



Merrick County Board Minutes



January 28, 2020

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, January 28 at 9:12 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Kucera, Yrkoski, Placke, Dexter, Weller, and Wiegert present. Kreachbaum was absent. County Attorney Homolka was also present.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal and 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 9:12 a.m.

Moved Kreachbaum, second Dexter to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:12 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

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

Minutes: Moved Dexter, second Kreachbaum to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2020 as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting reports: Weller attended a Bader Park meeting on Tuesday, January 21, 2020; Yrkoski attended the Long Term Care meeting on January 14, 2020 and the Nebraska Action Partners at Loup City on January 21, 2020; Kreachbaum and Wiegert attended the 4H Building Committee meeting on January 20, 2020 and Kucera attended the Mid Nebraska Individual Services meeting on January 15 and the Region III on January 24, 2020.

Official's reports: Extension Educator Tammy Stuhr gave the Board an overview of what is happening in her department, Veteran Service Officer Tom Reimers gave the Board his quarterly report. Assessor Myers gave the Board a list of properties that are new construction that had not gotten building permits that she discovered while out doing pick up work. She told the Board she had given the list to the Planning and Zoning Administrator. County Attorney Homolka said she has been busy with criminal filings and working on legislative things.

Weed year end: Weed Superintendent Koziol gave the Chairman his year-end reports for the County.

RESOLUTION 2020-5: Moved Kucera, second Kreachbaum to approve and have the Chairman sign RESOLUTION 2020-5 giving Weed Superintendent Koziol authority to make the finds described in 2-955 (1) (b) and issue and deliver notices pursuant to the Noxious Weed Control. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2020-5 is on file in the County Clerk's Office for public viewing.

10:00 a.m. hearing: Moved Kucera, second Dexter to open the public hearing regarding if the County Surveyor position should be an elected position or an appointed position at 10:01 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Jim Helgoth said he would like to see it go to the vote of the people. Moved Kucera, second Weller to close the hearing at 10:12 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Placke, to sign RESOLUTION 2020-3 making the County Surveyor position an elected position. Motion died for lack of second. This issue will go on the General Election ballot.

Handbook amendments: County Attorney Homolka went over some of the amendments that the handbook committee suggested and changes in language that NIRMA has suggested. The Board will continue to go through the handbook amendments and language changes at the next Board meeting.

Grievance Board: Moved Kucera, second Dexter to appoint all of the County Board and all of the elected and appointed officials as the pre-designated grievance board. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Applied Connective: Two proposals were submitted to the Board from Applied Connective for support and services for the server systems that were installed at the courthouse. One quote was for \$1,800.00 for remote service and the other quote was for \$3,600.00 for remote and onsite service. Moved Dexter, second Weller to go with the proposal for \$3,600.00 for onsite and remote service. Roll Call: All Ayes.

January 2020 payroll: The January 2020 payroll was submitted to the Board for approval: General: Gross: \$159,881.77 Net: \$111,776.59, Roads: Gross: \$62,926.94 Net: \$45,359.52, Juvenile Diversion: Gross: \$6,629.31 Net: \$4,352.95. Moved Kucera, second Yrkoski to approve the January 2020 payroll as submitted. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjourn: Moved Kreachbaum, second Dexter to adjourn at 1:12 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman



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/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk