

CASS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES (PENDING APPROVAL): January 14, 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: Boyle, DeGarmo, Murdoch and Stohlmann. *District 1 vacant.* Others present: Chris Perrone-County Attorney, Gerri Draper- County Clerk

8:00am- Chair called meeting to order; gave notice of Open Meetings Act & Pledge of Allegiance

CONVENE-BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS: RE-ORGANIZATION:

1. Appoint Chairman

DeGarmo nominated himself as Chairman, DeGarmo asked if there were any other nominations, hearing none he asked a roll call vote.

MOTION: DeGarmo moved, Boyle seconded to select Alexander DeGarmo as Chairman of the Board of Commissioners for 2025. Motion carried 4-0, District 1 vacant

2. Appoint Vice Chairman

DeGarmo nominated Duane Murdoch as Vice-Chairman, hearing no other nominations, chair asked for a roll call vote.

MOTION: Murdoch moved, Boyle seconded to select Duane Murdoch as Vice-Chairman of the Board of Commissioners for 2025. Motion carried 4-0, District 1 vacant

3. Appoint Commissioners as Committee Representatives for Cass County

2025 ORGANIZATIONS:	Member	Alternate
Region 6 Eastern Nebraska Human Services Agency (ENHSA)	Boyle	Stohlmann
Sarpy & Cass County Health Department Board	Dist. 1	DeGarmo
Representative on County Noxious Weed Board	Stohlmann	Murdoch
Local Emergency Planning Committee	Murdoch	Dist. 1
Southeast Nebraska Community Action Council (SENCA)	Boyle	Murdoch
5 Rivers RC & D Committee	Murdoch	Dist. 1
Advisory Committee for City County Co-Location	Dist. 1	Murdoch
Cass County Economic Development Council	DeGarmo	Murdoch
I.T/Computer Liaison	DeGarmo	Stohlmann
Extension and 4H Representative	Boyle	Murdoch
Joint Public Agency Board Member (Fair)	DeGarmo	Boyle
MAPA-TTAC District 2 Commissioner	Stohlmann	Boyle
MAPA Financial Committee	Stohlmann	Boyle
Visitor Promotion Liaison	DeGarmo	Boyle
Veterans Service Liaison	Murdoch	Dist. 1

2025 COMMITTEES AS NEEDED:	Member	Alternate
Buildings	Murdoch	Boyle
Finance	DeGarmo	Murdoch
FOP	Boyle	Stohlmann
Insurance	Murdoch	Stohlmann
Cass County/Lower Platte South NRD -MOU	DeGarmo	Boyle
Emergency Mgmt. Building/EMS/Paramedic Program	DeGarmo	DeGarmo
Sheriff's Office Merit Commission: Effective 1/1/25 (3yr term per State Statute)	Murdoch selected 12.31.24 (3yr term)	
BHAC (Behavioral Health Advisory Committee) assigned by BHAC serve w/Jeff Leach	Murdoch	Dist. 1

MOTION: Murdoch moved, Boyle seconded to approve committee representatives for 2025 as selected. Motion carried 4-0, District 1 vacant

4. Appoint County Officials

Highway Superintendent

MOTION: DeGarmo moved, Boyle seconded to appoint Lenny Thorne, Highway Superintendent for 2025. Motion carried 4-0, District 1 vacant

Zoning Administrator

MOTION: Murdoch moved, Stohlmann seconded to appoint Mike Jensen, Zoning Administrator for 2025. Motion carried 4-0, District 1 vacant

Weed Superintendent

MOTION: DeGarmo moved, Murdoch seconded to appoint Rand Group, Weed Superintendent for 2025. Motion carried 4-0, District 1 vacant

Emergency Management Director

MOTION: Murdoch moved, Boyle seconded to appoint Chad Korte, Emergency Management Director for 2025. Motion carried 4-0, District 1 vacant

Veterans Service Office

MOTION: DeGarmo moved, Boyle seconded to appoint Aaron Moore, Veterans Service Officer for 2025. Motion carried 4-0, District 1 vacant

GIS Coordinator

MOTION: DeGarmo moved, Boyle seconded to appoint Sean Kennedy, GIS Coordinator for 2025. Motion carried 4-0, District 1 vacant

5. Designate 2025 Financial Institutions for County Monies:

MOTION: Boyle moved, Murdoch seconded to approve financial institutions for 2025; American Exchange Bank, Citizens State Bank, Corn Grower State Bank, Cornerstone Bank, Farmers & Merchants Bank, First Nebraska Bank, First Nebraska Bank-Valley NE, Pinnacle Bank, Riverstone Bank, The Nehawka Bank and/or First State Bank Nebraska, Union Bank & Trust. Motion carried 4-0, District 1 vacant.

8:15am CLOSE REORGANIZATION

8:15 CONVENE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

1. Discuss/Action- (Assessor) Tax Correction(s) Parcel #: 1303973752024; 130103187-2024; 130398847-2024

MOTION: Murdoch moved, Stohlmann seconded to approve corrections as presented. Motion carried 4-0, District 1 vacant

2. Discuss/Action- (Treasurer) Motor Vehicle Exemption Application: First Baptist Church (1) 2010 Blue Bird Passenger Bus

MOTION: Murdoch moved, Boyle seconded to approve corrections as presented. Motion carried 4-0, District 1 vacant

8:17am CONVENE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

CONSENT AGENDA: (1) Prior Meeting Minutes, (2) Claims, (3) Payroll/Time Balance Reports and (4) Fees Reported

MOTION: Boyle moved, DeGarmo seconded to approve consent agenda as prepared. Motion carried 4-0, District 1 vacant

GENERAL CLAIMS: Accelerated Graphx \$1,586.25 (srv) All Copy Products \$111.01 (srv) Amazon Capital Services \$641.99 (sup) American Eagle Computer Products \$402.21 (sup) Ameritas Life Insurance Corp \$36,738.36 (ins) AT&T Mobility \$1,090.17 (srv) Black Hills Energy \$296.06 (srv) Bomgaars \$15.68 (sup) Linda Brouhard \$60.00 (reim) Lawrence Carlsson MD \$2,000.00 (srv) Cash-Wa Distributing \$375.35 (srv) Cass County Attorney \$42.00 (srv) Cass County Historical Society \$3,333.33 (srv) Cass County Mutual Aid Assn \$50.00 (srv) Reinsch, Slattery, Bear & Minahan \$2,145.19 (srv) Cass County Refuse \$144.00 (srv) Cass County Sheriff-Civil Process \$2,287.30 (srv) Cassgram \$39.00 (srv) Jennifer Claus \$77.05 (srv) Clerk of the District Court \$218.00 (srv) Column Software PBC \$23.41 (srv) Comdata Corporation \$271.50 (srv) Control Masters Inc \$9,406.66 (srv) Percival Culligan Water \$40.00 (sup) DAS Central Finance \$1,336.49 (srv) DAS State Accounting \$150.00 (srv) Des Moines Stamp \$76.00 (sup) DirecTV \$87.64 (srv) Douglas County Sheriff Dept \$15.70 (srv) Geri Draper \$60.00 (reim) Eakes Office Solutions \$324.49 (srv) Eastern Nebr Human Serv Agency \$22,738.00 (srv) Harold Ehmke \$15.00 (ret) Electronic Engineering \$27.45 (srv) EMS Connect \$78.00 (srv) Eugene Farris \$9.00 (reim) Fireguard Inc \$868.25 (srv) First State Bank Nebraska \$39,083.31 (tax) Taylor Fleischman \$60.00 (srv) FP Finance Program \$194.00 (srv) Travis J Frye \$60.00 (reim) Grainger \$296.06 (sup) Great Plains Uniforms LLC \$1,282.34 (srv) Village of Greenwood \$155.40 (srv) Henry-Hobscheidt Service Center \$749.38 (srv) HTBS Credit \$84.51 (sup) Holiday Inn \$374.85 (srv) Hometown Leasing \$2,029.04 (srv) Shelba E Huettner \$55.77 (srv) HyVee \$85.73 (sup) Mike Jensen \$60.00 (srv) Keckler Oil Company \$62.45 (sup) La Quinta Inns & Suites \$1,124.55 (srv) Lancaster County Sheriff \$19.40 (srv) Matthew Bender & Co Inc \$956.22 (srv) Gerald M Liess \$275.00 (srv) Christina Loper \$20.00 (srv) Mainelli Wagner & Assoc \$5,554.50 (srv) Manley Sewer & Water \$64.68 (srv) Matheson Tri-Gas Inc \$676.96 (sup) Brandon McClane \$60.00 (reim) Brook McConnaughey \$60.00 (reim) My Central Supply \$958.88 (sup) Meeske Ace Hardware \$179.96 (sup) Menards \$13.99 (sup) Metlife Life Ins Co \$172.32 (ins) Metropolitan Area Planning Agency \$8,490.00 (srv) Mid America First Call Inc \$250.00 (srv) MIPS \$6,104.77 (srv) Motorola Solutions Inc \$118.26 (srv) NACO \$320.00 (srv) Nebraska District Court Clerk Assoc \$50.00 (srv) Nebraska Public Power District \$8,146.43 (srv) Nebraska.gov \$8.50 (srv) Todd O'Connor \$60.00 (reim) Office Warehouse \$115.03 (sup) Omaha Public Power District \$250.53 (srv) Omega Chemical Co Inc \$233.86 (sup) O'Reilly Auto Parts \$25.36 (sup) Oxen Technology \$9,036.00 (srv) Paper Tiger Shredding Inc \$497.10 (srv) Papillion Sanitation \$1,020.13 (srv) Christopher Perrone \$313.24 (reim) PIP Marketing Signs & Printing \$188.27 (srv) Pitney Bowes Inc \$559.17 (srv) City of Plattsmouth \$1,378.82 (srv) Laura Pohlmeier \$60.00 (reim) Pottawattamie County Sheriff \$36.00 (srv) Professional Heating & Air Conditioning \$6,640.00 (srv) Quik Dump Refuse Inc \$34.18 (srv) Quill Corporation \$380.98 (sup) Region 6 Behavioral Health Care \$18,554.75 (srv) Otoe County Rural Water District #3 \$36.00 (srv) Rural Water Dist #1 \$38.00 (srv) Sarpy Co Sheriff Civil Proc \$6.00 (srv) Secretary of State-Elections Division \$40.00 (sup) Michael A Smith \$378.00 (reim) Software Unlimited \$281.60 (srv) Staples Business Credit \$1,445.60 (sup) William Sterrett \$60.00 (reim) Cassie Story \$60.00 (reim) Summit Food Service LLC \$10,567.10 (srv) Renee Thakur \$56.28 (srv) Thomson Reuters-West \$1,582.62 (srv) Leonard Thorne \$60.00 (reim) Mary Tilson \$625.00 (srv) TK Elevator Corporation \$282.51 (srv) Transunion Risk & Alternative \$75.00 (srv) Unifirst Corporation \$187.02 (srv) United Healthcare \$76,091.78 (ins) US Bank \$3,253.68 (srv) US Bank Voyager Fleet \$8,297.83 (sup) Verizon \$1,043.25 (srv) Voss Lighting \$178.20 (sup) Warren Wade \$19.00 (ret) Todd West \$2,934.10 (srv) Windstream \$4,599.33 (srv) Angel Woodard \$125.00 (srv) Zelle LLC \$5,500.00 (srv) 201 Main Street LLC \$2,960.00 (srv) CLAIMS: \$339,191.76; PAYROLL: \$462,381.67; TOTAL: \$801,573.43 ROADS: Ace Irrigation & Mfg \$52,352.50 (sup) AKRS Equipment \$265.00 (srv) Bomgaars \$143.05 (sup) Eakes Office Solutions \$6.96 (sup) Frontier Cooperative \$24,965.39 (sup) Hometown Leasing \$139.89 (srv) Mainelli Wagner & Assoc \$21,461.57 (srv) Martin Marietta \$31,580.89 (sup) Meeske Ace Hardware \$190.28 (sup) Meeske Auto Parts \$202.74 (srv) Mill Creek Auto Parts \$334.80 (srv) MIPS Inc \$146.45 (srv) Murphy Tractor & Equip \$68.26 (srv) NMC Inc \$2,236.89 (srv) Nancy Phillips \$345.00 (srv) Pomp's Tire Service Inc \$46.00 (sup) S&C Dust Control \$371.20 (srv) Syracuse Iron Works \$112.16 (srv) Truck Center Companies \$2,225.99 (srv) US Bank \$539.70 (srv) US Bank Voyager Fleet \$1,030.61 (sup) CLAIMS: \$138,765.33; PAYROLL: \$67,942.51; TOTAL: \$206,707.84 COMMUNICATION TOWER: The Center for Municipal Solutions \$2,025.00 (srv) TOTAL: \$2,025.00 VISITOR PROMOTION: Midlands Printing \$198.68 (srv) Omaha Magazine LTD \$6,720.00 (srv) CLAIMS: \$6,918.68 PAYROLL: \$1,412.88 TOTAL: \$8,331.56 RECORD PRESERVATION: MIPS Inc \$278.64 (srv) TOTAL: \$278.64 COVID-AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN: Nebraska Title Company \$100,000.00 (srv) TOTAL: \$100,000.00 KENO: Nebraska Department of Revenue \$2,784.00 (srv) TOTAL: \$2,784.00 E911: Motorola Solutions \$4,909.00 (srv) TOTAL: \$4,909.00 E911 WIRELESS: Motorola Solutions \$32,630.00 (srv) TOTAL: \$32,630.00 OVERALL GRAND TOTAL: \$1,159,239.47

1. Regular Agenda:

MOTION: Murdoch moved, Sharp seconded to approve agenda as prepared. Motion carried 4-0, District 1 vacant

2. Past Meetings Attended by Commissioners:

- Boyle: none
- DeGarmo: none
- Stohlmann: none
- Murdoch: none

3. Public Hearing/Action (8:15am): none scheduled

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

4A. Discuss/Action- Interlocal Agreement between Cass County Sheriff's Office/City of Plattsmouth - Community Center Use
MOTION: Boyle moved, Murdoch seconded to authorize chair to sign agreement as presented. Motion carried 4-0, District 1 vacant

4B. Discuss/Action- Interlocal Agreement between Cass County and City of Plattsmouth - Mutual Aid

MOTION: Stohlmann moved, DeGarmo seconded to authorize chair to sign agreement as presented. Motion carried 4-0, District 1 vacant

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

6. New Business & Unfinished Business:

6A. Discuss/Action- Mike Jensen- Zoning Administrator, request from Lower Platte South Natural Resource District (NRD) and Department of Natural Resources (DNR), regarding letter of support for FEMA SWIFT Grant program. Discussion held no action taken

Other Business Matters/Public Input & Comments: Shawn Micheel I.T. Department spoke with board members regarding I.T Department. No action taken

8:35am ADJOURN: MOTION: Murdoch moved, Boyle seconded. Motion carried 4-0, District 1 vacant

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 14th day of January 2025.

Gerri Draper,
Cass County Clerk