

January 14, 2025

The Keya Paha County Commissioners met Tuesday, January 14th 2025 as advertised. Chairman Nilson called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. immediately after the swearing in of Tony Tiefenthaler as the West District Commissioner, with Commissioners Frederick and Tiefenthaler and Clerk Wentworth present. Nilson noted the open meetings act posted for the public.

Under general business, Frederick informed the progress made on having an engineer inspect the building issues mentioned in previous meetings. A representative from Olsson's will be at the courthouse in the next couple of weeks.

Frederick also wanted to inform the rest of the board that there will be a meeting in Rock County on January 27th at 10:00 a.m. concerning the Carns Bridge.

After review, Nilson moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented, Frederick seconded. Voting: Nilson—yes, Frederick—yes and Tiefenthaler—yes. All voted in favor, motion carried.

Nilson moved to accept the quarterly sheriff's report, treasurers semi-annual report and the clerk, district court clerk and treasurers monthly reports, Tiefenthaler seconded. Voting: Frederick—yes, Tiefenthaler—yes and Nilson—yes, all voted in favor. Motion carried.

The Commissioners proceeded to the 10:15 agenda item of 2025 annual appointments. Nilson moved, Tiefenthaler seconded to appoint Frederick as Chairman. Nilson moved, Frederick seconded to appoint Tiefenthaler as vice chairman. Frederick moved, Nilson seconded to set the Springview Herald as the official newspaper. Tiefenthaler moved, Nilson seconded to set www.keyapahacountyne.org as the county website. Tiefenthaler moved, Frederick seconded to set West Plains Bank as the official county depository. Tiefenthaler moved, Nilson seconded to set Springview Fire & Rescue as the official ambulance service for billing purposes. Tiefenthaler moved, Nilson seconded to appoint Frederick to the Region IV Mental Health Board. Frederick moved, Tiefenthaler seconded to appoint Nilson to the Reion IV Northstar board. Nilson moved, Tiefenthaler seconded to appoint Kurtis Mizner as the weed superintendent. Frederick moved, Nilson seconded to appoint Dolly Kienke as the Zoning administrator. Nilson moved, Tiefenthaler seconded to appoint Frederick to the RC&D Board. Tiefenthaler moved, Frederick seconded to appoint Nilson to the NCDHD Board. Nilson moved, Tiefenthaler to appoint Frederick as the county safety committee board member. Frederick moved, Nilson seconded to appoint J. Cook, K. Linse, B. Crawford and H. Snyder to the county safety committee. Nilson moved, Tiefenthaler seconded to appoint Wentworth as the NIRMA contact person. Frederick moved, Nilson seconded to appoint Tiefenthaler as the Niobrara Council representative. Nilson moved, Frederick seconded to appoint D. Kienke as the NCDC representative for Keya Paha County. Frederick moved, Tiefenthaler seconded to set NPAIT as the annual investment company and A. Painter as the contact person. Nilson moved to approve the appointments, motions and seconds with unanimous consent without objection, Frederick seconded, there were no objections. All appointments listed above were approved with unanimous consent. Appointments that were tabled include: County Highway Superintendent, Planning Commission member and the Board of Adjustments.

Nilson moved to set Keya Paha County Board of Commissioners meetings for the second and fourth Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. with the exception of November 11th, which will be moved to November 12th to avoid falling on Veterans Day, Tiefenthaler seconded. Voting: Nilson—yes, Frederick—yes and Tiefenthaler—yes. All voted in favor, motion carried.

Nilson moved, Tiefenthaler seconded for the courthouse to observe all federal and local holidays. Voting: Frederick—yes, Tiefenthaler—yes and Nilson—yes, all voted in favor. Motion carried.

Nilson moved to approve tax corrections 406 and 407, removing the tax on two exempt properties, Tiefenthaler seconded. Voting: Tiefenthaler—yes, Nilson—yes and Frederick—yes. All voted in favor, motion carried.

Nilson moved, Frederick seconded to approve the tax corrections for the previously approved protest parcels. Voting: Nilson—yes, Frederick—yes and Tiefenthaler—yes, all voted in favor. Motion carried.

T. Meyer, representing CBR Ranch LLC met with the commissioners to discuss the project of Carns Ave. After discussion, Nilson moved to approve the previously presented Request to Occupy County Right of Way Application, with the additional map, Frederick seconded. Voting: Frederick—yes, Tiefenthaler—yes and Nilson—yes. All voted in favor, motion carried.

CLAIMS

GENERAL CLAIMS

Salaries & Ins Reimb		\$	16,774.14
Appeara	supplies	\$	253.16
Applied Connective	services	\$	1,492.70
BC&BS	premium	\$	20,616.40
John Frederick	mileage	\$	299.49
Hespe Auto Center	services	\$	167.99
Holiday Inn	conference/treas/com	\$	749.70
KBR Power	uitl	\$	1,016.25
Keya Paha Co Payroll W-H Acct	co-share ret	\$	991.29

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Keya Paha Co Treasurer	postage	\$	12.30
L&B Johnson PC	kp share	\$	105.40
Microfilm Imaging Systems, Inc	fees	\$	88.00
Mid-States Org Crime In	membership	\$	100.00
Midwest Special Services	prisoner transport	\$	1,512.50
MIPS Inc	data processing	\$	1,451.55
NE Clerks of Dist Court Assoc	dues	\$	50.00
NE Assoc of Co Assessors	dues	\$	100.00
Barbara Nilson	dispatch	\$	708.33
Office Products Center	supplies	\$	38.59
AnneJeanette Painter	mileage	\$	244.18
Region Iv Inc	qtrly	\$	1,055.50
Eric Scott	clerical/phone	\$	850.00
Springview Herald	publishing	\$	211.88
Three River Telco	util	\$	593.41
Turbine Mart	fuel	\$	565.05
US Bank	supplies/equip	\$	2,004.85
Viaero Wireless	sheriff dept	\$	172.71
Village of Springview	util	\$	128.92

ROAD FUND

Salaries & Ins Reimb		\$	15,174.31
Appeara	supplies	\$	160.05
Atteberry Construction Inc	road material	\$	35,191.50
B's Enterprises Inc	sign	\$	138.00
BC&BS	premium	\$	8,742.69
Buckles Automotive	supplies	\$	1,529.74
CVA	fuel	\$	1,490.28
Hespe Auto Center	rep/supp/serv/tires	\$	8,551.40
Inland Truck Parts	repairs	\$	4,875.00
J&J Sanitation	util	\$	135.73
KBR Power	util	\$	226.06
Keya Paha Co Payroll W-H Acct	co-share ret	\$	923.02
Keya Paha Co Payroll W-H Acct	co-share fica	\$	1,146.62
Outback Machine & Welding	repairs	\$	916.58
Power Plan	snow wing	\$	3,500.00
Kenneth Sharp	road material	\$	304.00
Three River Telco	util	\$	125.65
Truck Center Co	repairs	\$	128.29
Viaero Wireless	foreman cell	\$	43.84
Village of Springview	util	\$	33.20

WEED FUND

Salaries & Ins Reimb		\$	833.33
BC&BS	premium	\$	1,451.70
Keya Paha Co Payroll W-H Acct	co-share ret	\$	56.25

Keya Paha Co Payroll W-H Acct	co-share fica	\$	61.05
Region II Weed Control	dues	\$	200.00
Three River Telco	util	\$	57.64

Nilson moved to approve the above claims, Frederick seconded. Voting: Tiefenthaler—yes, Nielson—yes and Frederick—yes. All voted in favor, motion carried.

The commissioners went to lunch.

At 1:00 those present to discuss dispatch equipment were: J. Coyle, Cherry/Keya Paha County Emergency Manager, T. Wyrick, Deputy Emergency Manager and S. Hallock, Springview Fire Chief. With the retirement of Nilson discussion was held on the process of Cherry County dispatching for Keya Paha County full time and what will be done with the equipment located at the Nilson household. For Cherry County to dispatch 100% of the time there will need to be some equipment upgrades for recording and for radio service to the Mills tower. The radio can be moved to the Sheriffs office at the courthouse. There will be a new interlocal agreement put together between Cherry and Keya Paha County. Dispatch was placed on the next agenda for 1:00.

J. Cook met with the commissioners to update them on the projects going on in the road department, mainly repairing and getting equipment ready.

At 2:00 the commissioners met with the part time employees to discuss requirements brought to light after a retirement audit in the clerks office. There were a couple of options discussed to fulfill the requirements requested by the retirement system. The agenda item was tabled until the next meeting, waiting to hear back from the retirement representative.

At 3:30 chairman Frederick declared the meeting adjourned until the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held on Tuesday, January 28th at 10:00 a.m. at the courthouse meeting room. A current agenda is on file in the clerks office and available online at: <https://keypahacountyne.gov>.

John Frederick, Chairman

Suzy Wentworth, Clerk

*****These minutes are not yet approved and may be corrected*****