



Merrick County Board Minutes



March 28, 2017

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at 9:10 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Weller, Kreachbaum, Carlson, Helgoth, Kucera, and Wiegert present. County Attorney Homolka was also present.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal and on the Merrick County website. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Wiegert declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:10a.m.

Moved Graves, second Kucera to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:10 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Agenda: Moved Carlson, second Weller to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Kucera, second Weller to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2017 as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting report: Carlson & Wiegert attended boot camp; Carlson attended the 4H Open house and spring Central District meeting; Graves attended the spring Central District meeting, 4H Building dedication, safety meeting, senior citizen meeting, & the Planning & Zoning meeting; Kreachbaum attended the 4H Building open house, interviews for a sheriff deputy, and the LAPC meeting with the Emergency Manager; Helgoth attended the Community Action Partnership in Loup City; Kucera attended the Mid Nebraska meeting, 4H Building dedication and pancake feed and Wiegert attended the 4H Building ribbon cutting and interviews for a new sheriff deputy.

Official's reports: Extension Education Stuhr reminded the County Board that County Government Day would be Thursday, March 30, 2017.

Planning Commission: Moved Graves, second Kucera to reappoint Chris Starostka and Linda Riblett to the Merrick County Planning & Zoning Commission. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Bryan Hospital acquisition documents: Moved Carlson, second Graves to go into executive session at 9:17 a.m. to discuss strategy with respect to the various Bryan acquisition documents as the same is necessary to protect the public interest. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Graves, second Carlson to go out of executive session at 10:37 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

District 5 Probation: Carrie Rodriguez, the new Chief Probation Officer and Marty Metfchke from the reporting center in Columbus gave the County Board a brief explanation of what they Probation Office on first floor is used for and why it is so convenient for them.

State Radio System: Mike Jefferies with the State of Nebraska OCIO went over the radio system and said the Sheriff has tried the demos and they worked very well. The state's radios are compatible with most systems. There would be a monthly charge for the radios of \$11.00 per radio and the County would need 12 radios for \$1,584.00 a year. Ed Meedle with Platte Valley Communications out of Grand Island said that consolidation of dispatch would make a lot of sense. Meedle said on April 26, 2017 Platte Valley will make a decision as to where a dispatch center should go and on May 27, 2017 the Board will get a formal study.

Sealed bids: Sealed bids for the remodel of the former Extension Office and the Surveyor/Highway Department were submitted by KBL Construction of \$17,400.00 for the Attorneys portion and \$19,930.00 for the Sheriff's portion. Each of those bids included the electrical. Lesiak Construction submitted a bid for \$56,000.00 for both portions combined. Board told the Sheriff and Attorney to get together and finalized what they want and have drawing made for bidding.

Checking accounts: Sheriff Westman said the state auditors had advised him to open two new checking accounts at Pinnacle Bank to assist with their organization of their accounts for Corrections and Civil Process. Moved Kucera, second Graves to allow the Sheriff to open two more accounts at Pinnacle Bank to assist with their organization of their accounts for Corrections and Civil Process. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Rental rates for 4H Building: Moved Carlson, second Graves to approve the changes of the 4H Building rental rates for the Education Room from additional day (s) from \$150/day to \$50/day add kitchen (not a per day fee) from \$25 – non-meal to \$25 – serving only and \$100 – hot meal to \$100 – food prep; Conference Room from Daily rental fee from \$175 to \$100 additional day(s) from \$25/day to \$30/day add kitchen (not per day fee) from \$25 – non meal to \$25 serving only and \$100 – hot meal to \$100 – food prep and the Arena add kitchen (not a per day fee) from \$25 – non meal to \$25 – serving only and \$100 – hot meal to \$100 food prep. Roll Call: All Ayes.

4H Building rental contract: Moved Kucera, second Kreachbaum to approve the following changes to the rental contract: Assign a contract number to each contract and put that number on upper right hand corner of every page of the contract, add roman numerals; add VIII. Fees: Amount, Date Due, ½ rent to hold date, 2nd half rent to hold event, damage



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deposit, total, refund if no damage found; (under XI. Rental Conditions) binder clips may be used on beams, and on last page in square add: For Office Use Only, 1st payment, final payment, date received, check #, amount received under each column; damage deposit received, date received, check #, amount received, deposit returned, date returned, check #, amount returned, Insurance certificate received and SDL received. Table the wording of: If the guest list is provided and a private event by invitation only, the renter does not need a SDL, however must follow all Nebraska State Laws and the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission. (Would ask Lynelle to write what needs to go here in order to allow some liquor without an SDL like having a bottle of wine at a family Christmas gathering). Roll Call: All Ayes.

Rental contract approval signing: Moved Graves, second Weller to authorize the Overseers Committee Chairman to sign the rental contracts for the new 4H Building. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Special Liquor License: Moved Kucera, second Kreachbaum to approve the Special Designated Liquor License for Don't Care Bar & Grill on May 20, 2017 at Riverside for a wedding reception. Roll Call: All Ayes.

County Burial: Moved Kreachbaum, second Kucera to approve to pay for a county burial for Robert Earll. Roll Call: All Ayes.

March 2017 payroll: March 2017 payroll presented to the Board: General: Gross: \$121,747.89 Net: \$83,578.05 Roads: Gross: \$45,432.17 Net: \$31,668.42 Juvenile Diversion: Gross: 45,029.62 Net: \$3,648.11. Moved Helgoth, second Graves to approve the March 2017 payroll as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Bryan Health Documents: Jill Jensen and Jason Yungtum with Cline Williams Law Firms went over the Bryan Health Documents with the Board and County Attorney Homolka. Moved Graves, second Carlson to approve the Chairman signing RESOLUTION 2017-9 entering into the Affiliation Agreement, the Lease, the Asset Purchase Agreement, and the services agreements that are attached to and constitute a part of the Affiliation Agreement. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Long Term Care Management Agreement: Moved Kucera, second Graves to table the review and negotiation of the Long Term Care Management Agreement with Good Samaritan. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjourn: Moved Kucera, second Kreachbaum to adjourn at 1:20 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk