

Hayes County Commissioners
January 10, 2023

The Regular meeting of the Hayes County Board of Commissioners was scheduled for January 10, 2023 at 8:30 A.M. in the Courthouse in Hayes Center, Nebraska. Advanced notice of the meeting, time and place was given to each Commissioner, was published in the *Times Republican* on January 5, 2023, and posted in accordance with law. Chairman Unger called the meeting to order at 8:30 A.M. The Open Meetings Act was available for review and Chair indicated location of such copy in the room where the meeting was being held. Those present were Wayne Christner, Barry Richards, Jeffrey Unger, D. Eugene Garner, Susan Messersmith, Tammy Schwenk, Joe Miller, Tom Dow, Boyd Gigax, Phil Dixon and Scott Clifford.

Christner moved, second by Richards to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: Unger, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

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

Richards moved, second by Christner to approve the consent agenda consisting of the financial reports of the Clerk, Clerk of District Court, Imprest Account and the minutes of the December 13, 2022, meeting. Roll call: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

The floor was opened for nominations to reorganize the Board for calendar year 2023. Christner moved, second by Richards to retain Unger as Chairman. Roll call: Christner, yes; Unger, abstain; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

The floor was opened for nominations of Vice-Chairman for the calendar year 2023. Richards moved, second by Unger to retain Christner as Vice-Chairman. Roll call: Unger, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, abstain. Motion carried.

Unger moved, second by Christner to adopt Resolution 2023-1, designation of Pinnacle Bank as Official Hayes County Depository for 2023. Roll call: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

Christner moved, second by Richards to adopt Resolution 2023-2, designation of The Hayes Center Times Republican and/or the McCook Daily Gazette as official newspapers of publication for Hayes County for 2023 and to designate the County's website, <http://www.hayescounty.ne.gov> as an additional method of providing notices. Roll call vote: Christner, yes; Unger, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Christner moved, second by Richards to adopt Resolution 2023-3, authorization for Hayes County Treasurer to invest monies. Roll call: Unger, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Richards moved, second by Christner to adopt Resolution 2023-4, authorization for Hayes County Treasurer to transfer monies. Roll call: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

Richards moved, second by Christner to adopt Resolution 2023-5, authorization for Hayes County Treasurer to have funds secured with a pledge receipt. Roll call vote: Christner, yes; Unger, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Christner moved, second by Richards to designate the second Tuesday of each month as regular meeting date. Roll call: Unger, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Christner moved, second by Unger to set 2023 holidays. Roll call: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

Chairman Unger made the following 2023 appointments:

Region II Human Service County Representative – Christner

West Central Area of Aging County Representative – Christner

West Central Nebraska Development District Representative – Unger/Richards, alternate

Southwest Nebraska Public Health Department Representative – Unger

Planning and Zoning Secretary –Carroll

Economic Development Board - Richards

NIRMA contact person –Messersmith

Safety Committee Chairman –Unger

Unger moved, second by Richards to appoint Scott Clifford with Miller & Associates as Hayes County Surveyor for the term of 2023-2027 unless sooner terminated by either party. Roll call: Christner, yes; Unger, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Joe Miller spoke with the Board regarding the potential combination of multiple positions for the 2023 year.

Richards moved, second by Unger to appoint Gerald Unger as 2023 Hayes County Veterans Service Office for \$175.00 per month, and Boyd Gigax as 2023 Hayes County Weed Superintendent for \$450.00 per month. Roll call: Unger, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Boyd Gigax joined the meeting to review the Weed Superintendent's annual weed reports. Christner moved, second by Richards to approve the five annual weed reports for 2022 and direct Chairman to sign the same. Roll call: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

Richards moved, second by Christner to approve the Treasurers Report. Roll call: Christner, yes; Unger, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Richards moved, second by Unger to approve payroll for \$78,677.20. Roll call: Unger, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Unger moved, second by Richards to approve the Sheriff's Quarterly Report and the Final 2022 Distress Warrant. Roll call: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

Two bids for janitorial services were received for Board review. Unger moved, second by Christner to reject the bids received for janitorial services for the 2023 calendar year. Roll call: Christner, yes; Unger, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Unger moved, second by Richards to contract janitorial services with Rita Erickson for \$500.00 per month. Roll call: Unger, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Richards moved, second by Christner to direct Chairman to sign the letter of intent for continued financial support of Hitch and Hay Public Transit for budget years 2023-24 and 2024-25. Roll call: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

Unger moved, second by Christner to pay claims in the amount of \$42,102.65. Roll call: Christner, yes; Unger, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

The courtroom technology upgrade proposed by the administrative office of the courts was discussed.

Chairman Unger adjourned the meeting at 12:20 P.M.

The next meeting will be February 14, 2023, at 8:30 AM.

Hayes County Clerk

Board Chairman