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BOONE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS MARCH 29, 2021 ALBION, NEBRASKA

The Boone County Board of Commissioners of Boone County, Nebraska, met in regular session at 9:00 A.M. on Monday, March 29, 2021 in the Commissioners Meeting Room of the Courthouse in Albion, Nebraska.

Chairman Temme called the meeting to order and Commissioners present for roll call were Larry Temme, Ben Rutten and Jon Lindgren. Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in the Albion News and Boone County Tribune and the Petersburg Press on March 24, 2021 and the convened meeting was open to the public.

The agenda was posted on the Boone County website; posted on the information board located in the Courthouse north entrance; emailed to the Board of Commissioners; and emailed to the Elected Officials and department heads on Friday, March 26, 2021. Chairman Temme acknowledged the agenda and noted that the Open Meeting Laws are posted and available to the public.

The Board reviewed the County Payroll Claims filed for the pay period of February 22, 2021 through March 21, 2021. The Board noted/questioned several hours of overtime for the pay period. Motion made by Temme, second by Lindgren to approve the County Payroll Claims filed for payment from the various funds: General \$95,939.94, BCBS \$52,603.76, Ameritas Ret \$6,657.12, EFTPS \$7,122.52, LTD Premiums \$0.00, Section 125 Fees \$15.00, Wellness Program \$144.00; Road \$57,122.70, BCBS \$28,837.40, Ameritas Ret \$3,855.77, EFTPS \$4,282.85; Ambulance \$2,874.07, Ameritas Ret \$90.98, EFTPS \$219.87; and Public Defender Contract \$3,358.21. Roll call vote: Yeas: Temme, Lindgren and Rutten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Temme, second by Lindgren to approve the County Board Proceedings of March 22, 2021 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Temme, Lindgren and Rutten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Laurie Krohn, County Treasurer, submitted a request for approval to pay the fourth bond interest payment for the new fairgrounds building Limited Tax County Building Bonds, Series 2018. Motion made by Rutten, second by Temme to approve and authorize Laurie Krohn, County Treasurer, to pay the fourth bond interest of \$23,807.50 to Chase NYC for the new fairgrounds building Limited Tax County Building Bonds, Series 2018 as requested. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rutten, Temme and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Nebraska Auditor of Public Accounts provided County Budget Fund and Revenue Code to the counties for use for possible revenue of the US Congress American Rescue Plan Act. The funds are not to be deposited in the County General Fund. Counties that fail to comply with the federal law and its related guidelines will be required to repay the US Treasury. The Nebraska Association of County Officials (NACO) are working on developing guidance for all Nebraska Counties for use of said funds and we need to be intentional in how the funds are directed. Motion made by Temme, second by Lindgren to authorize the Boone County Treasurer to set up a new Fund 2580, COVID American Rescue Plan; Revenue Code 339.25, American Rescue Plan Act, when said funds are received. Roll call vote: Yeas: Temme, Lindgren and Rutten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Nebraska Revised Statute §23-106(2) authorizes the Boone County Board of Commissioners to establish Petty Cash Funds for offices with a set dollar amount in order to make change when receiving payments of



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fees/copies/postage, etc. The Boone County Treasurer said that there is no longer a need for a petty cash amount for the Boone County Treasurer Cash Drawer. The Boone County Treasurer requested that the petty cash amount of \$25.00 for the Boone County Treasurer Cash Drawer be deposited back into the County General Fund. Motion made by Rutten, second by Lindgren to approve Resolution No. 2021-09 for the Boone County Treasurer Cash Drawer of \$25.00 be deposited back into the County General Fund and that said resolution shall void and take precedence over Resolution No. 2020-24 and any and all prior policies and agreements, written or verbal that pertained to petty cash for the Boone County Treasurer Cash Drawer. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rutten, Lindgren and Temme. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Boone County Clerk, Register of Deeds and Election Commissioner office received the Ex-officio Clerk of the District Court duties in January 2015 by a General Election vote of the people. A resolution was approved to deposit \$1,000.00 from the General Fund Miscellaneous Budget into the Boone County Clerk of the District Court Checking Account until it was no longer needed in the account or if the account was closed. Effective April 1, 2021 the Boone County District Court and Boone County Court duties will be combined state courts. Motion made by Lindgren, second by Rutten to approve Resolution No. 2021-10 to remove the \$1,000.00 from the Boone County Clerk of the District Court Checking Account 37710 to be deposited back into the County General Fund and that said resolution shall void and take precedence over Resolution No. 2016-01 and any and all prior policies and agreements, written or verbal that pertained to the Boone County Clerk of the District Court Checking Account. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Rutten and Temme. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Boone County Clerk/Register of Deeds office submitted a quote from MIPS, Inc. Microfilm Division to preserve the County Register of Deeds real estate records for the Board to review. The quote included the Numerical Index Books and the Deed, Mortgage and Miscellaneous Record books. The quote includes a security microfilm roll for storage at the state archives. In discussion, if the courthouse was ever destroyed by tornado/fire the microfilmed records would be available for the history of the real estate records and to be able to regenerate the records. Motion made by Rutten, second by Temme to approve the approximate quote of \$39,605.55 from MIPS, Inc. Microfilm Division to preserve the Boone County Register of Deeds real estate records and payable from the Register of Deeds Preservation/Modernization Fund and County Inheritance Tax Fund. Roll call vote: Yeas: Rutten, Temme and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mary Ziemba, County Zoning Administrator, discussed zoning services with the Board in regard to the Interlocal Agreement with the City of St. Edward. Ziemba informed the Board that the City of St. Edward planned to form their own Planning/Zoning Board for the City of St. Edward and that the St. Edward City Council voted in 2020 not to utilize the Boone County Planning Commission. Ziemba informed the Board that the City of St. Edward has not formed their own Planning/Zoning Board to date. Ziemba informed the Board that she is no longer interested in providing zoning administrative services for the City of St. Edward. The present Interlocal Agreement/County Resolution No. 2020-17 and the City of St. Edward Resolution No. 2020-06-01R states "Either political subdivision may terminate this agreement with 90 days written notice to the other political subdivision." Motion made by Temme, second by Rutten to send a letter from the Boone County Board of Commissioners to the St. Edward City Council, hereby giving a ninety day notice terminating the current Interlocal Agreement/County Resolution No. 2020-17 and the City of St. Edward Resolution No. 2020-06-01R between the County of Boone and City of St. Edward, with an effective termination date of June 30, 2021 with the City of St. Edward assuming responsibility for the City's zoning responsibilities.. Roll call vote: Yeas: Temme, Rutten and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

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Barb Hanson, County Assessor, did not receive quotes for two new desks for the County Assessor's office for the Board to review on March 29, 2021.

The County Highway Superintendent submitted a quote from Spud Construction, Inc. of Clearwater, Nebraska for grinding asphalt on 205th Street, Loretto west of State Highway #14 to the bridge and 125th Avenue, Ridge Road for the Board to review. Motion made by Lindgren, second by Temme to accept the estimated bid of \$6,573.60 for asphalt grinding of approximately 1660 feet of 205th Street and estimated bid of \$1,944.00 for asphalt grinding of approximately 600 feet of 125th Avenue from Spud Construction, Inc. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Temme and Rutten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The County Highway Superintendent, presented the 2021 One and Six Year Road Improvement Program for County of Boone, Nebraska at the 11:00 A.M. public re-hearing. Motion made by Temme, second by Lindgren to approve Resolution No. 2021-11, adopting the 2021 One and Six Year Road Improvement Program for County of Boone, Nebraska as presented at the public hearing. Roll call vote: Yeas: Temme, Lindgren and Rutten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Public Comments:

• Larry Bird, Friends of the Trail Committee Chair, updated the Board on the Boone County Trails System and suggested planting native grasses in some areas around the trail that is located on the County cropland.

Chairman Temme declared the meeting adjourned at 12:16 P.M., with the next Board meeting scheduled for Monday, April 12, 2021.

Kathy Thorberg, Boone County Clerk