



Saunders County Board Minutes



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS January 5, 2021

Pursuant to adjournment, the Board met with Breunig, Rastovski, Smaus, Sukstorf, Albrecht, Lutton and Karloff present.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by published notice in a legal newspaper as shown by the proof of publication filed in the County Clerk's office. Notice of the meeting was emailed to all members of the Board and a copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of notice and agenda is attached. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public, except when in closed executive session.

Chairperson Karloff called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. informed the public of the location of the posting of the Open Meetings Act & Title VI Policy Statement are posted on the North wall (right hand side) as you enter the Board Room).

Public Works Director provided the Board with a written report on the work/project the County Culvert Crew and Grading Crews are working on; update on the projects that contractors were working on (M. E. Collins) and gave them a complete list of projects completed in 2020 (21 structures and (2) asphalt projects.

Motion by Rastovski, seconded by Breunig to convene as an Equalization Board at 9:07 a.m. Voting yes were Rastovski, Smaus, Sukstorf, Albrecht, Lutton, Karloff and Breunig. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS January 5, 2021

Pursuant to adjournment Sine Die, the Board met with Albrecht, Lutton, Karloff, Breunig, Rastovski, Smaus and Sukstorf were present.

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Chairperson Sukstorf called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m. and informed the public of the location of the posting of the Open Meetings Act & Title VI Policy Statement are posted on the North wall (right hand side) as you enter the Board Room).

Motion by Breunig, seconded by Rastovski to approve the requests for refunds of Personal Property Taxes by the following: 1) Hinky Dinky Super Markets Inc., 1036 N Chestnut Street, Wahoo; and 2) U Save Foods Inc., 2301 Silver Street, Ashland – all as presented by the County Assessor. Voting yes were Smaus, Sukstorf, Albrecht, Lutton, Karloff, Breunig and Rastovski. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Karloff, seconded by Albrecht to approve Tax Corrections #5789 thru #5793, as submitted by the County Assessor. Voting yes were Sukstorf, Albrecht, Lutton, Karloff, Breunig and Smaus. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Lutton, seconded by Rastovski to approve the minutes of the December 15th Board meeting. Voting yes were Albrecht, Lutton, Karloff, Breunig, Rastovski, Smaus and Sukstorf. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

The proceedings of the foregoing meeting were recorded and are on file in the County Clerk's office. All items considered by the Board of Equalization were included in the agenda published or posted prior to said meeting.

Chairperson Sukstorf declared the meeting adjourned Sine Die at 9:11 a.m.

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Chairperson Board of Equalization



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Upon the adjournment of the Equalization Board, the Saunders County Board of Supervisors reconvened in their Regular schedule Board meeting.

Motion by Breunig, seconded by Sukstorf to open the Public Hearing at 9:12 a.m., for the consideration of Application #9152 by Hancock Construction – to amend the Saunders County Zoning Regulations, regarding the improvement of non-conforming structures. Voting yes were Lutton, Karloff, Breunig, Rastovski, Smaus, Sukstorf and Albrecht. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Sukstorf, seconded by Rastovski to close the Public Hearing at 9:22 a.m. and adopt Resolution #1-2021 amending the Saunders County Zoning Regulations as follows:

1. In areas that are not the agricultural district, no building permit shall be authorized for an existing nonconforming structure, if the proposed expansion (including other such expansions) exceeds 50% of the square footage of the original structure.
2. In the agricultural district, no building permit shall be authorized for an existing nonconforming structure, if the proposed expansion (including any other such expansions) exceeds 100% of the square footage of the original structure. No addition shall exceed 2,2500 square feet.

Voting yes were Karloff, Breunig, Rastovski, Smaus, Sukstorf, Albrecht and Lutton. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Emergency Management Director – provided the Board a report on the following:

1. 2019 Flood: **Leshara Drainage District** work has started on repair of about 950 linear feet of levy reconstruction (bid accepted for project was \$432,000); **Todd Valley Drainage District** has repaired on levy breach, the large breach of 1000 feet will be ready for bids next month, they have paid \$132,000 for repairs, FEMA 75% reimbursement for that amount arrived today. They are doing repairs in stages due to funding; **Clear Creek Drainage District** levy project has been repaired; and **the Corps of Engineers and NRD levy by Thomas Lakes** has been repaired.
2. COVID-19: provided the Board with a spreadsheet and graph that the virus is pretty consistent with the population. Saunders County is on our second wave and appears to be moving on a downward trend. Vaccination has started for our County, the State Health and Human Services have it broken into phase on the distribution of vaccine – Phase 1 A includes health care workers, long term care staff and long-term care residents; Phase 2 B includes EMS, Fire, Law enforcement, education, utilities, transportation, large food/agriculture processing plants; and COVID-19 Grants; Phase 1 C for age 65+, vulnerable population, congregate setting facilities; and Phase 2 General Population.
3. Grant funding was submitted for salary and benefits for corrections, law enforcement, dispatchers and emergency management for the period of March 1 thru May 31 for a total of \$650,000; virus plexiglass shields for \$4,100 and Personnel Protection Equipment for \$1,600.

Motion by Lutton, seconded by Breunig to accept Gregory Hohl's letter of Resignation, resigning from the Saunders Medical Center Board of Trustees, dated December 29, 2020 – effective immediately. Voting yes were Breunig, Smaus, Sukstorf, Albrecht, Lutton and Karloff. Voting no was Rastovski. Motion carried.

Motion by Rastovski, seconded by Lutton to amend action taken on November 17, 2020 with regards to wage increases for Non-Bargaining Employees as follows: Deputies of the County Assessor, Clerk of District Court and County Treasurer will receive a 3% wage increase; the 1st Deputy of the County Attorney will receive a 1.5 % wage increase; the 2nd Deputy of the County Attorney will receive a 3% wage increase; and the Correctional Administrator will receive a one time bonus (COVID) of \$1,500.00 in addition to a 3% wage increase ; IT Administrator will receive a 4% wage increase. . All other Non-Bargaining Employees will receive a 3% wage increase. All percent (%) wage increases will be retroactive back to July 1, 2020. Voting yes were Rastovski, Smaus, Sukstorf, Albrecht, Lutton, Karloff and Breunig. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

The County Attorney and Board Member Breunig briefly discussed matters pertaining to the 107th Legislation Session which will begin on January 6th.

Motion by Breunig, seconded by Rastovski to approve the minutes of the December 22nd Board meeting and to approve the addition of Pledged Securities as presented by the County Treasurer. Voting yes were Smaus, Sukstorf, Albrecht, Lutton, Karloff, Breunig and Rastovski. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Committee Reports: None

Open Discussion from the Public: None



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Chairperson Karloff declared the meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

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Chairperson Board of Supervisors