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September 27, 2022, St Paul, NEBRASKA

The Howard County Board of Commissioners of Howard County, Nebraska, met in regular session at 8:40 A.M. on Tuesday, September 27th in the Commissioners Meeting Room of the Courthouse in St Paul, Nebraska.

Chairman Boehle called the meeting to order, and Commissioners present for roll call were Dave Boehle, Kathy Hirschman, and Gary Rasmussen. Also present is County Clerk Brenda Klanecky. 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. Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in The Phonograph Herald on the 21st day of September 2022, and the convened meeting was open to the public. The agenda was posted on the Howard County website; and 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.

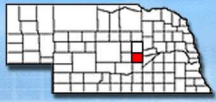
Public Comment

None.

County Road Discussion

Annual Certification of Program Compliance-Resolution 2022-16- State of Nebraska Statutes require an annual certification of program compliance to the Nebraska Board of Public Roads. Hirschman made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-16 and second by Rasmussen. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

Roadside Mowing – Highway Superintendent Janet Thomsen was present to discuss. Property owners are required to mow roadside ditches two times a year in July and September per State Statutes. This notice was published in the paper last week and will be published again this week. There is a \$200.00 per hour charge if the County has to mow. Also discussed was the feasibility of the County mowing all of the roadside ditches in the County. Rasmussen suggested that the grader operators avoid leaving a gravel curb on the edge of the road. The roads themselves are in good condition.



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Mail- The Commissioners received a letter from the Loup Central Landfill Association. Kathy Hirschman who represents Howard County on the Landfill Board explained the letter. The letter talked about lack of representation by all of it's entities at the monthly meetings. The letter also wanted to promote all of the entities that make up the Board make sure their trash is being hauled to the Loup Central Landfill.

Unfinished Business- None.

Clerk Update Bank Account Signatory- Motion was made by Hirschman and second by Rasmussen to approve Resolution 2022-17 to remove Shawn Burkhardt's name and replace with Brenda Klanecky's name on the Howard County Clerk bank account. Roll Call: All Ayes.

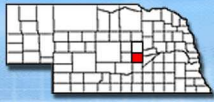
Tree Removal- Pat Koperski met with the Board to discuss removal of a tree located on the northeast side of the courthouse. The tree is splitting and rotting on the inside. Beck Tree Service had submitted a bid to remove the tree and grind the stump for \$800.00. Hirschman made a motion to approve the Beck Tree Service bid with a second by Rasmussen. Roll Call: All Ayes. Pat will contact Mr. Beck to remove the tree.

Allocation of Levy Authority for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 for the following political subdivisions: Howard County Agricultural Society, Howard County Historical Society, St. Paul Rural Fire District, Farwell Rural Fire District, Dannebrog Rural Fire District, Boelus Rural Fire District and Elba Rural Fire District. Hirschman made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-18 - Allocation of Levy Authority for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 and second by Rasmussen. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Master Group Contract between Howard County and Medica Insurance Company – Hirschman made a motion to approve the signing of the contract between Howard County and Medica Insurance Company and second by Rasmussen. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Courthouse Roof Repair – The Board received a bid from Ziemba Roofing Co. in the amount of \$6,835.00 to repair the waterproof membrane on the stub roof of the courthouse. Hirschman made a motion to approve Ziemba Roofing to do the repair work for \$6,835.00 and second by Rasmussen. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Helgoth / Mamot Complaint- Chuck and Shelly Helgoth were present to discuss drainage concerns in the area of Friend and Eagle roads. A letter was received from NDEE that the Mamot Feedlot was in compliance. The Howard County Road Department will be working on a culvert located on Eagle Road this week. No further updates.



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Planning and Zoning Award – Cherri Klinginsmith was present to share with the Board that she had received the Loretta Ludemann Award-Excellence in Planning by a Woman at the 2022 NPZA Annual Conference. The Board congratulated her for her award.

At 10:45 a.m. Boehle, Hirschman and Rasmussen met with City officials and Daniel LeMaistre with NDEE at the City offices and then out at the Landfill located north of St. Paul to discuss the property. The Commissioners returned to the Board Room at 11:45 a.m. to resume the meeting. Boehle gave an update on DEQ policies and regulations. The former disposal landfill site was not a registered site back in the 1970's. Due to this there would be minimal regulations and permits as long as the landfill cap was not disturbed. More information will be forthcoming. The land appears to be a viable site for relocation.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Hirschman and second by Rasmussen to approve the Commissioners Meeting Minutes 9/13/22, Claims and Payroll reports in the total amount of \$297,708.17. Roll Call: All Ayes.

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion was made by Hirschman, second by Rasmussen to adjourn the meeting at 12:07. Roll Call: All Ayes. The next regular meeting of the Howard County Board of Commissioners will be October 11, 2022.

Dated this 27th day of September 2022.

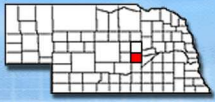
Dave Boehle

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ATTEST:

Brenda Klanecky

Howard County Clerk



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