



Nuckolls County Board Minutes



APRIL 15, 2013 PROCEEDINGS OF THE NUCKOLLS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Nuckolls County Board of Commissioners met Monday, April 15, 2013 in the Board Meeting Room at the Courthouse, Nelson, Nebraska, per recess of April 8, 2013. Combs, Brown and Corman 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 as submitted and the April 8, 2013 minutes as submitted.

Gary Warren, Highway Superintendent and Cindy Buescher, Executive Secretary met with the Board to update them on the current activities of the County Road Department. Warren notified the Board that he has all the blades out this week on the gravel roads. They will try weather permitting to gravel problem areas next week. Warren discussed with the Board, 3 classified temporary structures in Nuckolls County. The NDOR, Bridge Division requested the status of these 3 structures. Warren noted all three are still temporary tubes. Warren recommends these structures stay classified as temporary until the County has the funds to replace with permanent structures. The Board agreed with Warren. The Bostwick shop will have the final concrete poured this week, the bathroom at the Hardy shop is waiting for electrical and plumbing. The dirt crew is finishing the dirt work on Project C-65 (302) in Nelson Precinct before it is open to public. The road guys have been busy installed driveway tubes, last week they did 4. Warren submitted to the NDOR, 584 type 3 and 424 type 2 Flex markers for the County.

Warren requested to purchase 3 used pickups for the County Road Department to replace three pickups that need replacing. The 3 pickups requested for purchasing are a 1999 Chevy ½ ton pickup with 90,000 miles, V6 for \$4,000.00 from Rays Auto in Superior; a 1999 Ford ¾ ton pickup with 180,000 miles, V8 for \$4,000.00 from Rays Auto in Superior and a 2003 GMC 3.4 ton pickup with 160,000 miles for \$5,500.00 from Hayes Auto in Superior. All have good tires on. A motion was made by Brown and seconded by Combs to purchase all three pickups. Combs, Brown and Corman all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

Also the three pickups that are being replaced and requested to deem as surplus property to list on Big Iron Auction are; a 1989 Ford F150, Black 4x4 pickup from the Lawrence shop; a 1991 Ford F250, blue 4x4 pickup at the Nelson shop and a 1983 Ford ¾ ton F268, white 4x4 pickup at the Nelson shop. A motion was made by Combs and seconded by Corman to deem all three pickups as surplus property for sale on Big Iron Auction. Combs, Brown and Corman all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

The agenda item to set the date and time for interviews for the road department position is tabled until after the 11:00 a.m. agenda item.

The Board and Warren reported on the results of the Household Hazardous Waste Collection held on April 13, 2013. The Board reported a good turnout and definitely a worthy cause.

Clerk Kassebaum reported she had received a check from the County of Otero, New Mexico for the cost to house the prisoners that were being held for the State of New Mexico. The total amount of the check was for \$1,726.74.



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Susan Rogers, County Assessor met with the Board to request the purchase of an adding machine for the Assessor's office. The cost is approximately \$100.00. A motion was made by Combs and seconded by Brown to authorize the purchase of an adding machine for the Assessor's office.

Rogers also noted on April 24, 2013 the Nuckolls County Valuation will be set before the TERC Board for final approval. Rogers also noted on April 22nd the BOE will be reviewing 2 applications requesting to have tax exemption.

A quote submitted by Versatile Roofing for the roof repairs of 4 drains. The amount of the quote is \$1,468.00. **A motion was made by Brown and seconded by Corman to accept the quote for \$1,468.00 for the repairs to 4 drains on the Courthouse roof by Versatile Roofing, LLC. Combs, Brown and Corman all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.**

Carrie Miller, Safety Committee member reported to the Board on the last meeting held by the Safety Committee on March 21, 2013. The discussion held was regarding the need to install flood lights on the top floor and basement of the Courthouse in case of power outage, for the safety of the employees and customers. Also discussed is an issue of the outside lift at the Courthouse being locked during non-business hours. Issue has been resolved. Miller informed the Board that a scheduled informative storm meeting was held at the courthouse for the courthouse employees. Discussion held requesting a more hands on meeting. Also discussed, is the inspections for the smoke/fire alarms and the carbon monoxide detectors. Need to have either the Safety Committee or the Emergency Manager conduct such inspections regularly. Clerk Kassebaum noted the custodian installed an additional carbon monoxide detector in the basement for a total of 3. **A motion was made by Brown and seconded by Corman to accept the Safety Committee Reports as submitted. Combs, Brown and Corman all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.**

Meyer Vineyards, Inc. dba Superior Estates Winery has submitted 9 Special Designated Liquor Licenses for the dates of May 3 & 4; May 10 & 11; May 17 & 18; May 24 & 25; May 31 & June 1; June 6 & 7; June 14 to June 16; June 21 & 22 and June 28 & 29, 2013. **A motion was made by Corman and seconded by Brown to approve the Special Designated Liquor License Applications as submitted by Meyer Vineyards, Inc. dba Superior Estates Winery for the events on the following dates, May 3 & 4; May 10 & 11; May 17 & 18; May 24 & 25; May 31 & June 1; June 6 & 7; June 14 to June 16; June 21 & 22 and June 28 & 29, 2013. Combs, Brown and Corman all voted aye, 0 voted nay. Motion carried.**

A Bid letting for the Pest Control at the Nuckolls County Courthouse, Road Department, Sheriff's Department and the Extension Office was held at 10:30 a.m. One bid had been received from Superior Exterminating, LLC. The amounts for the bid was for the Courthouse \$160.00, Road Department \$50.00, Sheriff's Office \$46.00 and the Extension Office for \$32.00. A motion was made by Corman and seconded by Combs to accept all bids as submitted by Superior Exterminating, LLC. Combs, Brown and Corman all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

Tim Schmidt, County Attorney met briefly with the Board to discuss the renewal terms for the Nuckolls County farm ground to be leased. This will be on the agenda next week.

At 10:45 a.m. the Board heard comments from Elected Officials and Employees who were requesting to change the Courthouse hours to 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Currently the Courthouse hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Those present for the session for comments are Tim Schmidt, Vicki Ensign, Susan Rogers, Royce Gonzales, Diane Wehrman, Maggie Peterson, Amy Mazour and Carrie Miller. Comments were heard both in favor and opposition. The consensus is there are usually customers waiting from 8:00 to 8:30 a.m. to be waited on and phone calls before 8:30 a.m. It was also noted there are complaints of why the Courthouse is not open until 5:00 p.m. It was noted that other counties vary in their hours. The issue of the postal service being requested for



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pickup by 2:00 pm makes it harder to get your mail out in time. The Board noted that Elected Officials can come and go at their discretion and they may also open their office earlier and answer phones earlier at their discretion. **A motion was made by Combs and seconded by Corman to leave the Courthouse hours at 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Combs, Brown and Corman all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.**

Discussion was held regarding requests for county purchases in data equipment for county offices. Schmidt noted they were in need of a big screen television for presentations of courtroom audio and video evidence.

The Board recognized Gonzales in his efforts to collect the fees from New Mexico for the prisoners held by Nuckolls County.

An Executive Session was requested by Gary Warren for personnel reasons. A motion was made at 11:04 a.m. by Combs and seconded by Corman to go into Executive Session for personnel reasons. Combs, Brown and Corman all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried. The 3 Board Members, Clerk Kassebaum, Gary Warren, Highway Superintendent, Cindy Buescher, Executive Secretary for the Road Department and Jim Bolte Road Foreman are present for the Executive Session. A motion was made at 11:54 a.m. by Combs and seconded by Corman to leave Executive Session and enter into Regulars Session. Combs, Brown and Corman all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

A decision was made as to which applicants to interview were made and interviews will be scheduled after contact is made with the applicants.

The following salary claims were approved:

General fund Salaries:	\$58,118.47
Road Fund Salaries:	\$39,403.49
Civil Defense Fund Salary:	\$ 2,330.00
911 Emergency Fund Salary:	\$ 400.00

There being no further business the meeting was recessed at 11:55 a.m. until Monday, April 22, 2013.

Michael D. Combs, Chairman

By: Jackie L. Kassebaum, County Clerk