

**MINUTES: August 30, 2022 CASS COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION AND CASS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in the Plattsmouth Journal and online at [Cass County, NE Webpage](#).  
Agenda was made available for public inspection at the office of the Cass County Clerk.

8:00am Call Meeting to Order; Open Meetings Act Notice & Pledge of Allegiance: Members Present: Sharp, Sommer, Peterson Henry and Murdoch. Others present: Colin Palm-County Attorney, Gerri Draper-County Clerk

CONVENE- BOARD OF EQUALIZATION- Teresa Salinger, County Assessor:

1. Discuss/Action- Discuss/Action- Correction to Tax Rolls/Omitted Property/Assessment Rolls (Real/Personal): 130025380-2021; 130198218- 2021; 130011681-2019-2021; 130010316-2019-2021

MOTION: Peterson moved, Murdoch seconded to approve August 30, 2022 tax corrections. Motion carried 5-0

2. Discuss/Action-Clerical Error Listing for 8.30.22

MOTION: Peterson moved, Sommer seconded to approve August 30, 2022 clerical error listing. Motion carried 5-0

8:02am CONVENE – BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

CONSENT AGENDA: Previous Meeting Minutes, Claims, Payroll/Time Balance Reports and fees for August 30, 2022.

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

GENERAL: Amazon \$759.29 (Sup) American Heart Association \$399.00 (Srv) Ameritas Life Insurance \$28,162.08 (Ins) Axon Enterprises \$375.00 (Srv) Bernsten International \$443.84 (Srv) Betterway Tire & Auto \$1,200.19 (Srv) Black Hills Energy \$2,808.51 (Srv) Blue Valley Behavioral Health \$1,803.75 (Srv) Bomgaars \$322.76 (Sup) Boundtree Medical \$375.75 (Srv) Capstone Behavioral Health \$223.75 (Srv) Cash-Wa Distributing \$553.95 (Srv) Cass County Sheriff \$320.00 (Srv) Clerk of the District Court \$291.00 (Srv) CNA Surety \$40.00 (Srv) Comdata Corporation \$1,417.26 (Srv) Copple Chevrolet \$206.86 (Srv) Crawford Supply \$55.56 (Sup) DAS State Accounting \$201.60 (Srv) Dr. Terry Davis \$2,924.57 (Srv) Kelly Dawson \$151.00 (Reim) Douglas County Court \$4.25 (Srv) Geri Draper \$144.38 (Reim) Eakes Office Solutions \$4,405.30 (Sup) EMS Connect \$78.00 (Srv) Eyman Plumbing Heating & Air \$3,562.54 (Srv) Father Flannagan's \$757.50 (Srv) First State Bank \$31,004.46 (Srv) FP Finance \$168.00 (Srv) Frontier Cooperative \$419.07 (Srv) Galls \$189.42 (Sup) Grainger \$457.11 (Sup) Rand Group \$60.00 (Reim) Helena Agri-Enterprises \$271.68 (Srv) Hometown Leasing \$1,128.05 (Srv) Hy-Vee \$555.40 (Sup) Iowa Prison Industries \$150.50 (Srv) Jamie Cooper \$976.76 (Srv) Lisa Gonzalez \$3,844.72 (Srv) Jones Automotive \$85.71 (Srv) J.P. Cooke Company 73.90 (Sup) Keckler Oil Company \$66.50 (Srv) Keefe Supply Company \$57.98 (Sup) The Plattsmouth Journal \$56.00 (Srv) Lincoln Journal Star \$48.80 (Srv) Dana Long \$71.88 (Srv) Meeske Auto Parts \$55.96 (Sup) Midlands Printing \$612.46 (Srv) Mill Creek Auto Parts \$56.98 (Sup) MIPS \$2,483.63 (Srv) Motorola Solutions \$24,969.00 (Srv) Municipal Emergency Services \$2,757.75 (Srv) NACO \$300.00 (Srv) Nebraska Health & Human Services \$465.00 (Srv) Nebraska Public Health Environment \$105.00 (Srv) NPPD \$13,865.15 (Srv) Oestmann & Albertsen Law \$256.50 (Srv) Office Warehouse \$2,543.38 (Sup) Omaha Compound \$155.20 (Srv) OPPD \$1,944.24 (Srv) Omega Chemical Co \$609.65 (Srv) Oxen Technology \$67.50 (Srv) Perfection Auto Repair \$59.50 (Srv) Plattsmouth Police Department \$245.00 (Srv) Thomas Prickett \$992.75 (Srv) Quality Signs \$445.00 (Srv) Ramada Inn \$154.00 (Srv) Ricoh \$64.59 (Srv) Saunders County Sheriff Department \$40.06 (Srv) Shaffer Communications \$142.50 (Srv) Cass County Public Defender \$2,054.51 (Reim) Michael Smith \$425.50 (Srv) Stop N Shop \$464.54 (Srv) Stryker Sales Corporation \$289.23 (Srv) Summit Food Service \$9,525.79 (Sup) The Home Depot Pro \$16.34 (Sup) Thyssenkrupp Elevator Corp \$254.18 (Srv) Unifirst Corporation \$102.98 (Srv)US Bank \$3,223.93 (Srv) Verizon Wireless \$3,399.29 (Srv) Vesta Voluntary Specialists \$116.35 (Srv) Voss Lighting \$3,315.00 (Srv) Wilbur-Ellis Company \$99.68 (Srv) Windstream \$9,986.41 (Srv) Woodhouse Ford South \$98.90 (Srv) Woods & Aitken \$366.00 (Srv) Xtra Mile Mowing \$240.00 (Srv) CLAIMS: \$179,011.06 PAYROLL: \$344,606.23 TOTAL: \$523,617.29 ROADS: Akrs Equipment \$969.53 (Sup) Allied Oil Company \$1,488.75 (Srv) Aramark \$281.87 (Srv) Aspen Equipment \$69,587.01 (Srv) Bobcat of Omaha \$10,822.11 (Srv) Bomgaars \$9.98 (Sup) Cass County Treasurer \$35.00 (Srv) Concrete Industries \$6,674.00 (Srv) Copple Chevrolet \$160.63 (Srv) Eakes Office Solutions \$186.90 (Sup) Haney Shoe Stores \$165.99 (Sup) Hometown Leasing \$279.54 (Srv) Keckler Oil Company \$592.29 (Srv) Lincoln Journal Star \$105.30 (Srv) Martin Marietta \$22,583.87 (Srv) Matheson Tri-Gas \$625.58 (Srv) Meeske Ace Hardware \$84.50 (Sup) Meeske Auto Parts \$2,165.59 (Sup) Murphy Tractor & Equipment \$101.91 (Sup) Nebraska Iowa Supply Company \$14,526.40 (Srv) Quality Signs \$9.50 (Srv) RDO Truck Center \$1,287.84 (Srv) Schemmer \$4,467.50 (Srv) TEC Equipment \$166.27 (Sup) US Bank \$116.55 (Srv) Western Sand & Gravel \$719.19 (Sup) CLAIMS: \$138,213.60 PAYROLL: \$58,075.87 TOTAL: \$196,289.47 JUVENILE DIVERSION: CLAIMS: \$326.75 PAYROLL: \$1118.75 TOTAL: 1,445.50 COMMUNICATION TOWER: Buell Consulting \$4,168.84 (Srv) US Cellular \$8,125.00 (Srv) TOTAL: \$12,293.84 VISITOR PROMOTION: Amazon \$112.00 (Sup) Carl Reichart \$315.00 (Reim) CLAIMS: \$427.00 PAYROLL: \$1,105.00 TOTAL: \$1,532.00 VISITOR IMPORVEMENT: Lincoln Convention & Visitor Bureau \$1,600.00 (Srv) TOTAL: \$1,600.00 FEMA: Cape Truck Accessories \$2,899.00 (Sup) Municipal Emergency Services \$1,651.29 (Srv) Nebraska Forest Service \$2.50 (Srv) TOTAL: \$4,552.79 COVID-AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN: Amazon \$34,230.76 (Sup) Logan Contracting \$9,125.00 (Srv) TOTAL: \$43,355.76 OVERALL GRAND TOTAL: \$784,686.65

1. Current/Regular Agenda: Sommer requested to table item 6C until September 13, 2022

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

2. Past Meetings Attended by Commissioners:

- Sharp: None
- Sommer: I.T and 911/EMA meetings
- Peterson: NIRMA annual retreat
- Henry: None
- Murdoch: Merit Commission

3. Open Public Hearing/Action 8:15am: None scheduled

4. Litigation & Legal Matters-S. Colin Palm, County Attorney: None

5. Road Matters-Lenny Thorne, Highway Superintendent:

5A. Discuss/Action- RES 2022-15 Reduce Speed Limit on East Bay Road and Beach Road

MOTION: Henry moved, Peterson seconded to adopt resolution with additional verbiage added to the seconded paragraph, first sentence (and has performed a traffic engineering study). Motion carried 5-0

RESOLUTION 2022-15

WHEREAS, the Cass County Department of Roads has received a request to lower the speed limit on the following sections of county roads, East Bay Road 1000' west of 1<sup>st</sup> Ave and Beach Road north to its terminus, and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Highway Superintendent has reviewed the request and has performed a traffic engineering study and finds that the above described sections of county roads lie in a mixed use commercial, residential and recreational area with significant heavy truck traffic. Recreational traffic has increased due to the development of a camp ground on the north end of Beach Road.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cass County Board of Commissioners having the authority to set speed limits on county roads in accordance with State Statute 60-6,190 find that it is in the best interest of the traveling public to set the posted speed limit for the above described roads at 25 mile per hour.

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED, the Cass County Board of Commissioners do hereby direct the Cass County Highway Superintendent to post the speed limit on East Bay Road beginning 1000' west of 1<sup>st</sup> Ave and Beach Road at 25 miles per hour. COMPLETE RESOLUTION CAN BE FOUND IN CLERKS VAULT

5B. Discuss/Action- RES 2022-16 Installation of No Parking signs on East Bay Road and Beach Road

MOTION: Sharp moved, Sommer seconded to adopt resolution as prepared. Motion carried 5-0

RESOLUTION 2022-16

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners are granted the authority to restrict parking pursuant to State Statute 39-1816, and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Highway Superintendent has received a request to place no parking signs on a portion of East Bay Road and Beach Road to provide for safe driving conditions for the traveling public,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Cass County Board of Commissioners hereby directs Hwy Superintendent to install no parking signs on East Bay Road beginning 1000' west of 1<sup>st</sup> Ave and on Beach Road running north for 400'. COMPLETE RESOLUTION CAN BE FOUND IN CLERKS VAULT

5C. Discuss/Action- RES 2022-18 Reduce Speed Limit on 12th Ave. from Young Road to Horning Road

MOTION: Murdoch moved, Sommer seconded to adopt resolution as prepared. Motion carried 5-0

RESOLUTION 2022-18

WHEREAS, Cass County is experiencing increased traffic on 12<sup>th</sup> Ave from Young Road north to Horning Road due to the Nebraska Department of Transportation's Highway 75 construction project, and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Highway Superintendent has found the need to reduce the speed limit to 40 miles per hour

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Highway Superintendent is directed to install temporary 40 MPH speed limit signs on 12<sup>th</sup> Ave from Young Road to Horning Road for the duration of the construction of Highway 75 and to remove such signs after the construction is complete. COMPLETE RESOLUTION CAN BE FOUND IN CLERKS VAULT

Thorne noted roads adjacent to Murray Road will have additional traffic beginning September 6<sup>th</sup> due the State of Nebraska closing Murray Road (estimated time of road closure 6 weeks.)

6. New Business & Unfinished Business:

6A. Discuss/Action- Responsibility for 911 Dispatch Operations.

Peterson asked for additional information from Commissioner Sommer and Murdoch who met with dispatch supervisors previously and recommended at the 8/16/22 mtg. that dispatch operations should for the time being stay with the Sheriff's Department. Henry asked to add an item to the next meeting regarding operations of the jail. Sharp suggested that the item be reviewed after the first of the year. Robert Sorenson addressed the board, asking why the board is concerned at this time regarding the responsibility of dispatch operations, noting dispatch operators perform additional duties related to the Sheriff's Department.

MOTION: Peterson moved, Sharp seconded to table item for a later date to allow further investigation. Motion carried 4-1, Henry voting no

6B. Discuss/Action- Chad Korte-EMS, add 3 additional tower sites to Hayes Mechanical Service Contract

MOTION: Sharp moved, Sommer seconded to approve the addition of 3 towers (Elmwood, Louisville, and Murdock) to the Hayes Mechanical Service Contract (Terms- 10months; 9/1/22 -6/30/23; annual cost \$1,840.00). Motion carried 5-0

6C. Discussion only- Interlocal Agreement City of Plattsmouth and Cass County for I.T. Services

MOTION: Sommer, Murdoch seconded to table item until the September 13, 2022 meeting. Motion carried 5-0

6D. Discuss/Action- Board request to send letter to State of Nebraska regarding HWY 1 and HWY 75 Stop Lights

MOTION: Henry moved, Peterson seconded to authorize Thorne to draft letter to send to the State. Motion carried 5-0

6E. Discuss/Action- RES 2022-13, Setting Preliminary Levy Requests

Draper noted she did not receive a preliminary levy request from the Nehawka RFD.

MOTION: Henry moved, Sommer seconded to adopt resolution as prepared. Motion carried 5-0

RESOLUTION #2022-13

WHEREAS, in accordance with State Statutes 77-3442 and 77-3443, it is the County Boards responsibility to determine the allocation of levy authority to the Rural Fire Districts, Cemetery Districts and Agricultural Societies, and

WHEREAS, the County Board may allocate up to 15 cents to the miscellaneous districts listed above, excluding capital lease contracts approved prior to July 1, 1998, and

WHEREAS, the applicable political subdivisions have made their tax requests for the 2022-2023 fiscal year, and

WHEREAS, the County Assessor has certified the (preliminary) valuation for each applicable political subdivision.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following preliminary allocations be made:

POLITICAL SUBDIVISION	TAX REQUEST	PRELIMINARY VALUATION	PRELIMINARY LEVY
East Pioneer Cemetery	28,602	1,124,560,132	0.002543
Agriculture Society	139,046	4,411,608,355	0.003152
Capital Improvement Fund	176,932	4,411,608,355	0.004011
RURAL FIRE DISTRICTS	TAX REQUEST	PRELIMINARY VALUATION	PRELIMINARY LEVY
Greenwood	17,558	182,342,770	0.009629
Sinking	11,005	181,231,695	0.006072
Bond		181,231,695	0.000000
Avoca	28,842	132,022,040	0.021846
Sinking	13,455	132,022,040	0.010191
Nehawka		315,690,289	0.000000
Sinking		315,690,289	0.000000
Bond		315,690,289	0.000000
Louisville	17,438	460,662,862	0.003785
Sinking	8,193	460,662,862	0.001779
Bond	50,612	460,662,862	0.010987
Murdock	46,000	228,056,253	0.020170
Sinking	54,000	228,056,253	0.023678
Bond		288,056,253	0.000000
Eagle-Alvo	47,313	276,884,480	0.017088
Sinking	1,526	276,884,480	0.000551
Bond	70,000	276,884,480	0.025281
Plattsmouth	58,281	643,305,652	0.009060
Sinking	357,760	643,305,652	0.055613
Elmwood	83,914	220,522,791	0.038052
Sinking	9,844	220,522,791	0.004464
Bond Fund		220,522,791	0.000000
Rescue Fund	2,927	220,530,893	0.001327

COMPLETE RESOLUTION CAN BE FOUND IN THE CLERKS VAULT

8:40am BREAK

6F. Discuss/Action- Continuous Agenda Item(s): Budgetary items; Building(s); Members of the board received updated budget worksheet's for review, with finance committee answering questions, points of discussion: increased food service cost (Jail), increase added for training/vehicle (Sheriff), lower consulting cost (Clerk), 1 additional vehicle (Assessor), pay adjustments and use of ARPA funds. Chairman noted the tax request hearing is scheduled for September 13 at 8:00am.

7. Other Business Matters/Public Input & Comments:

10:04am ADJOURN AS CASS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS: MOTION: Murdoch moved, Sommer 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 30th day of August, 2022.

State of Nebraska)  
County of Cass) <sup>ss.</sup>

Gerri Draper, County Clerk

We, the undersigned Board of Commissioners of Cass County, Nebraska do hereby certify the above minutes are true and correct to the best of our knowledge, and are part of the official records of the Cass County Clerk's Office. We therefore set our hands this 30th day of August, 2022.

Dale Sharp-Dist. 1, Jennifer Sommer-Dist. 2, James Peterson-Dist. 3, Dan Henry-Dist. 4, Duane Murdoch-Dist. 5

*Cass County Board of Commissioners*