

February 14, 2017
Antelope County Board of Commissioners
Neligh, Nebraska

The Antelope County Board of Commissioners convened in regular extra session on Tuesday, February 14, 2017 at 8:06 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 Supervisors' 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.

Review of claims: (payroll/vendor) We, the Committee on Claims, report that we have examined and approved for payment the following claims:

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General: Antelope County Court, court fee 217.00; Antelope County District Court, court fee 72.00; Antelope Memorial Hospital, jailer physical 122.00; Appear, towel service 40.01; Bear Graphics, new book 634.35; Big Red Motorsports, charger 62.95; Black Hills Energy, heating fuel 1699.38; Bob Barker Company, pants 90.96; Bomgaars, jail supplies, janitorial supplies 92.35; Eleanor Brady, prior service 25.00; Dean Brown, prior service 25.00; Carney Law, monthly service 3226.62; Casey's General, vehicle fuel 731.74; Cash-Wa Distributing, supplies jail 321.53; Elgin City, recycling fee 250.00; Neligh City, electricity, water, sewer, trash & recycling fee 8267.47; Norfolk City, Region 11, 19,751.00; Clearwater Record, notices 232.00; Corner Service, repair 40.47; Cornhusker State Industries, plaque 39.00; Nebraska Assessors Association, fee 21.63; Creative Product, Dare supplies 260.94; Cubby's, vehicle fuel 386.42; Das State, data processing & teletype 573.68; Dean's Market, groceries jail 290.02; Dollar General, courthouse supplies & inmate grocery 129.65; Douglas County Treasurer, morgue room fees 250.00; Dusty's, vehicle fuel 224.50; Eakes Office, office supplies 139.97; Elgin One Stop, vehicle fuel 185.90; Elgin Review, notices 295.04; Elite Office Product, monthly maintenance, office supplies 682.07; Floor Main, janitor supplies 474.50; Frontier Communications, telephone service 686.56; Tessa Hain, meals 50.80; Hi-Way Mart, vehicle fuel 427.00; Huffman-Levander Funeral, coroner costs 571.00; Nadene Hughes, prior services 14.00; Jack's Uniforms, pouches 295.74; JB Mart, vehicle fuel 15.11; Edward Jensen, registration 10.00; Jonny Dodge, parts & repair 1408.86; Frank Kamphaus, prior service 16.00; Jeff Doerr Law, court appointed attorney 5413.27; Lichtenberg Tire, tire repair 12.00; Love Signs, sign 64.80; Marathon, new books & covers 407.76; Microfilm Imaging, monthly rental of equipment 87.00; MIPS, data processing, Nebraska tax online, district court list 1037.78; Moyers Department, shirt repair 10.00; NACVSO, dues 30.00; Nebraska Association County Officials, registration fee 140.00; Nebraska Clerks Association, dues 75.00; Nebraska Department of Agriculture, license renewal, 180.00; Nebraska Health & Human Service, institutions costs 357.00; Nebraska Planning & Zoning Assn, dues 40.00; Neligh Auto, parts 47.75; Neligh News, notices 613.42; Northeast Nebraska Association County Officials, registrations fee 200.00; Northeast Nebraska RC & D, dues 1500.00; Northeast Nebraska Juvenile, housing 2187.50; Bruce Ofe, registration 10.00; Office Depot, office supplies 84.67; OK Tire Store, repair 37.00; One Office Solution, office supplies 112.00; Orchard News, notices 193.89; William Ouren, coroner costs 75.00; Donna Payne, prior service 25.00; Pengad, paper supplies 49.95; Petty Cash-Clerk, 32.00; Petty Cash-District Court, 148.00; Pinnacle Bank, kitchen supplies, phone cord, sweater 395.65; Quill Corp, office supplies 653.32; Sanne Repair, service job, parts & labor 619.15; Schroeder Surveying, survey 425.00; Caroline Siems, prior service 25.00; Nebraska State Auditor, auditor cost 14,968.13; Thomson Reuters, assessor rate tables 948.87; Three & Company, rolls 42.00; Thriftway Market, jail groceries, extension supplies 793.17; Uline Supply, jail supplies 203.36; UNL Its Communications, internet service 91.04; US Cellular, cell phone 330.90; Clearwater Village, recycling fee 250.00; Bonita Welke, prior service 22.00; Woods & Aitken, professional services 1427.20; 319 Graphics, sign for door 40.00; Nebraska Treasurers Association, dues 75.00; Great Plains Communications, internet service 190.00.

At Large: Bomgaars, sprayer 21.99; Carquest, hose, clamps 93.36; Casey's, vehicle fuel 92.72; Cubby's, vehicle fuel 90.76; Dinkel Implement, window, supplies 246.80; Casey Dittrich, 2 insert hopper spreaders, tool, phone booster 410.65; Elkhorn Public Power, electricity 86.44; Farmer's Pride, bulk fuel 248.23; Island Welding, acetylene 83.19; JEO Consulting, engineer fees 15,678.50; Jonny Dodge, parts 7 repairs 2136.96; Kumm Gas, vehicle fuel 80.49; Mr S's, vehicle fuel 930.75; Newman Traffic Signs, signs & posts 4003.80; OK Tire, tire repair 23.50; Orval's Auto, service job, parts & repairs 339.60; Quality Iron, metal 704.80; Royal One Stop, vehicle fuel 178.70; Ken Schindler, CDL physical 110.00; Switzer Welding, repair 20.00; Town & County, trimmer 720.55; Jebro, armor coat 11,279.64; GIS Workshop, mapping system 8480.00; Hi-Way Mart, vehicle fuel 352.79; Eli Jacob, donuts 20.00; Ross's Repair, repair 605.49.

Brunswick Area: Bomgaars, radio, bolts, towels 338.95; Frontier Communications, phone service 7301; Kumm Gas, vehicle fuel & bulk fuel 1557.54; Largen Manufacturing, parts 45.00; N & B Gas, heating fuel 1001.39; Neligh Auto, shop supplies 147.31; NMC Exchange, parts 747.55; North Central Public Power, electricity 193.35; Quality Iron, metal 72.50; Brunswick Village, water & trash 83.00.

Orchard Area: Black Hills Energy, heating fuel 336.07; Dusty's, vehicle fuel 47.00; Farmer's Pride, bulk fuel 1680.00; Frontier Communication, telephone service 76.36; Lichtenberg Tire, tire repair 102.50; North Central Public Power, electricity 175.52; Orchard Lumber, supplies 2.99; Royal One Stop, vehicle fuel 60.73.

Clearwater Area: Black Hills Energy, heating fuel 375.44; Bomgaars, fuel supplement, bolts, keys, supplies, 30.44; Casey's Dittrich, 5792.98; Elkhorn Public Power, electricity 138.72; Farmer's Pride, bulk fuel 1002.08; Flenniken Plumbing, repairs 278.50; Hi-Way Mart, vehicle fuel 475.84; Jonny Dodge, oil & filters 41.68; Lichtenberg Tire, new tires 2233.00; Matteo Sand, gravel 321.60; Neligh Auto, small tools & parts 183.79; NMC Exchange, parts 1150.15; Northeast Nebraska Telephone, phone service 103.72; Schlecht Trucking, rock 1753.43; Clearwater Village, water & garbage 54.00.

Neligh Area: Bomgaars, supplies 8.49; Carquest, wiper blades 17.06; Cubby's, vehicle fuel 258.58; Farmer's Pride, bulk fuel 1269.25; Frontier Communications, telephone service 123.07; Kayton International, parts 179.14; Ross's Repair, parts & repairs 340.00.

Tilden Area: Black Hills, heating fuel 315.67; Bomgaars, shop supplies 6.99; Carhart Lumber, paint 21.96; Carquest, paint 17.20; Tilden City, water & trash 104.82; Constellation Energy Gas, heating fuel 305.19; Cubby's, vehicle fuel 51.29; D & M Machine, parts & supplies 31.12; Frontier Communication, telephone service 73.31; Kayton International, new tire 440.76; Matteo Sand, gravel 724.68; Mr S's, vehicle fuel 163.35; Nebraska Public Power, electricity 224.15; Neligh Auto, mud flap 25.98; NMC Exchange, parts 85.98; Farmer's Pride, bulk fuel 640.91; Quality Iron, metal 71.00; Road Builders, part 381.70.

Oakdale Area: Black Hills Energy, heating fuel 377.57; Casey Dittrich, hopper spreader 3952.98; Farmer's Pride, bulk fuel 590.61; Great Plains Communications, telephone service 129.64; Matteo Sand, gravel 3058.80; Mr S's, vehicle fuel 58.46; Nebraska Public Power, electricity 54.86; Northeast Glass, safety glass 581.00.

Elgin Area: Black Hills, heating fuel 322.33; Bomgaars, shop supplies 56.96; Echo Electric, lights 53.64; Elkhorn Public Power, electricity 121.71; Great Plains Communications, telephone service 139.82; Kayton International, water pump 208.34; Powerplan, parts 200.55.

Reappraisal Fund: Elgin Review, subscription 48.00.

Register of Deeds: MIPS, data processing 292.70.

Law Enforcement: Antelope Memorial Hospital, inmate visit 122.00; Bob Barker Co, hygiene products 693.13; Cash-Wa Distributing, inmate boarding 1495.19; Dollar General, inmate meds, 263.70; Elgin Pharmacy, inmate meds 5.99; Farmer Co, commissary bars 326.56; Pinnacle Bank, blankets, books, dvds, commissary items 729.18; Protocall, phone cards 1400.00; Sanne Repair, parts new truck 4140.00; Thompson Company, inmate grocery 770.36; Wanek Pharmacy, inmate meds 655.18.

Building Fund: Boyd's Network, phone repair & new phone 4472.45; Flenniken Electric, lights & labor for county court, fan in judges, chambers, courthouse room, treasurer office, light stairwell 5,685.32; K & S Door, new door Clearwater 2969.00; Kinnan Construction, new ceiling, courtroom, law library, county court, district court, 12,446.01; Robert Brooke, screen & parts 277.50; West Side Repair, repair on divider 50.00.

General: Total Payroll, 84,488.28; Ameritas, retirement 13,216.44; AFLAC, ins 794.69; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, 53,512.54; Colonial Life, insurance 58.28; Garnishment, 794.69; 1st Concord Benefits, insurance 1048.32; Madison National, insurance 364.34; Mid-American Benefits, insurance & fee 9297.00; NACO Vison, insurance 389.01; Federal Withholdings, 10,085.72; Social Security, 17,158.10; Nebraska Department of Revenue, 3322.07; Washington National, insurance 339.24.

Road & Bridge: Total Payroll, 47,832.35; Ameritas, retirement 7132.28; AFLAC, insurance 142.35; Blue Cross/Blue Shield 33,974.16; Colonial Life, insurance 18.00; Garnishment, 356.88; 1st Concord Benefits, insurance 540.27; Madison National, insurance 209.18; Mid-American Benefits, insurance & fee 6110.00; NACO Vison, insurance 199.80; Federal Withholdings, 4526.26; Social Security, 9500.00; Nebraska Department of Revenue, 1630.50; Washington National, insurance 110.00.

Ed Schindler /s/2-14-2017

Jerald Schwager /s/2-14-2017

Charles Henery /s/ 2-14-2017

Motion by Commissioner Schwager, seconded by Commissioner Schindler to pay vendor claims as presented. Voting aye: Schwager, Schindler, Jacob, Henery and Kerkman. Nays none. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Schwager, seconded by Commissioner Henery, to authorize paying payroll claims except Mikayla Armitage, Marlene Schindler, and Eli Jacob Road and Bridge Claim. Voting aye: Schwager, Henery, Jacob, Schindler and Kerkman. Nays none. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Schwager, seconded by Commissioner Henery to approve payroll claims for Mikayla Armitage, Marlene Schindler and Eli Jacob's Road and Bridge Claim. Voting aye: Schwager, Henery and Kerkman. Nays none. Schindler and Jacob abstained. Motion carried.

Pledge Collateral was reviewed. Currently, Pinnacle bank has \$250,000.00 FDIC Insured and \$260,000 pledged. Totaling \$510,000.00. No action.

Correspondence was reviewed: Union Bank & Trust Monthly Report for Antelope Memorial Hospital Bonds; DEQ letter to Hoffman and Sons 12-27-6; Antelope County Historical Society Winter 2017 Newsletter; ICS 100, 200 and 700 Emergency Management Training; Figgins Construction Co, Inc – regarding asphaltic Oil; RC & D Council 2016 Annual Report-Northeast Nebraska Resource Conservation & Development Council Inc; Nebraska Department of Roads letter regarding STP Funds & Bridge Funds; JEO Letter regarding Oakdale South Box Culvert one year warranty period ending; Nebraska Department of Roads Federal Highway Administrations regarding 2017 projects; DEQ letter for Demerath Farms Inc. Animal Feeding Operation; Email from Knox County Clerk requesting nominations for Emergency Manager Professional of the Year.

The **Public Defender Contract/Agreement** was on the agenda. County Attorney is working on this contract and it is not ready for action today.

Treasurer's January Miscellaneous Fee Report was reviewed and put on file.

Treasurer's January Fund Balance Report was reviewed and put on file.

Treasurer's January Township Fund Balance Report was reviewed and put on file.

Clerk of the District Court January Fee Report was reviewed and put on file.

Sheriff January Fee Report was reviewed and put on file.

Pay application for A & R Construction for Elgin Southeast Sites 1 & 2 was not received until Monday afternoon, it will be an agenda item for March 7th, meeting.

The 2017 Audit was discussed during the March 7th, 2017 meeting. After corresponding with Deann Heaffner of the State Auditor's Office it was discussed the Audit service was a professional service, and would be excluded from the bid process. Motion by Commissioner Schindler, seconded by Commissioner Schwager to contract with the State Auditor's Office to complete the 2017 Audit. Voting aye: Schindler, Schwager, Henery, Jacob and Kerkman. Nays none. Motion carried.

Road Boss Report: Casey Dittrich gave a brief report, and presented a Pallet Striper brochure. The piece of equipment was a Model AL120-EZ Pallet Striper the unit has a base price of \$40,000.00 and to set it up to be utilized correctly is an additional \$12,000.00; for a total of approximately \$52,000.00. Because the striping of roads has been brought up a number of times during the business meeting, he wanted to look into the cost and present to the Commissioners for discussion. It takes two (2) people to run it. It is lifted with a pallet fork and sets in the back of a pickup. \$800.00 per mile to stripe one (1) mile. Brian McDonald would have to come out and do a study on each mile which would cost approximately \$ 150.00. The Orchard Road would cost approximately \$ 8,300.00. McDonald said most of the roads could be center striped, not dotted because that would indicate a passing lane and the county would be holding the bag if someone passes and it is not properly striped. There is little liability not having the roads striped. Discussion continued regarding the use and need of the striping machine. It was decided to table discussion, and complete more research as to the useful and effectiveness of the machine overall. **Semi – tractor bids** to be opened at 10:00 AM today. Casey reminded the Commissioners regarding the publishing/**advertising of bid letting gravel/asphalt/oil** for the 2017 season, for opening during the 2nd meeting in March (14th). **Hiring an employee** for the Road and Bridge Department. We are down two (2) full time positions at this time. We advertised for help, and left the opening very broad because we could hire a person for part-time busy work, and did not attach it to a barn. We are accepting applications until next week. It is not necessary at this time, as all in all the weather forecast looks to be very favorable conditions. Currently he is searching for a patching machine driver, as the employee doing the patching recently transferred to the Neligh Barn, to run the new CAT Grater.

Driveway site a resolution/policy is currently being written up, it is not complete. Will be ready for next meeting. Motion by Commissioner Henery, seconded by Commissioner Jacob to adopt policy and implement the policy to mandate the Permit to utilize road access with a \$20.00 permit fee, to be filed with the Clerk's Office with all permits. The road boss will sign off on all permits after site study complete and passable, and then they will be an agenda item to be approved by the Commissioners during a board meeting. Voting aye: Henery, Jacob, Schindler, Schwager and Kerkman. Nays none. Motion carried.

ANTELOPE COUNTY
ROAD ACCESS PERMIT
RESOLUTION 2017-02-000_

WHEREAS the Antelope County Board of Commissioner has received evidence that the public access of Antelope County Residents is needed to accommodate new or existing permanent or temporary rural locations in Antelope County,
WHEREAS these accesses can be hazardous, and not in the best interest of the county, or its population, and may provide a danger to motorists if not site specific and may cause hazards that endanger motorists, County employees, County equipment, and interfere with the proper maintenance of the roadway, especially during snow removal operations if not properly sited.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Antelope County shall, exercise its right to locate, map, verify and permit these right of way accesses to site specific locations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Antelope County Commissioners established a written policy and permit application for the formation and dedication of site right of way access as deemed necessary by the Antelope County Road Boss, Highway Superintendent, County Commissioners and Zoning Administrator,

AND, these applications for permits shall be on file at the clerk's office, the proper fee collected and recorded by the County Clerk's Office. After the permit application is filed, and before it is discussed during open session, the assigned Antelope County Personnel will inspect and sign off the site-specific address; a copy of aforementioned permit is attached;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Antelope County Clerk shall collect a fee of \$20.00 for each permit application. This permit application fee must be paid and the permit application shall be filed with the Antelope County Clerk's Office no less than 48 hours prior to the regularly scheduled Commissioner Meeting, in order for it to be placed on the agenda.

Dated this 14 day of February, 2017.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
ANTELOPE COUNTY, NEBRASKA
____/s/ LeRoy Kerkman _____
Chairman,
Antelope County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:
____/s/ Lisa Payne _____
County Clerk

Motion by Commissioner Henery, seconded by Commissioner Jacob to adopt the policy and resolution as set forth. Voting aye: Henery, Jacob, Schwager, Schindler, and Kerkman. Nays none. Motion carried.

5 Yays
0 Nays
Attachment: Permit

Veterans Service Officer: Keith Heithoff, Ralph Tichota and Ron Marshall of the Veterans Service Committee met with the supervisors to gather information regarding hiring of a Veterans Service Officer to replace the current VSO Ron Marshall who is retiring in June 30, 2017. Due to the decreasing number of veterans in Antelope County (3% a year decrease), it was discussed the full-time position with benefits may not be necessary. Discussion of a 30-hour week with full time pay, a possible 24-hour week with a little more hourly pay or sharing an individual between two (2) counties. We have not found a county willing to share the VSO position. It was discussed the 30 hours seems to be a pretty acceptable, however the individual hired may not want those hours. Working out pay and benefits after the individual has been hired. Motion to place an advertisement in the local papers along with NACO, and Job Works to run for three (3) weeks through March 13th, 2017 leaving everything broad, was made by Commissioner Schwager, seconded by Commissioner Henery. Voting aye: Schwager, Henery, Jacob, Schindler and Kerkman. Nays none. Motion carried.

Notices regarding the **liquor licenses** for Mr. S's, Royal Bait Shop, Summerland Golf Club and Plainview Country Club were published as required by State Statute. No written protest was received regarding the liquor licenses for the above-mentioned license holders. Motion by Commissioner Schindler, seconded by Commissioner Schwager to approve the liquor license of Grove Lake Bait Shop, Summerland Golf Club, Plainview Country Club, and Mr. S's. Those voting aye: Schinder, Schwager, Jacob, Henery and Kerkman. Nays none. Motion carried.

870th Road. Mark Carpenter recently returned a Petition for Abandonment of Road for 870th which lies on the Knox-Antelope County Line. There were both Knox and Antelope County registered voters on the petition. We verified with the Knox County Election Commissioner and all voters are registered between the two counties. Motion by Commissioner Henery, seconded by Commissioner Schwager to request Brian McDonald, Antelope County Highway Superintendent to complete Road Study. Voting aye: Henery, Schwager, Schindler, Jacob and Kerkman. Nays none. Motion carried. Brian McDonald was contacted by email to complete study.

Lee, from _____, DeWitt, Nebraska met with the Commissioners regarding a drag. It is set up differently than most drags. He was inquiring if Antelope County was interested in purchasing the equipment. Both the commissioners and road boss iterated at this time the equipment is not feasible, as it is smaller and does not meet the needs of the county.

10:00 AM Semi-Tractor Bids: Casey Dittrich opened and read the notice for Semi-Tractor as printed in the newspaper. Three bid envelopes were received. The first envelope from **RDO Truck Center** with 9 bids opened. Jean Spale was in attendance.

2008 Mack CXU613	mileage 853,826	Fuller 10 Speed Air Ride	3325	\$ 25,000.00
2008 Mack CXU613	mileage 834,920	Fuller 10 Speed Air Ride	3271	\$ 25,000.00
2012 Mack CXU613	mileage 436,115	Fuller 18 Speed Air Ride	FU1063	\$ 45,000.00
2007 Volvo VNL64T630	mileage 790,637	Fuller 10 Speed Air Ride	FU1013	\$ 18,000.00
2011 Mack CXU613	mileage 425,698	Fuller 10 Speed Air Ride	UO14481	\$ 32,000.00
2007 Peterbilt 379	mileage 952,799	Fuller 13 Speed Front Spring/Rear	669813	\$ 48,000.00
2009 Mack CXU613	mileage 363,311	Mack 13 Speed Air-Ride	U006886	\$ 45,000.00
2009 Mack CHU613	mileage 417,814	Mack 10 Speed Front Spring Rear	OU1052	\$ 37,000.00
2009 Mack CXU613	mileage 547,295	Mack MP8 Air Ride	C008578	\$ 37,000.00

Titan Machinery with 3 bids opened. Gary Grotelschen here.

1997 International Truck	mileage 10,161.0	TAG #2327080	\$ 12,000.00
2007 Sterling LT9500 Truck	mileage 707,024.0	TAG #2181334	\$ 19,800.00
2007 Sterling LT9500 Truck	mileage 645952.0	TAG #2181328	\$ 19,800.00

Dan's Cattle Corral – Dan Allemang 1 bid opened.

2007 Freightliner Columbia 120	mileage 440,000	New Kingpins and 3-axle alignment	\$ 18,000.00
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Discussion continued on merits of each truck and various engines etc. Motion by Commissioner Schwager, seconded by Commissioner Henery to authorize Road Boss, Casey Dittrich to complete spec sheet to compare side by side, inspect and verify condition of 2009 Mack trucks for RDO Stock # C008578. Trucks are to be delivered to Antelope County Neligh Barn tomorrow (Wednesday 2/15/2017) for inspection and trial. Casey, Commissioner Henery and Commissioner Schwager will inspect truck and possible make a verbal agreement to proceed with purchase. Voting aye: Schwager, Henery, Jacob, Schindler and Kerkman. Nays none. Motion carried. Motion by Commissioner Henery, seconded by Commissioner Schwager to authorize Road Boss, Casey Dittrich to complete spec sheet to compare side by side, inspect and verify condition of 2009 Mack trucks for RDO Stock # OU1052. Truck will be delivered to Antelope County Neligh Barn tomorrow (Wednesday 2/15/2017) for inspection and trial. Casey, Commissioner Henery and Schwager will inspect truck and possible make a verbal agreement to proceed with purchase. Both are priced at \$37,000.00. Voting aye: Schwager, Henery, Jacob, Schindler and Kerkman. Nays none. Motion carried. It is understood if agreed, Casey can proceed to purchase.

Liz Doerr, Antelope County Zoning Administrator, met with the Commissioners to give an office update. Planning Commission is meeting on the 28th day of February at 1:00 PM with Keith Marvin to review the rewriting of the Zoning regulation. Currently, all of the zoning regulations are complete except for the Wind Regulations. They will be reviewing those regulations for completion. Mr. Marvin does not have the draft ready for review yet, but will probably have ready next week, so Liz can share with the Planning Commission members before the meeting.

Audio Visual Equipment request for the meeting room was discussed with Mr. Bill Rahder of Boyd's Network Solutions. He will work on providing this service. He expects the cost around \$2,000.00.

James Daubert with First Concord Benefits met with the Commissioners regarding the cash in lieu payment for insurance benefits. This program works with individuals who are able to carry Medicare, but at this time are still active with the counties BC/BS. The option of "in-lieu-of" insurance payments would be an amount that would reimburse the participants who opted to go with Medicare instead of the county insurance carrier. The 'in-lieu of' would reimburse the individual for supplemental premium, Medicare deductibles, and Coinsurance. As an example, First Concord Benefits has worked up a scenario where the in lieu of payment would be approximately \$ 350.00-400.00. By utilizing this plan, it becomes a viable option for employees who are eligible for Medicare, and take the buyup. By utilizing the Medicare coverage for these individuals, and paying a cash in lieu we would offset most of the expenses the employee would incur for utilizing the Medicare coverage (i.e. deductible, co-pays, premiums) Senior Option Plan. There are approximately 14 individuals who them or their spouses, or both would be able to utilize the Medicare method. The study conducted by Mr. Daubert regarding eligible Medicare participants and or spouses would save the county approximately \$100,000.00 a year, if all plan participants who were able participated. If this option is utilized it would be at the option of ALL employees. However, the in-lieu-of would only pertain if the individual employee can "prove" equal coverage. Item will be placed back on the agenda for March 7, 2017. Dean Smith requested to look into self-insuring of Antelope County.

Catastrophic Inmate Medical Insurance was discussed with Sheriff Moore and the Commissioners. Currently, Antelope County is insured through Hunt Insurance Group to provide a catastrophic insurance policy for jail inmates. Antelope County is covered with have a \$250,000.00. This plan is up for

renewal and expires March 31, 2017. Sheriff Moore expressed the need for the continuation, and discussed with the Commissioners the possibility of upping the coverage. The commissioners agreed a possible \$500,000.00 limit of coverage might be beneficial, considering the higher medical costs involved in the world today. The commissioners asked Sheriff Moore and the County Clerk to investigate into the cost of upping the limited coverage to a \$500,000.00 per inmate coverage. Item was tabled until further information is gathered. Item will be on March agenda. Call was made to Carey Boucher at Hunt Insurance. She will send to underwriting.

Joshua Framel, Invenergy Manager of Business Development stood up and introduced himself to the commissioners. He recently replaced Emily Kobylarczyk for Invenergy. He just gave a brief update on work, with nothing new to report. Zoning permits, and inspection are complete. They do not have an estimated date for beginning construction on the pending Upstream project.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 AM.

ANTELOPE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

By: _____
Chairman of the Board, LeRoy Kerkman

Attest: _____
County Clerk, Lisa Payne