



Harlan County Board Minutes



Supervisor's Room, Alma, NE

May 5th, 2020, 1:00 p.m.

The Harlan County Board of Supervisors met in regular session Tuesday May 5th, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. with Supervisors Chris Schluntz, Mike Clements, Cindy Boehler, Jeff Bash, Traci Dietz, Max Schultz, and Tony Gulizia. Also present were County Clerk Janet Dietz, County Attorney Bryan McQuay, and Road/Weed Superintendent Tim Burgeson. Due to the Covid-19 virus the Board will conduct the meetings in the kitchen/meeting room and limit attendance to 10. Chairman Dietz called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm and stated that there is a copy of the open meetings act posted on the wall and will be followed by the Board, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Discussion was held on having a regular scheduled board meeting at 1:00 p.m., followed by a budget workshop at the May 19th meeting.

Minutes from April 7th were reviewed. Chairman Dietz called for any addition or corrections. Motion made by Boehler, 2nd by Bash to approve as written. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on notices for road dept. bids getting to the newspaper. It was decided to let the road dept. handle his notices and projects.

Discussion was held on Hospital Bond payment shortage and Road Fund Shortages. Clerk requested a start date and salary amount for the new Tourism Director Hannah Tripe. Motion was made by Bash with a start date of April 6th, 2020, and salary of \$900.00 per month, 2nd by Clements. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried. Further discussion was held on acquiring a cell phone for the new Tourism Director. Board discussed was getting back the computer and records from the previous director.

Clerk brought forth the Hospital Bond claim. County Treasurer discussed the Hospital Bond Fund shortages as the levy has been lowered and the payments increase. County Treasurer discussed the possibility of not collecting enough next years as the payment and interest will increase. Motion was made by Clements, 2nd by Gulizia to transfer \$43,000 from General Fund to cover the bond payment. Roll call votes, Schluntz-Boehler-and Dietz-no, Schultz, Clements-Bash and Gulizia yes. Motion carried. Discussion was held on the Road Dept. shortage, Road Super provided (2) claims for transfer, \$50,000 or \$75,000 to cover the shortage. Discussion was held, Schultz made a motion to transfer \$75,000, from General 2nd by Boehler. Roll call votes, Schluntz -no, remain votes all ayes. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed payroll and vendor check register. Motion was made by Schluntz, 2nd by Boehler to approve. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried



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Discussion moved to the grader purchase. Supervisor Gulizia had discussed with Kyle Larson of Caterpillar the lease program as an option. Road Superintendent advised with this trade the motor grader fleet is fairly new and no purchase is needed next year. Motion was made by Clements, 2nd by Boehler to purchase the Caterpillar for \$202,600. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

County Attorney needed to leave at 3:00 pm and requested to move into executive session for Union Contract negotiations. Motion was made by Schultz, 2, by Bash to move into executive session at 2:35 pm. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried. Board resumed to regular session at 2:55 pm. Motion made by Bash to resume to regular session 2nd by Schluntz. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Motion was made by Bash, 2nd Schluntz to go into Board of Equalization. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried. County Assessor Kim Fouts joined the meeting. Assessor brought two tax list corrections # 1316 (\$165.52) and #1317 (\$164.84). (Mobile home has been removed for (2) years.) Motion was made by Clements, 2nd by Boehler to accept the tax year corrections for 2018 and 2019. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried. Motion was made by Bash, 2nd by Boehler to return to regular session. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

REGULAR SESSION

County Treasurer discussed with the board a release of pledged security by First State Bank for \$75,000. No further FEMA disbursements were received.

Discussion was held on approving the Hospital Bond Payment. Motion was made by Bash, 2nd by Clements to approve the claim for \$389,298.75. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

With no one from the public to address the Board, Chairman Dietz adjourned the meeting at 3:37 pm. Next meeting will be May 19th at 1:00 pm. (budget workshop)

Attest

Janet Dietz, County Clerk

Traci Dietz, Chairman

(Seal)

Claims

GENERAL FUND

Anderson, Klein, Brewster, & Brandt, ct. appt. atty. fees, \$855.25; Jeff Bash, cell phone, \$45.00; Melodie Bellamy, cell phone, \$20.00; Cindy Boehler, cell phone, \$45.00; Calkins Law Office, ct. appt. atty. fees, \$9.50; Michael Carper, ct. appt. atty., fees, \$633.00; Cenex Credit Card, fuel, \$322.83; City of Alma, utilities, \$870.00; Michael Clements, cell phone, \$45.00; Janet Dietz, cell phone, \$45.00; Traci Dietz, cell phone, \$45.00; Colossus, Inc, DBA



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Interact Public Safety Systems, support, \$2,240.28; CEI Security Sound, service, \$135.00; Justin Daake, ct. appt. atty, fees, \$1,035.50; DeWald, Deaver, PC., LLO, ct. appt. atty, fees, \$152.00; Wayne Dietz, retirement, \$25.00; Dollar General, supplies, \$73.95; Double D Cleaners, robe, \$24.25; Eagle Communications, phone/internet \$681.38; Eakes Office Solutions, copies, \$171.67; Election Systems & Software, LLC, data proc. \$5,363.32; First National Bank/Omaha, fuel, supplies, \$2,856.42; First State Bank, fees, \$35.00; Flower Patch, supplies, \$13.97; Fye Law Office, ct. appt. atty. fees. \$417.10; Harlan County Court, dismissal, \$102.00; Harlan County District Court, postage, \$7.75; Harlan County Health System, medical, meals, \$631.01; Harlan County Senior Center, transit, \$1,267.50; Harlan County Treasurer, transfer to road dept. \$75,000; Harlan County Treasurer, sheriff title, \$15.00; Harlan County Treasurer, transfer for Hospital bond, \$43,000. Dawn Hetrick, mileage/supplies, \$55.38; Hogeland's Market, supplies, \$71.67; Joe Camera, supplies, \$634.00; Johnson Controls, repairs, \$2,115.08; Main Street Media,(HCJournal) printing & publishing, \$253.34; Mid-American Benefits, Inc. admin-fees, \$162.75; Bryan McQuay, cell phone, \$45:00; Ron Melbye, cell phone, \$45.00; MIPS, data processing, \$1,399.43; NPPD, utilities, \$497.59; Office Solutions Associates, supplies, \$219.01; Person & McQuay Law, phone, rent, data processing, child support officer, contract salary, \$5,843.67; Platte Valley Comm. of Kearney, service, \$50.46; Darcie Porter, cell phone, \$45.00; R & S K Lawn, Inc, service; \$720.10; Mike Richman, cell phone: \$45.00; Short Stop, fuel, \$14.45; State of Nebraska-DAS Central Finance, data processing; \$732.84 ; Sunset Law Enforcement, supplies, \$232.50; The Lincoln National Life, ins. \$1,472.06; Tripe Motors, sheriff pickup, \$ 22,210.53; Trustworthy Hardware, \$24.04; Twin Valleys, \$72.41; University of Nebr./Lincoln, computer, \$1,709.85; USDA- APHIS, support, \$2,480.95; United Health Care, ins, \$13,056.06; ; Verizon Wireless, cell phone, \$203.32; Salary \$ 79,360.55 Vendors/transfers, \$269,851.80.

ROAD FUND

Ag Valley Co-Op, supplies, \$79.05; Alma Auto Parts, pick-up repair supplies, \$1,943.10; Bosselmans, diesel, \$10,414.29; Central State Aggregate LLC, gravel/freight, \$, \$20,624.34 Christensen Electric, LLC, Huntley Building; office wiring/electrical work/trenching, \$8,838.55; CHS Agri Service Center, fuel/equipment, \$1,684.25; City of Alma, utilities, \$55.18; CO-OP Producers, oil, \$1,263.95; James R. Dietz, retirement, \$25.00; Willis Dietz, retirement, \$14.40; Eagle, phone, \$35.00; First National Bank, amazon/supplies, 29.20; Harlan County Journal, ads, \$19.91; Holdrege Auto Parts, supplies, \$17.27; Hometown Leasing, lease, \$73.22; John Deere Financial, supplies, \$142.94; Lacial Equipment, supplies, \$33.93; M. J. Lubeck, rent, \$250.00; Main Street Variety, supplies, \$12.77; MIPS, data processing, \$128.38; Murphy Tractor Repair, supplies, \$640.37; NMC Exchange,



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grader repair/ parts,\$18,504.30; Platte Valley Communications, radio checks, \$882.11; Brian Wilson, porta pots, \$525.00; S&W Auto Parts, parts, \$463.51; Stamford Service, fuel, \$93.80; T & F Sand & Gravel, gravel, \$43,575.08; The Lincoln National Life, ins. \$702.92 Tripe Motor, pick-up/repairs, \$9,931.11; Twin Valley, utilities, \$430.46; United Health Care, ins, \$9,566.81;Verizon Wireless, cell phone, \$61.64;Village of Republican City, \$30.19; Salary \$ 36,137.92 & Vendors, \$130,953.23.

TOURISM FUND

Harlan County Journal, ads, \$85.00; NebraskaLand Magazine, \$525.00; Salary, \$675.00

911 EMERGENCY FUND

City of Holdrege, 911 surcharges, \$772.96; Eagle, phone, \$20.00

HOSPITAL BOND FUND

First State Bank, fee, interest, principal, \$389,298.75

COURTHOUSE IMPROVEMENT FUND

Eagle Communications, phone system \$672.00