

HARLAN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

From **August 1st, 2023**

The Harlan County Board of Supervisor's met in regular session Tuesday, August 1st, 2023, in the Supervisors Room, of the Harlan County Courthouse in Alma, NE, as advertised, with Supervisor's Mike Clements; Cindy Boehler; Jeff Bash; and Tony Gulizia present. Also present was Clerk, DaLynn Burgeson.

At 9:53 a.m., Chairman Gulizia called the meeting to order and announced that there is a copy of the Open Meetings Act posted at the south end of 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. The claim to transfer funds for the Road Department will come from the Inheritance Tax Fund. Motion was made by Boehler to approve the claims as submitted. Seconded by Bash. Roll call votes: Schluntz-Absent; Schultz-Absent: Clements-yes; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Imm-Absent; Gulizia-yes. Motion carried.

Chris Schluntz, Max Schultz, Ron Imm, Highway and Weed Superintendent, Tim Burgeson, and County Attorney, Bryan McQuay joined the meeting.

At 10:00 a.m. Chairman Gulizia opened the business meeting. He asked the Board if they had reviewed the Minutes from the July 18th, 2023, regular Board meeting and called for any additions or corrections. There were no additions or corrections. Motion was made by Clements to approve the minutes from July 18th, 2023, as presented. Seconded by Boehler. Roll call votes: Schluntz-yes; Schultz-yes: Clements-yes; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Imm-yes; Gulizia-yes. Motion carried.

Chairman Gulizia asked the Board if they had reviewed the Minutes from the July 25th, 2023, Budget Workshop and called for any additions or corrections. There were no additions or corrections. Motion was made by Bash to approve the minutes from July 25th, 2023, as presented. Seconded by Imm. Roll call votes: Schluntz-yes; Schultz-yes: Clements-yes; Boehler-abstain; Bash-yes; Imm-yes; Gulizia-yes. Motion carried.

Candace Meredith, with NACO (Nebraska Association of County Officials) came before the Board to provide updates on NACO events, projects, legislature and federal and state changes. Ms. Meredith also provided information on upcoming scheduled events. Discussions were held.

Chairman Gulizia spoke on behalf of Ryan Stearns of Joseph R. Hewgley & Associates, INC., regarding the Addendum to the bids request for the upcoming courthouse remodel projects. The deadline for submitting bids has been extended to August 15, 2023.

Highway and Weed Superintendent, Tim Burgeson, came before the Board and provided updates. The road department just moved into their new office located at 11407 711 Road, north of Alma at the County shop. Discussion was held regarding a road department surplus vehicle going to the Courthouse caretaker for County use and tabled until next meeting. The road department has been making progress on the roads from the recent rain and storm damages and crews have been working to clean bridge decks in preparation for (27) bridge inspections to begin in September.

Clerk Burgeson provided the following: information regarding registration, reservations and agenda for the upcoming NACO Annual conference, request received for the relocation of the Veteran's office within the Courthouse, Vyve internet and phone service/repair requests, Cyber Vulnerability Assessment informative meeting scheduled for August 11, 2023, and County handbook update. Discussions were held. The Veteran's office will be relocating to the old probation office along the north hallway within the Courthouse. Clerk Burgeson also passed around a Thank you to the Board of Supervisors from the Alma library and provided an update from the Harlan County Museum of when the

insurance adjuster had assessed the storm damages, the status of the results and that the Board would be informed as soon as the report was received to further discuss the Museum's previous claim for funds submitted to assist with repairs and updates.

The County Board received a letter of resignation from Tourism Director, Emily White, a letter from the Harlan County Sheriff reporting how much money was collected on Distress Warrants for 2022 and how many were returned unsatisfied, and from the Treasurer, a Trial Balance Listing and Delinquent Tax Listing for Tax years 2020-2022.

County Attorney, Bryan McQuay provided a letter of resignation and came before the Board as he has been appointed to be a County Judge for the 9th Judicial District in Grand Island. Discussion was held. The Board congratulated and thanked Bryan for his many years of service as County Attorney. An ad for the County Attorney position will be posted and the deadline for submitting applications is October 1, 2023.

Bob Dunaway, CPA, joined the meeting and came before the Board and provided preliminary numbers for the 2023-2024 County Budget. Discussions were held. On August 22nd, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. a Budget Workshop will be held.

Public Forum: *No citizens came before the Board during this time.*

With no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Clements. Seconded by Bash. Roll call votes: Schluntz-yes; Schultz-yes; Clements-yes; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Imm-yes; Gulizia-yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be held August 15th, 2023, at 9:45 a.m. for consent agenda items and 10:00 a.m. for business agenda items.

A Budget Workshop is scheduled for August 22nd, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

ATTEST:

/s/ DaLynn Burgeson, County Clerk

/s/ Tony Gulizia, Chairman

Agenda & Minutes can be found on the County website: **harlancounty.ne.gov**

CLAIMS:

GENERAL: Payroll / Claims including Darcie Porter-Phone allowance \$45.00; Joseph Torrey-Mileage Allowance \$203.71; Pat George-Mileage Allowance \$133.62. **General Fund total:** \$201,119.40; ROAD FUND: Payroll / Claims \$66,696.63. **Road Fund total:** \$66,696.63; TOURISM Emily White-Admin Salary \$1200.00. **Tourism Fund Total:** \$1200.00; Inter Fund Transfer (Inh Tax Fund to Road Dept) \$70,000; **Inheritance Tax Fund Total:** \$70,000; Claims **Grand total: \$269,016.03**