

HARLAN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

April 18, 2023

The Harlan County Board of Supervisor's met in regular session Tuesday, April 18, 2023, as advertised, with Supervisor's Chris Schluntz; Cindy Boehler, Jeff Bash; Ron Imm; and Tony Gulizia present. Max Schultz and Mike Clements were absent. Also present were County Clerk, DaLynn Burgeson; Highway and Weed Superintendent, Tim Burgeson; and County Treasurer, Sandy Artz. Courthouse Caretaker, Joseph Torrey; Zoning Administrator, Ron Melbye; County Attorney, Bryan McQuay and County Assessor, Kim Fouts joined the meeting. At 9:48 a.m. Chairman, Gulizia called the meeting to order and announced that there is a copy of the Open Meetings Act posted in the room and will be followed by the Board. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chairman Gulizia asked the Board if they had reviewed the Claims. Discussion was held on claims. Motion was made by Schluntz to approve all claims as presented. Seconded by Bash. Roll call votes: Schluntz-yes; Schultz-absent; Clements-absent; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Imm-yes; Gulizia-yes. Motion carried. At 10:00 a.m. Chairman Gulizia opened the business meeting. He then asked the Board if they had reviewed the Minutes from the April 4th, 2023, regular Board meeting and called for any additions or corrections. With no additions or corrections, motion was made by Imm to approve the April 4th, 2023, minutes as written, Seconded by Schluntz. Roll call votes: Schluntz-yes; Schultz-absent; Clements-absent; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Imm-yes; Gulizia-yes. Motion carried.

Stacy Neubauer, RN, MHA, Chief Executive Officer of Harlan County Health Systems provided the Board with hospital updates which included patient statistics, new services being offered, financial status, quantity of staff members, new recruitment for physicians and that Kayla Rhynalds was hired as the Chief Financial Officer. Marisa Gulizia, PT, DPT, CSCS, 200 RYT, Director of Therapy, was also present and provided the Board with a power point handout on the Harlan County Health Systems Rehab Department Vision for Expansion and a handout with results from a survey conducted in regard to the need for community wellness. She also spoke of the services that the Therapy Department offers to include speech, occupational and physical therapy. Discussion was held. The Board thanked the ladies for their time and information provided.

Cooper Wright appeared before the Board to introduce himself and express his interest in serving as a hospital board member. County Attorney, McQuay provided information as to the guidelines to become a hospital board member. Discussion was held. The Board thanked Mr. Wright for coming in, introducing himself and his interest in becoming a board member.

Courthouse Caretaker, Joseph Torrey came before the Board to provide an update on his continued work with Turner Technologies of Holdrege and Intellicom of Kearney after their presentations to the Board. He is awaiting 3 quotes from both companies for getting phone and internet to the Road Department's new office, the moving of the server rack located in the Clerk's office and recabling of the Courthouse. Torrey also discussed the options for IT services from both entities. Discussion was held. The Board approved setting up a Courthouse account with Intellicom for IT services as needed. An update on the building and grounds remodeling projects was provided and discussed.

Treasurer, Sandy Artz provided the Board with a Pledged Security Report. Discussion was held regarding ARPA fund questions that were provided to the Board. Artz provided the Board with Resolution #2023-05 for authorization to invest surplus funds. Motion to approve Resolution #2023-05 was made by Boehler. Seconded by Schluntz. Roll call votes: Schluntz-yes; Schultz-absent; Clements-absent; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Imm-yes; Gulizia-yes. Motion carried.

Kyle Brown, USDA Wildlife Specialist, joined the meeting and provided an update of the predator control services he's provided throughout Harlan County.

Clerk Burgeson provided an update regarding the position available in the clerk's office. Kaylin George of Alma was offered the position and she accepted. Clerk Burgeson provided an example of reports for information that the Board requested and inquired on setting the date and time for the public hearing in regard to the Husker Heights

and Deer Run subdivisions. The Public hearing will be May 16th, at 10:30 a.m. and will be advertised accordingly. Clerk Burgeson provided an (Old Business) update on the status of the SAM.gov UEI number in which she reported that the registration status is now active.

Planning and Zoning. County Attorney, McQuay discussed a proposed resolution for a moratorium regarding wind turbines, solar farms, etc. Zoning Administrator, Ron Melbye provided a copy of the zoning regulations 5.14 on Permitted Special Uses. Discussion was held. Motion was made by Bash to approve the moratorium Resolution #2023-06. Seconded by Boehler. Roll call votes: Schluntz-yes; Schultz-absent; Clements-absent; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Imm-yes; Gulizia-yes. Motion carried.

Highway and Weed Superintendent, Tim Burgeson gave the Board an employee letter for their information. Tim provided and discussed Noxious Weed Program reports and requirements. Discussion was held. Chairman Gulizia signed the report as needed. Tim then provided updates on what the road department employees are doing, equipment matters, and upcoming weed and road projects. The bridge project on L Road was discussed. Tim will contact the engineer with Oak Creek Engineering and this matter will be put on the Agenda for next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Tim Burgeson advised, for the F Road bridge project, that he had not received anything further at this time.

Veterans Service Officer, Pat George joined the meeting. County Attorney, McQuay prepared the Resolution #2023-04 to authorize the Veterans Service Office to establish a Veterans Aid checking account. The Resolution was reviewed by the Board. Discussion was held. A motion was made to approve the Resolution #2023-04 by Boehler. Seconded by Schluntz. Roll call votes: Schluntz-yes; Schultz-absent; Clements-absent; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Imm-yes; Gulizia-yes. Motion carried. George then provided a brief update of his trainings.

Supervisor Boehler, whom is on the Two Rivers committee alerted the Board that one of the current Two Rivers Board members was resigning and that position would need to be filled. Boehler advised that Two Rivers was going to advertises to seek a member throughout Harlan County.

County Attorney, McQuay advised that he had received the Public Defender Contract and had reviewed it. The Board had reviewed the contract as presented. A motion to approve the Public Defender Contract dated April 18th, 2023, was made by Schluntz. Seconded by Boehler. Roll call votes: Schluntz-yes; Schultz-absent; Clements-absent; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Imm-yes; Gulizia-yes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Bob Taylor appeared before the Board to provide his input on the new Husker Heights subdivision. He advised that he represents at least seven families with concerns related to the subdivision being approved. Mr. Taylor spoke of the concerns for the Board to consider which included quality of life for citizens already living in the area, zoning considerations for adding the multiple homes as proposed such as individual wells, individual septic, parking, the cost to the County related to the new subdivisions, current and projected water and drainage issues and dust issues if the roads are dirt. Mr. Taylor also asked if an aquafer water study had been competed or if one would be. The Board thanked Mr. Taylor for presenting his concerns and said they would take them into consideration.

With no further business, a motion was made by Boehler to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Schluntz. Roll call votes: Schluntz-yes; Schultz-absent; Clements-absent; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Imm-yes; Gulizia-yes. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 12:34 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be May 2nd, 2023, with consent agenda items at 9:45 a.m. and business agenda at 10:00 a.m.

ATTEST:

/s/ DaLynn Burgeson, County Clerk

/s/ Tony Gulizia, Chairman

(harlancounty.ne.gov)

CLAIMS:

911 EMERGENCY FUND: Vyve Broadband-911 Emergency \$44.00; City of Holdrege-911 Emergency \$19.00 (Total: \$63.00) **COVID AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN:** Stamford Rural Fire Department-Fire Apparatus \$19,800.00; Platte Valley Communications-Sheriff's Dept. Digital Control Equip. \$17,008.76 (Total: \$36,808.76) **TOURISM:** Viaero Wireless-Cell phone \$60.47; First National Bank-Dues, Subscriptions \$19.99, Office Supplies \$52.74 (Total: 133.20) **ROAD FUND:** Vyve Broadband-Telephone \$35.00; Village of Republican City-Water \$30.00; Verizon-Cell Phones \$131.72; Twin Valleys Public Power District-utilities \$563.03; Tripe Motor Company-Equip Repair \$449.91; Sappa Valley Farm & Auto-Fuel \$209.38; S & W Auto Parts-Shop supplies \$80.35; Rose Plumbing-Building Repairs \$5,464.29; Reliable Pest Control Services-Pest Control \$120.00; RDO Truck Centers-Freight/Equip Repair \$201.94; Paddington Station-Fuel \$222.97; NMC Exchange-Freight/Equip Repair \$20.90; NE Association of County Engineers-Due, Sub, Reg \$50.00; Murphy Tractor & Equipment-Freight/Equip Repair \$4,526.42; Morbark, Inc-Freight/Equip Repair \$634.10; MIPS-Data Processing \$127.16; Main Street Variety-Shop Supplies \$8.49; M.J. Lubeck-Equip Storage \$300.00; Landmark Implement-Equip Repair \$87.44; Kaufman Kawasaki-Noxious Weed Exp \$734.98; Jim's OK Tire Store-Machinery & Equip \$5,079.60; Huntley Service-Machinery & Equip \$299.76; Holiday Inn of Kearney-Lodging Noxious Weed Training \$249.90; Hireright Solutions-Drug & Alcohol Testing \$50.95; gWorks-Data Processing \$3,544.00; Jim Dietz-Retirement \$25.00; City of Alma-Trash Service \$43.71; Central States Aggregate-Freight/Gravel & Rock \$9,442.32; Bosselman Enterprises-Machinery & Equip \$2,445.54; Bosselman Energy-Machinery & Equip \$3,053.62; B.H. Hesemann Shop-Safety Supplies \$339.60 (Total: \$38,572.08) **GENERAL:** Brandon Wright-Planning & Zoning Milage \$10.48; Doug Winz-Planning & Zoning Mileage \$22.92; Vyve Broadband-Phone & Data Processing \$1,738.34; Verizon-Cell Phones \$242.83; University of Nebraska Extension-Office Equip \$2,837.57; Trustworthy Hardware-Maintenance & repair/Program Supplies \$66.24; Tripe Motor Company-Sheriff's Office Vehicle Repair/Pickup \$42,001.24; DAS State Accounting-Data Processing/Equip Rental/Teletype Service \$667.64; Region III Behavioral Health Services-Mental Health Services \$2,186.00; Red Willow County Sheriff-Service Fees \$21.43; Rebecca Dahlgren-Mileage \$23.19; Quill Corp-Office Supplies \$578.93; Pitney Bowes Global Financial Services-Postal Services \$100.56; Physician's Laboratory-Coroner/Autopsy \$2,970.00; Paper Tiger Shredding-Shredding \$87.75; Richard Ohrt-Planning & Zoning Milage \$17.03; Nebraska Public Power District-Utilities \$501.54; NE Emergency Services Comm. Association-Sheriff Dues, Sub, Reg \$100.00; NACT-Treasurer Dues, Sub, Reg \$150.00; NACO-Clerk Dues, Sub, Reg \$125.00; MIPS-Data processing/Maintenance Agreements/Equip Rental \$1,493.99; Mid-American Benefits-Insurance \$208.00; Main Street Variety-Office Supplies \$15.95; MAAS Construction-Assembly Labor \$209.00; M & B Business Machine Services-Maintenance Agreement \$153.00; Lancaster County Sheriff-Service Fees \$6.00; Galen Kronhofman-Planning & Zoning Mileage \$10.48; Jeff's Electric-Maintenance & Repair \$358.00; Douglas Horwart-Planning & Zoning Mileage \$9.17; Hometown Leasing-Equip Rental \$424.08; Hogeland Market-Jail Supplies \$335.61; Hogeland Market-Extension Program Supplies \$118.00; Dawn Hetrick-Postal Services/Mileage Allowance \$12.20; Hays Pharmacy-Jail Meds \$74.46; Harlan County Sheriff-Service Fees \$18.50; Harlan County Health Systems-Jail Meals \$735.00; Harlan County Court-Fees \$419.33; Pat George-Mileage \$150.65; Galls-Uniform Allowance \$101.63; Tana Fye Henry, Attorney-Court Appointed Attorney Fees \$363.01; First National Bank-Office Supplies/Office Equip/Lodging/Computer Expense/Maintenance & Repair/Supplies/Postal Service/Dues, Sub, Reg/Machinery & Equip \$8,038.33; Eakes Office Solutions-Contractual Services/Office Supplies \$1,147.72; Dier, Osborne, Cox & Nelsen-Court Appointed Attorney Fees \$495.50; Diamond Exterminating-Contractual Service \$150.00; Dewald, Deaver, L'Heureux P.C.- Court Appointed Attorney Fees \$1,695.75; CVSOAN-VSO Dues, Sub, Reg \$100.00; Custom Cage-Law Equipment \$1,495.00; Consolidated Management Company-Deputy Meals \$269.75; Clerk of the District Court-Court Fees \$108.00; City of Alma-Utilities/Trash \$880.00; Centec Cast Metal Products-Veteran Grave Markers \$847.19; Business World-Office Supplies \$45.00; DaLynn Burgeson-Clerk of the District Court Training/Mileage \$239.73; Kelsi Bose-Planning & Zoning Mileage \$13.10; Bob Barker Company-Jail Supplies \$170.72; ASK Supply Co-Janitorial Supplies \$35.94; Jeff Artz-Planning & Zoning Mileage \$5.00; Adams County Sheriff's Department-Service Fees \$26.22 (Total: \$77,730.25) Grand Total: \$153,307.29