



# Garfield County Board Minutes



## Garfield County Board of Commissioners Record

Burwell, Garfield County, Nebraska

The Garfield County Board of Commissioners met Tuesday, May 28th, 2019 at 1:30 p.m. in the Commissioners Room at the Garfield County Courthouse in Burwell, Nebraska pursuant to public notice posted in three public places & broadcast by KNLV Radio, Ord, NE. Chairman Krause called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. with the following Commissioners present: Krause, Jeffres and Hurlburt.

Motion made by Hurlburt to approve the agenda, second by Jeffres. Aye, all; Nay, none.

Motion made by Hurlburt to approve & adopt minutes of last County Commissioners meeting held May 14th, 2019, second by Krause. Aye, all; Nay, none.

In other unfinished business, Road Superintendent Kinney updated the Board with information on the NRCS watershed program and discussed bridges along the Cedar River as well as information on the Dry Creek Road.

At 1:35 p.m., Chairman Krause recessed the regular meeting and opened the Board of Equalization. Garfield County Assessor, Kali Swett, presented with tax list correction 503 and a report of overvalued, undervalued, clerical error, or omitted real property. Motion by Jeffres to approve as presented, second by Hurlburt. Aye, all; Nay, none. At 1:37 p.m., Chairman Krause adjourned the Board of Equalization and reconvened the regular County Commissioners meeting.

Motion made by Hurlburt to approve all claims and payroll submitted for payment for the month of May, second by Krause. Aye, Krause and Hurlburt; Abstained, Jeffres; Nay, none.

Kathleen Mead, Library Board member, presented the Board with information on the applications received for the position of Librarian. Motion by Jeffres to approve the recommendation to hire Michelle Ruterbories, second by Hurlburt. Aye, all; Nay, none.

Judd Allen, representative from NACO, presented the Board with information about the 2019 insurance rates and information on the HRA funding available through NACO benefit services and First Concord. Motion by Hurlburt to renew with NACO benefit services and go with the option of the \$2500 deductible along with the HRA funding, second by Jeffres. Aye, all; Nay, none.

The protest hearing dates were set for July 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

County Weed Superintendent, Jimmy Petersen, shared updates and information with the Board. He shared that he will be traveling to North Dakota with the Leafy Spurge task force and that he will be hiring for seasonal/part time help.

Motion by Krause at 2:05 p.m. to go into closed session to discuss pending litigations, second by Jeffres. Aye, all; Nay, none. At 2:30 p.m., Krause reconvened the regular meeting with no action taken by the Board.

Road Superintendent, Gary Kinney, updated the Board with information on the roads. He informed the Board that he has been working with County Attorney Crandall to draft a contract with requirements for contractors and truck drivers to work on the Cedar River Road. Updates given on several roads, including the Chambers Road, Dry Creek Road and 844<sup>th</sup> Road. Commissioner Jeffres recommended that the drags be taken off the



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maintainers. Also, information was presented by Hurlburt about a class offered through NIRMA for a motor grader operator training and recommended that the County host in the fall.

With no further business, Chairman Krause adjourned the meeting at 2:55 p.m.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Keri L. Koenigsberg  
Garfield County Clerk

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Scott Krause  
Garfield County Board Chairman