



Richardson County Board Minutes



RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DECEMBER 4, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Richardson County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Sickel at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 4, 2018. Roll call was answered by Frank, Davidson and Sickel. The Invocation was given by Chairman Sickel and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice-Chairman Davidson. Chairman Sickel announced that the open meeting laws have been posted at the entrance to the meeting room.

Motion was made by Davidson to approve the minutes of the November 27, 2018, meeting as read. Motion seconded by Sickel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sickel to approve the minutes of the special meeting of November 29, 2018, as read. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Davidson-abstain, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Sickel to approve the agenda as posted. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried. The agenda is posted at the Richardson County Courthouse in the First Floor Lobby, the Lower Level Lobby and on the Commissioner's Meeting Room door on the 2nd Floor and on the Richardson County website www.co.richardson.ne.us.

SHERIFF, DON POUNDS

Sheriff Pounds updated the Board on the business within the Sheriff's Office and the Law Enforcement Center this week. He reported that due to some deputy vacancies that obtaining a drug dog will be put on the back burner until maybe sometime in 2019. He reported that Lyle McMann has graduated from a training as a school resource officer and that the HTRS schools is ready to have this position in place but Sheriff Pounds once again reported that due to the deputy position vacancies that this also will be put on hold until sometime in 2019.

The Board also discussed with Sheriff Pounds the current deputy sheriff's salary and benefit package. Sheriff Pounds reported that the County is below the City of Falls City Police Department salaries and benefits package and it will become difficult to retain deputies if the salaries and benefits are not increased.

The Board also inquired of the Sheriff if corrective action was being taken to rectify the findings of the Sheriff's Office from the most recent audit, fiscal year end June 30, 2018. He reported that corrections and improvements to the records are being made.

TAKE BACK OUR COMMUNITY

Rita Fisher, a representative from the Take Back Our Community requested to meet with the Board to inquire on the idea of moving the county attorney office, the status of obtaining a drug dog and grants available for law enforcement.

Mrs. Fisher also questioned whether or not the phone lines at the Law Enforcement Center were recorded at the dispatch as they have heard complaints from their group that when calls are made that they are being ignored and/or neglected. The Board stated they would review this matter with the Sheriff.

The group also requested a report on the recent meeting attended by the County Board in Tecumseh regarding the possibility of creating a "drug court" for Southeast Nebraska counties. Samantha Scheitel,



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Deputy County Attorney was also in attendance at the meeting and offered a report on how the court functions with those charge with a drug offense.

ROAD & BRIDGE DEPT.

Highway Superintendent, Steve Darveau, Jr. updated the Board on the routine maintenance being done on county roads and bridges this week. Review of the snow removal on county roads this past week was held. The new trailer ordered a few weeks ago was received and some problems were found on the trailer and it was returned for corrections, etc.

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ROAD DEPT UNION

Justin Hubly of the NAPEAFSCME and Randy Gilsdorf representing the Road Department Union requested to meet with the Board regarding the implementation of the time and attendance program at the Road Department and the procedures for recording accumulated leave.

After a discussion it was suggested that Mr. Hubly meet with Steve Darveau, Jr., Highway Superintendent to further review the planned changes sometime in early January.

COUNTY ATTORNEY, DOUG MERZ

County Attorney, Doug Merz requested that the Board consider maintaining the salary of the Deputy County Attorney at 80% of the County Attorney Salary.

CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER

Fee Reports

Reports were approved for the following officials for fees collected during the month of November, 2018:

Mary L. Eickhoff, Register of Deeds	\$ 8374.00
Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk	\$ 344.00
Pam Scott, Clerk of Dist Court	\$ 656.00

Noxious Weed Control Superintendent

Motion wade by Sickel to combine the duties of the Noxious Weed Control Superintendent with the EMA Director position and appoint Brian Kirkendall as the Noxious Weed Control Superintendent effective December 4, 2018 at an additional annual salary for the Noxious Weed Supt position of \$2,500.00. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

Official County Newspaper

Motion was made by Davidson to designate the Falls City Journal as the Official County Newspaper for



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the legal notices of the County of Richardson County, Nebraska for the year 2019. Motion seconded by Sickel. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

Interlocal Agreement with Nemaha County

The Board reviewed with County Attorney, Doug Merz an inter-local agreement with Nemaha County, Nebraska for law enforcement mutual aid and assistance. No action was taken.

Cost Allocation Plan

Motion was made by Sickel to certify that the central service cost allocation plan has been completed in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-87. Motion seconded by Davidson. ROLL CALLVOTE: Frank-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

CLAIMS

Motion was made by Davidson to allow the payment of all claims that were submitted today. Motion seconded by Frank. ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried.

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CLAIMS (Cont.)

GENERAL FUND

Crook, Eric, serv	975.00
DAS State Accounting, serv	448.00
East Richardson Rural Water #2, serv	355.55
Falls City Mercantile, supp	101.36
Falls City Sanitation, serv	20.00
Falls City Utility Dept., serv	5900.30
Galls, supp	1170.66
KexRx, supp	18.44
Kollasch Law Office, serv	1200.00
Ligouri Law Office, serv	485.00
Lincoln Police Dept., supp	31.08
Meyer Laboratory, supp	288.57
Microfilm Imaging Systems, serv	110.00
MIPS, serv	1354.48
Mr. Automotive, supp	20.46
NACO, dues/fees	2265.47
Office Depot, supp	172.81
O’Keefe Elevator Company, serv	348.46
Pitney Bowes, supp	84.99
Postmaster, supp	700.00
Retirement Plan Division Ameritas, retire	8655.17



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Richardson County Clerk Petty Cash, reimb	24.80
Richardson County EMA Petty Cash, reimb	155.00
Richardson County Sheriff Petty Cash, reimb	123.48
Richardson County Vendor, FICA	9097.48
Scholl Lawn & Landscape, serv	100.00
Shafer, Max, cemetery	640.00
Soarin Group, serv	359.00
SE NE Assoc. of Assessors, dues	25.00
SumnerOne, serv	315.12
US Foods, supp	902.00
Wolfe's Printing, supp	309.38
Payroll Expense	85545.39
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$122,302.45

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND

Falls City Sanitation, serv	20.00
Midwest Service & Sales, supp	726.99
NE Machinery Co., grader pmt	92650.00
Norris Quarries, rock	475.92
OPPD, serv	31.50
Quill, supp	102.36
Unifirst, supp	127.09
Verdon, Village of, serv	25.73
Payroll Expense	39776.99
TOTAL ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$133,936.58

REG OF DEEDS P & M FUND

MIPS, serv	283.44
TOTAL REG OF DEEDS P & M FUND	\$283.44

INHERITANCE TAX FUND

Clerk of the Supreme Court, fees	756.00
General Fund, transfer	225000.00
TOTAL INHERITANCE TAX FUND	\$225,756.00

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JUVENILE SERVICES LB640 GRANT FUND

Osborne, Laura, reimb	22.89
TOTAL JUV SERVICES LB640 GRANT FUND	\$22.89

ADJOURNMENT



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Motion was made by Davidson to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 a.m. Motion seconded by Sickel.
ROLL CALL VOTE: Frank-aye, Davidson-aye, Sickel-aye. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Tuesday, December 11, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Meeting Room, Courthouse, Falls City. The agenda is kept current at the County Clerk's Office.

David D. Sickel, Chairman

Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk