

# Harlan County Board Minutes



Supervisor's Room, Alma, NE

Tuesday December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014

The Harlan County Board of Supervisor's met in regular session Tuesday December 16<sup>th</sup> 2014 at 10:00 am with JD Schluntz, Lonny Hanna, Rodney Metzger, Traci Dietz, Doug Horwart, and Gary Dunse. Absent was Max Schultz. Also in attendance were County Clerk Janet Dietz, County Attorney Bryan McQuay, Road Superintendent Tim Burgeson, and Cathy House from the Harlan County Journal. Chairman Horwart called the meeting to order and stated that there is a copy of the open meetings act posted in the room and will be followed by the Board. Clerk Janet Dietz took all proceedings, while the convened meeting was opened to the public.

Minutes from the December 2<sup>nd</sup> 2014 meeting were reviewed. Motion made by Dunse 2<sup>nd</sup> by Metzger to accept as written. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried. (M. Schultz, absent).

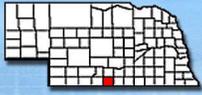
Claims were presented by the Clerk. (Road Department is working on getting a correct amount for the Caterpillar bill). After Board review, motion made by Hanna, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Metzger to approve all claims. (minus parking fees) Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

Manuela Wolf, Harlan County Hospital, CEO joined the meeting. Manuela provided the board with the current monthly financials. Harlan County Hospital will have a Winterfest on January 23rd, 2015 at the Johnson Center in Alma.

County Road Superintendent Tim Burgeson brought to the Board (1) Driveway agreement. After Board review motion made by Dietz, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dunse to approve DR 2014-#3. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried. Tim brought to the board an updated version of the ROW agreement. Board reviewed the forms and verbally agreed for its usage. Tim reported on his noxious weed office evaluation. Tim received a perfect score. Tim reported Sappa Creek clean-out funding has been reduced. Discussion moved to Tim's carry over on vacation, completing the road reflectivity at night, other road employees helping with the studies, paying overtime.

At 10:30 meeting moved to the Taylor Manor Subdivision. Chairman Horwart called for any discussion. JD Schluntz motioned to approve the Taylor Manor Subdivision, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dunse. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.

Clerk presented the Harlan County Public Transit drug policy. County Attorney/County Board reviewed it earlier this year. Motion was made by Metzger 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hanna to approve the Harlan County Public Transit drug policy. Roll call votes, all ayes. Motion carried.



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Discussion moved to the Frontier Telephone bill. Clerk had contacted Frontier Reps and a meeting was set up. Meeting was held Monday 15<sup>th</sup> 2014 with Dan Pabian from Columbus, NE. Hanna informed the Board Dan is reviewing the bills and will come up with corrected bills and refunds. Dan will come back and will review a new contract.

JD Schluntz reported on having U.S. Cellular for phone service. They offer a flat fee and unlimited minutes. Discussion was held on whether it would be compatible with the current system. JD would like to demo U.S. Cellular in the Extension Office.

Meeting was then moved to the Court Room for the Public Hearings.

At 11:00 am Chairman Horwart opened the Public Hearings for Road 707 and F Road and Road 724 and C as advertised in the Harlan County Journal, posted in the Courthouse and landowners were notified by mail.

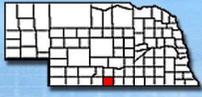
Public Hearing 707 and F Road started with Bryan Lubeck stating he would like to see the road remain open for hauling water. Jerry and Clyde Lueking, and Marsha Uehling were in attendance also. Per discussion, it was preferred the “road” remain open, but not for “public travel”. Discussion led to vacating the road back to land owners to remove the County liability, adding a gate across the road, making it a private drive.

Public Hearing for Road 724 and C Road began with Clyde Lueking preferring it remain open for better accessibility for equipment travel. Clyde furnished the Board with a bid of \$3200, for “ruffing out the trees” and making the road passable. Discussion was held on the fence put in on the County ROW, making it private road vs a public road, State requirements. Chairman Horwart called for any more discussion. Chairman Horwart then closed the public hearing at 11:20 am. County Board will decide at the January 6<sup>th</sup> 2015 meeting at 2:00 pm.

Meeting was then moved back to the Supervisor’s room.

Chairman Horwart discussed with the Board attending the Phelps County Board of Supervisor’s meeting in January to review the inter local Veterans Service agreement. Three Harlan County members will be attending the Phelps County meeting, they will bring back a new inter local for the Harlan County Board to review. January 2015 supervisors meetings will be the 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm, 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am (reorganizational meeting) and 20<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am. Swearing in new officials will be January 7<sup>th</sup> at 8:45 in the Court room with Judge Hoeft.

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Attest

Janet Dietz, County Clerk

Doug Horwart, Chairman

## Claims:

General Fund; Anderson, Klein, Swan & Brewster, court appt Atty. \$323.00; Roger Benjamin, court app, Atty. \$525.90; Buffalo County District Court, certification fee, \$2.50; Dier, Osborn & Cox, P.C, court app. Atty. \$462.26, Janet Dietz, mileage/Naco meeting, \$267.12; Glenwood, computer repair, \$299.00; Diane Grotfeld, mileage/Naco Meeting, \$93.00; Harlan County Clerk, checks, \$97.68; Hays Pharmacy, medical, \$40.19; Johnson Controls, maint/repair, \$1,318.00; Hilton Omaha, lodging, Naco Conference, \$2064.00; Main Street Media, publication, \$328.28; Ron Melbye, mileage/ Naco meeting, \$267.12; Person & McQuay Law Office, certified copy, \$3.00; Shell Fleet Plus, fuel, \$580.12; Twin Valley Public Power, utilities, \$85.32.

Road Fund; Hilton Omaha, Naco conference lodging, \$258.00; Nebraska Machinery Company, parts/labor, \$24,323.23.