



# Saunders County Board Minutes



## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDING January 10, 2023

Pursuant to adjournment, the Board met with Bill Reece, Tom Hrdlicka, John Zaugg, Scott Sukstorf, Frank Albrecht, John Smaus and David Lutton being 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.

Chairman Lutton 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).

Chairperson Lutton called for the Reorganizing of the Board by selecting a Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

Motion by Reece, seconded by Zaugg that Dave Lutton serve as the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors for 2023 and John Smaus serve as the Vice-Chairman of the Board for 2023. Voting yes were: Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Sukstorf, Albrecht and Lutton. Smaus abstained. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Lutton, seconded by Hrdlicka that Frank Albrecht serve a Temp Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors for 2023 in the absence of both the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson. Voting yes were Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Sukstorf, Smaus, Lutton and Reece. Albrecht abstained. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Public Works Director reported on the following:

- ~Dirt Crew working at County Road 21 & K & L to clean out ditch. Will be moving to project 763 to help culvert crew backfill culverts and help grade the road
- ~Culvert Crew working at Project 763 located at 24 & 25 & N. Will be moving to project 834 materials are being delivered today.
- ~Contractor has started working on Project located at County Road 6 & O & P; old bridge is out.
- ~Contractor has the footings poured for the awning that is going to protect the AC/Heater units on the west side of the Courthouse.

Motion by Smaus, seconded by Sukstorf to open bids at 9:09 a.m. for the construction of (2) concrete box culverts and (1) concrete box culvert with inlet and outlet extensions, doweled concrete pavement on subgrade preparation at two of the sites and other related incidental work. Said projects and located as follows: **1)** C-78(872) on Yutan Road, between Road K and Road L; **2)** C-78(873) on Yutan Road, between Highway 92 and Road L; and **3)** C-78(818) on Road 11, between Road D and Road E. Voting yes were Zaugg, Sukstorf, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece and Hrdlicka. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Bids are as follows:

BIDDER (Name & Address)	BOND	PROJECT	START DATE	COMPLETION DATE	PROJECT BID	TOTAL BID
M.E. Collins Contracting Co., Inc. 980 E 25th St., PO Box 83 Wahoo, NE 68066	XX					<b>\$ 1,074,307.16</b>
		C-78(872)	Fall 2023	Spring 2024	\$ 300,392.51	
		C-78(873)	Fall 2023	Spring 2024	\$ 480,624.57	
		C-78(818)	Fall 2023	Spring 2024	\$ 293,290.08	
Vogtscapes, Inc, PO Box 257 Bennet, NE 68317	XX					<b>\$ 1,199,979.50</b>
		C-78(872)	8/28/2023	10/31/2023	\$ 319,918.50	
		C-78(873)	6/23/2023	8/25/2023	\$ 512,005.00	
		C-78(818)	4/18/2023	6/22/2023	\$ 368,056.00	

The Highway Superintendent left to look the bids over and come back to the Board with a recommendation.



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Mike Holley appeared before the Board to talk about a hot water heater in the LEJC Building that needs replaced. He was told to get bids for the purchase of three (3) hot water heaters and come back to the Board.

Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Hrdlicka to convene as an Equalization Board at 9:19 a.m. Voting yes were Sukstorf, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka and Zaugg. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

## BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS January 10, 2023

Pursuant to adjournment Sine Die, the Board met with Frank Albrecht, John Smaus, David Lutton, Bill Reece, Tom Hrdlicka, John Zaugg and Scott Sukstorf 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.

Chairperson Sukstorf called the meeting to order at 9:20 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).

Chairperson Sukstorf called for the Reorganizing of the Board by selecting a Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

Motion by Hrdlicka, seconded by Albrecht that Scott Sukstorf serve as the Chairman of the Board of Equalization for 2023 and John Smaus serve as the Vice-Chairman of the Board for 2023. Voting yes were Albrecht, Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg and Sukstorf. Smaus abstained. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Lutton, seconded by Smaus that Tom Hrdlicka serve a Temp Chairperson of the Board of Equalization for 2023 in the absence of both the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson. Voting yes were Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Zaugg, Sukstorf and Albrecht. Hrdlicka abstained. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Smaus, seconded by Hrdlicka to approve the minutes of the January 3<sup>rd</sup> Board of Equalization meeting. Voting yes were Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Sukstorf, Albrecht and Smaus. 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 9:22 a.m.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Saunders County Clerk

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Chairperson Board of Equalization

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

John Smaus reported on updates of the Public Safety Radio System; City of Wahoo Planning Commission approved the tower at the Judicial Center with conditions, 1) FFA Approval; 2) verify wind speed specs for the tower 3) the County would be responsible for safety and damage if anything were to happen, need to get a building permit; this will need to be approved by the City Council. The tower outside of Wahoo – very slim area as to where it can be put, need to be outside of the no-fly zone of the Airport, needing to find someone/somewhere that is willing to sell land to the county to put the tower on.

Motion by Sukstorf, seconded by Reece to appoint Kim Turnwall to the Saunders County Extension Board. Voting yes were Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Sukstorf, Albrecht, Smaus and Lutton. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Sukstorf, seconded by Hrdlicka to contract with FiveNines for the 0365-migration project. Voting yes were Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Sukstorf, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton and Reece. Voting no were none. Motion carried.



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Motion by Reece, seconded by Sukstorf to award the bid for culverts to ME Collins, Wahoo in the amount of \$1,074,307.16. Voting yes were Zaugg, Sukstorf, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece and Hrdlicka. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Sukstorf, seconded by Zaugg to approve **Resolution #1-2023** Designate the County Clerk to set agenda and notify the Board of Supervisors; **Resolution #7-2023** Declaring the depository banks for all funds collected and/or held by Saunders County for the period from January 1, 2023 into January of 2024; **Resolution #8-2023** authorizing the County Treasurer to invest excessive monies from the levies of the various taxing districts of Saunders County in the year 2023 and into 2024 and to provide a report to the Board once a month; **Resolution #9-2023** to declare that the FirstBank of Nebraska as the depository bank for all monies paid to or coming into the hands of the Judge or the Clerk of District Court from January 1, 2023 in to January 2024. Voting yes were Sukstorf, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka and Zaugg. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Smaus, seconded by Hrdlicka to approve the County's Payroll for the January 13<sup>th</sup> pay period; the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to issue a check to the Saunders County Imprest Account for the full amount for all funds. Voting yes were Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg and Sukstorf. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Discussion was had on the Closing of the County Buildings at 4:30 p.m. It will be discussed again at a later date.

Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Reece to approve the Minutes of the January 3<sup>rd</sup> Board Meeting. Voting yes were Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Sukstorf and Albrecht. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Hrdlicka to convene in Closed Session at 10:02 a.m. for Personnel Matters (84-1410), with the County Attorney present. Voting yes were Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Sukstorf, Albrecht and Smaus. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Reece, seconded by Zaugg to adjourn from Closed Session at 10:54 a.m., with no action being taken and to reconvene in regular meeting. Voting yes were Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Sukstorf, Albrecht, Smaus and Lutton. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Sukstorf, seconded by Reece to approve **Resolution #2-2023** appointing Andy Nordstrom to the position of Public Works Director, as well as the position of the County Highway Superintendent for Calendar Year 2023; **Resolution #3-2023** appointing Mitch Polacek to the position of the Planning & Zoning Administrator; **Resolution #4-2023** appointing William Bonney to the position of the Veterans Service Officer; **Resolution #5-2023** appointing Ed Sladky to the position of Noxious Weed Control Supervisor; **Resolution #6-2023** appointing Terry Miller to the position of the Emergency Management Director. Voting yes were Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Sukstorf, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton and Reece. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Hrdlicka, seconded by Zaugg to approve Committee Appointments of the Board Members for the Year 2023. Voting yes were Zaugg, Sukstorf, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece and Hrdlicka. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Sukstorf, seconded by Reece to pay Emily Mathews the interim Public Defender, the salary that the Public Defender was making and Tom Klein interim Deputy Public Defender, the salary that the Deputy Public Defender was making. Voting yes were Sukstorf, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka and Zaugg. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

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Chairman Lutton declared the meeting adjourned at 10:58 a.m.

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Saunders County Clerk

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Chairman Board of Supervisors