

## Wheeler County Board Minutes



Bartlett, Nebraska October 28, 2020

The Wheeler County Commissioner's met in regular session on this date at 8:00 AM. Notice of the meeting was published and posted according to law. Chairman Hoerle called the meeting to order and identified the location of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act poster on the Court Room West wall and made reference to open law literature available for the public. Answering roll call were Commissioner's Hoerle, Heinz, and Pokorny. Clerk Snider, County Attorney Joe McNally, Sheriff Lindsay, Road Foreman Reed and Highway Superintendent Jay Meyer were also present along with members of the public.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Pokorny made a motion to approve the September 30, 2020, monthly meeting minutes, seconded by Heinz. On roll call by the Clerk voting aye: Pokorny, Heinz, and Hoerle. Voting nay: none.

Heinz made a motion to approve the September 2020 claims, seconded by Pokorny. On roll call by the Clerk voting aye: Heinz, Pokorny, and Hoerle. Voting nay none.

Resolution 20201001 was presented which designates the road located ½ west of 508<sup>th</sup> Ave between 834<sup>th</sup> & 835<sup>th</sup> Rd (located in section 34 Township 23 Range 9, leading to Dwyer's House) being named "Cattle Drive". Pokorny made the motion to accept Resolution 20201001 as presented, seconded by Hoerle. On roll call by the Clerk voting aye: Pokorny, Hoerle and Heinz. Voting nay: none.

Resolution 20201002 was presented to reopen the portion of Wagonhammer West Road, also known as 489th Ave, between 835<sup>th</sup> and 836<sup>th</sup> RD, which was closed in June for flooding damage by Resolution 20200601. Heinz made a motion to accept Resolution 20201002 to reopen the road, seconded by Hoerle. On roll call by the Clerk voting aye: Heinz, Hoerle, and Pokorny. Voting nay: none.

Discussion was held on extending the moratorium on Conditional Use Permit applications which expires on November 1, 2020. Hoerle made a motion to extend the current moratorium on Conditional Use Permit applications until December 31, 2020, to allow additional time to review and possibly adopt the proposed changes to the zoning regulations, seconded by Pokorny. On roll call by the Clerk voting aye: Hoerle, Pokorny and Heinz. Voting nay: none.

The board requested Mr. McNally and Snider to research the different bond companies and to invite them to the November meeting to provide an overview of their services, costs and options for bonds to offset flood expenses until they're reimbursed by the government.

Brant Pavel met with the board to promote Auction Time as a way to sell excess property. No action taken.

Hoerle made a motion to accept the Sheriff's quarterly report as presented, seconded by Pokorny. On roll call by the Clerk voting aye: Hoerle, Pokorny, and Heinz. Voting nay: none.

Hoerle made a motion to accept the Veteran's Service quarterly report as presented, seconded by Heinz. On roll call by the Clerk voting aye: Hoerle, Heinz, and Pokorny. Voting nay: none.

Heinz made a motion to approve and authorize the chairman and the clerk to sign the necessary documents needed to apply for the USDA Rural Development Grant, seconded by Pokorny. Voting aye: Heinz, Pokorny, and Hoerle. Voting nay: none.

Pokorny made a motion to accept and renew the 3 year contract with NIRMA, seconded by Heinz. Voting aye: Pokorny, Heinz, and Hoerle. Voting nay: none.



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The proposal to enter into an agreement for CDL drug testing was tabled other options can be considered.

The Public Hearing to consider the 1 & 6 year highway plan was opened at 8:35 AM. Highway Superintendent Jay Meyer explained the 1 & 6 year plan and the projects planned for next year. The hearing was closed at 8:45 AM and Resolution 20201006 was presented to adopt the plan. Hoerle made a motion to accept Resolution 20201006, seconded by Pokorny. Voting aye: Hoerle, Pokorny, and Heinz. Voting nay: none.

Treasurer Seamann reported that Distress Warrants for unpaid personal property taxes would be given to the Sheriff to be served on October 30, 2020 if they remained unpaid.

Treasurer Seamann presented Resolution 20201007 to transfer \$150,000 from Inheritance to General Fund. Pokorny made a motion to approve Resolution 20201007, seconded by Hoerle. Voting aye: Pokorny, Hoerle, and Heinz. Voting nay: none.

At 9:06 am Chairman Hoerle recessed the regular board meeting and opened the Board of Equalization meeting.

Heinz made a motion to table the omitted personal property that was presented by Snider until the November meeting, seconded by Pokorny. Voting nay: Heinz, Pokorny, and Hoerle. Voting nay: none.

After discussion Pokorny made a motion to reconsider the motion in tabling the omitted personal property and to approve the omitted personal property so that it would be on the current tax roll, seconded by Hoerle. Voting aye: Pokorny, Hoerle, and Heinz. Voting nay: none.

Chairman Hoerle adjourned the Board of Equalization meeting at 9:14 am and reconvened the regular board meeting.

Heinz made a motion to enter executive session at 9:20 to discuss potential litigation, seconded by Hoerle. Voting aye: Heinz, Hoerle, and Pokorny. Voting nay: none.

The board exited executive session at 10:32 am.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:58 AM on a motion by Heinz, seconded by Pokorny. Voting aye: Heinz, Pokorny, and Hoerle. Voting nay: none.

The next scheduled regular meeting will be held on Wednesday November 25, 2020, at 8 a.m.

Cara Snider, County Clerk Jim Hoerle, Board Chairman