

**HARLAN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
From November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023**

The Harlan County Board of Supervisor's met in regular session Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023, in the Supervisors Room of the Harlan County Courthouse in Alma, NE, as advertised, with Supervisor's Chris Schluntz; Max Schultz; Cindy Boehler; Jeff Bash; Ron Imm; and Tony Gulizia present. Supervisor, Mike Clements was absent. Also present were Clerk, DaLynn Burgeson; Treasurer, Sandy Artz; Assessor, Kim Fouts; and Highway & Weed Superintendent, Tim Burgeson.

At 9:45 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.

Treasurer Artz provided, for the Board's review, an Imprest Account Calculation Sheet, Account Trial Balance Listing and Delinquent Tax Listing report.

Chairman Gulizia asked the Board if they had reviewed the claims. Discussion was held. With no further discussion. Motion was made by Boehler to approve the claims as submitted. Seconded by Imm. Roll call votes: Schluntz-yes; Schultz-yes; Clements-absent Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Imm-yes; Gulizia-yes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Imm read a thank you message addressed to the County Board of Supervisors from Kelly Jensen of CASA.

At 10:00 a.m., Chairman Gulizia opened the business meeting and asked the Board if they had reviewed the Minutes from the November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023, regular Board meeting and called for any additions or corrections. Discussion was held. No action was taken.

Treasurer Artz came before the Board and provided the Board with Pledged Securities Reports for their review. As the Board reviewed the reports, Artz notified the Board that FEMA funds were received on November 14, 2023, and discussion was held. Discussion was also held on hospital bond fund balance.

Assessor Fouts came before the Board with a service contract from Van Guard. There were questions & discussion was held. Chairman Gulizia signed the contract.

Regarding the Senior Center ending public transit 2/29/2024; Public transit starting 3/1/2024. Chairman Gulizia provided an update from the Harlan County Senior Center Board meeting that he, Clements and Boehler attended on November 14, 2023. Discussion was held. Chairman Gulizia then opened up the meeting for questions and discussion from the citizens in attendance. Further discussions were held. The County Board will continue to seek viable transit and meal delivery options. Rena Conner expressed her gratitude to the Board for all the efforts being done and for any continued efforts.

Discussion was held regarding Resolution #2023-22 for recommitment to NIRMA for another three years term. Motion was made by Schultz to accept Resolution #2023-22. Seconded by Boehler. Roll call votes: Schluntz-yes; Schultz-yes; Clements-absent Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Imm-yes; Gulizia-yes. Motion carried.

Chairman Gulizia provided information and an estimate for an in-line water heater in the women's restroom. Discussion was held. Chairman Gulizia will look into another option.

Resolution (#2023-23) of the county board authorizing the signing of the year-end certification of county highway superintendent 2023 from the Nebraska Department of Transportation was presented. Motion was made by Boehler to approve Resolution #2023-23. Seconded by Schluntz. Roll call votes: Schluntz-yes; Schultz-yes; Clements-absent Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Imm-yes; Gulizia-yes. Motion carried. Discussion was held for the year-end certification of appointed county highway superintendent (Tim Burgeson) for determining incentive payment in calendar year 2023. Motion was made by Boehler to approve the year-end certification of highway superintendent, Tim Burgeson, for 2023. Seconded by

Schluntz. Roll call votes: Schluntz-yes; Schultz-yes; Clements-absent Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Imm-yes; Gulizia-yes. Motion carried.

At 11:00 a.m., Highway Superintendent, Tim Burgeson, introduced Dayton Maul with Oak Creek Engineering. Chairman Gulizia then began opening sealed bids submitted for 2024 structural replacements. There were seven bidders and four structures that were bid on: (1) Structure #C004232615; (2) Structure #C004203205; (3) Structure #C004201215; (4) Structure #C004201815. Bidders: #1 *Saul Ramos Construction*-Bids (1) \$91,122.70; (2) \$57,583.68; (3) \$144,223.25; (4) \$88,455.70. #2 *Husker Engineering Inc. dba Husker Grading*-Bids (1) \$112,040; (2) \$69,950; (3) \$139,640; (4) \$105,100. #3 *Midlands Contracting Inc.*-Bids (1) \$120,420; (2) \$79,775; (3) \$162,980; (4) \$116,760. #4 *Leising Inc.*-Bids (1) \$74,683; (2) \$48,550; (3) \$108,779.30; (4) \$74,569. #5 *Van Kirk Bros Contracting*-Bids (1) \$108,520; (2) \$72,994; (3) \$129,181; (4) \$103,050. #6 *Myers Construction Inc.*-Bids (1) \$189,450; (2) \$128,360; (3) \$283,523; (4) \$176,850. #7 *Neumeyer Excavating*-Bids (1) \$101,749.96; (2) \$60,450.65; (3) \$143,293.80; (4) \$100,274.46. Dayton Maul provided Oak Creek Engineering estimates of (1) \$118,700; (2) \$80,995; (3) \$155,800; (4) \$115,920. Hwy Superintendent Burgeson requested time to review the bids. The matter was tabled until the next board meeting December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. The Board addressed the bidders in attendance and expressed their appreciation for the bids submitted.

Clerk Burgeson provided the Board with updates and the following: \*Vyve agreement for the Gen II Phone System upgrade and the current Vyve invoice for reference. Discussion was held and tabled until the next meeting December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023; \*letter re: High Choice Feeders LLC Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation, issued permit transfer-Phased Construction & Operating Permit; and \*State of Nebraska Tenth Probation District letter dated Oct. 27, 2023, re: Approved Budget for District #10 State Probation Office 2023-2024 Fiscal Year.

Hwy Superintendent Burgeson came before the Board to provide an update on the F Rd Bridge project, two railroad crossing projects and presented six ROW Permits #2023-9 thru 14 for the Boards review.

Courthouse Custodial position deadline for applications December 1, 2023.

Supervisor Boehler provided an update on the Lady Liberty Facebook page and reminded that donations can be made at the Banner Capital Bank.

Building & Grounds update were provided by Chairman Gulizia. Discussions were held.

Chairman Gulizia advised that there was not any new information on the Tourism funding of the new shelter project (formerly the gazebo on the walking trail). Discussion was held.

NEXTLINK representative did not appear.

**Public Forum:** *No citizens present.*

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

The next regular meeting will be held December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 9:45 a.m. for consent agenda items and 10:00 a.m. for business agenda items.

**ATTEST:**

/s/ DaLynn Burgeson, County Clerk

/s/ Tony Gulizia, Chairman

Agenda & Minutes can be found on the County website: [harlancounty.ne.gov](http://harlancounty.ne.gov)

CLAIMS: GENERAL: Adam Co. Clerk-Probation Cost \$1128.73; Anderson, Klein, Swan & Brewster-Court appointed attorney \$2,434.50; Chris Becker- Fuel Reimbursement \$42.55; Melodie Bellamy-mileage \$87.77 and Meals \$56.55; Benjamin Landscaping-Lawn Maintenance \$75.00; Bob Barker Co-Supplies \$237.58; DaLynn Burgeson-Mileage \$68.64; Calkins Law- Court Appointed Fees \$1495.95; City of Alma-Utilities \$926.00; Clerk of District

Court Harlan County-Court Fees \$101.00; Comfort Inn-Lodging \$214.00; Communications Engineering Inc-Computer Services \$ 721.51; Crown Plaza-Lodging \$121.95; DeWald, Deaver-Court appointed attorney \$4,017.13; Wayne Dietz-Salary \$1694.60; Dillenback Enterprises-Safe Maintenance \$425.00; Eakes-Office Supplies \$352.47; First National Bank-Supplies, Postal Supplies, Office Equipment, \$3911.88; Anna Fisher-Mileage \$81.48; Franklin County Chronicle- publications \$218.80; Franklin County Sheriff-Sheriff Cost \$18.50; Tana Fye Henry, Attorney-Court appointed attorney \$2,744.01; Galls-Supplies \$55.60; Governments Forms and Supplies-Supplies \$634.67; Harlan County Clerk-ROW \$34.00; Harlan County Court-Court costs \$134.00; Harlan County Health Systems-Jail Meals \$982.50; Harlan County Journal-publications \$802.27; Harlan County Senior Center-Transit & Senior Center \$2,917.74; Harlan County Sheriff-Sheriff's Fees \$95.18; Hays Pharmacy-Jail Medical \$37.56; HD Arms llc-Supplies \$325.00; Kevin Heft-ROW \$665.50; Dawn Hetrick-Mileage \$137.29; Hogeland Market-Supplies \$270.26; Holdrege Daily Citizen-printing/publishing \$31.25; Hometown Leasing-Office Equip \$115.72; Lexington Regional Health Center-Medical \$12,425.68; Main Street Variety-Supplies \$8.99; Mid-American Benefits-Insurance \$224.00; MIPS Inc.-Data Processing, \$1460.03; NE Assn. of County Officials-Dues \$1413.73; NE Public Health Environmental Lab-Blood tests \$105.00; NE Public Power District-Utilities \$573.98; Nebraska Sheriffs Association-Dues \$175.00; Phelps County Sheriff-Safekeeping of Inmate \$623.04; Platte Valley Communications-Sheriff Equip \$1,226.55; Quill-office supplies \$803.24; RR Donnelley-Supplies \$70.29; DAS State Accounting-Data Processing \$842.35; Thomas S. Stewart-Court appointed attorney \$418.73; TNT/Tracy Weak-Mowing \$750.00; Tripe Motor CO-vehicle repair \$648.40; Twin Valley Public Power District-Utilities \$260.60; Urbom Law Office-Court appointed attorney \$877.90; USDA-Predator Control \$2,047.94; Verizon Wireless-Cell Phones \$242.94; Viaero Wireless-Cell Phones \$108.62; Vyve Broadband-Phone Service, Internet, Data Processing \$1,884.20; Kelly Winz-ROW \$665.50; (General Fund Total: \$56,339.99).

ROAD FUND: Alma Auto Parts-Shop Tools \$203.52; Bosselman Energy Inc.-Fuel \$23,065.39; Bosselman Enterprises-Fuel \$1,318.49; Central States Aggregate-Freight/crushed rock \$8,478.92; City of Alma-Trash Service \$64.50; Jim Dietz-Retirement \$25.00; Durable Service-Supplies \$244.82; First National Bank-meals, Lodging and Dues \$615.20; Harlan County Journal-Publishing \$18.15; Hireflight Solutions Inc-Drug and Alcohol Testing \$112.10; Holdrege Auto Parts-parts \$75.18; Huntley Service-Repair \$655.55; Jims Ok Tire Store-Tires and Repairs \$13,829.64; Landmark Implement-repairs \$207.40; M.J. Lubeck-Rent \$300.00; MIPS Inc-Data Processing \$127.16; Murphy Tractor and Equip-Freight/Repair \$238.96; NMC Exchange-Parts/Labor \$9,731.05; Nebraska Weed Control Association-Dues \$210.00; Oak Creek Engineering-Engineering Fees \$4,975.00; Paddington Station-Fuel \$108.88; Platte Valley Communications-Radio \$501.25; Quill Corp-Supplies \$179.76; Reliable Pest Control-Pest Control \$265.00; S&W Auto Parts-Tool & Shop Supplies \$528.53; Sappa Valley Farm & Auto-Fuel \$159.20; Titan Machinery-Freight/Repairs \$2,257.41; Tripe Motors-Repairs \$155.16; Trustworthy Hardware-Shop Supplies \$95.97; Twin Valleys Public Power-Utilities \$274.15; Verizon-Phone Service \$132.00; Village of Republican City-Utilities \$35.13; (Road Fund Total: \$69,188.47)

TOURISM: First National Bank-Media Advertising \$150.00; KRVN media advertising \$300.00 (Tourism Fund Total: \$450.00)

911 EMERGENCY FUND: City of Holdrege-911 \$533.90

HOSPITAL BOND FUND: First State Bank-Hospital Bond Interest Payment/Wire Fees \$2945.00

Grand Total: \$129,457.36