



Nuckolls County Board Minutes



APRIL 16, 2012 PROCEEDINGS OF THE NUCKOLLS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Nuckolls County Board of Commissioners met Monday, April 16, 2012 in the Board Meeting Room at the Courthouse, Nelson, Nebraska, per recess of April 9, 2012. Combs, Corman and Brown present for the meeting. The agenda of said meeting was remitted to board members in advance of the meeting and is posted in the County Clerk's office and on the County Website. Combs announced the 'Open Meetings Act Law' as posted in the Commissioners Board Meeting Room and handouts are available.

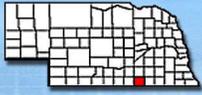
The board reconvened at 9:00 a.m. Chairman Combs approved the agenda and the April 9, 2012 minutes as submitted. Also present for the meeting is Chuck Mittan of the Superior Express.

Gary Warren, Highway Superintendent and Cindy Buescher, Executive Secretary met with the Board to give an update on the current activities of the County Road Department. The Hardy volunteer fire department was called out for road 4300 by Hardy which was flooded after the rain storm on Saturday. The road department was called in to barricade the road off until the flood waters receded. Warren discussed the repairs needed for that portion of the road. Warren noted they have been removing trees from county road ditches, installing driveway tubes and all motorgraders have been out blading the roads last week. This week the road department will be busy in the south portion of the county working on the cleanup from the rain storm from the weekend. They will be hauling gravel this week. Warren noted the headwalls are done for Project C0065(333). Tubes for projects C0065(142) and C0065(601) are in and will be delivered this week. On Friday Warren, Buescher, Bolte and 2 other road employees will be attending a sign training in Kearney. They will be finishing painting the lines in the courthouse parking lot this week.

The Board requested to have a couple of road employees fix some holes in the courthouse roof to temporarily stop the roof from leaking. Last Saturday's rain storm caused some extensive water leaks in the courthouse. The Board recessed to view the damage at 9:17 a.m. and reconvened at 9:20 a.m.

A motion was made by Brown and seconded by Corman to authorize Chairman Combs to sign the Windstream Communications plan with Nuckolls County to have Windstream Nebraska, Inc to replace a communications facility in Section 29, T2N-R8W (Alban Precinct), near Superior. Combs, Corman and Brown all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Brown and seconded by Corman to authorize Chairman Combs to sign both the Electrical Line Easement request and Water line Easement request by Steve Gebers located between



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Sections 18 & 19, T1N-R7W (Beaver Precinct). Combs, Corman and Brown all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Brown and seconded by Combs to accept the Nuckolls County Sheriff's Board Report for March 2012. Brown, Combs and Corman all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

Vicki Ensign, County Treasurer and County Clerk, Kassebaum met with the Board to discuss having MIPS administer an "Offsite Backup System" for the County Treasurer and County Clerk's office. The offsite backup system will benefit if the courthouse were ever involved in a tornado or fire, etc.. The backup system will cost \$5.00 per week for each office. Clerk Kassebaum also discussed having MIPS administer the County's website. Kassebaum noted the cost is \$450.00 setup fee and \$50.00 a month for administering and maintenance of the website. **A motion was made by Combs and seconded by Brown to authorize MIPS to provide Nuckolls County Treasurer and County Clerk's office the "Offsite Backup System" at the cost of \$10.00 a week and also to have MIPS provide Nuckolls County with a website at the cost of \$450.00 for setup fees and \$50.00 a month for administration and maintenance of the County Website. Combs, Corman and Brown all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.**

Treasurer, Ensign updated the Board of the issue of the 2006 and 2007 taxes owed on bins which were located on leased land. Ensign noted the clause in the Notice of Publication stated "property will be sold subject to any existing real estate taxes on the subject property whether delinquent or accruing." The Board determined the new owner of the property is responsible for those back taxes. Ensign noted she will let the County Attorney foreclose on the property. The total amount due is \$895.62.

Treasurer Ensign requested to have Karen Thayer work in the County Treasurer's office on April 30, 2012 as that is the last day of Real Estate taxes are due and as the courthouse will be closed on April 27, 2012 due to the holiday of Arbor Day and she will be gone that day due to personal reasons. The Board gave their permission to hire her as temporary part time help.

Discussion was held regarding the repairs to the original design for the Nuckolls County Flag. The repairs have been done and Clerk Kassebaum was requesting permission to reorder new flags using the repaired design. Durable Flags from Elkhorn Nebraska had the original flags printed. The design flaw was not discovered until the flags were delivered to the Courthouse. Durable Flags has agreed to reprint the flags as cost value. **A motion was made by Brown and seconded by Combs to send the repaired flag design to Durable Flags for 3 new flags. Combs, Corman and Brown all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.**



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Tim Schmidt, County Attorney met briefly with the Board to give an update on the TERC Case held last Thursday, April 12, 2012. Schmidt noted no decision has been made at this time and it may be some time before the rule as they have a large workload. The hearing lasted approximately 2 hours and 45 minutes. The TERC Board consisted of 2 Judges.

The Board requested Schmidt's determination on the 2006 & 2007 back taxes owed on the bins which were located at the time on leased land. Schmidt noted the taxes would follow the bins. Schmidt also noted he would probably start foreclosure sometime this fall and official notice should be made.

The following salary claims were approved:

General Fund Salaries:	\$56,233.25
Road Fund Salaries:	\$41,047.84
Civil Defense Fund Salary:	\$ 2,290.00
911 Emergency Fund Salary:	\$ 400.00

There being no further business the meeting was recessed at 10:43 a.m. until Monday, April 23, 2012.

Michael D. Combs, Chairman

By: Jackie L. Kassebaum, County Clerk