

February 28, 2023

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, February 28, 2023 at 9:05 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Kreachbaum, Jarecke, Placke, Dexter, Weller, Kucera, Wiegert, County Attorney Shotkoski, Clerk Strobel 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 given 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 9:05 a.m. Moved Kreachbaum, second Placke to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:08 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Moved Dexter, second Kucera to approve the agenda for February 28 and the minutes as published for February 14, 2023. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting Reports: Weller: Bader Park February 21; Dexter: Long Term Care February 15, February 21 conference call with SCEDD; Placke: Long Term Care Board, February 15 and Senior Center Board meeting February 21; Jarecke: Zoom meeting February 21, Central Community Action Partners; Kreachbaum: February 15-Long Term Care, February 21<sup>st</sup> 4-H Building Committee meeting; Wiegert February 17, Chairman workshop in Kearney, February 21<sup>st</sup> 4-H Building Committee.

Officials Report: Veteran Service Office Reimers presented his third and fourth quarter updates. Assessor Myers spoke in regards to bills in the legislature regarding county government and all values will be set by March 19 with Home Stead Exemptions going through June 30. Clerk Strobel informed the board the state auditors will be working on the 2021-2022 audit. County Attorney Shotkoski stated a new legislation bill would have the Child Advocacy Center be funded by DHHS rather than donations. Treasurer Gilg stated the tax sale will be held on Monday, March 6.

Kara Wells, Emily Soll, Kier Albert and Cole Brandes were in attendance. Brandes led all of the 4-H members and 4-H alumni in the 4-H Pledge. Moved Kucera, second Dexter to declare March, Merrick County 4-H Month and have the Chairman sign the 4-H Proclamation. Roll Call: All Ayes

Moved Kreachbaum, second Dexter to forward the Tort Claim received from the Estate of James Cyboron onto NIRMA. Roll Call: All Ayes

Moved Kucera, second Kreachbaum to approve the Chairman to sign the SDL Application for Overtime Sports Bar 'N Grill for March 18, 2023, Merrick County Fairgrounds. Roll Call: All Ayes

Moved Kreachbaum, second Jarecke to allow the road employees to donate sick leave time to Ron Johns. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Dexter, second Kreachbaum to approve the Chairman to sign the Government Product Lease Agreement. Roll Call: All Ayes

Moved Placke, second Kucera to open the 10:00 a.m. Public Hearing at 10:01 a.m., Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Kucera, second Kreachbaum to close the Public Hearing at 10:04 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Moved Dexter, second Kreachbaum to approve Resolution 2023-3 to change the future potential zoning from PRC to LSR-1 on all property in Merrick County Zoning Jurisdiction in Section 21, Township 13N, Range 6W, Merrick County, Nebraska. Roll Call: All Ayes

Moved Kreachbaum, second Dexter to open the 10:05 a.m. Public Hearing at 10:05 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Dexter, second Kucera, to close the Public Hearing at 10:07 a.m. Roll Call; All Ayes.

Moved Kreachbaum, second Dexter to approve the Chairman to sign Resolution 2023-4 to rezone a tract of ground from PRC to LSR-1 located in Outlot 1, Grigsby Estates and part of Government Lots 2 & 3, Section 21, Township 13N, Range 6W, Merrick County, Nebraska. Roll Call: All Ayes

Moved Kreachbaum, second Dexter to open the 10:10 a.m. Public Hearing at 10:10 a.m., Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Jarecke, second Dexter to close the Public Hearing at 10:16 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Moved Jarecke, second Kreachbaum to approve the Chairman to sign Resolution 2023-5 for a preliminary plat subdivision on a tract of ground located in Outlot 1, Grigsby Estates and part of Government Lots 2

& 3, Section 21, Township 13N, Range 6W, Merrick County, Nebraska while waiving the conditions as stated by the Planning Commission. Roll Call: All Ayes

Moved Kreachbaum, second Dexter to approve the special purchase agreement for a used CAT 2020 M320F wheeled excavator with an extended warranty and the trade-in shall be used as down payment.

Roll Call: All Ayes

Robert Latimer, representing Summit Carbon Solutions, along with Ben Fuller and Brent Nice provided updated maps and the status of the pipeline. Needed in Merrick County is 38.7 miles of which 27 miles have been acquired. Construction target date is early 2024.

No action was taken regarding regulations involving Summit Carbon Solutions.

Emily Triplett provided an update on Long Term Care.

Discussion was held regarding Long Term Care management contract. No action was taken.

Moved Jarecke, second Weller to approve Resolution 2023-6 directing the transfer of funds from Inheritance Fund to the General Fund for upcoming claims, payroll and payroll expenses. Roll Call: All Ayes

Moved Kucera, second Placke to approve the February payroll. Roll Call: All Ayes

Adjourn: Moved Kreachbaum, second Placke to adjourn at 12:54 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Trisha L Fate-Strobel, County Clerk