

HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S MINUTES

February 27, 2023

A Meeting of the Howard County Board of Commissioners was convened in open and public session on the 27th day of February, 2023, in the Boardroom, Howard County Courthouse, St. Paul, Nebraska.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof on the 22nd day of February 2023, a proof of publication filed in the Clerk's office. Copies of the agenda were posted in the courthouse, delivered to each Commissioner, and kept current and available to the public at the Clerk's office.

Chairman Hirschman called the meeting to order at 8:40 a.m. Roll Call: Gary Rasmussen, Aye; Kathy Hirschman, Aye; and Jessie Urbanski, Aye. Also present is County Clerk, Brenda Klanecky.

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Hirschman 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- None

Road Discussion- Highway Superintendent, Janet Thomsen was present to discuss the One and Six Year Plan and advertising for a road worker. Discussion was held regarding the Bridge Match program, bridge repairs and maintenance, road maintenance and projects for the upcoming year. The Board requested Ms. Thomsen to put together a project list and bring to the next board meeting for review. The Board requested advertising for a road worker until the position is filled.

Mail – Letter from the Nebraska Department of Transportation.

Unfinished Business – Assessor's Overhead Door is to be repaired by the end of this week. An email from Jerry Berggren stated that the front step project should begin in April, weather permitting. A phone call to the roofing company has not been returned.

Public Hearing –Schoolhouse Subdivision-Single Lot Subdivision - A motion was made by Rasmussen and seconded by Urbanski to open the public hearing at 9:00 a.m. regarding a Single Lot Subdivision Application. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Cherri Klinginsmith, Planning and Zoning Administrator and Bruce Evans were present to discuss the single lot subdivision with the Board.

Motion was made by Rasmussen and seconded by Urbanski to close the public hearing at 9:05 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion was made by Urbanski and seconded by Rasmussen to approve the Schoolhouse Subdivision as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Public Hearing-Tri-County Farm's Subdivision-Single Lot Subdivision-Motion was made by Urbanski and seconded by Rasmussen to open the public hearing at 9:17 a.m. regarding a Single Lot Subdivision Application. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Cherri Klinginsmith, Planning and Zoning Administrator was present to discuss the single lot subdivision with the Board.

Motion was made by Rasmussen and seconded by Urbanski to close the public hearing at 9:19 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion was made by Urbanski and seconded by Rasmussen to approve the Tri-County Farm's Subdivision as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Brennan's Lawn Care-Fertilizer Bid - Motion was made by Rasmussen and seconded by Urbanski to approve Brennan's Lawn Care Fertilizer Bid. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Howard County Clerk-Fees - Motion was made by Rasmussen and seconded by Urbanski to approve the Howard County Clerk Fees as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Doug Cramer-Training - Doug Cramer with COR was present to discuss cyber security training for County employees with the Board. He stated that he had spoken with Tim at Platte Valley Emergency Management and that the County would be reimbursed on the monthly statement for COR. The reimbursement would pay for the additional monthly charges for training. Mr. Cramer will put together a proposal for a monthly cyber security training program for employees to be presented at the next Board meeting.

SRT Account Resolution-2023-8 – Motion was made by Rasmussen and seconded by Urbanski to approve Resolution 2023-8 to authorize the County Treasurer to open a bank account for the Special Response Team (SRT) for funds received by the Sheriff's office for the purpose of purchasing SRT equipment. Signers on the account are County Treasurer, Jackie Synowski, Mykenna Sorgenfrei, Jan Jares, Sheriff, Thomas Busch and Chief Deputy, Michael Hoff. Roll Call: All Ayes.

(4) SDL's for Miretta Vineyards & Winery Inc. – Motion was made by Urbanski and seconded by Rasmussen to approve the (4) SDL's for Miretta Vineyards & Winery Inc. for events on March 25, 2023, April 1, April 8, and April 15, 2023. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Executive Session – Land Negotiations-Possible Action – Motion was made by Urbanski and seconded by Rasmussen to go into Executive Session to discuss land negotiations at 9:27 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Hirschman stated the Board was going into Executive Session to discuss land negotiations at 9:27 a.m. Those present in Executive Session are Rasmussen, Hirschman, and Urbanski.

Motion was made by Hirschman and seconded by Rasmussen to come out of Executive Session at 9:33 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Urbanski made a motion to pursue possible re-location sites for the Howard County Roads Department. Rasmussen seconded the motion. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Consent Agenda - Motion was made by Rasmussen and seconded by Urbanski to approve the Commissioners Meeting Minutes for 2/14/2023 and 2/21/2023, Payroll and Claims, General Fund-\$224,982.70 and Roads Fund-\$78,860.12 for a total of \$303,842.82. Roll Call: Rasmussen, Aye; Hirschman, Aye; and Urbanski, Aye.

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion was made by Urbanski and seconded by Rasmussen to adjourn the meeting at 10:07 a.m. Roll Call: Rasmussen, Aye; Hirschman, Absent; and Urbanski, Aye. Meeting adjourned. The next regular meeting of the Howard County Board of

Commissioners will be March 14, 2023.

Dated this 27th day of February, 2023.

Kathy Hirschman

Howard County Commissioners

ATTEST:

Brenda Klanecky

Howard County Clerk