A meeting of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners was convened in open and public session at 9:00 a.m. on June 12, 2024, at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska. Present were Chairperson Terry Lerdall and Members Bruce Bader and Glenn Hofman. Clerk Cynthia Evans was present to record the proceedings. County Attorney Beverly B. Louthan was present.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Valley Voice, Cambridge, NE on May 30, 2024. 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 May 29, 2024 were read. Motion by Bader, seconded by Hofman to approve the minutes as read. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Lerdall, Bader, Hofman, motion carried.

Marty Craig, Dawson/Gosper County Weed Supt. was present and gave a weed report. Marty informed the Board that he will be retiring in Aug. and the Dawson County Commissioners will be appointing his replacement. The Board thanked Marty for his dedicated years of service as the Gosper County Weed Supt.

Motion by Bader, seconded by Lerdall to approve the Clerk of District Court report for the month of May. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Lerdall, Bader, Hofman, motion carried.

Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Bader to approve the renewal statement from NIRMA/NIRMA II for the policy period July 1, 2024 to July 1, 2025, which includes a 6.24% increase. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Lerdall, Bader, Hofman, motion carried.

Mary Gruber and Kim Scoville, CASA Board members were present and gave a program update. Tom Andrews and Betty Koenig, CASA Volunteers were also present. Discussion was held regarding the Interlocal Agreement with Dawson County; they would like the Board to consider an increase due to the loss of grant funding. Motion by Bader, seconded by Lerdall to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Dawson County and allow an increase for an annual amount of \$4,000.00. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Lerdall, Bader, Hofman, motion carried.

Jerod Reimers, Community Liaison for Rep. Adrian Smith was present and give an update.

At 10:00 a.m., Motion by Bader, seconded by Lerdall to convene as the BOARD OF EQUALIZATION. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Lerdall, Bader, Hofman, motion carried. Assessor Pam Bogle was present and read the Judiciary notice. Discussion was held regarding protests and values. Motion by Bader, seconded by Hofman to recess as the BOARD OF EQUALIZATION until June 26, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Lerdall, Bader, Hofman, motion carried.

Hwy. Supt. Mike Snyder was present and gave a road report. He attended the Hwy. Supt. Summer meetings and reviewed items discussed. The Road employees are finishing the culvert repair on RD 433 and building fence. They will then repair the undermine on RD 430 & RD 744; install a culvert at the intersection of Rd 434 & 739, install a culvert on Rd 424A EW north of Logan Wendland's, repair road 737EM west of Rd 421DR EW. They will start removing the bridge on RD 437 HI north of RD 730 and install a 40'x8' culvert with headwalls. Blade operators are maintaining roads and employees are mowing.

Motion by Bader, seconded by Lerdall to approve closing the Johnson Lake dam road from Hwy. 283 to Sandy Point on August 31st from 8:00-9:30 a.m., for a 501K Run to raise funds for the organization Traffik Stop. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Lerdall, Bader, Hofman, motion carried.

Sheriff Jesse Naputi was present and gave a Sheriff's report on the following, status of wrecked patrol and the patrol in Ogallala, the Deputies/Employees and the office management issues. Carlton Clark was present and issued public comments concerning the Sheriff's report. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Bader to enter into Closed Session at 11:25 a.m., regarding potential litigation. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Lerdall, Bader, Hofman, motion carried. Motion by Bader, seconded by Hofman to come out of Closed Session at 11:45 a.m. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Lerdall, Bader, Hofman, motion carried.

The Board adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

ATTEST:	
Cynthia E. Evans, Clerk	Terry G. Lerdall, Chairperson

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The next regular meeting of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners will be June 26, 2024, at 9:00 a.m., at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska.