



# Harlan County Board Minutes



Supervisors Room, Alma, NE

Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 p.m.

The Harlan County Board of Supervisor's met in regular session Tuesday December 5th with Supervisor's Max Schultz, JD Schluntz, Lonny Hanna, Rodney Metzger, Traci Dietz, Gary Dunse and Doug Horwart. Also in attendance were County Clerk Janet Dietz, County Attorney Bryan McQuay, Road/Weed Superintendent Tim Burgeson and Tim Stortz, Nebraska Dept. of Ag. Chairman Dietz called the meeting to order and stated that there is a copy of the open meetings act posted in the room and will be followed by the Board. Clerk Janet Dietz took all proceedings while the convened meeting was open to the public.

Minutes from the November 15<sup>th</sup> meeting were reviewed. Chairman Dietz called for any additions or corrections. Motion was made by Hanna, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Metzger to accept as written. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

The morning was spent auditing and allowing claims. (Calkins Law, UNL, Person McQuay, Jackie Queen and Cammie Kroll claims were held for further discussion) Motion made by Dunse 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hanna to approve all other claims. Roll call votes all ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the Person McQuay claim. County Attorney explained the claim was bringing the child support in line with the current budget. Motion was made by JD Schultz to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Horwart. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the Cammie Kroll claim for supplies. Board removed the tax (\$3.56) on the claim. Motion was made by Hanna 2<sup>nd</sup> by Metzger to approve the claim for \$160.94. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the UNL claim for Work comp. JD Schluntz move to hold the claim.

Discussion was moved to the Calkins Law Office claim. Discussion was on the \$447.00 from March to April 2016 and being past 90 days. County Attorney discussed guardianship cases may take a little longer to process in the system. Motion was made by Dunse 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hanna to approve the \$6,380.22 claim. Roll call votes, Supervisors, 5, 4, 2, 3, 7, and 6, yes. Supervisor 1 abstained. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the claim filed by Jackie Queen, Court reporter. Claim was for the transcript filed in County Board court case CI 16-31. Claim is for \$97.50. County Attorney



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advised to pay now as this may be reimbursed later. Motion made by JD. Schluntz 2<sup>nd</sup> by Metzger to approve. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

County Board Chairman read Resolution 2016-#29. This will transfer \$78,969.95 from inheritance to general fund to meet current months obligations and will not be returned. Motion made by Dunse 2<sup>nd</sup> by Metzger to approve. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the Predator Control claim, claim is for \$2,374.11 and is for current and past due amounts and pickup repairs. County Attorney advised not to pay and will look into this. Motion made by Hanna, 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Schultz to hold pending further review by the County Attorney. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

Harlan County Road/Weed Superintendent Tim Burgeson came to the Board with the new inspector for Nebraska Department of Ag. Tim Stortz introduced himself. Discussion was held on Weed Superintendents yearly evaluation.

At 2:00 pm clerk initiated a telephone conference with Benefit Management to discuss the County's health insurance renewal for March 2017. Dustin Will and Dan Duran discussed the age related rates with the plan going up approximately 10% to 12%. Benefit Management will come out in February to finalize and complete open enrollment.

County Road Superintendent brought to the Board (1) ROW 2016-#33 and Driveway 2016-#8 for review. Also discussed was grinding the "cement pile" and using funds from the gravel department. Tim has a quote of \$8.00 per ton with approximately 900 tons to be ground. Supervisor M. Schultz also discussed getting a bid from Steve Larson in Atlanta NE.

Clerk presented the Department of Roads -County Road Superintendent Certification. Board reviewed the certification form. Clerk and Chairman will finalize the certification.

Clerk presented Resolution 2016#28 for approval. This is a transportation project which Harlan County will obtain Federal Funds.(\$5,883.34) Project number HRRR-STWD (116). Advanced Railroad Signing Project. A complete copy is available in the Clerk Office. Chairman Dietz read Resolution 2016-#28. Motion was made by JD Schluntz 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dunse to approve. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion moved to (2) appointments to Harlan County Extension Board. Supervisor Dunse brought to the Board Chris Schluntz for reappointment. Supervisor Hanna interjected he could not vote for Chris Schluntz with the pending check writing investigation. County



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Attorney wasn't aware of the State Patrol having been to the Courthouse for any interviews. Motion was made by Dunse 2<sup>nd</sup> by JD. Schluntz, Roll call votes, District's # 1, 2, 7, & 6 –yes, District's # 3, 4, 5 no. Motion carried. Motion was made by M. Schultz, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dunse to approve Janelle Schoen to the Extension Board. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

County Attorney brought to the Board a new Child Support Contract. (2016-2017) new monthly rate will be \$1,339.00, a 3% increase, which follows the approved budget. Motion made by Horwart, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hanna to approve. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

Deputy County Attorney Melodie Bellamy joined the meeting. Discussion was held on the Nirma meeting that the Clerk and Melodie attended. Melodie and the Clerk have discussed the payroll audit issues. A very lengthy meeting was conducted. Issues discussed, employees paid in advance, hourly verses salary, time cards, sign off with sick/vacation and time clocks.

Supervisor Dunse asked both County Attorneys, if the four members of the County board lawsuit should obtain legal counsel. It was strongly recommended so it would not be thrown out due to a technicality.

With no one from the public to address the Board, Chairman Dietz adjourned the meeting at 4:07 p. m. Next meeting will be December 20th at 10:00 a.m.

Janet Dietz, Harlan County Clerk

Traci Dietz, Chairman

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## GENERAL FUND

Anderson, Klein, Brewster & Brandt, ct. appt. atty. fees; \$996.00; Melodie Bellamy, cell phone, \$20.00; Business World Products, supplies, \$142.23; Calkins Law Office, ct. appt. atty. fees, \$6,380.22; CHS Agri Service Center, ice melt, \$89.94; City of Alma, utilities, \$665.00; Justin Daake, ct. appt. atty. fees; \$2,603.00; DAS State Acct, Central Finance, data processing, \$653.68; Janet Dietz, cell phone, \$45.00; Traci Dietz, cell phone, \$45.00; Dollar General, supplies, \$34.15; Eagle Communications, internet, \$320.00; Eakes Office Solutions,



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copies, \$412.16; First National Bank, lodging, supplies, \$691.21; First State Bank, fees, \$35.00; Furnas County Extension, reim. supplies, \$311.37; Lonny Hanna, cell phone, \$45.00; Harlan County Clerk, postage, \$9.50; Harlan County Court, dismissals, \$214.00; Harlan County Health Systems, meals, \$1,106.00; Harlan County Treasurer, postage & phone, \$2,744.94; Hays Pharmacy, supp. \$74.86; Dawn Hetrick, mileage, supplies, \$39.15; Hogeland's Market, supplies, \$198.68; Doug Horwart, cell phone, \$45.00; Cammie Kroll, supplies, \$160.94; Mail Finance, maint. agree. \$ 330.00; Main Street Variety, supplies, \$ 46.95; Sarah Malone, laundry, \$ 71.50; Ron Melbye, cell phone, \$45.00; Rodney Metzger, cell phone, \$45.00; Midwest Special Services, Inc, transport, \$492.00; MIPS, data proc. Email, website, \$883.87; Kevin Molzahn, mowing, \$2,430.00; NACO dues, \$1,340.91; Nebraska Sheriff Assoc. dues, \$100.00; NESCA dues, \$15.00; NPPD elect. \$431.08; Office Solutions Associates, supplies, \$554.48; Person & McQuay Law Office, phone, contract & rental, \$5,377.52; Platte Valley Comm. Of Kearney, service, \$3,057.74; Darcie Porter, cell phone, \$45.00; Protocall, supplies, \$350.00; Jackie Queen, transcript fee, \$97.50; RR Donnelley, supplies, \$42.18; Michael Richman, cell phone, \$45.00; Shawn Rupp, meals, \$23.92; Short Stop, fuel, \$459.73; South Central Regional Local Emergency Management, dues, \$100.00; The Lincoln life ins, \$412.31; The Standard, dental ins, \$654.70; Tripe Motor Co., service, \$1,266.46; Those Blasted Signs, \$623.00; United Health Care, ins, \$10,588.08; Verizon Wireless, cell phone service, \$418.42; Walter Stephens, supplies, \$65.92; Salary & Wage, \$77,414.50.

## ROAD FUND

Ag Valley Coop, supplies, \$10.08; B.H. Hesemann Shop, supplies, \$237.71 Barco Municipal Products, supplies, \$3,538.00 ; Bosselman, Inc, fuel, \$1,005.68; CHS Agri Services, fuel, \$1,654.09; City of Alma, trash, \$ 51.43; James Dietz, retirement, \$25.00; Willis Dietz, retirement, \$14.40; First National Bank, supplies, \$18.66; Harlan County Treasure, phone, \$117.58; Hometown Leasing, printer, \$74.04; John Deere Financial, parts/supp.\$125.55; Landmark, Implement, rental equip. \$3,800.00; M J Lubeck, building rental, \$150.00; Main Street Variety, supplies, \$63.92; MIPS, data proc, email, \$122.84; NMC Exchange, parts/insp. \$1,173.04; Nebraska Safety and Fire Equip. maint. \$320.00; Newman Traffic Signs, signs, \$1,057.00; Oak Creek Engineering, sign study, \$270.00 ; Platte Valley Comm., service, \$179.00; Quill Corp, \$18.98; S&W Auto Parts, parts, \$892.28; The Island, fuel, \$4.29; The Lincoln National Life, ins, \$178.65; The Standard Dental, \$322.02; United Health Care, ins, \$6,197.81; Salary & Wage, \$ 32,076.82.





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## **WEED FUND**

Harlan County Treasurer, phone, \$50.21; Kaufman Kawasaki, repairs, \$181.01 Salary, \$800.00.

## **TOURISM FUND**

Pat Underwood, Salary, \$900.00.

## **SERVICES FOR AGING**

Harlan County Senior Center, monthly expenses, \$1,433.83.

## **911 EMERGENCY FUND**

City of Holdrege, 911 surcharges, \$955.13.