Hayes County Board Minutes

Hayes County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
October 11, 2016

A Regular meeting of the Hayes County Board of Commissioners was scheduled for October 11, 2016 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 posted in accordance with law. Those present were Mark Clifford, Wayne Christner, Barry Richards, Rita Erickson, Susan Messersmith, Char Hamilton, D. Eugene Garner, Phil Dixon, and Craig Softley. Visitors present were Jeffrey Unger, Clayton Loomis, Bill Zahl and Denise Willhite.

Chairman Clifford opened the meeting at 8:45 A.M. Roll call: Christner, present; Clifford, present; Richards, present.

In accordance with Section 84-1412 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, Clifford announced that 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 Christner to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: Clifford, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Chairman Clifford requested comments from the audience. There were none.

Discussion was held regarding 911 addressing issues.

Bill Zahl and Denise Willhite met with the Board to review Hitch & Hay Transit funding formula for fiscal years 2015, 2016 and 2017.

Phil Dixon, Hayes County Highway Superintendent, joined the meeting. The Transportation Innovation Act (LB960) was recently passed by Nebraska's legislature and signed into law by Governor Ricketts. It will target three types of infrastructure funding. One area of focus will target development and repairs of bridges maintained by county governments. Dixon provided a listing of County bridges available for funds under LB960.

Motion by Richards, second by Clifford to obtain preliminary environmental studies on the following structures: C004353810, C004303003, C004300300 and C004302510P. Roll call vote: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Clifford, yes. Motion carried.

Craig Softley, Hayes County Economic Development Coordinator, updated the Board on activities and communications he is pursuing for economic growth in Hayes County. Economic Development Board meetings will be held the first Tuesday of each month.

Chairman Clifford recessed the Regular meeting at 12:20 P.M. for lunch, and reconvened the meeting at 1:05 P.M.

Motion by Richards, second by Clifford to contribute $3,406.39 to Hitch & Hay Public Transit for fiscal year 2016-17. Roll call vote: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Clifford, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Clifford, second by Richards to approve and pay claims, excluding claims 1610043, 1610007 and 1610058, in the amount of $30,691.15. Roll call vote: Clifford, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Clifford, second by Richards to approve and pay claims 1610043 and 1610007 in the amount of $121.50. Roll call vote: Richards, yes; Christner, abstain; Clifford yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Clifford, second by Christner to approve and pay claim 1610058, in the amount of $9,282.00. Roll call vote: Christner, yes; Clifford, yes; Richards, abstain. Motion carried.

Motion by Richards, second by Clifford to approve the Sherriff's Quarterly Report. Roll call vote: Clifford, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Richards, second by Christner to approve the Treasurer's report. Roll call vote: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Clifford, yes. Motion carried.

Motion Richards, second by Clifford approve the consent agenda consisting of the financial reports of the Clerk, Clerk of the District Court and Imprest Account and the minutes of the September 13, 2016 meeting and hearings. Roll call vote: Christner, yes; Clifford, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Clifford, second by Christner approve payroll in the amount of $73,334.48. Roll call vote: Clifford, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Chairman Clifford adjourned the meeting at 3:40 P.M.

The next Regular Meeting will be Monday, November 14, 2016 at 8:30 A.M.

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Hayes County Clerk Board Chairman