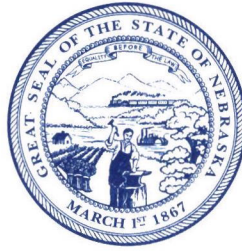


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Synopsis Case #20-10 Action Taken on June 4, 2021

Respondent: Nancy Schlotfeld

Nancy Schlotfeld was a member of the Elkhorn Township Board in Dodge County. Floods in 2019 caused severe damage to the roads in the Township. The three member Township Board spent a great deal of time addressing flooding issues. Each member of the Township Board voted, without legal authority, to pay themselves an additional \$1,000 per week for 33 weeks. Prior to the vote, compensation for each board members was \$600 for the entire year.

Based upon information received from the Auditor of Public Accounts, the Executive Director commenced a Preliminary Investigation on June 29, 2020. The allegation was that the Respondent voted to increase her compensation by and that this constituted the use her public office for personal financial gain in violation of §49-14,101.01 of the NPADA. The parties entered into a settlement agreement by which the Commission found 13 violations of §49-14,101.01 relating to the extra pay. By the terms of the agreement, the Respondent agreed to reimburse Elkhorn Township the extra compensation in the amount of \$33,000 less a credit of \$950.00 for normal compensation.

The Commission approved the Settlement Agreement with nine Commissioners concurring, no Commissioners dissenting, and no Commissioners abstaining.

Violation: Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, the Commission found 13 violations of §49-14,101.01 of the NPADA.

Civil Penalty: None

Other: The Respondent will reimburse Elkhorn Township in the amount of \$32,050.

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