



Pawnee County Board Minutes



PAWNEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS JULY 30, 2019

The Pawnee County Board of Commissioners met in regular session, which was open to the public, on Tuesday, July 30, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in the first-floor meeting room in the Pawnee County Courthouse, Pawnee City, Nebraska. Notice of such meeting was published in the Thursday, June 27, 2019 issue of The Pawnee Republican. Present were Dennis Schardt, Jan Lang, Ron Seitz and County Clerk, Candi Nicholas. Chairman Schardt opened the meeting and announced the open meeting law poster is posted on the east wall of the meeting room. Lang moved and Seitz seconded the motion to approve the minutes of July 16, 2019 as presented. Voting: Schardt (yes), Lang (yes) and Seitz (yes). Lang moved and Seitz seconded the motion to approve the agenda as presented. Voting: Lang (yes), Seitz (yes) and Schardt (yes). Seitz moved and Lang seconded the motion to approve the claims as presented. Voting: Seitz (yes), Schardt (yes) and Lang (yes).

The Board reviewed informational correspondence from the Nebraska Department of Transportation regarding Nebraska Highway 4 roadway improvement project to be completed in spring to fall 2021. The Board reviewed correspondence requesting support of a petition drive by TrueNebraskans regarding property tax relief from Terry Jessen, Oshkosh, NE. No action taken.

Candi Nicholas, Clerk, met with the Board and gave preliminary information on the 2019-2020 budget.

Amanda Burcki, Emerg Mgr, met with the Board and discussed the ORION agreement. After discussion Lang moved and Seitz seconded to sign the Statement of Work and Subscription Agreement with ORION with payment based on county population as long as agreement is approved including a sixty (60) day written notice to cancel. Voting: Schardt (yes), Lang (yes), Seitz

Lee Miller, Chris Rauner, Hwy Supt, and others met with the Board to discuss the low water crossing on the dirt road of 711 Trail between 626 Ave and 624 Blvd. Lee Miller wants the low water crossing more passable and is wondering if a tube can be put in. Chris indicated that it would have to be engineered and added as a project on the one and six year plan and is a dirt road. The county will do a temporary fix now and see the cost of a permanent fix.

Jonathan Bailey, Assessor, Jennifer Stehlik Ladman, Attorney, Candi Nicholas, Clerk, Stefanie Rauner, Treasurer, Chris Rauner, Hwy Supt, met with the Board to discuss Pawnee County handbook changes regarding vacation, sick and comp time. Changes were approved and Jennifer will compose a resolution and bring back during this meeting for signatures.

Jon Bailey, Assessor, and Chris Rauner, Hwy Supt, met with the Board and discussed the Assessor using one of the road department trucks to check properties. Due to the availability and condition of road department pickups it is difficult for other departments to use the vehicles as needed. No action taken will revisit in two weeks.



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Dennis Schuster, Colleen Morehead, Chris Rauner, Hwy Supt, met with the Board and discussed county roads. Schuster wants to know if the roads are going to be reshaped. Chris doesn't have the crew to just reshape roads as there is a crew of five for all of the county. Presently the Board is weighing options for outside contracting or more employees to address the county road issues. Colleen Morehead suggested that all people stay off of the dirt roads until they are dry, it would help the shape that the dirt roads are in. She thanked the county for maintaining the rock roads and thinks that the county is trying to maintain the dirt roads, however, everyone needs to be good stewards of the roads.

Seitz moved and Lang seconded to approve Resolution #19-18 approving changes to the Pawnee County Handbook. Voting: Lang (yes), Seitz (yes) and Schaardt (yes).

Chris Rauner, Hwy Supt, and Heather Duryea, Admin Asst, met with the Board. Heather gave the rock report. The county is not using the Barneston Quarry any longer for rock. After review Lang moved and Seitz seconded to approve Resolution 19-19 certifying proper completion of project C006701810 and C006713423. Voting: Seitz (yes), Schaardt (yes), Lang (yes). Chris discussed various projects. After discussion Seitz moved and Lang seconded to approve Resolution 19-20 2019 fracture critical bridge inspection agreement. Voting: Schaardt (yes), Lang (yes), Seitz (yes). The Board and Chris discussed if adding an employee to the road department would be beneficial or not.

Tom Hildebrand stopped in the meeting and indicated that his driveway culvert is plugged and would like to have something done with it.

Lang moved and Seitz seconded to go into executive session for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual at 11:08 a.m. Voting Lang (yes), Seitz (yes), Schaardt (yes). At 11:34 a.m. Seitz moved and Lang seconded to close executive session. Voting: Seitz (yes), Schaardt (yes), Lang (yes). No action taken.

The Board and Chris discussed various equipment.

The following claims were reviewed and signed:

NET PAYROLL 30309.21; FWH 2658.67; SWH 1110.45; FICA 4854.68; MICA 1135.40; RETIREMENT 4849.74; NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT 1120.00; DELTA DENTAL 287.29; UNION DUES 75.00; AMERITAS 110.70; AMERICAN HERITAGE 120.83; MADISON LIFE 70.18; UNITED HEALTHCARE 11881.62; DIRECT DEPOSIT FEE 10.00;

GENERAL FUND:

Jonathan Bailey, mileage 30.74; Capital Business Systems, equipment 187.23; Child Advocacy Center, 2019-2020 pmt 700.00; Cline Williams Wright Johnson, board attorney 60.00; DAS State Accounting, data storage 215.52; Dept Correctional Services, inmate lodging 848.40; Eakes Office Solutions, supplies 502.87; Five Rivers RC&D, 2019-2020 dues 554.60; Gage County Sheriff, service fees 54.00; HJP Pest Control, spraying 150.00; Johnson County Sheriff, inmate lodging 1968.61; Kyles Service Center, repairs 99.50; Lampe's Air Filter, supplies 202.67; Marshall County Sheriff Office, service fee 40.00; Mead Lumber, supplies 411.98; Menard's,



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supplies 169.64; NPPD 1220.04; Candi Nicholas, mileage 31.32; O'Keefe Elevator, maintenance agreement 279.54; William Ouren, autopsy 75.00; Pawnee County Clerk, reimburse postage 7.35; Pawnee County Memorial Hospital, inmate medical 1449.62; Pawnee Republican, publishing 358.99; Physicians Laboratory, coroner costs 205.00; Quill, supplies 689.65; Redfield Direct, supplies 281.61; Region V Systems, 2019-2020 mental health & substance abuse 7846.00; Richardson County Sheriff, service fee 52.16; Tecumseh Family Health, inmate medical 99.00; US Bank, supplies & gas 463.19; Vickie Wiers, mileage 39.44;

ROAD/BRIDGE FUND:

Beatrice Fire Protection, supplies 192.75; Gyhra Construction, debris removal from Nemaha River 13,300.00; Hamm Inc, rock 57.47; Kyles Service, tires & repairs 5892.00; Martin Marietta, rock 28279.03; NPPD 34.21; Westover, rock 15890.67; Zees Backhoe Services, road improvements 8680.00.

Chairman Schaardt adjourned the meeting at 11:50 a.m.

S/Dennis Schaardt

Attest: Candi Nicholas, Pawnee County Clerk

S/Jan Lang

S/ Ron Seitz

The next Board of Commissioner meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 13, 2019 beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the first-floor meeting room of the Pawnee County Courthouse, Pawnee City, Nebraska.