



Pawnee County Board Minutes



PAWNEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MARCH 18, 2020

The Pawnee County Board of Commissioners met in an emergency meeting that was called by Chairman Schaardt, which was open to the public, on Wednesday, March 18, 2020, at 2:00 p.m. in the first-floor meeting room in the Pawnee County Courthouse, Pawnee City, Nebraska. The purpose of the emergency meeting was to approve a Declaration of Emergency in Pawnee County regarding COVID-19 and to make a decision on Pawnee County operations. Present were Dennis Schaardt, Jan Lang, Ron Seitz (by telephone), Amanda Burki, Emergency Manager, Ally Gottula, Admin Asst Emer Mgr, and County Clerk, Candi Nicholas. Chairman Schaardt opened the meeting and announced the open meeting law poster is posted on the east wall of the meeting room. Lang moved and Schaardt seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Voting: Lang (yes), Seitz (yes), Schaardt (yes).

Amanda Burki, Emer Mgr, provided the Board with an Emergency Disaster Declaration with the support of the SE District Health Dept that Pawnee County has been impacted by the COVID-19 and that there is endangerment to the health and safety of the citizens of Pawnee County. Lang moved and Seitz seconded to declare a state of emergency authorized under Nebraska Statute R.R.S. 81-829-50, on behalf of Pawnee County and will execute for, and on behalf of Pawnee County, the expenditure of emergency funds from all available sources, in invoking of mutual aid agreements, and applying to the State of Nebraska for assistance from the Governor's Emergency Fund and any other resources he deems necessary in the fulfillment of his/her duties. Voting: Lang (yes), Seitz (yes), Schaardt (yes).

The Board discussed the Courthouse options. After discussion Schaardt moved and Lang seconded to close the doors of the Courthouse and the Hwy Dept to the public and will be reassessed biweekly beginning April 7th, 2020 at the scheduled commissioner meeting. Constituents can call individual offices for direction on business and County employees will work as normal. Voting: Seitz (yes), Schaardt (yes), Lang (yes).

Chairman Schaardt adjourned the meeting at 2:41 p.m.

S/Dennis Schaardt

S/Jan Lang

S/ Ron Seitz

Attest: Candi Nicholas, Pawnee County Clerk