



Red Willow County Board Minutes



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETINGS

August 17, 2020

The Red Willow County Board of Commissioners and the Board of Equalization met in the Commissioners' Room in the courthouse on August 17, 2020. A notice of the meetings was published in the McCook Gazette and posted on the County's website. The combined agenda was e-mailed to each commissioner and the news media, posted on the County's website, and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

At 9:00 a.m. Chairman Earl McNutt called the Board of Commissioners meeting to order with the following members present: Earl McNutt, Steve Downer and Cayla Richards. McNutt informed the public about the location of the posted Open Meetings Act.

A motion was made by Richards, seconded by Downer, to approve the agendas as presented. Roll call: Ayes: McNutt, Downer, Richards.

Chairman McNutt offered the floor for citizens' comments. Kristi Korell met with the Board to discuss the County car and possibly replacing it.

McNutt recessed the Commissioners' meeting at 9:15 a.m. for the Board of Equalization.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING:

Chairman Steve Downer called the Board of Equalization meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. in order to hear property valuation protest hearings with the following members present: Steve Downer, Cayla Richards and Earl McNutt. Downer informed the public about the location of the posted Open Meetings Act.

The Board heard the following protest: C. Douglas Breing Pt N/E 36-4-26, 3.02 acres
Evidence was presented. No decision was made at this time.

Chairman Downer adjourned the Board of Equalization meeting at 9:28 a.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING: (Reconvened)

McNutt reconvened the Board of Commissioners meeting at 9:28 a.m.

A motion was made by Downer, seconded by Richards, to recess the regular meeting and enter into a public hearing at 9:30 a.m. to receive public comments on the One and Six-Year Road Plan. Roll call: Ayes: McNutt, Downer, Richards.

David Blau presented a map of the roads involved in the plan. After some discussion, the Board will have Project C73 Unit 182, Project C73 Unit 183, Project C73 Unit 187, and Project C73 Unit 188 on the One Year Plan. The Board will also have Project C73 Unit 178 and Project C73 Unit 186 on the Six Year Plan.

A motion was made by Downer, seconded by Richards, to adjourn the public hearing at 9:45 a.m. and reconvene the regular meeting. Roll call: Ayes: McNutt, Downer, Richards.

A motion was made by Richards, seconded by Downer, to adopt Resolution No. 1392, Book 22, Page 72, to adopt the 2020 One and Six-Year Road Plan with the addition of the Project C73 Unit 188 on the One Year Plan and moving Project C73 Unit 178 to the Six Year Plan. Roll call: Ayes: McNutt, Downer, Richards.

The Board reviewed the minutes from the previous meetings and the miscellaneous accounts payable claims.

A motion was made by Richards, seconded by Downer, to approve the following items on the consent agenda: 1) minutes from the previous Board of Commissioners and Board of Equalization meetings, 2) miscellaneous accounts payable claims in the amount of \$38,147.34, 3) Chairman's signature on County Roadway Occupancy Agreement for Vanguard Real Estate Solutions, 4) Chairman's signature on Application and Certificate for Payment, Change Order No. 1, Certificate of Substantial Completion for Armor Coat Project 5) Chairman's signature on Law Enforcement Agreement for the Village of Bartley. Roll call: Ayes: McNutt, Downer, Richards.

Clerk Tami Teel presented inventories from all departments. A motion was made by Richards, seconded by Downer, to approve the inventories as presented. Roll call: Ayes: McNutt, Downer, Richards.

Sue Wesch, Treasurer, presented a report of Collected and Uncollected Distress Warrants. There were 52 distress warrants issued on October 31, 2019 for a total of \$42,313.61, one distress warrant issued on December 4, 2019 in the amount of \$51.22, one distress warrant issued on February 4, 2020 in the amount of \$101.58. There were 48 distress warrants collected in the amount of \$41,963.07 (including interest), and six that were not collected in the amount of \$503.34.

Brandy Bird, Health Director, Pam Klug and Kevin Potthoff were present for a hearing on the Health Department budget.

A motion was made by Downer, seconded by Richards to approve the Health Budget with the one change that was made. Roll call: Ayes: McNutt, Downer, Richards.

Jiles Bowman, Fair Manager and Deb Lafferty joined the Board to review the Fair and Horse Arena budgets. The Board had several questions, which Bowman answered satisfactorily. After some discussion, a motion was made by



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Richards, seconded by Downer, to approve the Fair and Horse Arena budgets with the changes that have been made. Roll Call: Ayes: McNutt, Downer, Richards.

Teresa Thomas, Ben Dutton and Tasha Wulf with the Extension Office were present for a hearing on the Extension Office's budget.

A motion was made by Richards, seconded by Downer, to approve the Extension Budget with the one change in the travel expense line item, reducing it an additional \$2,000.00 to \$6,000.00. Roll call: Ayes: McNutt, Downer, Richards.

Sheriff Alan Kotschwar was present to discuss the Sheriff and Jail budgets. A motion was made by Richards, seconded by Downer, to approve the Sheriff's and Jail's Budgets with the two changes that were made. Roll Call: Ayes: McNutt, Downer, Richards.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: 1) Nebraska Department of Natural Resources – Dam Inspections, 2) Ward Craft Homes – House Delivery Delay.

The following claims were allowed:

Black Hills Energy 261.47 Quadiant Leasing USA, Inc 118.50 Quality Urgent Care 274.00 RR Donnelley 59.06 West Central District 245.00 Black Hills Energy 98.41 Lawson Products Inc 471.91 Lingo Communications 39.31 Southwest Farm & Auto Supply 993.14 Twin Valleys Public Power District 94.46 John Deere Financial 1,325.95 McCooknet Internet Service 44.00 Scotties Potties 300.00 Clean Harbors Env Services 33,295.15 Pestwest USA LLC 852.19 Total 38,472.55.

Chairman McNutt adjourned the Board of Commissioners meeting at 12:10 p.m. to August 24, 2020.

Earl McNutt,
Chairman, Board of Commissioners

Steve Downer,
Chairman, Board of Equalization

Attest: Tami Teel
County Clerk