

Franklin County Board Minutes



Franklin, Nebraska
June 2, 2020

A regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Franklin County, Nebraska, was held on Tuesday, June 2, 2020 at 9:00 A.M. in the Supervisors' Room of the Courthouse in Franklin, Nebraska, public notice having been given by posting, publication and mailing. Present were: Chairperson David L. Pedersen, Roger Dorn and Scot Grams. Appearing either telephonically or via video conference (Zoom) were: Supervisors Leon Bertrand, Linda Carpenter, Neil R. Meiner and Delbert Rogers. Absent: None. Also present were: Linda A. Dallman, County Assessor; Marcia Volk Schenker, County Clerk and Michael D. Ingram, County Highway Superintendent; Jerry L. Archer, County Sheriff; Patricia L. Schurman, County Treasurer, Mary Saathoff and Herbert Shannon. Appearing either telephonically or via video conference were: Henry C. Schenker, County Attorney; Cody Wickham, on behalf of D.A. Davidson & Co.; Theresa Rizzo, CEO of the Franklin County Memorial Hospital, Erica Smith, Rhonda Herrick, Heidi M. Rose and Terri Wenninghoff.

Said meeting is a regular public meeting of the Franklin County Board of Supervisors. Notice has been given by posting, publication, and mailing. An Agenda was available to the members and an Agenda was kept currently posted in the office of the County Clerk. Said letters, reports, resolutions and agreements are on file in the office of the County Clerk unless otherwise stated.

Pursuant to "Executive Order No. 20-03 Coronavirus Public Meetings Requirement Limited Waiver", as extended by "Executive Order No. 20-24 Coronavirus - Continued Limited Waiver of Public Meetings Requirements", the County Board will be conducting their meetings by video-conference or by telephone conferencing or by conferencing by other electronic communication so long as there is made available at such meeting access to members of the public and to members of the media. The waiver shall apply to all public governing body meetings that occur effective March 17, 2020 through June 30, 2020.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. by Chairperson David L. Pedersen.

Chairperson Pedersen informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act Information was posted in the Board Room.

Visitor's comments. Four visitors were present via video conference (Zoom): Erica Smith, Rhonda Herrick, Heidi M. Rose and Terri Wenninghoff.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read. There being no objections or corrections, a motion was made by Dorn and seconded by Grams to approve the minutes of the May 5, 2020 meeting as presented. Roll call vote: Bertrand, aye; Carpenter, aye; Dorn, aye; Grams, aye; Meiner, aye; Pedersen, aye; Rogers, aye. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The consent agenda was presented to the Board. A motion was made by Grams and seconded by Carpenter to approve the consent agenda. Roll call vote: Bertrand, aye; Carpenter, aye; Dorn, aye; Grams, aye; Meiner, aye; Pedersen, aye; Rogers, aye. Nay: None. Motion carried. Items contained within the consent agenda: County Clerk and Clerk of the District Court Report; the Investment Portfolio Pledged Securities with Cornerstone State Bank for the Clerk/Imprest/Clerk of the District Court/Treasurer Accounts dated June 2, 2020; the Pledged Collateral Report dated June 2, 2020 and the County Treasurer's Miscellaneous Receipts from May 1, 2020 to May 31, 2020, Receipt No. 20200218 through Receipt No. 20200243, totaling \$121,092.33.

The following Resolution was presented to the Board for its approval:

RESOLUTION NUMBER TWENTY-SEVENTEEN (20-17)

RESOLVED, that South Central State Bank to be permitted to withdraw the following securities, held in escrow by FHLBANK, TOPEKA (trustee) to secure deposits of this County in said bank, to-wit:

Letter of Credit No. 61980, Irrevocable Letter of Credit \$4,000,000.00

And that the substitution of the following securities therefor be and the same hereby is approved.

Letter of Credit No. 62890, Irrevocable Letter of Credit \$3,000,000.00

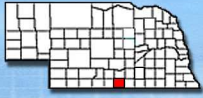
A motion was made by Dorn and seconded by Grams that the foregoing Resolution be adopted. Roll call vote: Bertrand, aye; Carpenter, aye; Dorn, aye; Grams, aye; Meiner, aye; Pedersen, aye; Rogers, aye. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The following Resolution was presented to the Board for its approval:

RESOLUTION NUMBER TWENTY-EIGHTEEN (20-18)

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Board of Supervisors has been advised by the Franklin County Clerk that due to unforeseen emergencies arising as a result of unanticipated expenditures, a shortage of budget appropriations has resulted in the following department within the General Fund, to-wit:

<u>Office/Function</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Jail	<u>\$10,807.59</u>



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Total

\$10,807.59

WHEREAS, the Board finds that it is necessary to increase the appropriations to the above-cited department in order to meet the additional expenses to allow said departments to carry out the requirements of that office. This increase in appropriations shall not result in any additional tax levy as the appropriation shall be transferred from the Sheriff's Department within the General Fund in the amount of \$11,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby authorizes the increase in appropriations of the sum of \$11,000.00 to the fund as reflected below:

<u>Office/Function</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Jail	<u>\$11,000.00</u>
Total	\$11,000.00

A motion was made by Bertrand and seconded by Dorn that the foregoing Resolution be adopted. Roll call vote: Bertrand, aye; Carpenter, aye; Dorn, aye; Grams, aye; Meiner, aye; Pedersen, aye; Rogers, aye. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the COVID-19 Relief to Counties and the reopening of the Franklin County Courthouse. The Franklin County Pandemic Reopening Plan drafted by the County Attorney was discussed. A motion was made by Dorn and seconded by Carpenter to adopt the Franklin County Pandemic Reopening Plan. Roll call vote: Bertrand, aye; Carpenter, aye; Dorn, aye; Grams, aye; Meiner, aye; Pedersen, aye; Rogers, aye. Nay: None. Motion carried. The Courthouse will reopen on June 8, 2020 with only one customer allowed in each office at a time. Signage will also be posted to that effect.

Herbert Shannon, Janitor, met with the Board to discuss various matters concerning janitorial issues at the Courthouse. Mr. Shannon presented a quote from Sears to replace the refrigerator in the Meeting Room. A motion was made by Dorn and seconded by Grams to approve the purchase of a new refrigerator from Sears in Kearney. Roll call vote: Bertrand, aye; Carpenter, aye; Dorn, aye; Grams, aye; Meiner, aye; Pedersen, aye; Rogers, aye. Nay: None. Motion carried. Said purchase price is \$664.00.

Jerry L. Archer, County Sheriff, met with the Board to discuss various County matters concerning his office. Sheriff Archer presented information on the Jail/Sheriff's budgets and the jail/video visitation.

Linda A. Dallman, County Assessor, met with the Board to discuss various County matters concerning her office. Ms. Dallman presented the following information:

At 9:37 A.M. a motion was made by Carpenter and seconded by Dorn that the Franklin County Board of Supervisors go out of regular session and act as the Board of Equalization. Roll call vote: Bertrand, aye; Carpenter, aye; Dorn, aye; Grams, aye; Meiner, aye; Pedersen, aye; Rogers, aye. Nay: None. Motion carried.

- a. Tax list corrections to be approved. A motion was made by Dorn and seconded by Grams to authorize Chairperson David L. Pedersen to approve and sign the following tax list corrections: #2293 and #2294. Roll call vote: Bertrand, aye; Carpenter, aye; Dorn, aye; Grams, aye; Meiner, aye; Pedersen, aye; Rogers, aye. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The Board acknowledged receipt of the following documents:

- b. Notice of Valuation Change re Pt. E1/2 5-4-15.
- c. Certificate of Valuation-Real Estate Tax Roll for 2020 is Complete.
- a. County Assessor 2020 Plan of Assessment. A motion was made by Dorn and seconded by Carpenter to approve the County Assessor 2020 Plan of Assessment. Roll call vote: Bertrand, aye; Carpenter, aye; Dorn, aye; Grams, aye; Meiner, aye; Pedersen, aye; Rogers, aye. Nay: None. Motion carried.
- d. Nebraska Tax and Equalization and Review Commission re Findings & Orders (No Show Cause Hearing).
- e. Valuing permissive exemptions was discussed. This matter was tabled for further research.
- f. The methodology for valuing property in the County was submitted to the Board.

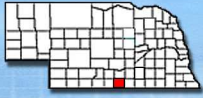
At 9:55 A.M. a motion was made by Dorn and seconded by Grams that the Board of Equalization end and the regular meeting resume. Roll call vote: Bertrand, aye; Carpenter, aye; Dorn, aye; Grams, aye; Meiner, aye; Pedersen, aye; Rogers, aye. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Cody Wickham, on behalf of D.A. Davidson & Co., and Theresa Rizzo, CEO of the Franklin County Memorial Hospital, presented information via video conference (Zoom) to discuss options for the early redemption/refinancing of the Hospital's outstanding bonds and for the Board to consider a Resolution to authorize the refunding of the County's General Obligation Bonds, Series 2012 for the purpose of achieving interest cost savings. A discussion was held.

The following Resolution was presented to the Board for its approval:

RESOLUTION NUMBER TWENTY-NINETEEN (20-19)

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF FRANKLIN, NEBRASKA TO AUTHORIZE THE EARLY REDEMPTION OF ALL OR A PORTION OF ITS GENERAL OBLIGATION HOSPITAL REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2012.



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A motion was made by Dorn and seconded by Carpenter that the foregoing Resolution be adopted. Roll call vote: Bertrand, aye; Carpenter, aye; Dorn, aye; Grams, aye; Meiner, aye; Pedersen, aye; Rogers, aye. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The following Resolution was presented to the Board for its approval:

RESOLUTION NUMBER TWENTY-TWENTY (20-20)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE BY FRANKLIN COUNTY, NEBRASKA OF ITS GENERAL OBLIGATION HOSPITAL REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2020, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE MILLION NINE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,950,000); PRESCRIBING THE FORM AND DETAILS OF SUCH BONDS; DELEGATING TO CERTAIN OFFICIALS THE AUTHORITY TO DETERMINE THE FINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT, MATURITIES, INTEREST RATES, REDEMPTION PROVISIONS AND OTHER DETAILS OF SUCH BONDS; IMPOSING AN AD VALOREM TAX ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE COUNTY TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF, PREMIUM, IF ANY, AND THE INTEREST ON SUCH BONDS; AUTHORIZING THE DELIVERY OF THE BONDS TO THE PURCHASER THEREOF; DESIGNATING THE BONDS AS QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS; ADOPTING CERTAIN POST-ISSUANCE TAX COMPLIANCE AND DISCLOSURE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES RELATING TO SUCH BONDS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN ACTIONS AND DOCUMENTS AND PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

A motion was made by Dorn and seconded by Carpenter that the foregoing Resolution be adopted. Roll call vote: Bertrand, aye; Carpenter, aye; Dorn, aye; Grams, aye; Meiner, aye; Pedersen, aye; Rogers, aye. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Michael D. Ingram, County Highway Superintendent, met with the Board to discuss various County matters concerning his office.

Mr. Ingram gave an update on the current road projects and the following items:

- a. Nebraska Emergency Management Association and the Federal Emergency Management Association update on the reimbursement of money from the weather-related disaster to County roads.
- b. Discussed proposed revisions to the Franklin County Employee Handbook in reference to non-worked holidays. No action was taken on this matter.
- c. Discussed the progress of M Road from 41 Road to 43 Road. Said road has been repaired and will be opened for public use.
- d. Discussed the purchase of a used truck. The Board instructed Mr. Ingram to obtain quotes for the purchase of a used truck and to report his findings at the July, 2020 Board meeting.

Correspondence presented and discussed:

- a. Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Management Association re NIRMA/NIRMA II Billing Statement. A motion was made by Dorn and seconded by Grams to approve the payment of the NIRMA/NIRMA II Insurance premium renewal on a prorated basis from the General Fund and the Road Fund. Roll call vote: Bertrand, aye; Carpenter, aye; Dorn, aye; Grams, aye; Meiner, aye; Pedersen, aye; Rogers, aye. Nay: None. Motion carried. Said claim to be paid from the following Funds: General Fund: \$45,906.00; Road Fund: \$45,434.00 and Weed Control Authority Department within the General Fund: \$2,558.00. The total amount of the premium is \$93,898.00.

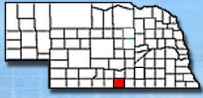
Heard reports from various agencies that the Board represents for Franklin County.

The Board discussed various County matters, namely personnel, complaints, suggestions and miscellaneous items.

A motion was made by Carpenter and seconded by Bertrand that the claims on file be approved and that the County Clerk be hereby instructed to issue checks for the same subject to delinquent personal property taxes, if any, of record in the office of the County Treasurer. Roll call vote: Bertrand, aye; Carpenter, aye; Dorn, aye; Grams, aye; Meiner, aye; Pedersen, aye; Rogers, aye. Nay: None. Motion carried.

GENERAL

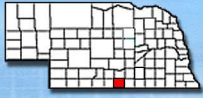
Adam, Tammy	Serv.	146.50
Aflac	Insur.	1,237.14
Anderson, Klein, et al.	Serv.	389.50
Apfel Funeral Home	Serv.	1,520.00
Black Hills Energy	Serv.	152.28
Blank, Angie	Serv.	361.02
BC/BS	Insur.	23,770.76
Business World Products	Sup.	161.46
Calkins Law Office	Serv.	477.24
Campbell Senior Meals	Qrtly. Req.	500.00



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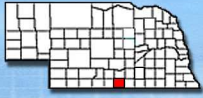
Carrot Top Industries, Inc.	Sup.	168.83
Casey's	Sup.	35.59
Clark, Joan	Serv.	128.25
Colonial Life	Insur.	261.12
CPI	Sup.	478.80
Cornerstone Bank	Sup.	75.55
Cornerstone Bank	Withholding	20,781.33
DAS State Accounting	Serv.	28.64
DAS State Accounting	Serv.	448.00
Dell Marketing LP	Sup.	95.78
Detlefsen, Bryon	Serv.	35.00
Dewald Deaver et al	Serv.	560.50
Dugan Printing & Promo	Serv.	243.65
Duncan, Patrick A.	Prior Service	11.00
Duncan, Walker et al	Sup.	12.95
Eakes	Sup.	521.37
Encartele	Sup.	900.00
Evangelical Free Church	Serv.	250.00
Fegter, Sandra	Serv.	242.30
Finkner, John M., M.D.	Serv.	45.53
First Concord Benefits Group, L.L.C.	Insur.	2,833.43
First Concord Benefits Group, L.L.C.	Cont.	175.00
First Concord Benefits Group, L.L.C.	Fees	2.50
First Concord Benefits Group, L.L.C.	Fees	144.00
Flowers N More	Sup.	59.87
Fr. Auto Parts	Sup.	13.38
Fr. City of	Serv.	2,876.01
Fr. Co. Chronicle	Serv.	3,507.60
Fr. Co. Court	Fees	84.00
Fr. Co. District Court	Fees	36.00
Fr. Co. Memorial Hosp.	Serv.	1,280.00
Fr. Co. Petty Cash Fund	Serv.	814.43
Fr. Co. Sheriff	Serv.	18.50
Fr. Drug	Sup.	66.32
Frontier	Serv.	1,327.46
Fye Law Office	Serv.	66.50
Goosic, Emma	Serv.	130.50
Goosic, Jessica	Serv.	131.65
Grace Lutheran Church	Serv.	250.00
GTA Insurance Group	Insur.	100.00
Guthrie, Jill	Serv.	275.00
Harlan Co. Sheriff	Serv.	45.20
Haussermann, Carrie	Mil.	2.88
Haussermann, LeRoy	Serv.	139.70
Haussermann, McKenna R.	Serv.	418.55
Herrick, Linda	Serv.	131.65
Herrick, Rhonda K.	Mil./Sup.	374.43
Hometown Leasing	Serv.	560.00
Hunt, Connie K.	Prior Service	5.00
Ingram Feed & Seed	Sup./Mower	3,528.80
Jackson, Caroline	Serv.	153.90



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Jackson, Ruth E.	Prior Service	18.00
Justice Data Solutions	Serv.	2,300.00
Kahrs, Susan	Serv.	242.30
Kearney Hub	Serv.	331.55
Laughlin, Kathleen A.	Serv.	760.00
Leal, Adriana	Mil.	68.25
L'Heureux, Shirley	Serv.	154.80
Lienemann, Peggy	Serv.	158.00
Lieske, Lieske et al	Serv.	496.50
Lunsford, Steven	Serv.	35.00
Madison National Life	Insur.	63.81
Madison National Life	Insur.	150.44
Mass Mutual Financial Group	Cont.	525.00
Minden Office Supplies	Sup.	423.37
MIPS, Inc.	Serv./Sup.	7,541.64
Murphy, Samantha	Serv.	35.00
NE Assoc. of Co. Officials	Dues	1,361.58
NE Dept. of Revenue	Withholding	2,956.78
NIRMA	Insur.	48,464.00
Parsons, Julia	Serv.	131.65
Paulsen, Betty	Serv.	242.30
Pedersen, David L.	Mil.	55.20
Pitstop	Sup.	312.25
Plank's	Sup.	3.79
Presto-X	Serv.	81.00
Professional Choice Recovery, Inc.	Serv.	365.23
Proforma	Sup.	137.21
Quadhamer, Abby	Serv.	126.00
Quadhamer, Brooke	Serv.	160.30
Randall, Kimberly S.	Sup.	172.10
RELX, Inc.	Serv.	105.00
Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas	Retirement	11,058.20
Rightway	Sup.	194.19
Rose, Nancy	Serv.	131.65
SE Smith & Sons	Sup.	332.86
Schegg, Sandra	Serv.	135.78
Sears	Sup.	664.00
Seifert, Cynthia	Serv.	131.65
Shelton, Amanda	Serv.	131.65
Skupa, Sydney	Serv.	159.30
South Central NE Area Agency on Aging	Bdgt. Req.	1,089.00
South Central State Bank	Sup.	50.38
Southern Power District	Serv.	184.34
State of NE Auditor of Public Accounts	Serv.	10,510.61
Thomas S. Stewart	Serv.	400.48
Sykes, James	Serv.	20.00
Sykes, Myrna	Serv.	148.80
Theobald Law Office	Serv.	973.75
Trinity Lutheran Church	Serv.	250.00
University of NE Lincoln WCREC	Sup.	1,135.46
UNL ITS Communications Center	Serv.	46.02



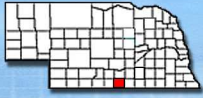
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U.S. Bank	Sup.	54.04
U.S. Postmaster	Serv.	818.00
Vill. of Campbell	Serv.	250.00
Vision Service Plan	Insur.	289.13
Wagoner, Reba	Serv.	131.65
Welsh, Madalynn	Serv.	129.40
Williams Funeral Homes	Serv.	1,520.00
Salaries		<u>70,274.49</u>
TOTAL		242,785.23

ROAD

Ace Irrigation	Sup.	1,759.50
Aflac	Insur.	696.96
Aurora Coop	Sup.	3,175.67
B's Enterprises	Sup.	3,456.00
Bach, Wayne	Prior Service	6.00
Black Hills Energy	Serv.	140.78
Bladen Sand & Gravel	Gravel	11,292.55
BC/BS	Insur.	13,347.02
Bower, Buck	Prior Service	13.00
Cencon of Kansas	Rock	2,973.68
Colonial Life	Insur.	277.20
CPI	Sup.	3,632.15
Contech Engineered Solutions	Sup.	4,410.00
Cornerstone Bank	Withholding	11,207.20
Eakes	Sup.	120.12
First Concord Benefits Group, L.L.C.	Cont.	196.67
First Concord Benefits Group, L.L.C.	Fees	78.00
Fr. Auto Parts	Sup.	367.39
Fr. City of	Serv.	214.93
Fr. Co. Chronicle	Serv.	214.20
Hall's Oil, Inc.	Sup.	2,874.15
Helena Agri-Enterprises, L.L.C.	Sup.	8,100.00
Husker Steel	Sup.	1,154.00
Impact Recovery Systems	Sup.	1,305.00
Ingram Feed & Seed	Sup.	1,866.34
Island Supply Welding Company	Sup.	500.29
J&A Traffic Products	Sup.	5,771.00
Jim's OK Tire	Serv./Sup.	1,592.50
Kimball Midwest	Sup.	426.59
Kully Pipe & Steel	Sup.	450.60
Lang Diesel, Inc.	Mower	9,300.00
Madison National Life	Insur.	31.22
Madison National Life	Insur.	131.85
Mass Mutual Financial Group	Cont.	125.00
Mid NE Aggregate Inc.	Gravel	26,081.90
NCK Quarries LLC	Rock	947.14
NE Dept. of Revenue	Withholding	1,631.86
NMC Exchange, L.L.C.	Serv.	64,748.13
NIRMA	Ins.	45,434.00



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Newman Signs Inc.	Sup.	744.50
Plank's	Sup.	294.67
R&R Sales & Service	Sup.	231.33
Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas	Retirement	5,536.95
Rightway, Inc.	Sup.	34.97
SE Smith & Sons	Sup.	114.19
Sapp Bros.	Sup.	1,057.50
Southern Power District	Serv.	84.41
Stephens, Robert E.	Prior Service	17.00
U.S. Postmaster	Serv.	92.00
Verizon Connect	Serv.	148.05
Vill. of Campbell	Serv.	14.50
Vill. of Naponee	Serv.	19.00
Vill. of Riverton	Serv.	59.72
Vision Service Plan	Insur.	201.07
Whites Auto Glass, Inc.	Serv.	257.23
Salaries		<u>35,780.74</u>
TOTAL		274,738.42

APPRAISAL

Eakes	Sup.	132.40
gWorks	Serv.	9,455.00
L.I.P.S.	Sup.	78.54
U.S. Bank	Sup.	<u>30.86</u>
TOTAL		9,696.80

REGISTER OF DEEDS-PRESERVATION AND MODERNIZATION

MIPS, Inc.	Serv.	<u>156.50</u>
TOTAL		156.50

A motion was made by Carpenter and seconded by Grams that the meeting be adjourned until the June 2, 2020 Board of Equalization meeting at 1:30 P.M. in the Supervisors' Room in the Franklin County Courthouse. Roll call vote: Bertrand, aye; Carpenter, aye; Dorn, aye; Grams, aye; Meiner, aye; Pedersen, aye; Rogers, aye. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The Board adjourned at 10:47 A.M., subject to the call of the Chairperson.

ATTEST:

 Marcia Volk Schenker
 County Clerk
 Franklin County, NE

 David L. Pedersen
 Chairperson
 Franklin County Board of Supervisors