

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DODGE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Regular meeting of the Dodge County Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Missel at 9:00 A.M. on Wednesday, August 14, 2019 in the Board Room of the Courthouse, Fremont, Nebraska with the following members present: Saalfeld, Beam, Strand, Bendig, Weddle, Backens and Missel. Absent: None. Prior to roll call, Chairman Missel announced the meeting to be an open public meeting and that the current open meeting laws were posted on the wall and available for anyone's review.

The Board unanimously declared the meeting legally convened.

The Board unanimously approved the agenda as printed; received and placed on file the Finance Committee's recommendation on the 2019/2020 County Budget, various county officials' reports, letter and Notice of Dissolution of the Farmland, Fremont & Railroad Drainage District from Timothy M. Schulz, Secretary of the District, copy of letter from Lower Platte North NRD regarding Lower Platte North Natural Recourses District (LPNNRD) Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Announcement, correspondence from Charter Communications regarding price adjustment, notice of Public Hearings on August 14, 2019 held by the Douglas County Planning Commission for a rezoning request for Greg A. Classen from AG and RR-2 to AG of an approximate 11.83 acre tract located in the NE ¼ of Section 4 and part of the N ½ of Section 3, Township 16 North, Range 10 East – 14711 N. 240th St., notice of Public Hearing on August 14, 2019 held by the Douglas County Planning Commission for a rezoning request for Steve Parson, Terri Parson, Jean Wilcox, Ryan Radant and Erin Radant from AG Agricultural to RR2 Rural Residential for Lot 1 of Parson Subdivision in E ½ of the SW ¼ of Section 10, Township 16 North, Range 9 East – 30750 Bennington Road, NIRMA Safety Shorts for August, 2019, Utility Installation Agreement for Arvig Enterprises, Inc. to run a fiber optic cable along through County Road S from County Road 7 to Hwy 79 and to go through and under County Road 7 from County Road R to County Road S, Moving Permit for CJ Moyna & Sons to move a dirt scraper over County Road S west from Hwy 79 on July 30 & 31 to 1879 County Road 8, Certificate of Insurance for Logan Township and Certificate of Insurance for Northern Natural Gas Co.; and received and referred to the Finance Committee 2019/2020 preliminary levy requests from the following: Logan Township, Uehling Fire District, Cuming Township, Webster Township, Dodge Rural Fire District, Ridgeley Township, Pleasant Valley Township, Scribner Rural Fire District, Dodge County Agricultural Society, Pebble Township, Snyder Rural Fire District, Fremont Rural Fire District No. 8, Dodge County Historical Society and a request for funding in the 2019/2020 Budget from Keep Fremont Beautiful in the amount of \$2,000 for the 2019 HHW Collection Event.

The Board unanimously approved the minutes of the July 31, 2019 meeting as printed.

At 9:05 A.M., the Board recessed as a Board of Supervisors and convened as a Board of Corrections. Chairman Missel dispensed with roll all members being present.

Under any items of discussion, Supervisor Beam commented that as of today, there has been 27 people booked into the holding facility for the month of August with 59 Dodge County inmates in the Saunders County Jail.

At 9:07 A.M., Chairman Missel adjourned the Board as a Board of Corrections until Wednesday, August 28, 2019 at 9:05 A.M.

Immediately thereafter, the Board reconvened as a Board of Supervisors. Chairman Missel dispensed with roll all members being present.

The Board unanimously approved the wage and hour claims as submitted in the amount of \$229,159.25.

The Board unanimously approved the financial claims as submitted in the amount of \$1,174,928.09.

Next, the County Board briefly discussed the Finance Committee's recommendation on the 2019/2020 County Budget which has to be finalized at the next meeting for publication of the hearing notice. Supervisor Beam, Chairman of the Finance Committee, commented on the good job all the department heads did on their requested budgets. County Clerk Mytty reported valuations were estimated to increase by \$100M, but was reported to him by County Assessor Churchill to be more like a \$150M increase.

The Board unanimously approved and authorized the Chairman to sign a Resolution setting the final levy allocations for 2019 to political subdivisions subject to the county's levy authority as follows: Fire Districts at a levy of 4.8 cents per \$100 of valuation, Townships at a levy of 9.7225 cents per \$100 of valuation, Agricultural Society at a levy of .23875 per \$100 of valuation and Historical Society at a levy of .23875 cents per \$100 of valuation. County Clerk Mytty reported these are the same levies approved last year.

The Board unanimously received and referred to the Radio Committee a letter from Scribner City Administrator of notice that the Scribner Voluntary Fire District and Scribner Police Department will not be participating in Dodge County's purchasing proposal for Motorola 800 MHz radios.

Director of Government Affairs for Charter Communications, Jeremiah Blake, was present to request the approval of the new Cable Television Franchise Agreement between Spectrum Mid-American, L.L.C., locally known as Charter Communications and Dodge County, Nebraska to construct, operate and maintain a cable television system in Dodge County, Nebraska. He commented the only changes in the agreement were the name of the holding company, contact information and the removal of the requirement to remove its wires on the county polls if such agreement was terminated. He commented the franchise fee can go as high as 5%, which fee is passed to the customer. The Board unanimously approved and authorized the Chairman to sign the

15-year agreement as presented with a 3% franchise fee. (The City of Fremont charges the maximum of 5% to their Fremont customers.)

Committee Reports – Supervisor Saalfeld will be attending the Region 6 meeting this afternoon. Chairman Missel commented the radio committee is continuing to meet and progress is being made. The survey of the sites for the towers are complete with an anticipated completion date for full operation of the new radio system anticipated to be a year from now. Supervisor Backens reported Three Rivers Health Department will be conducting a health workshop, which he is signed up to attend.

The Board unanimously received Proposals of Work Authorizations for Ridge Road – Sites 6, 6A and 36; Structure No. C002724735 and Structure No. C002701820 – Site B and approved and authorized the Chairman to sign the proposals in duplicate.

The Board unanimously received a letter from County Clerk Mytty announcing no written protests were filed regarding the renewal of The Tow Line Company's liquor license and passed a motion recommending approval of the renewal of the license to the State Liquor Commission.

The Board unanimously approved and authorized the Chairman to sign an Interlocal Agreement with North Bend Central and Logan View Schools with Dodge County to provide a school resource officer.

At 9:42 A.M., the Board unanimously passed a motion to go into closed session to discuss general assistance claims for the month of July, 2019.

At 10:03 A.M., the Board unanimously passed a motion to go back into open session from the discussion of the claims. No action was taken as a result of the closed session.

At 10:04 A.M., Chairman Missel adjourned the Board as a Board of Supervisors until Wednesday, August 28, 2019 at 9:00 A.M.

Immediately thereafter, the Board convened as a Board of Equalization. Chairman Missel dispensed with roll all members being present.

At 10:05 A.M., Chairman Missel declared a short recess of the Board.

At 10:08 A.M., the Board reconvened as a Board of Equalization. Chairman Missel dispensed with roll all members being present.

The Board unanimously approved tax roll correction #5023.

The Board unanimously received 2019 valuation protest #283.

In two separate motions, the Board unanimously accepted the recommendations of the Referee and denied any change to protests #282 and #283.

The Board unanimously received 2019 valuation protests #1D thru #3D generated from notices of valuation changes sent out on action taken on 425 forms.

In three separate motions, the Board accepted the recommendations of the County Assessor on protests #1D, #2D and #3D, lowering the valuation of two parcels and denying any change to the third.

The Board unanimously received and placed on file a list from County Assessor Churchill of exempt cemeteries in Dodge County for 2019.

At 10:17 A.M., Chairman Missel adjourned the Board as a Board of Equalization until Wednesday, August 28, 2019 at 10:00 A.M.

Fred Mytty
Dodge County Clerk