



# Harlan County Board Minutes



Supervisors Room, Alma, NE

10:00 am March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021

The Harlan County Board of Supervisors met in regular session Tuesday March 16<sup>th</sup> 2021 with Supervisors Chris Schluntz, Mike Clements, Cindi Boehler, Jeff Bash, Ron Imm, and Tony Gulizia, absent was Max Schluntz. Also in attendance was County Clerk Janet Dietz, County Attorney Bryan McQuay. County Clerk took all proceedings while the convened meeting was open to the public.

Chairman Boehler 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. All stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes from March 2<sup>nd</sup> 2021 were reviewed. Chairman called for any additions or corrections. Motion was made by Gulizia, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schluntz to accept as written. Roll call votes, all ayes, (with Clements abstaining as he was absent). Motion carried.

County Clerk brought before the board claims for approval. After board review, Chairman called for a motion to approve. Motion made by Bash, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Imm to approve claims. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

Kelly Jensen, CASA Executive Director, joined the meeting. Kelly discussed the Luke Mills concert “fundraising event”, and putting pin wheels in the front lawn at the courthouse as April is Child Abuse Prevention month. Also discussed was future funding cuts to CASA.

Road/Weed Superintendent Tim Burgeson joined the meeting. Tim provided (1) ROW 2021-#2 for review. Also discussed were road wash outs, drilling a well at the county shop, city release for the well, maintainer repairs, and barricade at 704 C & B Road.

Coy Clark, Attorney for Jim & Jennifer Johnson joined the meeting. They were here to speak on behalf of the special use permit. Johnsons requested a special use permit to open a small used car dealership and tire repair shop. A hearing was held with Harlan County Planning Commission and approved on 03/11/2021. With no further discussion, motion was made by Clements, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schluntz to approve the “Special use Permit”. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Bash brought forth the discussion on the Second Amendment sanctuary. This resolution would support the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution “right of the people to bears arms”. County Attorney will review various resolutions and bring one back to the county board for signage.

Discussion moved to appointment of Public Defender. Motion made by Gulizia, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Imm to move into executive session to discuss contract/personnel. Roll call votes, all ayes. (Clerk and Treasurer left the meeting at 11:15 am.) At 11:25 am, motion made by Bash, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gulizia to return to regular session. Roll call votes all ayes, motion carried. County board once again reviewed the proposed bids, (4). Motion was made by Bash, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Imm to accept the low bid of Justin Daake, (2) year contract \$48,000, per year. County Attorney will notify Justin Daake and bring forth a contract for the board to sign.

Discussion moved to county budget for 2021-2022, building and grounds updates, ramp repairs, bathrooms, windows, and possible transfer on monies, and Hospital bond refinancing. It was decided to get the Hospital Board of Trustees on board will the refinancing. Clerk will leave the items on the agenda for the near future.

Discussion moved to the hiring of a Harlan County Tourism Director. The ad for the job ran in the local newspaper and Clerk’s office received no phone calls or applications. Chairman Cindi Boehler would like to accept the job for



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now as it's a time of year for promotions. County Attorney discussed possible "conflicts" with the appointment and having the Chairman abstain on certain voting issues. Motion was made by Bash, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schluntz to appoint Cindi Boehler Tourism director in lieu of no applications and to move forward with the process, (salary of \$900.00 per month). Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

With no one from the public to address the Board Chairman Boehler adjourned the meeting at 12:25 pm. Next meeting will be April 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm and April 20<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am.

Attest

Janet Dietz, County Clerk

Cindi Boehler, Chairman

(Seal)

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## CLAIMS

### General Fund

Auto Kreations Body Shop, repairs, \$125.00; Daren, Bartunek, refund permit, \$25.00; Central Ne Cremation & Mortuary, fees, \$850.00; Eakes Office Solutions, supplies, \$21.02; Graham Tire Co., tires, \$594.72; Harlan County Attorney Trust fund, reim., \$14.40; Harlan County Health Systems, meals/laundry, \$334.00; Harlan County Sheriff, fees, \$24.50; The Hastings Tribune, ads, \$36.83; Doug Horwart, mileage. \$7.84; JEO Consulting, fees, \$5,008.15; Johnson Controls, repairs, \$800.00; Mid-States Organized Crime Info-Center, fees, \$100.00; Mips Inc, maint. agree. \$112.50; Richard Ohrt, mileage, \$14.56; Platte Valley Communications, equip, \$1,656.31; Quadiant Leasing USA, maint. agree. \$382.80; Tripe Motor, sheriff pickup, \$33,557.62; Trustworthy Hardware, supplies, \$30.14; Twin Valleys Public Power Dist. utilities, \$98.29; Doug Winz, mileage, \$19.60; Brandon Wright, mileage, \$8.96.