

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DODGE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Regular meeting of the Dodge County Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Missel at 9:00 A.M. on Wednesday, March 11, 2020 in the Board Room of the Courthouse, Fremont, Nebraska with the following members present: Beam, Strand, Bendig, Weddle, Saalfeld, Backens and Missel. Absent: None. Prior to roll call, Chairman Missel announced the meeting to be an open public meeting and that the current open meeting laws were posted on the wall and available for anyone's review.

The Board unanimously declared the meeting legally convened.

The Board unanimously approved the agenda as printed and received and placed on file various county officials' reports, correspondence from Charter Communications regarding a change in channel lineup, Return of Appraisers Before the County Judge of Dodge County, NE -State of Nebraska DOT, Condemner v. Sweetwater, Inc. A Nebraska Corporation, Owner; Dodge County, Condemnees, Minutes & Financial Report of the January 13, 2020 meeting of Board of Trustees from Fremont Community Health Resources for the month ending January, 2020, Notice of Public Hearing of the Douglas County Planning Commission at 6:00 P.M. March 11, 2020 to amend Zoning Regulation Text Amendments, Notice of Public Hearings of the City of Fremont City Council on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 for the following: Request for Change of Zoning from R to SR, Suburban Residential and Country Club Estates 6th Addition Final Plat consisting of 18 lots located at the extension of Jones Drive and Armour Drive; A Change of Zoning from R to PD for Bluestem Common Planned Development requested by Hoppe & Son; and a Conditional Use Permit for a day care facility on property located at 749 N. William Ave. by Sam Heineman of H. Rentals of Fremont LLC, NIRMA Safety Shorts, Notice of Public Hearings for the City of Fremont Planning Commission for their meeting of March 16th, 2020 at 5:00 P.M. for the following: Request for Bluestem Commons Preliminary Plat and Final Plat consisting of 69 attached duplex/triplex lots, 65 row house lots, 8 apartment buildings located at property at Luther Rd and County Rd T; Request for a Conditional Use Permit for Seasonal Campgrounds by Jason Griffis on three lots at the Emerson Estates Subdivision Lots 18, 23 and 42 at 720 Boulevard St.; Request for Sign Plan for Lincoln Premium Poultry; and request for amendment to South Fremont Redevelopment Plan for WholeStone Foods Redevelopment Project located at E. Cloverly Rd and S Platte Ave., Certificates of Insurance for Ridgeley Township and Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company, and a Private Utility Installation Agreement to bore underground a drain tile along County Road C & 20 by Ag Drainage Inc. (Bauer Underground)

The Board unanimously approved the minutes of the February 26, 2020 meeting as printed.

At 9:03 A.M., the Board recessed as a Board of Supervisors and convened as a Board of Corrections. Chairman Missel dispensed with roll all members being present.

At 9:04 A.M., Chairman Missel adjourned the Board as a Board of Corrections until Wednesday, March 25, 2020 at 9:05 A.M.

Immediately thereafter, the Board reconvened as a Board of Supervisors. Chairman Missel dispensed with roll all members being present.

The Board unanimously approved the wage & hour claims as submitted in the amount of \$234,551.99.

The Board unanimously approved the financial claims as submitted in the amount of \$351,562.27.

The Board unanimously approved and authorized Chairman Missel to sign a Consultant Agreement for Construction Management with Northeast Nebraska Economic Development District for contract number 19-EM-001, Ames Dike Repair.

The Board unanimously approved the request of County Treasurer Bargstadt to proceed with a refund to Shillelagh LLC in the amount of \$394.39, Dodge County's portion, due to TERC decision for 2018.

The Board unanimously approved the extension of the radio consulting contract for Rey Freeman of RFCC, LLC on a monthly basis, billing for actual time and expenses incurred for work on the project with a monthly "not to exceed" cost of \$3500.00

The Board tabled receipt of Application for Class Z Micro Distillery Liquor License for a Distilled Spirit Plant for Huffman Prairie Ventures LLC, dba Flyover Whiskey, located at 1614 County Road 4, North Bend, Nebraska and consideration/possible action setting public hearing for March 25, 2020 at 9:15 A.M. to receive testimony on the application. This application needs to go through the Planning Commission first.

Terra Uhing, Executive Director, Three Rivers Public Health Department updated the Board on COVID-19 (Corona Virus 2019). The health department is reminding everyone to be informed, stay home if sick, and follow good hand-washing procedures. Ms. Uhing told the Board that the best source for accurate information is the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention website (CDC.gov).

The Board unanimously received a Request for Proposal for Voluntary Acquisition, Demolition, and Construction Program for Flood-prone Property and approved an engagement with JEO Engineering to assist with this Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Application.

Committee Reports – Supervisor Saalfeld commented that the North Bend Dike Board is establishing an interlocal agreement with Dodge County. There will be more information coming on this in two weeks. Chairman Missel commented that negotiations between the Sheriff's Department and the FOP will be coming up. The contract ends in August. Mark McQueen with Baird Holm will be representing Dodge County.

A Public Hearing was held to consider adopting the 2020 Dodge County Floodplain Management Ordinance. With no testimony given for or against the Ordinance, the Board unanimously passed a motion adopting and authorizing Chairman

Missel to sign a resolution approving the 2020 Dodge County Floodplain Management Ordinance effective April 20, 2020.

The Board unanimously adopted and authorized Chairman Missel to sign a March 2019 ER Resolution of Completion & Compliance for Project # ER-27(70) DDIR Site # L27-08 (Herman/Scribner Road).

County Highway Superintendent Scott Huppert updated the Board on projects they are working on. The Lower Elkhorn NRD is working with locals to complete the work on the Scribner bank project since FEMA will not pay engineering or administrative costs. County Road 19 right-of-way work is continuing and is not a FEMA project. The highway workers are moving dirt to Crowell for the FEMA project there and they are also picking up snow fence throughout the county. Bid letting will begin March 23, 2020 for the Ridge Road/Big Island FEMA resurfacing project. Acquiring gravel and white rock for the townships has been challenging because of supply problems. The Road 11 Bridge Buyout Program should be done in about a week. The box culvert on Yager, S and 23 is in progress.

At 10:09 A.M., Chairman Missel recessed the Board as a Board of Supervisors and convened the Board as a Board of Equalization, with all members being present.

The Board unanimously approved tax roll correction #5109.

A Public Hearing was held to receive public input as whether to allow or to deny any continued exemptions in Dodge County for 2020. With no testimony given for or against the Permissive Exemptions in Dodge County for 2020, the Board unanimously approved the list of Permissive Exemptions as presented. The Jefferson House is no longer operational, but will be sent an exemption application showing denial of tax exemption.

At 10:13 A.M., Chairman Missel adjourned the Board as a Board of Equalization until Wednesday, March 25, 2020 at 10:00 A.M.

Immediately thereafter, Chairman Missel reconvened the Board as a Board of Supervisors, with all members being present.

At 10:14 A.M., the Board unanimously passed a motion to go into closed session with respect to threatened and imminent litigation and to discuss general assistance claims for the month of February, 2020.

At 10:23 A.M., the Board unanimously passed a motion to go back into open session from the discussion of the litigation and general assistance claims for the month of February, 2020. No action was taken as a result of the closed session.

At 10:24 A.M., Chairman Missel adjourned the Board as a Board of Supervisors until Wednesday, March 25, 2020 at 9:00 A.M.

Fred Mytty
Dodge County Clerk