

HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 26, 2023

A meeting of the Howard County Commissioners was convened in open and public session on September 26, 2023, in the Boardroom, Howard County Courthouse, St. Paul, Nebraska.

Notice of the meeting was given on the 20th of September 2023, 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.

Commissioner Hirschman called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Roll Call: Rasmussen, Aye; Hirschman, Aye; and Urbanski, Aye. Also present is the County Clerk, Brenda Klanecky. 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 Hearing-Adopt 2023-2024 Budget/Set Tax Levy/1% Restricted Funds -Rasmussen made a motion to open the public hearing to adopt the 2023-2024 budget at 1:00 p.m. and seconded by Urbanski. Roll Call: Rasmussen, Aye; Hirschman, Aye; and Urbanski, Aye.

The County Clerk provided 3 copies for public inspection.

Public Comment – None.

A review of the prior year to current year comparisons was done by Commissioner Hirschman.

Commissioner Hirschman thanked the Elected Officials for their hard work in maintaining their budgets and maintaining their quality of services.

After further discussion, Rasmussen made a motion to close the public hearing at 1:23 p.m. and seconded by Urbanski. Roll Call: Rasmussen, Aye; Hirschman, Aye; and Urbanski, Aye.

Resolution 2023-28-Approve 2023-2024 Budget - Motion was made by Rasmussen and seconded by Urbanski to adopt the 2023-2024 fiscal year Budget by Resolution 2023-28. Roll Call: Rasmussen, Aye; Hirschman, Aye; and Urbanski, Aye.

Resolution 2023-29-Approve 2023-2024 Property Tax Request and Final Tax Rate- Commissioner Hirschman stated the property tax request for 2023-2024 is in the amount of \$2,415,000.00. The final tax rate will be 0.155751 per \$100.00 of assessed value. A copy of Resolution 2023-28 is on file in the Clerk's office for review. Rasmussen made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-29, the 2023-2024 Property Tax Request in the amount of \$2,415,000.00 and the final tax rate of 0.155751 per \$100.00 of assessed value and seconded by Urbanski. Roll Call: Rasmussen, Aye; Hirschman, Aye; and Urbanski, Aye.

Approve 1% Restricted Funds- Motion was made by Urbanski and second by Rasmussen to approve the 1% restricted funds for the County Budget. Roll Call: Rasmussen, Aye; Hirschman, Aye; and Urbanski, Aye.

The hearing notice was published in the Phonograph Herald paper on September 20, 2023.

Countryman Associates PC. -Representation Letter - Rasmussen made a motion to approve Chairman Hirschman signing the Countryman's Representation Letter as presented and Urbanski seconded the motion. 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 second by Rasmussen to adjourn at 1:50 p.m. Roll Call: Rasmussen, Aye; Hirschman, Aye; and Urbanski, Aye.

Dated this 26th day of September 2023.

Kathy Hirschman, Chairman
Howard County Commissioners

ATTEST:

Brenda Klanecky
Howard County Clerk