September 12, 2017
Antelope County Board of Commissioners
Neligh, Nebraska

The Antelope County Board of Commissioners convened in regular session on Tuesday, September 12, 2017 at 8:00 AM in the County Commissioner’s Room, Antelope County Courthouse Annex, Neligh, Nebraska. Meeting was called to order by Chairman Kerkman, with the following board members responding to roll call: Schindler, Jacob, Henery, Schwager, and Kerkman. Chairman Kerkman stated that the open meeting laws are posted on the east wall of the Commissioners’ Room with more copies available at the County Clerk’s Office.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the four county newspapers, legal newspapers printed and in general circulation in Antelope County, Nebraska as shown by proof of publication filed in the County Clerk’s office. Agenda for said meeting was sent to all members of the County Board of Commissioners.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Vendor claims were reviewed.

9:11 AM. Motion by Commissioner Schwager, seconded by Commissioner Schindler to pay all vendor claims. Voting aye: Schwager, Henery, Schindler, Jacob and Kerkman. Nays none. Motion carried. Warrant was signed.

We, the Committee on Claims, report that we have examined and approved for payment the following claims:

**General:** Albin Law Office, attorney fees case JV17-11 1888.02; Antelope County Court, court costs 169.00; Antelope County Sheriff, fees and mileage to serve subpoena, transport orders, summons 667.08; Appeara, micro swipes, dust mops, textile maintenance, service charge 41.84; Applied Connective Technologies, remote IT services, Webroot, service order charge 525.00; Megan Beckman, fuel 36.05; Black Hills Energy, heating fuel 392.24; Bomgaars, wire rope clip, galvanized cable, clothespins, hand cleaner, fasteners, bulk bolts, Drano max gel, oil, oil filter, shop towel, wall paint, brush set, paint roller, gardening wire, d-ties 240.60; Eleanor Brady, prior service 25.00; Dean Brown, prior service 25.00; Brunswick Library, 2017 library contribution 2750.00; Lee Cameron, witness fee, mileage 640.60; Carney Law, attorney fees 6442.24; Char Carpenter, jury bailiff fee 30.00; Casey’s, fuel 744.14; Elgin City, monthly recycling fee 250.00; Neligh City, monthly recycling fee, electricity, water, garbage 4905.18; Clearwater Library, 2017 library contribution 2662.50; Clearwater Record, meeting notices, proceedings/bills, board of equalization, public hearing notice, treasurer’s notice, notice of bids 166.50; Antelope County District Court, court costs/filing fees 72.00; Creative Product Sourcing, Dare products: tees, awareness bracelets, winner pins, pencil grips, shipping 433.54; Cubby’s, fuel 690.08; Das State, network service charges, data processing 702.36; Dollar General, table covers, super erasers 18.00; Dusty’s, fuel 128.83; Eakes Office, anti-static spray, tape dispenser, microfiber cloth, aero cleaner, punch lever, stapler, staples, projector cart, waste basket, DVD spindle, markers, correction tape 556.54; Elgin One Stop, fuel 206.39; Elgin Library, 2017 library contribution 3053.12; Elgin Review, notice to bidders, proceedings, meeting notices, public hearing notice, subscription 203.65; Elite Office Products, monthly maintenance agreement, toner cartridges 723.72; Faith Regional Services, physical 100.00; Farm & Home Publishers, plat books 750.00; Frontier Communications, telephone service 2192.82; Good Life Counseling, court appearance fees 337.45; Great Plains Communications, telephone service 190.00; Tessa Hain, safety pins, sandwich bags, state fair fashion show entry fee 25.96; Lyle Hart, commodities 200.00; Hughes Construction, filter, freight 126.27; Nadene Hughes, prior service 14.00; Icotech, telephone and remote support contact 1200.00; Jimson Towing, load ripper and haul to county impound 250.00; Jonny Dodge, oil changes, tire repair, replaced gas fill cap & EVAP hose, labor 223.96; Lyle Juracek, fix toilets, repair basketball hoop frame 100.00; Frank Kamp, impound 250.00; Lichtenberg Tire, tire repair, shop supplies 18.00; Love Signs, magnets, shipping 51.86; Madison Co Treasurer, county share of district judge expenses, probate district seven 16,594.44; Jeff McDole, hard drives – State v. Lierman 133.90; Microfilm Imaging, monthly scanning equipment rent 87.00; Mid-West Repair, equipment repair 255.50; MIPs, data processing 809.69; Mr. S’s, fuel 357.67; National 4-H Council, 4-H armbands 37.95; Nebraska Health & Human Services, mental health costs Norfolk/Beatrice 186.00; Neligh Auto, splice lock connector, shrink tubes, serpentine belt, battery 169.47; Neligh News, subscription, OCA forms, meeting notices, proceedings/bills, board of equalization, notice of bids, treasurer’s notice, public hearing notice 346.46; Neligh Postmaster, PO Box 227 renewal, pre-stamped envelopes 424.30; Northeast Nebraska Association of County Officials, 2017 Fall Workshop registration fees (Mueller, Cole, Jacob, Schindler,
Branstiter, Payne, Doerr, Kerkmann, Moore, Ofe, (Nelson) 275.00; Oakdale Library, 2017 library contribution 2915.63; Office Depot, packaging tape, DVD spindle, DVD sleeves, duster, receipt book, type writer ribbon, round stick, pens 81.98; Orchard News, annual subscription, personal property returns, homemade exemption application, notice of public hearing, public notice, meeting notices, slider ad 190.05; Orchard Library, 2017 library contribution 2915.63; Orval's Auto Service, oil filter, oil, washer fluid 72.50; Donna Payne, prior service 25.00; Pinnacle Bank, all-purpose cleaner, bleach, Lysol, storage box, Febreeze 99.99; Pitney Bowes, postage 1131.90; Precision Repair, tires, tire mount, balance wheels, Nebraska tire tax, tire disposal 633.12; Quality Iron, ladders for bunkbeds 86.40; Quill Corporation, Dell keyboard & mouse, post-its, Dell monitor 288.76; Region IV, 2nd quarter FY18 mental health and substance abuse services contribution 6047.25; Reinke's Farm, chop saw & trimmer head 75.58; Richard County Sheriff, paper service CR15-11, mileage 18.50; Sanne Repair, tow service 400.00; Caroline Siems, prior service 25.00; Chuck Thiemann, mowing 60.00; Thriftway Market, veggie-tray for fair 5.05; Tilden Library, 2017 library contribution 2916.50; Top Quality, nitrile gloves 154.80; University of Nebraska, front door forum registration 75.00; UNL ITS Communications, internet for iPad 91.04; US Cellular, telephone service 811.55; Van Diest Supply, chemicals 1878.60; Verizon Wireless, telephone service 28.70; Clearwater Village, monthly recycling fee 250.00; Wayne County Treasurer, county share of district judge expenses 4855.79; Bonnie Welke, prior service 22.00; James Wilcox, witness fees, mileage 292.85; Willie's Service, oil change, shop supplies, oil, filter 49.52; Zee Medical, bandages 9.95; Derek Zuhlke, NACEB Summer Meeting registration fee, lodging, mileage 222.15; 319 Graphics, embroidery on shirts 69.96.

At Large: Blackburn Manufacturing, warning flags, traffic cones 1446.75; Bomgaars, measuring wheel, digital multi-meter, jump starter, spray paint, grease gun 469.18; Carquest, outdoor socket 12.60; Case's, fuel 46.40; Central Valley Ag, 2-cycle oil mix 2.59; Cubby's, fuel 107.71; Elkhorn Rural Public Power District, electricity 488.12; Emme Sand, screened material 4104.14; Farmer's Pride, fuel 3204.98; Green Line Equipment, equipment rental 625.00; Hinrichsen Sand, bank run 158.12; Hometown Station, fuel 1737.54; Island Supply, oxygen 184.14; Jebro, asphaltic oil 282,831.98; JEO Consulting, engineering fees 17,511.00; Jonny Dodge, wiring kit, brake pot, absorber, bolts, washers, locknut, labor 1381.68; Kumm Gas, fuel 101.17; Lazy T Tire, steers, shop fees, tire repair on truck, tire disposal fee 4225.00; Lichtenberg Tire, flat tire repair, used tires, tire disposal fee, Goodrich Tire, Nebraska Tire Fee, tire mount/dismount, tire truck balance, misc shop supplies 1747.61; Matt Friend Truck Equipment, crane, labor 10,390.00; Mr. S's, fuel 1274.84; Neligh Auto, mud flap, hammer, plug, starter lug, battery, repair terminal, ROS core 383.82; Netcom, radio repair, speaker, plug 856.00; NMC Exchange, BIT AS CUTT 3437.40; Orval's Auto Service, oil filter, oil, antifreeze, washer fluid 65.50; Pollock Redi Mix, gravel, rock 7581.13; Quality Iron, strip, truck tires, cold rolled round, A36 plate, 18 gauge Exp., oxygen 1550.45; Quick Serve Oil, fuel, filter, shop mat 274.28; RDO Truck Center, misc charges 9.20; Reinke's Farm, ribbed belt 46.19; Ross's Repair, springs, U-bolt, labor, replace springs wire, male/female prong terminal, engine swap, Rotella, antifreeze, shop supplies, spring replacement, wiring, install new motor 4502.43; Royal One Stop, fuel 1199.32; Rutjens Construction, trucking — hauled grader 572.02; Ryan's Truck & Tractor Repair, cord, coil, service call 82.53; Wex Bank (Sinclair), fuel 767.49; Spud Trucking, crushed concrete, armor coat, hauled cold mix 15,210.67; Three & Co Baking, rolls 20.00; Verizon Wireless, telephone service 145.85; Zee Medical, face mask, carts, shipping/handling 281.64.

Brunswick Area: Bomgaars, hammer, shop towel, toilet paper, scraper, garden spade 76.95; Farmer's Pride, fuel 436.89; Frontier Communications, telephone service 78.11; Green Line Equipment, filter kit 102.76; Kumm Gas, fuel 3453.25; Meisinger Oil, oil 449.00; Mitteis Gravel, mudrock, road gravel 7052.07; N & B Gas, heating fuel 177.12; Neligh Auto, antifreeze 59.94; North Central Public Power District, electricity 118.26; Powerplan, tube, kit, shipping 169.16; Road Builders, freight, mileage, valve group, wire assembly, control group, labor, shop supplies, seal kit, bolt, seal, bearing 3438.36; Spud Trucking, crushed concrete 6178.80; Tinsley Grain, white rock, clean rock 6189.00; Brunswick Village, water, sewer, trash 46.50.

Orchard Area: Black Hills Energy, heating fuel 12.72; Dusty's, fuel 200.90; Farmer's Pride, fuel 4716.90; Frontier Communications, telephone service 78.99; Funk Construction, machine hire — culverts on Knox County Line 1000.00; Lazy T Tire, grease tubes 32.48; Mitteis Gravel, road gravel 1422.00; Neligh Auto, mud flap, disk, splash guard 112.46; North Central Public Power District, electricity 56.08; Northeast Glass, tinted safety glass 150.00; Powerplan, service repair, misc supplies, labor 366.10; Royal One Stop, fuel 60.00; T-J's Market, toilet paper 5.02; Orchard Village, water 30.50; Willie's Service, AC Service, shop supplies, labor 106.45.

Clearwater Area: Black Hills Energy, heating fuel 37.35; Bomgaars, Windex refill, shop towel 32.47; Elkhorn Rural Public Power District, electricity 83.86; Emme Sand, screened material, screened oversize 8478.43; Farmer's Pride, fuel 3517.20; Funk Construction, machine hire — tree removal on Anglers Bridge RD 1400.00; Green Line Equipment, equipment rental 625.00; Hinrichsen Sand, sand/fill, road gravel, bank run 2772.57; Kayton International, Bobcat T590 annual lease 1500.00; Lichtenberg Tire, flat tire repair, misc shop supplies 17.00; Mitteis Gravel, mudrock 1363.74; NMC Exchange, line AS, clamp, screw, element, socket 521.17; Pollock Redi Mix, gravel, rock 5099.13; Powerplan, equipment repair,
tire rod, wiring, sensor, solenoid, connector, shipping 2265.09; Road Builders, freight, mileage, strips, shims, wear strips, plate, labor 2719.03; Wex Bank (Sinclair), fuel 51.93; Spencer Quarries, rock 634.28; Spud Trucking, crushed concrete 4234.85; Clearwater Village, water, sewer, business 54.00.

**Neligh Area:** Cubby’s, fuel 77.17; Farmer’s Pride, fuel 2246.89; Frontier Communications, telephone service 7128.31; Hinrichsen Sand, road gravel 1254.22; Lichtenberg Tire, flat tire repair, O-Ring, misc shop supplies 69.80; Mr. S’s, fuel 43.00; Pollock Redi Mix, gravel 2163.27.

**Tilden Area:** Black Hills Energy, heating fuel 27.67; Tilden City, garbage, sewer, water 104.82; D & M Machinery, brake fluid, PF10, air coupler 36.81; Frontier Communications, telephone service 78.11; Hinrichsen Sand, road gravel 236.80; Kayton International, hydraulic brake fluid 39.89; Matteo Sand, road gravel , small rock 2207.36; Mr. S’s, fuel 171.65; Nebraska Public Power District, electricity 134.96; Pollock Redi Mix, gravel 2198.03; Quick Serve Oil, battery 131.95; Sapp Bros, oil 2394.26.

**Oakdale Area:** Black Hills Energy, heating fuel 36.19; Bomgaars, weed killer 64.99; Carquest, shop towels, hand cleaner, bit set, thread sealant 69.15; Emme Sand, road gravel 746.75; Farmer’s Pride, fuel 2919.62; Great Plains Communications, telephone service 126.33; Hinrichsen Sand, road gravel 4644.66; Hometown Station, fuel 44.49; Kayton International, LH Rake WHE 354.54; Mr. S’s, fuel 214.00; Nebraska Public Power District, electricity 54.99; Neligh Auto, fittings, hose, diesel exhaust fluid, antifreeze 124.46; Pollock Redi Mix, road gravel 497.36; Sapp Bros, oil 2394.26; Spud Trucking, crushed concrete 3438.20.

**Elgin Area:** Black Hills Energy, heating fuel 53.48; Bomgaars, windshield wash, WD-40, shop towels 33.93; Elkhorn Rural Public Power District, electricity 35.19; Emme Sand, road gravel 376.01; Great Plains Communications, telephone service 139.88; Hometown Station, fuel 123.36; Kayton International, cylinder, labor to repair broken cylinder 598.26; Neligh Auto, headlight bulb 10.49; Sapp Bros, fuel, oil 2011.31.

**Visitors Fund:** Neligh Mills Festival, promotional grant 300.00.

**Reappraisal Fund:** Lied Lodge, lodging for assessor workshop 606.00; ESRI, Annual ESRI licensing fee 400.00; Quill Corporation, storage box, box bottom folders 73.47.

**Register Deeds:** MIPS, data processing 302.40.

**Inheritance Fund:** Platte Valley Communications, self-supporting tower down payment 13,156.03.

**Law Enforcement Fund:** AMH Family Practice, prisoner expense - stitches for inmate 317.00; Antelope County Treasurer, transfer to start commissary fund (inter fund transfer) 60,000.00; Bob Barker Company, cotton swabs, ankle socks, underwear, sports bras 179.18; Cash-Wa Distributing, sugar, oatmeal, pork inoks, cabbage slaw mix, tater tots, French fries, onion powder, peanut butter, mayo, BBQ sauce, can liners, foil, pasta, food shortening, chicken legs, bologna, ham, potatoes, gravy, frozen pizza, biscuit dough, turkey ends, chicken breast patties, hoagie buns, hamburger buns 1540.16; Dollar General, antacids, maxi pads, pain relievers 32.45; Drug Package LLC, phoe

**Law Commissary:** Protocall, commissary phone cards 1050.00; Keefe Supply, coffee grounds, jolly ranchers, potato chips 420.96; Pinnacle Bank, coffee grounds, toaster pastries, drink mixes, floss picks, granola bars, Austin cheese crackers, Sceptre LED TV, stationary, coconut oil spray, batteries, toothbrushes, toothpaste, DVD laser lens cleaner 468.42

**Building Fund:** Boyd’s Electrical Service, jail door lock 2610.00; Flenniken Electric, labor for installation and materials needed for new receptacles in court room, labor for installation and materials needed to fix broken electrical box that feeds flag pole light 585.30; O’Neill Pest Control, pest control 85.00;

**General:** Payroll, 94,945.29; AFLAC, insurance 832.40; Ameritas, retirement 14,090.78; BC/BS, insurance 55,975.32; Colonial Life, insurance 58.25; Federal Withholdings, 11,281.44; 1st Concord Benefits, insurance 910.83; Madison National Life, insurance 379.92; Garnishment, 544.00; Nebraska Department of Revenue, state tax 1254.22; NACO Vision, insurance 199.80; Social Security, 10,952.24; Washington National, insurance 133.40.

Ed Schindler /s/9-

Jerald Schwager /s/9-

Charles Henery /s/ 9-
Motion by Commissioner Schwager to pay payroll claims. Motion seconded by Commissioner Henery. Voting aye: Henery, Schwager, and Kerkman. Jacob and Schindler abstained. Nays none. Motion carried. Warrant was signed.

Correspondence was reviewed: DA Davidson shared the market update graph; Keystone XL Pipeline dinner and presentation invitation; Nebraska Game and Parks Nebraska Calendar introduction letter; Antelope County Historical Society Newsletter; Certificate of Liability Insurance for Rutjens Construction x2; State of Nebraska Fracture Critical Bridge Agreement; Constellation fixed rate letter; Union Bank and Trust Monthly Hospital Bond statement; Cody Wickham, D.A.Davidson bond refinancing email – no action; Wayne State Collage Clarinet & Tuba Recital invitation.

Receipts: $466.00 refund from double payment of services rendered on inmate. Payment was made Washington County also.

Pledge Collateral was reviewed. Pinnacle Bank currently has $250,000.00 FDIC insured coverage. Julie Smith at Pinnacle Bank also reported an additional 1.9 million is pledged funds. We will request to release some pledged funds.

Sheriffs August Fee Report was reviewed and put on file.

Treasurers' August Fee Report was reviewed and put on file.

Treasurers' August Fund Balance Report was reviewed and put on file.

Zoning Administrator Permit Report was reviewed and put on file.

Road Boss Report: Road crew shot oil on the mile of millings (about 8/10’s of a mile) on the eight-mile road that we ground up, we are mixing it today. It was perfect conditions for that, we will lay it out tomorrow. Armor Coating crew will be around tomorrow or Thursday. We are hauling gravel for that. Plan on laying that millings mile on the eight-mile road tomorrow, so it can be armor coated Thursday or Friday. The grinder is being utilized to fix some of the holes on the south mile of the eight-mile, cleaning them out and filling with cold mix. Due to time constraints, we decided not to grind it. Armor coating will start on the Orchard mile which was recently overlaid. They will move to the Clearwater 2 miles that we just did, they will do 4.5 miles of the Eight-Mile Road starting at the north end, they will end up in Neligh where we will due four miles east of town. Totally 11.5 miles will be down in the next week. Totally, we armor coated 31.5 miles (10 of which were out of last year’s budget prior to July 1st). We ordered a few loads of Red Rock (chip rock) for those millings which were kind of rough to put on the road by Rice’s east of Neligh to the intersection – probably six loads. They measure this by tons, about 140 yards – per mile. The grinding will probably be finished about noon today. Per feedback from the locals north of the Oakdale River Bridge Road – they think it is getting to close to harvest. They would like to see cold mix in the holes and spread across the top, this is a waste of time and money. We will put the grinder on the ground today, and run it straight through – this is the best week to grind if we start today, we can finish on Thursday. 48 hours after the grinder leaves we can have a good road. Harvest is a couple weeks yet. Patching crew is doing an excellent job.

Copenhagen Road was started last Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday – still not done there. The extremely bad holes are patched. Once the armor coaters are done, our major oil repairs are done. We will work on the windrows next week while it is still warm. Patching oil can continue for another month or so, hopefully. There is plenty of cold mix in Oakdale – 20 loads; a couple in Clearwater. 14-20 windrow needs worked. Casey is hoping to get a small windrow of 250 somewhere – probably Clearwater, because Oakdale and 14/20 both have 800 on them. Commissioner Schwager mentioned some trees north of Elijah Pellatz, they are all cottonwoods, he would like to see them trimmed and not removed.

NMC Contract was discussed during the September 5th, 2017 meeting. Commissioner Schwager wanted to see the price per service payment schedule. The total price is $6,258.00, or 8 services would be $782.00. They track the machine, and when it gets close to the 250-hour mark, they automatically ship the material, and supplies – and will schedule the 1000 and 2000-hour service and complete that work. Motion by Commissioner Henery, seconded by Commissioner Jacob to approve the Service Maintenance Contract Agreement for 8 services at $782.00. Voting aye: Schwager, Schindler, Jacob, Henery and Kerkman. Nays none. Motion carried.

The bridge north of Royal damaged July 4th 2017 weekend. Brian McDonald has more information, and will be coming.
Township maintenance rates: We have not submitted, much if any maintenance bills to the townships this year. We have records of maintenance, and we will be pushing snow. Casey requested increasing the maintenance contract from the $35.00. The $35.00 does not cover the machines cost, much less the employee. Discussion continued. It was determined doubling the current rate would still not cover the costs of hiring it out. Motion by Commissioner Schwager, seconded by Commissioner Schindler to increase the maintenance contract amount to $70.00 an hour. Voting aye: Schwager, Schindler, Jacob, Henery and Kerkman. Nays none. Motion carried.

Moving of School House: Williams Midwest Housemovers, Inc. submitted a permit to move the School House from Merlin Bollings home location down Sargent Road to the L Street location. The proposed route has a bridge (Koinzan Bridge) that is not able to take the weight of the structure. We will notify them of the incapacitated bridge. Road Boss, Casey Dittrich called and clarified the proposed route. The moving company had already changed the route to accommodate the utility company. Commissioner Henery made a motion to accept the new route going west on 846th Road to Highway 14. Motion seconded by Commissioner Schindler. Voting aye: Henery, Schwager, Jacob, Schindler and Kerkman. Nays none. Motion carried.

Permit to move structure: Keetle – Steve Keetle submitted a permit to move a structure from just over the county line in Knox county, down 523rd Avenue to 860th Road (approximately 9 miles) then east one (1) mile. Motion by Commissioner Schindler, seconded by Commissioner Schwager to approve moving structure. Voting aye: Henery, Schwager, Jacob, Schindler and Kerkman. Nays none. Motion carried.

Underground Permit: Motion by Henery, seconded by Schindler to approve the application for permit submitted by Great Plains Communication to place a permanent telephone line beneath 523rd Avenue crossing from the SW1/4 of Section 17, Township 24, Range 6, West of the 6th PM, to the SE1/4 Section 18, Township 24, Range 6 West of the 6th P.M., Antelope County, Nebraska. No owner listed. Phone line to replace faulty 25-year-old line already in place. All work to be done according to County and State specs. Those voting aye: Henery, Schwager, Schindler, Jacob and Kerkman. Nays none. Motion carried.

Permit to move crane for wind towers: This item is on the agenda. However, Road Boss, Casey Dittrich spoke with the mover, and had agreed on a route this is favorable for Antelope County. Highway 70 west out of Elgin, they will travel our road for 3/4 of a mile on 517th Avenue. It is a 220,000-pound gross weight. Casey has this handled. No action.

Willow Township Prepaid Gravel: Dave Simons was grading a road in Willow Township, and Mitties Gravel delivered gravel on the road that he is grading. Casey called Mittie’s Sand and Gravel, in October 2016 Willow Township prepaid for 1600 yards of gravel, and hired Mitteis to put it on the road, and recently gave Mitteis a map as to where they wanted it placed. The road was not in need of gravel, and hinders current work assignments. Mitteis has been instructed not to deliver any more gravel on any roads until they are notified by Casey. Willow Township has not relinquished their books to the county. The county clerk was asked to double check with the county and request turning in of the previous books. Casey Dittrich requested direction from the county board. Since the gravel is prepaid, and the county is not supposed to prepaid for itemized, it was recommended to have the gravel delivered and the county use the gravel in Willow Township. County Attorney, Joe Abler met with the Commissioners and agreed the gravel needs to be delivered to an Antelope County site to be stockpiled and used in Willow Township. Commissioner Henery stated they will make a stockpile at his barn and label it for Willow Township.

Discussion on Township books not being turned over to the county. There are three (3) Townships who have not turned their books over. County Attorney will send letter. The three (3) townships involved include Willow, Custer and Burnett.

Brian McDonald met with the commissioners regarding the bridge north of Royal. Brian has sent all of the numbers to the insurance company and then received a call from Duane at the insurance company regarding the age of the bridge. They were trying to depreciate the structure. Both of the dates listed in the file 1935 & 1975, both are greater than 40 years, they would depreciate it all out. There is a state damaged property for the State of Nebraska Department of Roads, for like guard rail. They repair it and send the bill. If they fight it at that point the State Attorney General’s office
is notified. According to the Attorney General’s Office they are required to give back the structure in the condition it was in, with a reasonable cost associated with the repair. As far as depreciation, they can depreciate the material, but never the labor and equipment. According to the repair bill from Thiesen, there was a little over $2,000.00 for material, and $58,000.00 in equipment and labor costs. Paulsen Construction is the owner of the truck. They probably have a big enough insurance policy to cover damages. Paulsen Construction’s Insurance Company wanted to obtain the number of employees, equipment needed and what all is involved in the repair (and what is included in the bid) so he can justify/verify. Discussion continued on how we want to proceed and what kind of fix does the bridge need. Repair it or replace with culverts. Brian McDonald will size it for culverts, so we can work a plan. Brian asked about straightening the curves coming off of the bridge. Commissioner Jacob said, yes that would probably be good. The insurance company should be paying the county for the labor either way – it may be a court decision depending on what county attorney wants to do if they refuse to pay. Casey Dittrich asked if they were going to straighten the road, will they need to get an easement or right of way signed.

**Bid opening**: Re-decking for the bridge north of Clearwater, and the bridge southwest of Neligh. In all two (2) bids were received. Group A will be Clearwater north and Group B is Neligh southwest. Thiesen Construction Inc. submitted the first bid (Clearwater North) $99,651.31; (Neligh Southwest $109,490.55; total being $209,141.92 start date November 1, 2017. Everything else looks to be in order. The second bid is from Klabenes Construction. Klabenes Construction submitted the first bid (Clearwater North) $108,198.67; (Neligh Southwest) $109,501.48; total being $217,700.15 start date October 2, 2017. Thiesen being the lowest, Brian recommended taking the lowest bid, bending verification of numbers. Discussion continued. There is less than a $9,000.00 difference, and timeline of harvest. Because the start date is sooner for Klabenes Construction, motion by Commissioner Henery, seconded by Commissioner Schwager to award Neligh southwest bridge project to Klabenes Construction, and the Clearwater North the Thiesen Construction, pending review of the numbers. Because the dollar amount was not significant enough to make or break, and in hopes that both bridges can be finished this fall. Klabenes (SW Neligh – Koinazan Bridge) being completed in October, and the Clearwater North Bridge in November. Detour signage for projects was discussed. It is necessary to have a full detour signage package. You need to direct traffic back to their route. Maybe marking that the bridge is out, or a nine (9) ton bridge as to why the detour.

**Stop Sign Study**: At the request of the Commissioners, Brian McDonald, Antelope County Highway Superintendent, conducted a Stop Sign study at the intersection of 518th Avenue and 858th Road. His recommendation was to approve and place a Sop Sign to control northbound and southbound vehicles. There is no visibility from the north and south. Discussion continued. Motion by Commissioner Jacob, seconded by Commissioner Schindler to approve the placement of the stop sign and the following resolution. Voting aye: Schwager, Schindler, Henery, Jacob and Kerkman. Nays none. Motion carried.

**Resolution 17-09-0001**

Antelope County, Nebraska

Whereas, a study of the intersection of 518th Avenue and 858th Road, in Antelope County, Nebraska, was completed by Brian McDonald, PE. In that study, it was determined that northbound and southbound traffic must be stopped in order to provide adequate visibility which is obscured by a row of trees southeast of the intersection and the house northwest of the intersection.

Whereas, it was found to be in the public interest to stop north and southbound traffic at the intersection of 518th Avenue and 858th Road, Antelope, County, Nebraska to improve public safety.

Now, Therefore, be it resolved, by the Board of Commissioners of Antelope County, Nebraska, that stop signs be installed to control northbound and southbound traffic at the intersection of 518th Avenue and 858th Road, Antelope County, Nebraska. Adopted this 12th day of September, 2017 at Neligh, Nebraska.

Attest: /s/ Lisa Payne, Antelope County Clerk

Board of Commissioners of Antelope County, Nebraska

/s/ LeRoy Kerkman

Commissioner Jacob moved the adoption of said resolution.

Roll Call: 5 _ Yes 0_ Nay
Resolution adopted, signed and billed as adopted.

**State of Nebraska Fracture Critical Bridge Agreement.** This agreement was signed in August, the State of Nebraska signed and returned agreement to us. No action needed per Brian McDonald.

Minimum maintenance roads: Brian McDonald was asked how a minimum maintenance road was marked. Brian indicated there usually is an orange mark on the map if it is a minimum maintenance road. Discussion on marking minimum maintenance roads. No action.

Liz Doerr, **Zoning Administrator** gave her regular meeting report. Permit report reviewed. She followed up with Mr. Napton. Commissioner Schwager presented a letter from the neighbor giving permission for displaying of trucks.

10:25 AM LeRoy Kerkman out of Room for one (1) minute.

10:27 AM Jerry Schwager out of room. Back at 10:29 AM.

**Motion by Commissioner Schindler, seconded by Commissioner Henery. To pay Township Maintenance Claims for Voting aye: Henery, Schindler, Jacob, and Kerkman.**

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10:30 AM Eddie Schindler out of room.

**Motion by Commissioner Henery, seconded by Commissioner Schindler. To approve minutes for September 5th, 2017 Commissioner Meeting as submitted.** Voting aye: Henery, Schindler, Jacob and Kerkman. Nays none. Motion carried.

**Budget discussion.** Currently, revenues are short and we balanced the budget utilizing $640,000.00 from the Inheritance Fund. The public hearing notices was published this week and the public hearing is scheduled for 9:00 AM on Tuesday, September 19, 2017. The tower is scheduled to be paid out of the Inheritance Fund.

The ENRON **communication tower** is ready to be placed. The bids Sheriff Moore presented was Platte Valley and _______. Platte Valley was the smaller bid. It came in at $131,602.05. During claim approval, the 10% down payment requested by Platte Valley to start work. $13,156.10 was approved for payment. Motion by Commissioner Henery, seconded by Commissioner Schwager to accept Platte Valley Communications bid for tower construction.

**Tower generator.** Trent Howard will help with the Region 11 Emergency Management Grant Dollars. Hopefully they will help with revenue for the generator. 911 will not release money to help with antennas or towers. Public Service Commission policy does not allow tower purchase. Sheriff Moore has been in contact with Keystone Pipeline hopefully they will donate money to the tower construction. He believes Inenergy is not in a position to donate.
GIS Zoning: Gennie Andrews met with the Commissioners regarding Zoning GIS Mapping Tab. About 60 days ago Liz Doerr requested the GIS for her planning and zoning information in a single place. There is availability for mapping all zoning information such as flood, airport hazard zones, confinements, etc. They have lowered both the initial set up cost and the yearly maintenance fees by approximately $900.00 each. Originally the setup fee was $9550.00, with a yearly contract amount of $3,900.00 for five (5) years. Current quoted rates are $8,550.00 and $3,000.00.

Generally, GIS does not combine the tabs from the assessor, roads, zoning etc. because of the tools needed to utilize each individual office to their unique expertise. For example, the buffer tool is something Liz Doerr utilizes through her office in Knox County. It is a way of marking an area on the map and requesting area parcels affected through another measuring tool. Liz was agreeable to have the zoning map and the flood plan map on a different office tab. Discussion of how much of this information is overlapping, and not needed on all tabs. Kelly Mueller, Antelope County Assessor, offered to list the flood plan map and airport hazard layers on the assessors’ tab in GIS. Kelly stated it is up to her what is on the assessor sheet. She believes through a spreadsheet integration she can add the shape file.

Jeri Anderson, representing the One Room School House Project met with the commissioners regarding the status of the project and current activities. They are under the belief to keep the project front and center. To get the school house here, and to fulfill the donation goal later. Currently, they have someone donating the digging, pouring, and she is working with Carhart’s on the shingles. Today, they are requesting the county to allow the gas company to hook on to the natural gas meter currently used by St. Peters Church (the museum church). She will be speaking with the City of Neligh tonight to help with the cost to move the electrical lines and other small costs in moving the structure. She inquired about hooking up and utilizing the gas line paid for by the county for the church museum, and the county to continue to pay the gas for this project. This would save the hookup cost and additional meter charge. Motion by Commissioner Schindler, seconded by Commissioner Schwager to approve the natural gas connection with St. Peters Church to utilize natural gas heat; and to ask the City of Neligh to help with the electricity/utilities for the one room school house project. Voting aye: Schindler, Schwager, Jacob, Henery and Kerkman. Nays none. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Henery seconded by Commissioner Jacob to adjourn. Voting aye: Schindler, Jacob, Henery, Schwager, and Kerkman. Nays none. Motion passed.