



Harlan County Board Minutes



February 19, 2019 Supervisors Room

Alma, NE 68920

The Harlan County Board of Supervisors met in regular session Tuesday February 19, 2019 with Supervisors Chris Schluntz, Max Schultz, Lonny Hanna, Cynthia Boehler, Jeff Bash, Traci Dietz, and Bill Hogeland. Also in attendance were, Deputy County Clerk Deb Jensen, County Attorney Bryan McQuay, Bonnie Kresser and Doris Brandon, representing the Harlan County Sr. Center; and Road/Weed Superintendent Tim Burgeson.

Chairman Dietz called the meeting to order and stated that there is a copy of the open meetings act posted on the wall and will be followed by the Board.

Minutes of the February 5, 2019 were reviewed. Chairman Dietz asked if there were any additions or corrections. Motion made by Boehler to approve as submitted; second by Hanna. Roll call vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Vendor claims were brought before the Board for approval. Motion made by Hanna to pay claims as submitted, 2nd by Schluntz. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

With County Attorney Bryan McQuay needing to leave the meeting, he approached the supervisors concerning the wording in the minutes of the February 5, 2019 minutes stating that the board approved Dickenson Land Survey, Inc. for a 4 year surveyor contract. State statute states that the contracted party needs to be a person, not a company. McQuay advised the board they could amend the minutes to contract with Ryan Dickenson, President/Owner of the company. Motion by Hanna to amend the February 5, 2019 minutes to state that the board approved Ryan Dickenson as the contracted surveyor; 2nd by Bash. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion moved to the necessity of a transfer of funds to the reappraisal fund. Chairman Dietz left the meeting to speak with Treasurer Artz to determine the current fund balances. Recommendation was made to transfer \$30,000.00 to the reappraisal fund. Chairman Dietz read resolution 2019-5 moving \$30,000.00 from the general fund to the reappraisal fund, which will not be returned to general fund. Motion by Bash, 2nd by Hanna to transfer \$30,000.00 from general fund to reappraisal fund. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Bonnie Kresser and Doris Brandon joined the meeting representing the Harlan County Senior Center. Ms. Kresser passed out a copy of the Summary Page to board members regarding the transportation budget. They are asking for a local match of \$11,512.00. Dietz asked how the amount lines up with last year; Kresser stated it is \$593 more than asked for last year. Motion by Hogeland to approve the Sr. Center budget match for transportation; 2nd by Bash. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried. Chairman Dietz signed the documentation required for the funding; including resolution 2019-6 requesting the Senior Center apply for Federal Transit funds to assist with transit operations for 2019-2021.

Tim Burgeson, Road/Weed Superintendent joined the meeting and reported that has spoken with Wayne Dietz who indicates that he is interest in one more year of bridge inspections, being assisted by Burgeson. Burgeson recommended putting off Oak Creek Engineering as it would be cheaper to contract with Dietz. Discussion was held, Motion by Bash to approve Wayne Dietz as bridge inspector for a 1 year term, 2nd by Hanna. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried. Burgeson said he would contact Lance with Oak Creek and let them know of the board's decision.



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There being no representative present for Two Rivers – this agenda item was tabled.

Sheriff Chris Becker joined the meeting to request additional First National Bank credit cards for the deputies to use to purchase fuel for their pickups. Moving the charges all to one card would eliminate bills from Cenex; Shortstop, etc. Discussion was also held regarding the necessity of raising the credit limit. Dietz asked if Becker felt he needed a resolution to change payment methods; Becker stated it was more of just an FYI and asked to be allowed to let him and Deb figure out the logistics. Board approved of the plan.

Prior to County Attorney leaving the meeting; he informed the Board that he is working on the petty cash resolution for the Sheriff, and will have it ready for the next meeting.

Sheriff Becker also addressed the board regarding the Civil Defense tower. Becker said he had made calls to try to get more information. Much discussion was held with the board determining they would like maps, more definitive funding needs, what advantages are to the county, etc. Chairman Dietz requested that Sheriff Becker/Emergency Management be scheduled on the next agenda, March 5, 2019, to continue further discussion.

Supervisor Lonny Hanna acknowledging that he was not on the agenda, but that he wanted to share with the board the need for a new vacuum, possibly a commercial vacuum or a regular vacuum, or both. Other supervisors made suggestions of local facilities to ask them what type of vacuum they use. Hanna and Hogeland will continue to research the best alternative.

Chairman Dietz adjourned the meeting at 11:52 am.; with Supervisors to meet at Harlan County Health Systems for lunch and tour of the new clinic.

Attest

Traci Dietz, Chairman

Deb Jensen, Deputy County Clerk (seal)

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GENERAL

Agri-Data, mapping subscriptions \$600.00; Harlan County Sheriff’s Department, service fees \$52.26; Nebraska Institute of Forensic Sciences, Inc., autopsy \$2000.00; Twin Valleys Public Power District, utilities \$71.41; Vanguard Appraisals, vcs backup \$500.00; Harlan County Clerk, postage \$7.85

PREDATOR CONTROL

USDA,APHIS, personnel compensation/program support \$2,245.56

REAPPRAISAL

Stanard Appraisal, Commercial reappraisal \$30900.00