Howard County Board Minutes



HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIOENRS MINUTES

March 22, 2022

A Meeting of the Howard County Board of Commissioners was convened in open and public session on the 22nd of March 2022, in the Boardroom, Howard County Courthouse, St. Paul, Nebraska.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof on the 16th day of March 2022, a proof of publication filed in the clerk's office. Copies of the agenda were posted in the courthouse, mailed to each Commissioner, and kept current and available to the public at the Clerk's office.

Chairman Boehle called the meeting to order at 8:40 a.m. Roll Call: Dave Boehle, Kathy Hirschman, AYE; Gary Rasmussen, Aye. Also present is County Clerk Shawn Burkhardt. Absent is County Attorney Dave Schroeder. Chairman Boehle also stated to those in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is available for review and indicated the location of such Copy in the room where the meeting is being held.

Public Comment

No public Comment

County Road Discussion

Highway Superintendent Janet Thomsen was present to discuss County Roads. Thomsen gave an update regarding gravel, cleaning of ditches & plans for the spring tree cutting. Thomsen informed the board that the "County Bridge match program" with the State was ending, but that Federal aid may increase next year. Thomsen also commented that the new motor grater is expected by the end of April.

Mail

No Mail.

Unfinished Business

No unfinished business

<u>Tax Sale Report – Treasurer</u>

Deputy Treasure Aimee Dixson reviewed the treasurer's tax sale report. Most of the delinquent taxes were sold, several had already been redeemed. Motion was made by Hirschman and second by Rasmussen to approve the report as presented. Roll call all ayes.

Resolution – Signatory on Citizens Bank correction

Howard County Clerk Burkhardt presented an amended Resolution which amends resolution 22-4's account numbers. Motion was made by Rasmussen, and second Hirschman to approve resolution # 22-9. Roll call; All Ayes

Agreement-Administrative Office of the Courts & Probation

Several agreements with the state AOCP regauging the State management of District Court with the County Court Clerk Magistrate taking on the Ex-Officio duties of District court were reviewed. A revised agreement

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was requested which clarifies the amount the County will be paying monthly to the State. The amount will be \$1157.07 monthly which will be a substantial savings for Howard County. The agreement allows for the streamlining of court duties through one office. Motion was made by Hirschman to approve the agreement effective for an initial term of April 1, 2022, to June 30, 2022, second by Rasmussen. Roll Call; All Ayes

NIRMA Cyber Security Seminar

Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk agency which is the County's insurance provider is holding a series of workshops the topic of which is cyber security. Commissioner Boehle has registered, Commissioners Hirschman & Rasmussen requested County Clerk Burkhardt to register them for the seminar in Kearney on April 15, 2022.

County Radios - Steffany Tartaglia

Steffany Tartaglia was unable to attend due to a personal conflict. Howard County Sheriff Sargent Sean Wysocki was present & spoke to the board about the issues with the County's radio system. Sargent Wysocki will discuss the issues with Sheriff Busch. The issue is to be put on the next agenda with a possible cost estimate to be presented at that time.

American Legion exemption status

Howard County Assessor Neal Dethlefs spoke with the board regarding the state regulations for tax exempt status specially as they relate to the American Legion in St Paul. The status will need to be reviewed by the Board of Equalization. The board will meet as Board of Equalization at the next regular meeting on April 12th to discuss.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Rasmussen and second by Boehle to approve payroll and payroll claims in the amount of \$237153.14 which were audited, and checks drawn on their regular funds. Roll Call; all Ayes

Motion was made by Hirschman and second by Rasmussen to approve the minutes of the March 8th, 2022, meeting. Roll Call; All Ayes

Executive Session / personnel / possible action

At 10:12 Motion was made by Boehle and second by Hirschman to go into Executive session / personnel / possible action. Roll call All Ayes. At 10:13 motion was made by Hirschman and second by Rasmussen to come out of executive session, with no action taken.

Executive Session / personnel / possible action

At 10:13 Motion was made by Hirschman and second by Rasmussen to go into Executive session / personnel / possible action. Roll call All Ayes. At 10:29 motion was made by Hirschman and second by Rasmussen to come out of executive session, with no action taken.

Executive Session / personnel / possible action

At 10:30 Motion was made by Boehle and second by Rasmussen to go into Executive session / personnel / possible action. Roll call All Ayes. At 11:00 motion was made by Hirschman second by Rasmussen to come out of executive session, with no action taken.

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion was made by Rasmussen, second by Hirschman to adjourn the meeting at 11:52 Roll Call: All Ayes. The next regular meeting of the Howard County Board of Commissioners will be April 12, 2022.

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Dave Boehle

Howard County Commissioners

ATTEST:

Shawn Burkhardt

Howard County Clerk