



Harlan County Board Minutes



June 16th, 2020 Supervisors Room

Alma, NE 68920

The Harlan County Board of Supervisors met in regular session Tuesday June 16th, 2020 with Supervisors Chris Schluntz, Traci Dietz, Mike Clements, Cindi Boehler, Jeff Bash, Tony Gulizia. (Max Schultz was absent). Also in attendance were County Clerk Janet Dietz, County Attorney Bryan McQuay, Jim Miller, Kyle Brown, Angela Belware, Elena Stout and Cindy Weisen, Steve Havekla, with State of NE/DHHS, Family Services.

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. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Minutes from June 2nd were reviewed. Motion made by, Boehler, 2nd by Schluntz to accept as written. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

Clerk presented the Board with claims and Road budget transfers.

Motion made by Bash 2nd by Boehler to transfer \$158,001.27 from General to Road Bridge Construction Fund. (FEMA disbursements) Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Clements 2nd by Schluntz to transfer \$200,000.00 from Inheritance to Road Dept for the purchase of a Cat motor grader. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

Claims were reviewed, motion made by Boehler, 2nd by Bash to approve claims as submitted. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

Steve Havekla, and Cindy Weisen, from State of NE, DHHS, Children and Family Services joined the meeting. The Hastings DHHS office handles all child support casework and legal work for Adams, Clay, Franklin, Hamilton, Nuckolls, and Webster counties at no cost to the counties. Cases are handled with (1) State Attorney, and (5) child support case workers. They provided information on current child support cases, reimbursements, annual incentive payment. They are interested providing the child support for Harlan County. Board will review as they currently have a contract with the County Attorney.

Harlan County Hospital Interim CEO, Patrick Auman, Ph.D, CFO, Richard Harning and Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Mary Jo Christensen joined the meeting. Discussion was held on monthly financials, Senior Life Services moving from the mobile home to the old clinic, contract signing with the "Studer Group" (an advisory group, they provide healthcare organizations leadership to develop strategies, solutions, attract and retain talent, promote organizational culture). They also presented to the board, a check for \$ 370,250 for the previous bond payment. The County board thanked the hospital for the payment.

Elena Stout, Harlan County Extension Educator joined the meeting. Elena provided office updates, and will resume activities.

Kyle Brown, USDA/APHIS, predator control joined the meeting. Kyle provided the board with the contract renewal, July 1, 2020 thru June 30, 2021 in the amount of \$9,011.42. Discussion was held on duties, animal calls. Motion was made by Bash, 2nd by Schluntz to accept the renewal contract. (July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021) Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.



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BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Motion was made by Bash 2nd by Gulizia to move into Board of Equalization. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried. County Assessor Kim Fouts brought (1) Tax List Correction for approval, # 1318. (removal of a mobile home) After board review, motion made by Clements, 2nd by Boehler to approve tax list correction # 1318. Roll call votes all ayes. Motion carried. Motion made by Boehler, 2nd by Bash to return to regular session. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

REGULAR SESSION

County Road Superintendent joined the meeting. No ROW or permits were reviewed. Road issues are mowing, and dirt work. (3) Gravel bids were submitted. Chairman opened #1 Bladen Sand & Gravel #2 Overton Sand & Gravel, #3 T & F Sand & Gravel. Chairman read out loud each one. Motion was made by Boehler, 2nd by Schluntz to accept the gravel bids. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

County Clerk discussed the United Health Care 15% **credit** applied to this month's bill. This is just a credit, Supervisor Gulizia advised to hold on to the "credit" as a refund could be taxable income to employees. It was decided to hold on to the "credit" and apply it to UHC bill later.

County Attorney discussed the Union Contract was rejected. It was decided to offer 2% for (2 years). Christmas Eve holiday was also discussed. Also discussed was the public defender with Bryan getting a committee formed to proceed with interviews and bid process.

Supervisor Clements discussed needing help with the Electronic recycling to be held Friday June 19th 8am to noon at John and South Street.

Discussion was held on Tourism budget, getting a phone and computer.

Chairman Dietz adjourned the meeting at 12:23 pm. July board meetings will be July 7th and 21st. Board of Equalization will be held July 13th and 14th at 10:00 am in the Supervisor's room.

Attest

Traci Dietz, Chairman

Janet Dietz, County Clerk (seal)

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GENERAL

Anderson, Klein, Brewster & Brandt, ct. appt. atty, fees, \$313.75; Michael Carper, ct. appt. atty. fees, \$ 646.70; Justin M Daake, ct. appt, atty, fees, \$47.50; DeWald, Deaver, P.C. L.L.O, ct. appt. atty, fees, \$399.25; Dickinson Land Surveyors, \$549.30 First National Bank, supplies, \$120.19; General Glass, repairs, \$90.45; Government Forms & Supplies, \$284.13; Harlan County Health System, meals/laundry/, \$542.00; Harlan County Sheriff, fees, \$1,466.62; Nebraska Institute of Forensic Sciences, Inc, autopsy, \$2,000.00; Harlan County Treasurer, transfer to Road Dept. road/bridge fund, \$158,001.27; Hays Pharmacy, medical, \$7.47; Joe Camera, supplies, \$865.00; NPERS- retirement, \$185.00; OSA Business Office, supplies, \$2,463.24; Person & McQuay, tax foreclosure, \$150.00; Platte Valley Communications, \$2,119.09; Pro-Building, supplies,\$22.30; Quadiant Leasing, USA,INC; supplies, \$382.80; Reliable Pest Control, services, \$120.00; Short Stop, fuel, \$26.18;Tripe Motor, Co, \$519.81; Trustworthy Hardware, supplies, \$26.75; Twin Valleys



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Public Power District, utilities, \$74.83; U.S. Postmaster, election, \$33.41; UNL Print & Copy, supplies, \$203.40; Village of Republican City, \$30.19

ROAD

Camas Publishing, \$14.40; Franklin County Chronical, publishing, \$11.50; Holdrege Daily Citizen, publishing, \$16.00; Kearney Hub, publishing, \$85.67; NMC Exchange, motor-grader, \$202,600; State Line Shopper, publisher; \$15.00; Village of Republican City, water, \$30.00.

INHERITANCE FUND

Harlan County Treasurer, transfer to Road Department, cat motor grader; \$200,000.