



Harlan County Board Minutes



Supervisors Room, Alma, NE

10:00 am. February 2nd, 2021

The Harlan County Board of Supervisors met in regular session Tuesday February 2nd, 2021 with Supervisors Chris Schluntz, Max Schultz, Michael Clements, Cindy Boehler, Jeff Bash, Ron Imm, and Tony Gulizia. Chairman Boehler called the meeting to order at 10:00 am and stated that there is a copy of the open meetings act in the room and will be followed by the board, all stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Clerk left the meeting at 10:05 am and the Road Superintendent remained.

Chairman Boehler reconvened the meeting at 1:00 pm.

Minutes from the January 19th²⁰²¹ meeting were reviewed. Chairman called for any additions or corrections. Motion was made by Clements, 2nd by Schluntz to approve as submitted. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

Payroll and vendor claims were reviewed in the morning session. (unpaid delinquent personal property and distress warrants were also reviewed) Motion made by Bash, 2nd by Schultz to approve payroll and vendor claims. Roll call votes all ayes. Motion carried.

Sonia Klouse, Project Director with Nebraska Community Based Juvenile Justice Aid joined the meeting. Sonia discussed the juvenile services within the County. Sonia brought forth the Memorandum of Understanding. With no further discussion Chairman and Clerk signed the MOU.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Motion made by Schluntz, 2nd by Bash to move into Board of Equalization. County Assessor Kim Fouts brought forth (3) tax list corrections, #1328-#1329-#1330. Discussion was held, motion made by Clements, 2nd by Bash to approve. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried. Motion made by Schluntz, 2nd by Gulizia to return to regular session. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

REGULAR SESSION

Harlan County Zoning Administrator Ron Melbye joined the meeting. Ron presented Board with Zoning Adjustment and Planning Commission Members for approval. Motion made by Schluntz, 2nd by Imm to approve the members. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

Road/Weed Superintendent Tim Burgeson joined the meeting. Tim brought forth (2) Driveway agreements. (2021-#1 and 2021-#2 for review). Tim also discussed sign vandalism



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to stop signs south of Stamford. Tim also requested permission to proceed with the purchase of a new pickup through the “State Bid program”. Motion was made by Bash, 2nd by Schluntz to approve. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried. Tim requested to purchase a new backhoe through a sealed bid process. Motion made by Bash, 2nd by Gulizia to seek out bids for the backhoe. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried. Discussion was held on the “booster pump” for the County shop being on the City of Alma meeting agenda. Road committee met for job interviews, and Tim recommended hiring Matt Higgins. Board agreed. Discussion moved to the request by Richard Coe to vacate a dead end road, (66 foot wide county road right of way- located between NE1/4 and SE1/4 of the SE ¼ of Section 32-2-18W in Harlan County Nebraska. Tim brought forth Resolution 2021-2. Chairman read, this will authorize the Road Superintendent to proceed with a public hearing and notifications to land owner(s)/newspaper publication. Public hearing is set for March 2nd 2:00 pm, Harlan County Board of Supervisor’s room. Motion made by Gulizia to approve and vacate said right of way, 2nd by Bash. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

Chairman Boehler opened the public hearing for the 2021 -#1, (1 & 6) Year Road plan as advertised at 2:00 p.m. Board members reviewed and requested copies. With no one to address the Board, Chairman Boehler closed the hearing at 2:20 p.m. Motion made by Clements 2nd by Imm to approve the Resolution of Adoption 2021-#1 for the Harlan County 1 & 6 year Road Plan. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

Clerk and District Court reports were reviewed.

At 2:30 pm Chairman moved to open the sealed bids for the Harlan County Public Defender Position. Bid # 1 was submitted by Justin Daake, Daake Law Office- \$48,000 per year- \$96,000 for a (2) year term, # 2 John Sauder-Dewald-Deaver & L’Heureux, \$50,000 annually for (2) year contract, #3 Calkins Law Office, \$84,000 for a (2) year bid, (cell phone allowance of \$120 per month, attorney shall provide the first \$5,000, spent on Class 1A or B felonies, attorney fees over and above \$5,000 shall be submitted to the County Board for approval at the regular appointed rate, #4- Fye Law Office-\$62,500 (2) year annual sum. Motion made by Bash, 2nd by Schluntz to accept all bids. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried. County Attorney will take the bids to the committee and bring back a recommendation at the March 2nd, 2021 meeting.

Discussion was held with the Building and Grounds updates. Motion was made by Bash, 2nd by Clements to approve the purchase of handles/door locks for the courthouse. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried. Harlan County Treasurer also discussed building and grounds budget vs sinking fund expenditures.



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Clerk brought forth the discussion on the audit. County Board and Elected officials received it by email. With Board approval County Attorney will respond to the comments and recommendations in the draft report. Upon the final review a complete copy is available at the Clerk's Office.

At 3:00 pm motion made by Schultz 2nd by Bash to move into executive session. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried. (County Board only/personnel issue) Regular session resumed at 3:39 pm. Motion made by Bash, 2nd by Clements to return to regular session. Chairman adjourned the meeting at 3:40 pm.

Attest

Janet Dietz, County Clerk.

Cindy Boehler, Chairman

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GENERAL FUND

Blue 360 Media, LLC, supplies, \$81.75; Jeff Bash, cellphone, \$45.00; Melodie Bellamy, cellphone, \$20.00; Cindy Boehler, cellphone, \$45.00; Business World Products, supplies, \$71.39; Calkins Law ct. appt. atty, fees, \$2,888.00; Cenex, fuel, \$518.08; Central NE Cremation & Mortuary, fees, \$1,200.00; City of Alma, utilities, \$778.00; Michael Clements, cellphone, \$45.00; Justin Daake, ct. appt. atty, fees, \$1,586.50; DeWald, Deaver, P.C. LLO, ct. appt. atty. fees, \$384.75; Wayne Dietz, retirement, \$25.00; Janet Dietz, cell phone, \$45.00; Eagle Communications, internet/phone, \$697.55; Eagle Technology, data proc., \$156.95; Eakes, supplies/contract, \$141.40; Filter Shop, supplies, \$548.76; First National Bank, supplies, \$2,632.24; First State Bank, fees, \$35.00; Tana Fye Henry, ct. appt. atty. fees, \$1,026.20; Geoland Management, assessor contract, \$600.00; Harlan County Abstract, fees, \$300.00; Harlan County Clerk, postage, \$7.75; Harlan County Journal, print./pub. \$51.15; Dawn Hetrick, supplies, \$129.91; Hogeland's Market, supplies, \$183.56; Joe Camera, supplies, \$593.95; Kearney Hub, publishing, \$36.64; Mid-American Benefits, admin fee, \$155.00; Bryan McQuay, cellphone, \$45.00; Ron Melbye, cell phone, \$45.00; MIPS, data proc. & equip. rental, \$1,470.19; NE Institute of Forensic Sciences, autopsy, \$2,000.00; NE. Dept. of Revenue, assessor, exam fee; \$75.00; NPPD, utilities, \$526.43; Office Solutions, supplies, \$223.15; Person & McQuay Law Office, child support contract, phone, contract, rent, cell phone, \$5,908.50; Darcie Porter, cell phone, \$45.00; Proforma, supplies, \$47.95; Quill, paper, \$203.54; Michael Richman, cell phone, \$45.00; Region III Behavioral Services, \$2,229.04; Max Schultz, cellphone, \$45.00; Short Stop, fuel, \$41.79; South Central Economic,



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dues, \$2,500.00 State of NE- AS Central Finance, data processing,\$732.84; Elena Stout,\$11.50;The Lincoln National Life,dental/life/disab,Ins, \$1,304.03: Tripe Motor Co.,service \$6,176.25; Joe Torrey, cellphone, \$45.00;Van Guard Appraisals, \$150.00;United Health Care, ins, \$13,410.68; Verizon \$201.16; 911 Custom, uniforms, \$824.00; Salary \$84,420.67 Vendors \$53,380.58

ROAD FUND

Ag Valley Coop, fuel , \$51.58; Alma Auto Parts, supplies, \$2.66; Barco Municipal Products, Supplies, \$930.58; Bosselman, INC, fuel, \$9,139.30; Buffalo County Highway Dept. asphalt, \$99.00; CHS Agri Service Center, supplies, \$1,944.88; City of Alma, utilities, \$55.18; James Dietz, retirement, \$25.00; Willis Dietz, retirement, \$14.40; Eagle/phone, \$35.00; Eakes office Solutions, supplies, \$137.24;First National Bank-Omaha, sales tax, \$43.47; Harlan County Health Systems, alc./test, \$125.00; Harlan County Journal, ads, \$95.00; Hireright, alc./drug, \$93.04;Hogeland Market, supplies, \$24.98;Holdrege Auto Parts, supplies, \$213.68; Hometown leasing, copier, \$73.22; Huntley Service, repairs, \$326.94; Lacial Equipment supplies, \$186.11, Landmark Implement INC, supplies, \$241.74,; MJ Lubeck, building rental, \$250.00; Michael Todd & Co, INC, parts, \$724.45;MIPS, data processing, \$118.71; NE Assoc. of County Engineers, dues, \$50.00; NMC Exchange, parts, \$4,381.01; NE Weed Control Assn., dues, \$125.00; RDO Truck Centers, repairs, \$193.97; S&W Auto Parts, parts, \$880.73; Stamford Service, fuel, \$54.00;The Lincoln National Life, dental/life/disab. ins, \$633.17; Tripe Motor Co, repairs, \$48.50; Twin Valleys Public Power District, utilities, \$427.45; United HealthCare, ins. \$9,295.18; Van Diest Supply Co., chemical, \$987.50; Verizon, cell phone service, \$64.34; Village of Republican City, water, \$30.00; White’s Auto Glass, repair, \$48.00 Vendors, \$ 32,170.01 Salary \$ 35,736.99

TOURISM FUND

Salary, \$918.00; First National Bank, adobe,\$52.99;Viaero, cellphone, \$57.92; The Lincoln National life, life/disb., \$12.12

911 EMERGENCY FUND

City of Holdrege, 911 surcharges, \$703.71; Eagle Comm., \$20.00

COURTHOUSE IMPROVEMENT

Eagle Communications, courthouse phone system, \$672.00; Instakey Security Systems, door locks, \$491.13