

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, December 5, 2018 in the Board Room of the Courthouse, Fremont, Nebraska with the following members present: Saalfeld, Strand, Beam, Weddle, Vaughan and Missel. Absent: George. Prior to roll call, Chairman Missel asked for a moment of silence after the pledge of allegiance honoring the late George H. W. Bush, 41st President of the United States. He then 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; received and placed on file various county officials' reports, Dodge County Audit for year ending June 30, 2018, Appraisal Report of land considered for site of "Joint Public Service Center", correspondence from NDEQ (Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality) of the following: Memory Lane Poultry, LLC Animal Feeding Operation Notice of Application for Major Modification located in the NE ¼, NE 1/4 of Section 32, Township 19N, Range 8E, Kroenke Farms, Inc. General Permit for Confining Cattle Operations located in the NE 1/4, NW ¼, Section 2, Township 19N, Range 5E, and L 6 Poultry, LLC Construction and Operating Permit issued located in the SE ¼ SE ¼ of Section 26, Township 19N, Range 5E, minutes of the Planning Commission meeting of November 20, 2018, Certificate of Insurance for Stalp Gravel, Inc., Utility Installation Agreement with OPPD to install overhead electric distribution line in the S ¼ corner of Section 32, Township 18N, Range 7E to S ¼ corner of Section 33, Township 18N, Range 7E, and correspondence from NDEQ (Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality) regarding Maple Crest Family Poultry, LLC issuance of Construction and Operating Permit in the NW ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 33, Township 19N, Range 7E; and declared that an emergency existed and added the Nebraska Crime Commission 2019-2020 Community Based Aid Grant Application for Juvenile Services Aid to the agenda, because it needed to be submitted to the state no later than December 17th and the next meeting of the County Board is scheduled for December 19th.

The Board unanimously, with Strand abstaining, approved the minutes of the November 21, 2018 meeting as printed.

The Board then considered the item added as an emergency item, the 2019-2020 Community Based Aid Grant Application for Juvenile Services Aid. Prior to adding the application to the agenda as an emergency item, Chairman Missel read reasons why the submission of the application was important. The grant pays for the salary for the Diversion Program Director and the program, which helps by diverting youth from entering the juvenile justice system. They are asking for \$115,190 of grant funds in the application. The Board unanimously approved and authorized the Chairman to sign the 2019-2020 Community Based Aid Grant Application as presented.

At 9:09 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 except for Supervisor George.

Under any items of discussion, Supervisor Beam commented there were 135 people booked into the booking facility last month.

At 9:14 A.M., Chairman Missel adjourned the Board as a Board of Corrections until Wednesday, December 19, 2018 at 9:05 A.M.

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

The Board unanimously approved the wage and hour claims as submitted in the amount of \$220,972.68.

The Board unanimously approved the financial claims as submitted in the amount of \$218,417.89.

Comments were made about the County's Audit. Supervisor Beam remarked this year's audit report was really good. He thanked Supervisor George, Chairman of the Finance Committee, for his tight and controlled fiscal budget.

Next on the agenda was the consideration of an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with the City of Fremont to participate in the planning of a "Joint Public Service Center". Chairman Missel explained history that led to this agreement. Years ago, the city and county entered into an agreement forming the PSAP (Public Service Answering Point). A Resolution was adopted back then recognizing the potential joining of the County Sheriff's Office and the Fremont Police Department into one joint center. He explained that the agreement for consideration today commits to the county's share in the sum of \$201,300 for the purchase of the property. Dark fiber optic cable has already been run to the proposed site for the center, a 12.2 acre tract identified as Fremont Technology Park Replace of Outlot "A". The site is large enough for a potential location for a jail facility if ever built in the future. Supervisor Vaughan was concerned about the county's financial position with 10 years committed to the Motorola bonds. He also was concerned whether this was the right site and the right time since the county would probably be delaying their building after fulfillment of the bonds. Supervisor Strand was concerned with paving and remarked he did not want the county to pay for paving the streets and then the area annexed into the city. Sheriff Hespen commented the access at this time to and from the site was not favorable for law enforcement, referring for the need for quick access to the by-pass. Chairman Missel explained that any further decisions would be made by equal representation of the members of the city and county through a Joint Public Service Center Board, the same

as the PSAP Board. The Board, by a 5 to 1 vote, with Vaughan dissenting, passed a motion to approve and authorize the proper signatures on the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the City of Fremont and the County of Dodge to participate in the planning of the Joint Public Service Center moving forward with the joint purchase of the property.

Committee Report – Supervisor Saalfeld commented Region 6 changed their insurance provider, due to a \$263,000 increase in premiums. By doing so, they saved almost \$200,000. He also remarked on the SE Beltway meeting he attended last week commenting one of the roundabouts have been eliminated.

Committee Report – Chairman Missel handed out a Public Notice of the US Army Corps of Engineers regarding the expressway from North Bend to Fremont. It was received too late for today's agenda and will be placed on the next agenda for December 19th. He asked all to review before the next meeting, because a public hearing if so desired could be requested on the application.

Committee Report – Supervisor Saalfeld remarked on his ongoing communications with landowners and tenants east of Fremont regarding high water levels. The ditches are in need of being cleaned. The landowners, years ago voted not to clean the ditches at a cost of approximately \$200 an acre. They would have to form a new drainage district by the property owners to levy` benefits thru taxation to clean the ditches since the old Elkhorn Drainage District had been dissolved.

A Public Hearing was held to consider the request of Todd A. Thompson of Ames, Nebraska to subdivide a 6.85-acre tract and obtain a Conditional Use Permit for an existing dwelling as per Article 13, Exemptions 4.2 B.1 located in part of the E ½ of the NW ¼ of Section 6, Township 17 North, Range 7 East in West Platte Township, Zoning District A-2, General Ag. With no testimony given on the request, the Board unanimously passed a motion to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and to approve the subdivision and permit on the 6.85-acre tract, based on the conditional use conforms to the intent and purpose of the regulations and the use conforms to regulations of the district which it is located.

A Public Hearing was held to consider the request of Muller Farms, Inc. of Scribner, Nebraska to obtain a Conditional Use Permit for a new Livestock Feeding Operation (Cattle) 999 Animal Units as per Article 12 Conditional Uses Section 2.19 located in Section 28, Township 20 North, Range 7 East in Cuming Township, Zoning District A-1, Intensive Ag. At the Planning Commission meeting, there was one neighbor, Roger Vacha, objecting to the permit, because he felt there needed to be more control of their lagoon, due to horrible odors. When asked by Supervisor Strand, a representative for Muller Farms, indicated they would be using their deep pit. The Board unanimously passed a motion to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and to approve the permit, based on the conditional use conforms to the

intent and purpose of the regulations and the use conforms to regulations of the district which it is located.

The Board unanimously approved the request of Highway Superintendent Huppert to advertise for bids for (1) New Tandem Axle Dump Truck with Hydraulics and Dump Body and to have the bids opened on January 7, 2019 at 11:00 A.M. Since these trucks take so long to construct, the purchase will carry into the next fiscal year.

The Board unanimously approved and authorized the Chairman to sign in triplicate the contract with A & R Construction Co. for Concrete Box Culvert Project No. C-27(617).

At 10:12 A.M., the Board unanimously passed a motion to go into closed session to discuss general assistance claims for the month of November, 2018.

At 10:25 A.M., the Board unanimously passed a motion to go back into open session from the discussion of the claims. No action was needed on any of the claims.

Chairman Missel commented the County Board did not need to go into Board of Equalization, due to there being no tax roll corrections to consider. The Board of Equalization is scheduled to meet next at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, December 19, 2018.

At 10:27 A.M., Chairman Missel adjourned the Board as a Board of Supervisors until Wednesday, December 19, 2018 at 9:00 A.M.

Fred Mytty
Dodge County Clerk

