

CASS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES (PENDING APPROVAL): March 25, 2025.

Pending minutes will not be approved until the next Board meeting and are subject to change. Approved minutes are available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk during normal business hours.

Members Present: Dasher, Boyle, DeGarmo, Murdoch and Stohlmann. Others present: Chris Perrone-County Attorney, Gerri Draper, County Clerk

8:00am- Chairman called meeting to order; gave notice of Open Meetings Act, Meeting Documents & Led Pledge of Allegiance
CONVENE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

CONSENT AGENDA: (1) Prior Meeting Minutes, (2) Claims, (3) Payroll/Time Balance Reports and (4) Fees Reported: County Clerk- Misc. \$278.00; Zoning- Misc. \$4,988.29; Register of Deeds-Preservation \$1,463.50, State DOC Stamps \$26,378.50, CO General DOC Stamps \$7,535.75, Co General \$9,696.50; Dist. Court Clerk- Misc. \$12,235.83; Sheriff-Mileage \$3,843.67, Misc. \$2,240.50

MOTION: Murdoch moved, Stohlmann seconded to approve consent agenda as prepared. Motion carried 5-0

CLAIMS: Amazon \$853.77 (Sup) American Heart Association \$1,241.00 (Sup) Ameritas Life Insurance \$34,420.23 (Ins) Applied Connective \$1,706.28 (Srv) Village of Avoca \$63.00 (Srv) Bishop Business \$402.42 (Srv) Black Hills Energy \$6,898.41 (Srv) Scott Bornemeier \$34.99 (Srv) Boundtree Medical \$425.95 (Sup) Linda Brouhard \$16.24 (Reim) Lawrence Carlsson \$2,000.00 (Srv) Cash-Wa Distributing \$280.10 (Sup) Cass County Court \$1,414.90 (Srv) Cass County Extension \$265.00 (Reim) Cass County Public Defender \$2,439.05 (Reim) Cass County Sheriff \$859.29 (Srv) Cass County Sheriff \$69.66 (Reim) Cassgram \$130.00 (Srv) Charm-Tex \$157.80 (Srv) Chemsearch \$508.53 (Srv) Cidnet \$3,000.00 (Srv) Clerk of the District Court \$346.00 (Srv) Column Software \$231.79 (Srv) Jim Crofoot \$30.82 (Srv) DAS State Accounting \$310.00 (Srv) Day Electric Service \$1,809.26 (Srv) Diamond Drugs \$4,694.80 (Sup) DirectTV \$80.86 (Srv) Dollar General \$6.00 (Sup) Douglas County Sheriff \$41.61 (Srv) Eakes Office Solutions \$339.58 (Sup) Engineered Controls \$394.00 (Srv) ES&S \$2,390.98 (Srv) Cindy Fenton \$70.70 (Reim) First State Bank \$35,930.76 (Ins) FP Finance Program \$336.00 (Srv) Frontier Cooperative \$235.00 (Sup) Fusselman-Allen-Harvey Funeral Home \$300.00 (Srv) Grainger \$166.85 (Sup) Great Plains Uniforms \$2,335.43 (Srv) Hayes & Associates \$6850.00 (Srv) HD Supply Formerly Home Depot Pro \$545.22 (Sup) Henry-Hobscheidt Service Center \$917.61 (Srv) Hometown Leasing \$1,064.41 (Srv) Horwath Laundry Company \$479.49 (Srv) Julie Howard \$200.00 (Srv) Independent Auto Repair \$2,458.91 (Srv) Johnson & Pekny \$3,983.60 (Srv) Jones Automotive \$902.50 (Srv) Lancaster County Sheriff Department \$38.60 (Srv) Mainelli Wagner & Associates \$7,308.40 (Srv) Village of Manley \$64.68 (Srv) Brook McConnaughey \$150.64 (Reim) My Central Supply \$1,313.79 (Sup) Meeske Ace Hardware \$13.49 (Sup) Meeske Auto Parts \$19.98 (Sup) Menards \$264.85 (Sup) Metlife Ins \$176.16 (Ins) MIPS \$262.30 (Srv) Alan Mueller \$31.80 (Srv) Mullenax Auto Supply \$57.47 (Sup) NACO \$80.00 (Srv) University of Nebraska \$1,200.00 (Srv) Nebraska Health & Human Services \$387.00 (Srv) NE Law Enforcement Training Center \$150.00 (Srv) NPPD \$201.99 (Srv) Nebraska.gov \$8.50 (Srv) S. Gregory Nelson \$475.00 (Srv) Ray O'Herron \$168.07 (Sup) OPPD \$830.07 (Srv) Omaha World Harold \$154.21 (Srv) Omega Chemical \$624.46 (Srv) H.S.A \$2,400.00 (Ins) Otoe County Sheriff \$6.50 (Srv) Oxen Technology \$2,598.00 (Srv) Papillion Sanitation \$220.76 (Srv) Physicians Laboratory \$17,384.00 (Srv) Polaris Law Group \$2,555.50 (Srv) Quill Corporation \$314.99 (Sup) Nick Rayer \$44.19 (Srv) Ricoh \$129.18 (Srv) Sam's Club \$284.52 (Sup) Sarpy County Sheriff \$6.00 (Srv) Sarpy County Treasurer \$2,018.991 (Srv) Secretary of State \$20.00 (Srv) Security Transport Services \$3,398.71 (Srv) Robert Staben \$20.74 (Srv) Stop N Shop \$1,976.65 (Sup) Mike Story \$28.02 (Srv) Stryker Sales \$3,397.61 (Sup) Summit Food Services \$10,171.36 (Sup) George Tesar Jr \$47.34 (Srv) Thibault Suhr & Thibault \$249.00 (Srv) TK Elevator \$705.00 (Srv) TMN Reporting \$193.60 (Srv) Bobie Touchstone \$6,393.50 (Srv) Turnkey Corrections \$128.70 (Srv) Unifirst Corporation \$196.62 (Srv) United Healthcare \$74,882.28 (Ins) United Healthcare Dental \$2,364.42 (Ins) Windstream \$5,376.54 (Srv) York County Sheriff \$250.00 (Srv) CLAIMS: \$276,382.90 PAYROLL: \$421,432.12 TOTAL: \$697,815.02 ROADS: B's Enterprises \$4,928.00 (Srv) Eakes Office Solutions \$49.35 (Sup) Frontier Cooperative \$41,306.40 (Sup) Gordon Electric \$126.37 (Srv) Hotsy Equipment \$556.96 (Srv) J Clark \$728.00 (Srv) Keckler Oil Company \$23.25 (Sup) M.E Collins Contracting \$85,472.77 (Srv) Mainelli Wagner & Associates \$21,978.20 (Srv) Martin Marietta \$52,706.47 (Sup) Meeske Ace Hardware \$172.87 (Sup) Meeske Auto Parts \$689.85 (Sup) Mill Creek Auto Parts \$816.75 (Sup) Murphy Tractor & Equipment \$508.75 (Srv) RDO Truck Center \$851.41 (Srv) Sapp Bros \$3,728.83 (Srv) TEC Equipment \$857.10 (Srv) Titan Machinery \$16,821.47 (Srv) Truck Center Companies \$548.80 (Srv) Whetrock \$21,503.16 (Sup) CLAIMS: \$254,374.76 PAYROLL: \$68,056.59 TOTAL: \$322,431.35 VISITOR PROMOTION: Carl Reichart \$218.40 (Reim) Barbara Slattery \$98.70 (Reim) CLAIMS: \$317.10 PAYROLL: \$1,412.88 TOTAL: \$1,729.98 INHERITANCE: Marilyn Mathis Estate \$2,816.26 (Srv) TOTAL: \$2,816.26 E911 WIRELESS: Windstream \$1,488.67 (Srv) TOTAL: \$1,488.67 OVERALL GRAND TOTAL: \$1,025,835.62

1. Regular Agenda:

MOTION: Dasher moved, Murdoch seconded to approve agenda as prepared. Motion carried 5-0

2. Past Meetings Attended by Commissioners:

- Dasher: SE District Meeting
- Boyle: Region 6, SENCA
- DeGarmo: Calls with Sand Hills Energy and LPSNRD
- Stohlmann: Economic Development, LPSNRD and MAPA TTAC & Financial Meetings
- Murdoch: SE District Meeting

3. Public Hearing/Action (8:35am): MOTION: Murdoch moved, Dasher seconded. Motion carried 5-0

3A. Public Hearing- Cass County Assessor Interview(s) to fill the vacancy left by the registration of current Assessor Teresa Salinger the board will be selecting one of these candidates to fill the vacancy.

The board received one application from Sasha Frye. Frye is currently the Administrative Officer for the Cass County Assessor's office and has been with the office for 10 years with the last 6 working closely with the Assessor assisting in all aspects of the day to day operations.

3B. Public Hearing- Public Input regarding Black Elk Farms Parcel #130102555 & 130102938; Odor Complaint(s), the board will hear opinions both in support and opposition to the nuisance allegations, the board will not take action on this matter at this meeting

Board heard from 14 property owners in opposition and owner of Black Elk Farms. Handouts received from audience members and emails received through March 24th were entered into the record.

Close Public Hearing (9:49am): MOTION: Murdoch moved, Boyle seconded. Motion carried 5-0

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MOTION: DeGarmo moved, Murdoch seconded to appoint Sasha Frye as Cass County Assessor to fill the remaining term of Teresa Salinger at the current rate of pay effective April 4, 2025. Motion carried 5-0

BREAK 9:50 (15 Mins)

4. Litigation & Legal Matters-Christopher Perrone, County Attorney:

4A. Discuss/Action- Cremation authorization and request approval to use Fund 801 for cremation and burial expenses

MOTION: DeGarmo moved, Murdoch seconded to table until April 8, 2025. Motion carried 5-0

5. Road Matters-Lenny Thorne, Highway Superintendent: none scheduled

6. New Business & Unfinished Business:

6A. Discuss/Action- Sean Kennedy-GIS Coordinator, approval to implement GIS copy fees; Custom maps \$50 per hour (1 hour minimum), \$35 per hour for entities within Cass County entering into Interlocal Agreement with the County

MOTION: Stohlmann moved, Murdoch seconded to approve GIS copy fees as presented. Motion carried 5-0

6B. Discuss/Action- Sheriff Sorenson, request approval for Mutual Support and Information Sharing MOU between 55th Security Forces Squadron and the Cass County Sheriff's Office

MOTION: DeGarmo moved, Boyle seconded to approve MOU as presented. Motion carried 5-0

6C. Executive session- Personnel Matters and pending legal actions

EXECUTIVE SESSION: CHAIR STATES for the protection of public interest or for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual, may have a motion to go into executive session to allow the board to discuss personnel matters and pending legal actions.

MOTION: Stohlmann moved, Murdoch seconded to enter into executive session to discuss personnel matters and pending legal actions. Motion carried 5-0. Chair reiterated limited subject matter to be addressed: personnel matters and pending legal actions before entering closed session. Time of entering closed session was 8:09am

CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION: MOTION: Stohlmann moved, Boyle seconded, to close executive session. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting reconvened in open session at 8:35am. Chair announced that the only topic discussed in closed session personnel matters and pending legal actions. There was no action taken in closed session.

6D. Discuss/Action- Consider revisions to Interlocal with LPS NRD, discuss and select MOPAC trail connector. The board will be considering which route to select in compliance with the Interlocal agreement

MOTION: Stohlmann moved, Murdoch seconded to revoke that portion of the motion made and approved on November 5, 2024 relative to the approval of Route D as Mopac Trail Connection as I do not believe that the issue was property before the board for action at the meeting. "I also am no seeking to revoke that portion of the November 5, 2024 motion wherein the second Interlocal Agreement between the County and the LPSNRD was approved." Motion carried 4-0, DeGarmo voting no

MOTION: Stohlmann moved, Dasher seconded to table route selection until April 22, 2025 to allow for re consider action and additional discussion of the various route options with constituents, NRD and other officials. Motion carried 5-0

Other Business Matters/Public Input & Comments: Board heard from audience members both in support and opposition of the MOPAC trail.

11:16am ADJOURN: MOTION: Murdoch moved, DeGarmo seconded. Motion carried 5-0

I, Gerri Draper, the undersigned Clerk of Cass County, Nebraska do hereby certify the above minutes were taken by me and are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and are part of the official records of this office. I therefore set my hand and affix the County Seal this 25th day of March 2025.

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County of Cass) ^{ss.}

Gerri Draper
Cass County Clerk