

HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

A meeting of the Howard County Commissioners was convened in open and public session on September 30, 2024 in the Boardroom, Howard County Courthouse, St. Paul, Nebraska.

Notice of the meeting was given on the 25th of September 2024, 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.

Commissioner Hirschman called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Roll Call: Rasmussen, Aye; Hirschman, Aye; and Urbanski, Aye. Also present is the County Clerk, Brenda Klanecky.

Pledge of Allegiance -The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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 2024-2025 Budget - Rasmussen made a motion to open the public hearing to adopt the 2024-2025 budget at 8:32 a.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. No members of the public were present

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

Commissioner Hirschman commended 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 9:25 a.m. and seconded by Urbanski. Roll Call: Rasmussen, Aye; Hirschman, Aye; and Urbanski, Aye.

Rasmussen made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 a.m. and seconded by Urbanski. Roll Call: Rasmussen, Aye; Hirschman, Aye; and Urbanski, Aye.

Hirschman opened the Special Hearing to Adopt the 2024-2025 Budget/Set Tax Levy/1% Restricted Funds at 9:30 a.m.

Resolution 2024-17-Approve 2024-2025 Budget - Motion was made by Urbanski and seconded by Rasmussen to adopt the 2024-2025 fiscal year Budget by Resolution 2024-17. Roll Call: Rasmussen, Aye; Hirschman, Aye; and Urbanski, Aye.

Resolution 2024-18-Approve 2024-2025 Property Tax Request and Final Tax Rate- Commissioner Hirschman stated the property tax request for 2024-2025 is in the amount of \$2,483,323.04. The final tax rate will be 0.153609 per \$100.00 of assessed value. Copy of Resolution 2024-18 is on file in the Clerk's office for review. Urbanski made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-18, the 2024-2025 Property Tax Request in the amount of \$2,483,323.04 and the final tax rate of 0.153609 per \$100.00 of

assessed value and seconded by Rasmussen. Roll Call: Rasmussen, Aye; Hirschman, Aye; and Urbanski, Aye.

Approve 1% Restricted Funds- Motion was made by Rasmussen and second by Urbanski 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 25, 2024.

Contryman Associates PC.-Representation Letter - Rasmussen made a motion to approve Chairman, Kathy Hirschman and County Clerk, Brenda Klanecky signing the Contryman'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 Rasmussen and second by Urbanski to adjourn at 9:46 a.m. Roll Call: Rasmussen, Aye; Hirschman, Aye; and Urbanski, Aye.

Dated this 30th day of September 2024.

Kathy Hirschman, Chairman
Howard County Commissioners

ATTEST:

Brenda Klanecky
Howard County Clerk