

**HARLAN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
From April 16th, 2024**

The Harlan County Board of Supervisor's met in regular session Tuesday, April 16th, 2024, in the Community Room of the Harlan County Courthouse in Alma, NE, as advertised, with Supervisor's Chris Schluntz; Max Schultz; Mike Clements; Cindy Boehler; Jeff Bash; and Janice Miller-Boston present. Also, present were Clerk, DaLynn Burgeson; Deputy County Attorney, Whitney Schroeder; Treasurer, Sandy Artz; and Highway & Weed Superintendent, Tim Burgeson.

At 9:30 a.m., Chairman Schluntz called the meeting to order, announced that there is a copy of the Open Meetings Act posted at the south end of the room and will be followed by the Board and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Treasurer Artz provided, for the Board's review, account balances, Pledged Securities reports, an Account Trial Balance Listing, and Delinquent Tax Listing.

The Board reviewed claims. Chairman Schluntz asked the Board if they had all had a chance to review the claims. Discussion was held. Boehler left the meeting. With no further discussion, a motion was made by Clements to approve the claims as submitted. Seconded by Bash. Roll call votes: Schultz-yes; Clements-yes; Boehler-absent; Bash-yes; Miller-Boston-yes; Schluntz-yes. Motion carried.

Chairman Schluntz asked the Board if they had reviewed the Minutes from the April 2nd, 2024, regular Board meeting and called for any additions or corrections. There were no additions or corrections. A motion was made by Schultz to approve the minutes from April 2nd, 2024, as presented. Seconded by Bash. Roll call votes: Schultz-yes; Clements-abstain; Boehler-absent; Bash-yes; Miller-Boston-yes; Schluntz-yes. Motion carried.

Sheriff Becker-Purchase of new pickup. Sheriff Becker handled this prior to the meeting.

Public Transit – Supervisor Clements provided an update on behalf of the Transit Committee. There have been continued discussions with a possible source to provide public transit services and details are currently being researched. There is a possible alternative source also. The County Board will continue with efforts in the search for viable transit services.

At 10:32 a.m., Bash made a motion to go into Closed Session for potential litigation due to an error discovered by the State Auditors. Seconded by Clements. Roll call votes: Schultz-yes; Clements-yes; Boehler-absent; Bash-yes; Miller-Boston-yes; Schluntz-yes. Motion carried. Those in attendance during the closed session were the County Board of Supervisors and the Deputy County Attorney. All the others in the room were asked to exit. At 10:53 a.m., the closed session ended and the regular meeting reconvened. Chairman Schluntz announced that there will be a press release addressing the potential litigation related to the error discovered by the State Auditors issue and if everything goes as it should, claims and a resolution pursuant to this matter should be presented at the next board meeting.

Highway & Weed Superintendent Burgeson came before the Board. There were no driveway or right-of-way permits. Burgeson presented the final paperwork, for signatures, in regard to the 2024 Structure Replacement projects that have been completed. The Chairman and Clerk signed as indicated. Burgeson provided updates on the sale of the Mack dump truck, status on the septic issue at his office and that he still has three road department openings. Discussion was held on purchasing a new Caterpillar road grader. Burgeson will gather more details to bring to the Board at the next meeting.

Clerk Burgeson advised the Board of different documents that she included in their packets for their information.

Clerk Burgeson also presented, for the Board's consideration, an additional proposal for the County auditor services for the fiscal year ending 2024. Discussion was held.

Clements provided a building and grounds committee update regarding the Courthouse roof inspection for storm damage, turning on of the lawn sprinklers, installation date of the new office

counters, an upcoming meeting regarding the south Courthouse entrance doors and the status of advertising for a Courthouse maintenance position. Discussions were held.

Public Forum: *Citizens were present. No comments.*

With no further business, a motion was made by Bash to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Miller-Boston. Roll call votes: Schultz-yes; Clements-yes; Boehler-absent; Bash-yes; Miller-Boston-yes; Schluntz-yes. Motion carried. Chairman Schluntz adjourned the meeting at 11:40 a.m.

The next regular meeting will be held May 7th, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. for consent agenda items and 10:00 a.m. for business agenda items.

ATTEST:

/s/ DaLynn Burgeson, County Clerk

/s/ Chris Schluntz, Chairman

Agenda & Minutes can be found on the County website: harlancounty.ne.gov

CLAIMS: GENERAL: Jeff Artz-Planning & Zoning Mileage \$5.00; At-Scene LLC-iCrimeFigher subscription; Bauer-Torrey & Mach Funeral Home-Transport \$797.50; Cindy Boehler-Refund overpayment filing fee \$2.14; Kelsi Bose-Planning & Zoning Mileage \$13.40; Buffalo County Sheriff-Sheriff Fees \$21.36; DaLynn Burgeson-office supplies \$19.86; Business World-County Attorney office equipment & engraved door signs \$1373.00; City of Alma-Utilities \$926.00; Clerk of District Court-Harlan County Court costs \$36.00; DeWald, Deaver-Court appointed attorney \$2455.51; Diamond Exterminating-Service/Treatment \$150.00; Eakes-Office Supplies \$1853.72; Election Systems & Software-Election Supplies \$6962.05; First National Bank CC-Supplies, Postal Supplies, Office Equipment, \$2719.93; Anna Fisher-Extension mileage \$108.75; Tana Fye Henry-Court appointed attorney fees \$690.88; Gray Law Firm-Court appointed attorney fees \$460.00; Harlan County Court-court costs \$34.00; Harlan County Health Systems-Jail Meals \$1042.50; Harlan County Journal-publications \$812.85; Harlan County Sheriff-Sheriff Fees \$18.50; Harlan County Treasurer-Inter Fund Transfer to Road Department \$125,000.00; Hays Pharmacy-Jail Medical \$43.58; Dawn Herick-Mileage \$23.72; Hogeland Market-Extension supplies \$77.45/Sheriff supplies \$274.11/Building & Grounds supplies \$35.45; Doug Horwart-Planning & Zoning mileage \$10.05; Instakey Security Systems-Keys \$40.32; Intellicom-Microsoft 365 subscription \$24.00; Johnson Controls-Boiler repairs \$2010.90; Klein, Brewster, Brandt & Messersmith-Court appointed attorney fees \$207.00; Midwest Special Services-Prisoner transport \$331.15; MIPS Inc.-Data Processing, \$1485.88; NE Clerks of District Court Assn-2024 Summer Workshop registration \$75.00; NE Emergency Services-2024 NESCA membership dues \$15.00; NE Public Health Environmental Lab-Blood tests \$105.00; NE Safety & Fire Equipment-Extinguisher labor \$82.00; NE Public Power District-Utilities \$466.86; Phelps County Sheriff-Safekeeping of Inmate \$815.06; Pitney Bowes-Postal Machine rental \$97.86; Platte Valley Communications-Installation light bars; Quill-Court office supplies \$320.72/ Misc-office supplies \$991.15; Region III Behavioral Health Services-FY2023-2024 County tax match \$2015.42; Rose Plumbing-Labor \$312.50; S&W Auto Parts-supplies \$11.98; Robert Schmidt- Refund overpayment filing fee \$2.14; DAS State Accounting-Sheriff Teletype Service \$537.60; Thomas Stewart-Court appointed attorney fees \$718.63; Tripe Motor CO-Sheriff vehicle service \$536.47; Trustworthy Hardware-Supplies \$17.38; Twin Valleys Public Power District-Utilities \$100.57; Urbom Law Office-Court appointed attorney fees \$345.30; Verizon Wireless-Cell Phones \$242.93; Viaero Wireless-Cell Phones \$108.64; Vyve Broadband-Phone Service, Internet, Data Processing \$1879.73; Doug Winz-Planning & Zoning mileage \$25.46; Brandon Wright-Planning & Zoning mileage \$10.72 (General Fund Total: \$163,693.28).

ROAD FUND: B.H. Hesemann Shop-Supplies \$12.25; Barco Municipal Products-Sign stands \$198.00; Bosselman Energy Inc.-Fuel \$1036.43; Bosselman Enterprises-Fuel \$1130.46; Central States Aggregate- Rock \$2711.02; CHI Agri Service-Propane \$1004.09; City of Alma-Trash service \$64.50; Cooperative Producers-Fuel/additives \$372.40; Jim Dietz-Retirement \$25.00; Equipment Blades-Equipment/freight \$8024.00; First National Bank-Supplies \$32.95; GWorks-Annual Subscription \$3544.00; Harlan County Journal-advertising \$74.85; Harlan County Treasurer-Title fee \$15.00; Hogeland Market-supplies \$69.53; Holdrege Daily Citizen-Help wanted ads \$200.00; Hunter's B&C-Batteries \$620.00; Huntley Service-Supplies/Fuel \$615.15; M.J. Lubeck-Rent \$300.00; Main Street Variety-Shop supplies \$59.70; Michael Todd Industrial Supply-Supplies/signs

\$2105.46; MIPS Inc-Data Processing \$127.16; NMC Exchange-Equip Repair \$8561.49; Neumeyer Excavating-Snow/tree removal \$9262.50; NIRMA-Safety supplies \$260.00; Paddington Service-Fuel \$72.85; Paulsen Inc-Gravel/rock \$9434.24; Quill Corp.-Office supplies \$483.82; Rudy's Tire Alma-Tires/tire repair \$702.76; S&W Auto Parts-Tool & Shop Supplies \$814.08; Sappa Valley Farm & Auto-Fuel \$333.84; Sid Dillon Chevrolet-2024 Chevy Silverado Pickup \$59,538.00; The Trader-Advertising \$170.00; Titan Machinery-Grader blades \$1929.00; Tripe Motor-Parts/labor \$397.26; Twin Valleys Public Power-Utilities \$444.91; Van Diest Supply-Noxious Weed chemicals \$2449.30; Verizon-Phone Service \$27.16; Village of Republican City-Utilities \$35.00 (Road Fund Total: \$117,258.16).

HIGHWAY STREET FUND: Leising Inc-2024 Structure Replacements \$112,991.76.

HIGHWAY BRIDGE FUND: Leising Inc-2024 Structure Replacements \$54,793.17.

ROAD/BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION FUND: Leising Inc-2024 Structure Replacements \$4469.57.

911 EMERGENCY FUND: City of Holdrege-911 \$345.35.

SHERIFF'S COMMISSARY FUND: Tiger Commissary-Inmate commissary \$179.34.

Grand Total: \$453,730.63