

A meeting of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners was convened in an open and public session at 9:00 a.m. on April 30, 2025 at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska. Present were Chairperson Terry Lerdall, and Members Bruce Bader and Glenn Hofman. Deputy Clerk Karen Corder 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 April 17, 2025. 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 Deputy 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 April 9, 2025 were read. Motion by Bader, seconded by Hofman to approve the minutes as read. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Lerdall, Bader, Hofman, motion carried.

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

GENERAL FUND: Personal Services - April Payroll \$52,399.48 Aflac \$385.51 Ameritas \$8,521.15 Beverly Bogle Louthan, P.C. \$2,762.70 BCBS \$10,832.64 Credit Management Services \$671.75 Delta Dental \$778.38 Empower \$100.00 First Concord \$2,024.07 First Concord, LLC \$620.00 IRS \$15,573.60 Madison National \$76.66 NE Dept of Revenue \$2,370.97 UNL \$6,616.13 VSP \$169.71 Operating Expenses - Applied Connective \$2,999.10 ATC \$124.70 Aurora Coop \$24.12 Black Hills \$396.71 CAMAS \$211.98 Chase \$80.13 J. Collins \$93.80 Community Action Partnership \$1,821.78 Culligan \$18.10 DAS State Central Finance \$167.75 Davis Law \$1,669.20 D. Davis \$45.00 DPPD \$605.93 C. Devries \$123.20 Elwood Public Library \$944.33 M. Garrelts \$45.00 GTP \$400.27 Heldt, Mckeone & Copley \$3,307.50 T. Lerdall \$165.90 Menards \$21.77 MGT of America Consulting, \$571.55 MIPS \$1,999.08 Derek Mitchell PC \$562.50 NACO \$50.00 NE Tech & Telecom \$1,110.39 Rasmussen Mechanical Services \$607.56 J. Richie \$45.00 L. Swanson \$210.00 Urbom Law Offices, P.C. \$277.51 Village of Elwood \$252.71 C. Vossler \$45.00 Donald D Wilson, CPA \$7,200.00 Woodward's \$37.50 Supplies - Aurora Coop \$1,123.36 Coast To Coast Solutions \$935.54 Dollar General \$9.50 Eakes \$456.65 MIPS \$85.87 Protex Central, Inc \$1,176.18 The Red Barn \$577.05 RR Donnelley \$76.28 Run-N-Iron \$870.00 U-Save \$406.26 Equipment Rental - Hometown Leasing \$217.61 Capital Outlay - Menards \$430.41 Verizon \$240.06;

ROAD FUND: Personal Services - April Payroll \$35,736.38 Ameritas \$5,138.23 BCBS \$6,985.86 Delta Dental \$460.91 First Concord, LLC \$495.00 IRS \$13,004.01 Madison National \$54.91 NE Dept of Revenue \$1,483.70 Vision Service Plan \$80.08 Operating Expenses - Advance Auto Parts \$28.40 Ag Valley Coop \$388.38 ATC \$48.28 Aurora Coop \$139.93 Black Hills \$359.91 Bomgaars \$48.89 CAMAS \$56.00 DPPD \$122.27 Hampton Inn \$167.20 K. Lehmann \$26.05 Lexington Regional Health Center \$35.00 Lofquist Welding \$11.20 Meridian Rentals \$28.68 NE Tech & Telecom \$302.25 Nebraska Truck Center \$312.12 Platte Valley Communications \$212.50 RDO \$697.33 S & W Auto Parts \$48.45 Twin Valleys \$55.10 Verizon \$133.73 Village of Elwood \$61.97 Supplies - Ag Valley Coop \$259.07 Aurora Coop \$1,580.04 Bomgaars \$5.99 CHS \$344.07 K. Lehmann \$559.57 Matheson \$47.43 Newman Signs \$1,651.40 Olmstead Development \$4,199.04 Overton Sand & Gravel Co \$1,673.88 Pomp's Tire Service \$8,419.50 S & W Auto Parts \$262.89 Capital Outlay - Compulink \$1,648.00;

HIGHWAY BRIDGE BUYBACK FUND: Capital Outlay - F & A Concrete Finish LLC \$11,952.12;

COVID FUND: Capital Outlay - Duncan Theis Construction \$96,593.69;

LOCAL ASSISTANCE & TRIBAL FUND: Operating Expenses – Duncan Theis Construction \$77,142.31;

KENO/LOTTERY FUND: Operating Expenses – H. Clouse \$400.00 E. Edwards \$400.00 H. Fries \$400.00 Gosper Co Senior Center \$3,686.00 K. Hagan \$400.00 Hi-Line Legion Baseball \$1,000.00 L. Morton \$400.00 B. O'Hanlon \$400.00 B. O'Hanlon \$400.00 H. O'Hanlon \$400.00 L. Shutts \$400.00 D. Townsend \$400.00

TREASURER'S MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS- \$2,079,248.87.

Deputy Clerk Hadley Martin appeared and shared information on an online benefit enrollment program she will be utilizing offered through Alliant, a partner of NACO. By using this program it will reduce paper forms, eliminate manual data entry, give employees educational tools to help understand their options and the ability to compare benefits, coverage details and out-of-pocket costs. There is no cost to the county for the program as it is paid for through voluntary enrollment in policies offered through Mutual of Omaha.

Discussion was held on a letter received from NIRMA regarding the Safety Committee.

Asst. Hwy. Supt. Kelly Lehmann appeared to give a road report. Ron Fowler was present. Road employees are blading roads, clearing trees and brush on the north side of the street north of the school and continue to set and replace culverts. Kelly presented a bridge replacement project cost summary sheet and proposals for the inlet bridge received from Oak Creek Engineering. Discussion was held. Ron Fowler left the meeting.

Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Bader to go into closed session at 10:43 a.m. for the purpose of negotiations.

Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Bader to come out of closed session at 11:24 a.m.

The Board reviewed a 2025 Private Tax Sale Report received from Treasurer Nicole Townsend.

The Board reviewed a written Sheriff's report submitted by Sheriff Joshua Richie. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Hofman to approve signing the proposed Interlocal Agreement between Gosper County and the Village of Elwood for law enforcement services for FY 2025-2026 and FY 2026-2027. Roll Call Vote: Aye" Lerdall, Hofman, Bader, motion carried. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Hofman to allow the Sheriff's Department to pursue changing phone carriers from Verizon to FirstNet with AT&T.

The Board adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

ATTEST:

Karen J Corder, Clerk

Terry G. Lerdall, Chairperson

(Seal)

The next regular meeting of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners will be May 14, 2025, at 9:00 a.m., at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska. The Board will convene on March 26, 2025 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 May 21, 2025.