

Hayes County Board Minutes



Hayes County Commissioners
Regular Meeting – February 11, 2014

A meeting of the Hayes County Board of Commissioners was held on February 11, 2014 at 8:30 A.M. in the Courthouse in Hayes Center, Nebraska. Advanced notice of the meeting, time and place was given by publication and posting in accordance with law. Those present were Mark Clifford, Leon J. Kolbet, Lloyd H. Lapp, Rita Erickson, Susan Messersmith, Char Hamilton, Tom Dow, Joe Miller, D. Eugene Garner and Phil Dixon. Visitors present were Gilbert Gigax, Clayton Loomis, Janet Brenning, Myra Stoney, Ambrose Placzek, Kimberly Cook, Don Adams and Kelly Bruns.

Chairman Kolbet opened the meeting at 8:40 A.M. Roll call: Clifford, present; Lapp, present; Kolbet, present.

Chairman Kolbet announced that in accordance with Section 84-1412 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is available for review and is posted on the wall of the Commissioner Room.

Motion by Clifford, second by Lapp to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: Lapp, yes; Kolbet, yes; Clifford, yes. Motion carried.

Chairman Kolbet requested comments from the audience. No one was present to address the Board.

Hitch and Hay board members Gilbert Gigax and Clayton Loomis joined the meeting to request continued support for the Hitch and Hay Public Transit which provides transportation services to Hayes County residents. The Commissioners agreed to continue support for the service.

Motion by Kolbet, second by Clifford to approve the consent agenda consisting of the financial reports of the Clerk, Clerk of the District Court, the Imprest Account, and minutes of the January 14, 2014 meeting as corrected. Roll call vote: Kolbet, yes; Clifford, yes; Lapp, yes. Motion carried.

Correction to the January 14, 2014 minutes are as follows. 2014 SWNPHD representative is Kolbet instead of Lapp. Remove Assessor salary from Resolution 2014-6 as Clerk and Assessor are one job title. That portion of Resolution 2014-6 should read: That the following salaries should be and hereby are affixed for the following County Officials of Hayes County, Nebraska for the term beginning January 9th, 2015 and ending January 3rd 2019:

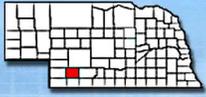
County Attorney	\$33,800.00
County Clerk/Assessor.....	\$45,150.00
County Commissioner	\$18,400.00
County Sheriff	\$45,150.00
County Treasurer	\$45,150.00

Attorney Garner provided information at the January meeting regarding upcoming changes to health insurance coverage surrounding IRC section 105(h). The current benefit package for elected officials in Hayes County provides family insurance at the county's expense. Due to the changes, beginning in January 2015, the county will provide only a single plan for elected officials. Increased salaries reflect a dollar shift from benefits to salaries and will have minimal effect on tax dollar asking.

Hamlet Village Board Members Forrest Matti, Gary Greeley and Richard Miller joined the meeting requesting clarification on ownership of Old Highway 6 in Section 24-T-5-R-35W. Attorney Garner will contact Nebraska Department of Roads and request information regarding ownership.

Myra Stoney and Janet Brenning with Southwest Nebraska Public Health Department met with the board and provided the 2013 annual report.

Phil Dixon provided clarification regarding questions on culvert bids submitted to the board at the January meeting. Ambrose Placzek was present to review the culvert bid submitted by Midwest Service and Sales.



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Motion by Kolbet, second by Lapp to accept the bid submitted by Midwest Service and Sales in the amount of \$46,187.37 for a culvert with loose sheet piling for replacement of Structure C004302805P. Roll call vote: Clifford, yes; Lapp, yes; Kolbet, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Kolbet, second by Clifford to authorize the Treasurer and Clerk to solicit informal copier bids when needed. Roll call vote: Lapp, yes; Kolbet, yes; Clifford, yes. Motion carried.

Chairman Kolbet recessed the meeting for lunch at 12:40 P.M. and reconvened the meeting at 1:15 P.M.

Kimberly Cook, UNL Extension Educator, presented the Southwest 4 Counties 2013 Annual Report. Don Adams, West Central Research and Extension Center District Director and Kelly Bruns, Assistant Director, provided information on a land gift to the University in Perkins County. The section of ground will aid in the research of efficient water use in more arid growing conditions. Also included in the gift was funding for an education center which will serve as a home base for agronomy and animal science research. Location of the facility will allow for a larger presence with youth education agricultural programs in Southwest Nebraska. Possible changes will occur with the Southwest 4 counties during this transition.

Clifford left the meeting at 2:05 P.M.

Motion by Kolbet, second by Lapp to approve Kent Fichtner as the new 2014 Extension Board Member. Roll call vote: Kolbet, yes; Clifford, absent, Lapp, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Kolbet, second by Lapp to bid for a used track hoe approximately 38,000 lbs or equivalent to a John Deere 160. Bucket size is optional. Roll call vote: Clifford, absent, Lapp, yes, Kolbet, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Kolbet, second by Lapp to declare two mowers excess county property. Bush Hog Model 3710 - SN 00195 and Bush Hog Model 3710 - SN 00129 will be sold at public auction. Roll call vote: Lapp, yes; Kolbet, yes; Clifford, absent. Motion carried.

Motion by Lapp, second by Kolbet to approve the Jutten application to occupy road right of way 2014-05 for installation of underground water line between Sections 27 and 34 of Township 6, Range 34 West. Roll call vote: Kolbet, yes; Clifford, absent; Lapp, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Kolbet, second by Lapp to approve claims for \$91,391.61. Roll call vote: Clifford, absent; Lapp, yes; Kolbet, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Kolbet, second by Lapp to approve payroll for \$59,275.54. Roll call vote: Lapp, yes; Kolbet, yes; Clifford, absent. Motion carried.

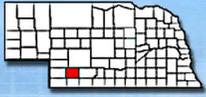
Motion by Kolbet, second by Lapp to approve the Treasurer's Report. Roll call vote: Kolbet, yes; Clifford, absent; Lapp, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Kolbet, second by Lapp to approve the Sheriff's 2013 final distress warrant. Roll call vote: Clifford, absent; Lapp, yes; Kolbet, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Kolbet, second by Lapp to advertise for two (2) new or used large 1000 RPM heavy duty 10' wing mowers with foam filled tires and tandem walking axles. Roll call vote: Lapp, yes; Kolbet, yes; Clifford, absent. Motion carried.

Chairman Kolbet recessed the meeting at 3:40 P.M. for Board of Equalization Meeting.

Chairman Kolbet adjourned the meeting at 3:51 P.M. The next regular meeting will be held March 11, 2014 at 8:30 A.M.



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Hayes County Clerk

Board Chairman