office to be closed while they are at the schools. No action was taken.

At 10:30 a.m. A Bid Letting was held for the Courthouse Restroom Remodel project. Bldg. Supt. Justin Collins, Scott Theis and Nash Ackerman were present. The first bid opened was from Duncan Theis Construction, Kearney, NE in the amount of \$87,388.00. The second bid opened was from Ackerman General Contracting, LLC, North Platte, NE. in the amount of \$144,560.00. Discussion was held. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Bader to table a decision on the bids until the next Commissioner meeting on Oct. 11, 2023. Roll Call Vote: Aye, Lerdall, Bader, Hofman, motion carried.

The Board reviewed a monthly report from County Attorney's office.

Hwy. Supt. Mike Snyder was present and gave a road report. Two employees are taking the Highway Superintendent test on Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> in Lincoln. Some areas of Gosper County received 5" of rain on Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>, the damage to gravel roads was water crossing and alongside the shoulder, the minimum maintenance roads were severely damaged. The road employees are working on repairing the roads, mowing, graveling. The construction crew are working on a project in 730HI and 434HI. Mike reviewed a traffic/speed study that was conducted on Rd 433 north of Rd 742.

At 11:30 a.m., Chairman Lerdall opened the Public Hearing for the One- and Six-Year Road Hearing. Hwy. Supt. Mike Snyder was present. No others appeared. Hwy. Supt. Snyder reviewed the One- and Six-Year Road projects. Discussion was held. Chairman Lerdall closed the Public Hearing. Motion by Bader, seconded by Hofman to approve **Resolution No. 23-13** in accordance with Chapter 39, Article 21 of the Statutes of the State of Nebraska and prescribed by the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards for the One- and Six-Year Road Plan. Roll Call Vote: Aye, Lerdall, Bader, Hofman, motion carried.

The Board adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

ATTEST:

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Cynthia E. Evans, Clerk  
(Seal)

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Terry G. Lerdall, Chairperson

The next regular meeting of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners will be October 11, 2023, at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska. The Board will convene on October 31, 2023 at 9:00 a.m., at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska to conduct a regular session and to audit claims. Claims to be audited shall be filed with the County Clerk by October 24, 2023.