

Red Willow County Board Minutes



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETINGS

December 6, 2021

The Red Willow County Board of Commissioners and the Board of Equalization met in the Commissioners' Room in the courthouse on December 6, 2021. 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, Cayla Richards and Randy Dean. McNutt informed the public about the location of the posted Open Meetings Act.

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

Chairman McNutt offered the floor for citizens' comments. Sheriff Alan Kotschwar and Jail Administrator Dee Schilz were present. They are short-handed due to illness. She would like to let the jailers get overtime pay for working extra hours. Sheriff Kotschwar showed the Commissioners the blue prints for the jail.

McNutt recessed the Commissioners' meeting at 9:20 a.m. for the Board of Equalization.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING:

Chairman Cayla Richards called the Board of Equalization meeting to order at 9:20 a.m. with the following members present: Commissioners Cayla Richards, Earl McNutt and Randy Dean. Richards informed the public about the location of the posted Open Meetings Act.

Crystal Dack, Treasurer, presented tax roll corrections for Tax Years 2019 and 2021. A motion was made by McNutt, seconded by Dean to approve tax Roll Correction No. 30 which increased the tax rolls by \$46.92, tax Roll Correction No. 1 which decreased the tax rolls by \$1,727.84, tax Roll Correction No. 2 which decreased the tax rolls by \$1,272.02, tax Roll Correction No. 3 which left the tax rolls the same and tax Roll Correction No. 4 which left the tax rolls the same. Roll Call: Ayes: Richards, McNutt, Dean.

Chairman Richards adjourned the Board of Equalization meeting at 9:27 a.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING (Reconvened):

Chairman McNutt reconvened the Board of Commissioners meeting at 9:27 a.m.

Ben Dutton from the Red Willow County Extension office joined the Board to present a new Interlocal Agreement with the University of Nebraska for the local extension services. Effective January 1, 2022, it would be in effect for five years, automatically renewing for an additional five years.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Richards, to authorize the Chairman's signature on the interlocal agreement for the Red Willow County Extension as presented. Roll call: Ayes: McNutt, Richards, Dean.

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

A motion was made by Richards, seconded by Dean, to approve the following items on the consent agenda: 1) minutes from the previous Board of Commissioners meeting, 2) miscellaneous accounts payable claims in the amount of \$41,427.20, 3) Resolution No. 1446, Book 23, Page 35, to close fund 2500, and transfer the balance of \$13,156.69 to General Fund 0100. Roll call: Ayes: McNutt, Richards, Dean.

The city has requested that the County share the cost of updating the city water treatment plant using some of their ARPA funds. The City also received ARPA funds, but have already designated the monies to other projects.

A motion was made by Richards, seconded by Dean, to table the request from the City of McCook until the County's plans for the funds have been finalized. Roll call: Ayes: McNutt, Richards, Dean.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: 1) Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy – Notice of Application for Major Modification for Ruggles Farms Inc., 2) Western Region Property Rights Coalition Summary of Operations.

The Clerk of District Court's and the Sheriff's monthly revenue reports were reviewed and placed on file.

A claim to Regional Care Inc for self-insurance in the amount of \$41,427.20 was allowed.

Chairman McNutt adjourned the Board of Commissioners meeting at 10:33 a.m. to December 13, 2021.

Earl McNutt, Chairman, Board of Commissioners

Cayla Richards,



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Chairman, Board of Equalization

Attest: Tami Teel County Clerk