

# SUPERVISOR'S RECORD NO. 17

SAUNDERS COUNTY, NEBRASKA

## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS July 23, 2024

Pursuant to adjournment, the Board met with Bill Reece, Tom Hrdlicka, John Zaugg, Scott Sukstorf, Frank Albrecht, John Smaus and David Lutton 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 9:01 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 reported on the following:

- ~Dirt Crew – Fixing Flood damaged roads
- ~Culvert Crew – Projects on hold – Fixing flood damaged structures and removing debris from structure. Will be moving to Project (864) – County Road 13&O&P installing twin 96"x40' CMP with steel headwall
- ~Contractor – Project (704) – Federal Aid Bridge – 4 Span 175' continuous concrete slab bridge. Contractor is working on Abutment 1. Poured Abutment 2 6.10.24
- ~Contractor – Project (850) - County Road 13&14&F – Triple 12'x12'x56' back fill is in process, contractor is now over the top of the box, forms are 95% stripped. Grading will start this week; Survey is scheduled for Wednesday the 24<sup>th</sup> to put in slope steaks
- ~Contractor – Project (849) – County Road 30&B&C 91'9" Triple Span deck slab bridge. Pile for abutment 1 driven, structural steel installed, sheet pile installed (wings and walers still needed). 36" pipe on north side installed and backfill has started, dirt is coming in for North side also. This week slabs will be set for span 1 and headwall will be poured for 36" CMP
- ~Contractor – Project (847) – County Road 24&25&S Triple 12'x10'x44' CBC on 20° skew LHB – Removed old structure, diversion is in, silt fence installed. This week will excavate the box floor and get forms in.
- ~Contractor – (Emergency repair Guard camp road) – Gas line company is moving gas line. Should be done Wednesday 7/24/24. Contractor plans on working around Windstream and Halo fiber lines so we can get project moving forward, would be 2 to 3 weeks before fiber lines would be moved. Contractor has the road cut to start removing pavement ASAP
- ~Contractor – Project (322) Federal Aid Bridge – bridge demolition has started. Shoe fly has been built

Motion by Smaus, seconded by Hrdlicka to authorize the Chairman to sign the Easement and Agreement with the Village of Prague, for utility work that is going to be done on County owned property. Voting yes were Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Sukstorf, Albrecht, Smaus and Lutton. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Smaus, seconded by Hrdlicka to convene as an Equalization Board at 10:21 a.m. Voting yes were Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg and Sukstorf. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Mainelli Wagner & Associates updated the Board on the progress of the new windows and explained the change order that was presented to them last week.

Terry Miller, Emergency Management Director – gave an update to the Board – FEMA, closeout of the 2019 Flood – Damage Assessment Team for May Flood – Safety Meeting, panic buttons for offices

Bill Bonney, Veterans Services Administrator – gave the Board an update on services offered to County Veterans – 1,445 veterans in the county – explained the County Veterans Aid Fund and the Nebraska Veterans Aid Fund and how they are used

Joni Cantrall of Shaw, Hull and Navarrette, CPAs, the firm hired to do the County Budget for FY 2024-2025 appeared before the Board and presented them with a proposed budget.

Ms. Cantrall reviewed the Proposed Budget Highlights with the Board.

As per State Statute 23-906, said Proposed Budget is placed on file in the County Clerk's office for public inspection.

Motion by Sukstorf, seconded by Reece to accept the Proposed budget for FY 2024-2025. Voting yes were Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Sukstorf, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton and Reece. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Zaugg, seconded by Hrdlicka to approve the allowable increase of an additional 1% for the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year Budget, as allowed per Nebr. State Statute 13-519(2). Voting yes were Zaugg, Sukstorf, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece and Hrdlicka. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Reece, seconded by Zaugg to set the date and time of the Public Hearing for the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget for August 26, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. and the Joint Public Hearing on Proposed Property Tax Increases for September 16, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. both in the Board of Supervisors Room, Courthouse. Voting yes were Sukstorf, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka and Zaugg. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

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## BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS July 23, 2024

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.

Chairman Sukstorf called the meeting to order at 10:21 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 Reece, seconded by Smaus to take final action on the following 2024 Property Valuation Protests as recommended by the Assessor. 5, 8, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 26, 29, 30, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 40, 42, 43, 45, 46, 47, 52, 78, 81, 83, 84, 90, 91, 103, 106, 111, 112, 113, 122, 123, 131, 132, 135, 136, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205 and 206. Voting yes were Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Sukstorf and Albrecht. 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.

Chairman Sukstorf declared the meeting adjourned Sine Die at 10:34 a.m.

ATTEST:

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Saunders County Clerk

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Chairman Board of Equalization

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

Motion by Smaus, seconded by Albrecht to authorize the Sheriff's Office to dispose of or sell 3 old cruisers. Voting yes were Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Sukstorf, Albrecht and Smaus. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Sukstorf, seconded by Zaugg to approve the transfer of 2007 Chevrolet Pickup to the building and maintenance department. Voting yes were Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Sukstorf, Albrecht, Smaus and Lutton. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Sukstorf, seconded by Smaus to approve the acceptance of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ford Explorer from pervious year's order from Anderson Ford. Voting yes were Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Sukstorf, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton and Reece. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Doug Pedersen introduced two people from UNICO Group, Kris Pojar and Katie Meyer they spoke to the Board about the Life Insurance.

Motion by Sukstorf, seconded by Reece to put the new life insurance from Hartford in place for August 1<sup>st</sup>. Voting yes were Zaugg, Sukstorf, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece and Hrdlicka. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Hrdlicka to approve the Special Designated Liquor License application by Burtonian Enterprises LLC, Nickerson for an event to be held on September 14, 2024 from 5:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. at the Woodcliff Community Center, 980 County Road W, Lot T-1018, Fremont and authorize the Chairman to sign the Local Recommendation Form. Voting yes were Sukstorf, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka and Zaugg. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Reece, seconded by Sukstorf to approve the County's payroll for the July 26<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.

Motion by Smaus, seconded by Sukstorf to approve the Vendor claims for the month of July, 2024, except for Claim #24070074 for Lutton Law Office, Ashland in the amount of \$62.50 for court appointed counsel services; 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 Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Sukstorf and Albrecht. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Sukstorf, seconded by Hrdlicka to approve Vendor Claim #24070074 for Lutton Law office, Ashland in the amount of \$62.50 for court appointed counsel services; the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to issue a check to the Saunders County Imprest Account for the full amount for said claim. Voting yes were Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Sukstorf, Albrecht and Smaus. Voting no were none. Lutton abstained. Motion carried.

Motion by Zaugg, seconded by Hrdlicka to authorize the release of the RFP for the communication towers. Voting yes were Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Sukstorf, Albrecht, Smaus and Lutton. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

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Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Sukstorf to approve the minutes of the July 16<sup>th</sup> Board meeting and to accept the Fee/Activity reports from the various County Officials for the month of July. Voting yes were Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Sukstorf, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton and Reece. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Sukstorf to convene in Closed Session at 11:00 a.m. for Personnel Matters (84-1410) with Sheriff Chris Lichtenberg, Clerk Dee Anne Nice and County Attorney Jennifer Joakim present. Voting yes were Zaugg, Sukstorf, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece and Hrdlicka. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Sukstorf, seconded by Reece to adjourn from closed session at 11:33 a.m. with no action taken and to reconvene in regular meeting. Voting yes were Sukstorf, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka and Zaugg. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Smaus to deny the request of the Sheriff's Office to pay an employee 75% of their original request, for extra hours that they are wanting paid for. Voting yes were Albrecht, Smaus and Zaugg. Voting no were Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka and Sukstorf. Motion not carried.

Motion by Sukstorf, seconded by Hrdlicka to approve the request of the Sheriff's Office to pay an employee 75% of their original request, for extra hours that they are wanting paid for. Voting yes were Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka and Sukstorf. Voting no were Smaus, Zaugg and Albrecht. Motion carried.

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Chairman Lutton declared the meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

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

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Chairman Board of Supervisors

