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**BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – December 21, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk’s office)

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Present upon roll call were: Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Equalization. Doug Huttman was absent. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk and Cheryl Wolverton, County Assessor, were also present.

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Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to approve the agenda. Voting: Ayes: Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Absent: Huttman. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to approve the minutes of November 15, 2020, meeting. Voting: Ayes: Kment and Rehak. Nays: None. Absent: Huttman. Motion Carried.

Cheryl Wolverton, county assessor, submitted a clerical error listing for December 21, 2020 within Stanton County. She explained the update and/or change to the listed property.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to approve the list of clerical errors and allow the County Assessor to adjust the tax rolls. Voting: Ayes: Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Absent: Huttman. Motion Carried.

Cheryl presented and explained the correction sheets for the month.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the correction sheets numbered 2020-10 thru 2020-23 and place them on file. Voting: Ayes: Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Absent: Huttman. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to adjourn and set the statutory meeting for Thursday, January 7, 2021 at 8:00 AM and set the regular meeting for Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at 8:00 AM. Voting: Ayes: Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Absent: Huttman. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Equalization, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**COMMISSIONER’S PROCEEDINGS – December 21, 2020**  
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Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to approve the agenda. Voting: Ayes: Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Absent: Huttman. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to approve the minutes of November 15, 2020, meeting with a correction of the name of vendor Eagleview Pictometry International to Pictometry International Corp. Voting: Ayes: Kment and Rehak. Nays: None. Absent: Huttman. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: Elaine Menzel, NACO – 2021 reorganization/bond procedures; Nebraska DOT – FY2022-FY2025 State Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP); Martin Marietta – adjusted material price list; Candi Sanders, Union Bank & Trust – application/request for investment funds (Co Treas/Clerk Dist Crt); NIRMA – NIRMA Safety Shorts Vol. 8 No. 12; Steve Nelson, Equipment Blades, Sioux Falls SD – 2020 catalog; Joshua Klein, Advanced Drainage Systems Inc – resilient, sustainable pipe webinar 1.21.2021.

Sandy Zoubek, County Treasurer, joined the meeting.

Discussion held on the Presidential Proclamation and Executive Order and the Governor’s Announcement that Federal and State Offices are to close December 24, 2020. With the declaration of December 24, 2020 as a federal/state holiday the previous scheduled closure at noon on December 24, 2020 was discussed. The consensus of the board is to follow the federal/state recommendation and declare December 24, 2020 (Christmas Eve Day) as a holiday with the county offices closing for the entire day.

Discussion held on the COVID-19 guidelines drafted after the October 19, 2020 meeting and on revisions to the guidelines in reference to possible closure or stricter guidelines. Comments were received from those present and the consensus was to continue with the approved guidelines effective October 20, 2020 and revisit the matter at the January meeting. No action taken.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to approve the following Resolution to add and release pledged security: RESOLUTION No. 2020.12 – 032. Voting: Ayes: Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Absent: Huttman. Motion Carried.

The NIRMA Recommitment Resolution was reviewed. Stanton County will extend its commitment to participate in NIRMA/NIRMA II for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024 (three-year membership).

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to approve the following Resolution for recommitment to participate in NIRMA/NIRMA II for another three-year period: RESOLUTION No. 2020.12 – 033. Voting: Ayes: Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Absent: Huttman. Motion Carried.

The 2021 contract for public defender was presented to the board for approval. The proposed contract is in the sum of \$30,350.77 annually by paying \$2,529.23 monthly. There was a 3% increase in the proposed fee of the contract.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the 2021 Agreement for Public Defender (copy of Agreement on file in County Clerk's office). Voting: Ayes: Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Absent: Huttman. Motion Carried.

Discussion held on the contract received from Maximus Consulting to provide consulting services for recovery of indirect costs for the fiscal years 2020 through 2022.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the Agreement to Provide Professional Consulting Services with Maximus US Services Inc (copy of Agreement on file in County Clerk's office). Voting: Ayes: Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Absent: Huttman. Motion Carried.

W. Bert Lammler, County Attorney, and Mark Mainelli, Highway Superintendent, joined the meeting.

Discussion held on the Permit to Construct Utilities on County Right-of-Way for Stanton Telecom Inc with a fiber optic line along 840 Rd and 568 Ave (STR 34/35-24-2). Conditions discussed were: plowing along edge of road versus knifing in the ditch along the road, boring under the road instead of plowing/cutting through road, boring under not cutting through culverts and contacting Darrell Hansen prior to beginning with any questions or concerns. Mark Mainelli recommended trenching in the ditch.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to approve Utility Permit No. 20201221-1 for Stanton Telecom Inc to install fiber optic line along 840 Rd and 568 Ave (STR 34/35-24-2) subject to the requirements and provisions of the permit and with the following conditions: 1) the fiber optic line should be knifed in the ditch on the north side of 840 Rd, bored under 568 Ave and knifed in the ditch on the west side of 568 Ave, 2) any damages to the road needs to be returned to its original condition or the cost for repairs to fix will be filled to the applicant, 3) all culverts are to be bored under, not cut through, and 4) contact Darrell Hansen bridge foremen prior to beginning to be certain all culverts have been flagged and with any questions or concerns. Voting: Ayes: Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Absent: Huttman. Motion Carried.

Shane Siecke appeared before the board to re-address the drainage issue near the 560 Ave and 838 Rd intersection (Elkhorn Precinct 8-23-1 and 16-23-1). Mr. Siecke stated the tile runoff from Winkelbauer's property located in 8-23-1 is entering the county right-of-way which flows onto his and neighboring properties. Previously the board had instructed Shane to contact the land owner about the situation and/or contact an attorney to inquire about his rights as to the drainage issue. Discussion held on the natural waterways in the area. The board reviewed a 1963 waterway map which indicated natural waterways in the area. Also discussed was surface runoff to natural water ways and a possible need for an engineer study of the natural water ways in the area. The board asked Mark Mainelli to look at the site along with Doug Huttman and report back after review. No action taken by the board.

Discussion held on Mark Mainelli's email response and Richard Johnson, Madison Co Hwy Supt, letter concerning the 4-way stop on the Stanton/Madison County line located at 833 Rd. After review all four stop signs need to remain in place and removal of any signs would constitute a serious safety hazard due to poor sight distance. Also discussed were county bridge and culvert projects.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to approve for the month of November the Documentary Stamp Tax, co shr in the amount of \$888.41; County Clerk fees in the amount of \$2,878.50; P&M Fund fees in the amount of \$448.00; Game and Parks Agent fees in the amount of \$0.00; Misc Copy fees in the amount of \$10.00; Clerk of the District Court fees in the amount of \$318.07; Passport fees in the amount of \$35.00; County Treasurer's receipt of money received numbered 21395 – 21460, inclusive in the amount of \$383,962.88; and place them on file. Voting: Ayes: Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Absent: Huttman. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Accounts Payable and Payroll claims as presented and order checks drawn on the various funds as follows: GENERAL FUND – Ameritas, ret-co shr, 7841.83; Antelope Co Shf, boarding, 4000.00; Applied Connective Tech, fees, 42.10; Kim Bearnes, phone etc, 250.00; Shawn Beaudette, services, 103.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 310.83; BCBS, ins-co shr, 25217.62; Card Services, supplies, 93.39; Gary Carson, fees, 135.00; Consolidated Mgmt, fees, 241.72; Cornhusker Auto Cntr, services, 39.45; DAS State Acct, costs, 43.88; DB Trlr Sales, deductible, 1000.00; Martha Detlefsen, prior service, 12.00; Dodge Co Crt, fees, 2.75; Eakes, supplies, 727.54; Ewalt Law Office, public defender etc, 2902.06; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 925.34; First Concord, flex benefits, 60.00; Matt Gartner, supplies, 42.20; Grafix Shoppe, services, 487.91; Robert Hartl, mowing, 300.00; Holt Co, boarding, 100.00; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 8901.52; Diane Kander, supplies, 11.97; W Bert Lammler Jr, office allow, 930.00; Luedeke Oil, fuel, 326.42; Lynn Peavey, supplies, 208.00; Madison Co Shf, boarding, 2250.00; Madison Co Shf, fees, 6.00; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 38.80; Mid-Amer Benefits, hra fees, 8046.00; Midwest Spec Services, services, 248.75; MIPS, fees, 2780.29; NACo Co Treas Finc, fees, 75.00; Nebr Assoc Co Off, fees, 1674.40; Nebr Shf Assoc, fees, 120.00; Lavern Newkirk, prior service, 17.00; NE Nebr Juv Serv, boarding, 688.75; One Office, supplies, 1337.99; Michael Petersen, meals, 11.28; Pierce Co Shf, boarding, 4350.00; Pilger Library, supplies, 132.36; Pilger Store, fuel, 29.04; Pitzer Digital, services, 506.87; Platte Co Det, boarding, 1350.00; Prime Sanitation, services, 39.75; Region 4 Behavioral Health, 3<sup>rd</sup> qu pymt, 4676.00; Rita Roenfeldt, prior service, 20.00; Sioux Sales Co, supplies, 334.04; Stanton Co Clk, fees, 182.00; Stanton Co Crt, fees, 414.00; Stanton Co Imp Acct, fees, 21.25; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 1398.94; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 187.64; Stanton Telecom, services, 1864.97; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 88.75; Nebr Dept MV, fees, 4.00; Eric Stone, supplies, 611.23; Stratton DeLay et al, atty fees, 3055.94; Teeco, supplies, 60.15; Lil Store, fuel, 1833.37; Thomson Reuters-West, supplies, 3731.00; Gannon Tighe, fees, 250.00; Kristin Unger, supplies, 25.67; Mike Unger Co Shr, fees, 18.60; Univ Nebr, phone, 45.02; VFW Club, meals, 28.00; Vincent Valentino Atty, atty fees, 450.00; Zee Medical, supplies, 45.20; Sandra Zoubek Co Treas, transfer etc, 255026.00; Sandra Zoubek, supplies, 19.92; ROAD FUND – 2K Trucking, hauling, 200.00; AKRS Equip, services, 91.59; Ameritas, ret-co shr 3368.71; Appeara, services, 80.13; ATCO Intl, supplies, 1567.50; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 276.67; BCBS, ins-co shr, 17974.38; Bomgaars, supplies etc, 1437.02; Century Link, services, 61.98; Clarkson Plbg Htg, supplies etc, 32.34; Janice Coates, prior service, 17.00; Cornhusker Intl, services, 414.81; Doernemann Farm Service, services, 135.60; James Duncan, prior service, 16.00; Farmer's Coop, fuel etc, 3348.67; Fastenal Co, supplies, 101.67; Wanda Heermann, reimb fees, 25.00; Hoskins Mfg, services, 88.00; Hundertmark Cleaning Sys, supplies, 236.80; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 3837.48; Island Supply Welding, supplies, 25.20; Johnson Sand Gravel, gravel, 965.43; Kimball Midwest, supplies, 122.46; Cody Koehn, hauling, 1530.00; Kryger Glass, services, 46.74; Leigh Motor Service, services, 25.00; LG Everist, gravel, 3943.73; Luedeke Oil, fuel etc, 7366.69; Madison Nat Life Ins, ins-co shr, 3.22; Martin Marietta Materials, gravel, 2400.75; Matteo Sand Gravel, gravel, 1726.63; Meisinger Oil, supplies, 113.55; Menards, supplies, 699.98; Mid-Amer Benefits, hra fees-co shr, 5250.00; Midwest Service Sales, supplies etc, 8516.81; NMC Exchange, services, 4721.49; Nebr State Fire Marshal, services, 360.00; Overhead Door, services, 76.00; Pilger Sand Gravel, gravel, 999.36; Pilger Store, fuel etc, 2071.50; Powerplan, services, 294.43; Prime Sanitation, services, 62.50; RDO Truck Cntr, services, 6066.44; Ron's Ag Auto Repair, supplies, 58.80; Rusty Nuts Repair, services, 2304.50; Seals Service, services, 1650.00; Stanton Auto Parts, services etc, 1343.91; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 438.59; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 1080.60; Stanton Telecom, services, 222.21; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 40.70; Teeco, services, 38.50; US Cellular, services, 68.92; Village Pilger, utilities, 120.80; EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND – Ameritas, ret-co shr, 105.30; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 94.13; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 154.11; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 119.34; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 51.33; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 135.28; Stanton Water Sewer, service, 38.25; Windshield Doctors, services, 225.00; INHERITANCE TAX FUND – Stanton Co PPD, tower, 101.66; Verizon Wireless, service, 624.14; Sandra Zoubek Co Treas, transfers, 300000.00; EMERGENCY 911 FUND – City Norfolk, dispatching, 7622.61; Stanton Telecom, services, 73.23; Total aggregate salaries of all county employees \$170,851.42. Voting: Ayes: Kment and Rehak. Nays: None. Absent: Huttman. Motion Carried.

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Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the minutes of October 13, 2020 and October 19, 2020, meetings.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Cheryl Wolverton, county assessor, presented and explained the correction sheet for the month.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the correction sheet numbered 2020-09 and place it on file.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Cheryl presented a list of omitted property within Stanton County. She explained the updates and/or changes to the listed property.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve the list of omitted property and allow the County Assessor to adjust the tax rolls.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to adjourn and set the next meeting for December 21, 2020, at 8:00 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Equalization, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: NIRMA – reminder NIRMA recommitment; Jennifer Kosmacek – letter; Cheryl Johnson, Chief Human Resources Caterpillar – unauthorized access.

Cheryl Wolverton, county assessor, joined the meeting to discuss a contract for appraisal services with Central Plains Valuation LLC of Ralston NE. Cheryl advised the board that Central Plains Valuation would be doing the pickup appraisal work within the county. Discussion held on the contract presented. Matter set aside until Cheryl gets clarification on the contracted price of the contract.

Carrie Pitzer of the Stanton Register joined the meeting.

The board discussed the cancellation of the 2020 NACO conference which was to be held in person December 9-11, 2020 in Kearney. Plans for a virtual conference are being designed. The board reviewed the memorandum received from NACO on the election procedures for voting for the NACO Officers at the annual conference.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to designate Wanda Heermann as alternate to cast the ballot for Stanton County if the county board chair is unable to attend the virtual business meeting.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttmann. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Discussion held on the county holidays for the year 2021.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve and set the county holidays for 2021 as follows: Jan 1/ New Year's Day; Jan 18/ Martin Luther King Day; Feb 15/President's Day; Apr 30/Arbor Day; May 31/Memorial Day; July 5/Independence Day observed; Sep 6/Labor Day; Oct 11/Columbus Day observed; Nov 11/Veterans' Day; Nov 25 & 26/Thanksgiving Holiday; Dec 24/Christmas Holiday; Dec 31/New Year's Day 2022.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Joining the meeting were LaLene Bates, Cheryl Wolverton, Sandy Zoubek, Mike Unger and Tony McPhillips.

Discussion held on updated health measures issued by the regional health department, on the COVID-19 guidelines drafted after the October 19, 2020 meeting and on revisions to the guidelines in reference to possible closure or stricter guidelines. Comments were received from those present and the consensus was to continue with the approved guidelines effective October 20, 2020 and revisit the matter at the December meeting. No action taken.

The board reviewed the Stanton County Central Services Cost Allocation Plan based on actual costs for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019 prepared by Maximus.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the Certification of Cost Allocation Plan for expenses recovered for IV-D child support collections in the Clerk of the District Court's office.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The board reviewed the Memorandum from NIRMA on the NIRMA Dividend and Membership Recommitment. Decision on the recommitment for another three (3) years continued to the December meeting. No action taken by the board.

Discussion held on the damage to the emergency management trailer damaged due to a deer collision. Estimate received from NIRMA was reviewed. Consensus of the board is not to accept the settlement offer. Chairman Kment to contact the adjustor and discuss the matter further.

LaLene Bates, Planning and Zoning Administrator, joined the meeting. Also joining the meeting were: Keith Janata, John Moritz and Allan Kampschneider. The board reviewed the clarification of condition 15 of the CUP for JaMor Pork for the hog facility located in Pt SE 17-23-3 to read: Trees are to be planted a minimum of 4 ft trees on the north side and trees or bushes with a mature height of at least 8 ft on the east side of the length of the building. Discussion held on the recommendation clarification. Allan Kampschneider informed the board on an odor footprint of the site. Comments were received from Keith Janata on the new pit additives incorporated after the pits were pumped and also stated that no other complaints have been received on this site or his other sites. Keith also felt that trees on the east side of the building were not necessary and suggested the delay of the requirement to plant trees until after results from the implementation of the new additive and to see if any new complaints were received from other individuals in the area.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to re-examine condition 15 and delay the requirement to plant trees on the east side until the new odor control additive results can be assessed.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttmann. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Mark Mainelli, Highway Superintendent, joined the meeting.

The chairman opened the hearing at 10:00 AM on the Residential Use Permit application of Dean Dahlkoetter to construct a residence on property located in Pt E½ SE 18-23-1. No one appeared for the hearing. LaLene explained the application, advised that a waiver of density was filed and reviewed the planning commission recommendations with the board.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to close the hearing.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to approve the Residential Use Permit application of Dean Dahlkoetter to construct a residence on property located in Pt E½ SE 18-23-1, as per Planning Commission recommendations.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman opened the hearing at 10:05 AM on the Residential Use Permit application of Christopher Hasebroock to construct a residence on property located in Pt E½ SE 34-24-2. No one appeared for the hearing. LaLene explained the application and reviewed the planning commission recommendations with the board.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to close the Hearing.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve the Residential Use Permit application of Christopher Hasebroock to construct a residence on property located in Pt E½ SE 34-24-2, as per Planning Commission recommendations.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

LaLene presented Wiemann's Lotsplit splitting 7.09 acres on property located in the NE 23-21-3. No one appeared for the lot split. LaLene explained the reason for the lot split.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to approve the Wiemann's Lotsplit located in the NE 23-21-3, as per Planning Commission recommendations.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Kment and Huttmann. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The county assessor presented the corrected contract for appraisal services with Central Plains Valuation of Ralston NE.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to approve the contract for property appraisal with Central Plains Valuation LLC of Ralston Nebraska.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.  
Contract for Property Appraisal [ copy on file in Clerk's office].

The board reviewed the Standardized System of Annual reporting (SSAR) for the fiscal year July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020 prepared by Mainelli Wagner and Associates. The report will be filed with the Nebraska Department of Roads.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to authorize the chairman to sign the County Certification to the Board of Public Records Classifications and Standards and the County Certification to the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards as received.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

County Certification to the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards [copy on file in Clerk's office].

Discussion held on the Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent form which is the basis for determining 2020 incentive funds. The certification, meeting minutes appointing the county highway superintendent and resolution needs to be returned to the Nebraska DOT in order to qualify for annual incentive payments.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Resolution to authorize the chairman to sign the Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent.

RESOLUTION No. 2020.11 – 031: Signing of the Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent Form 2020.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent [copy on file in Clerk's office].

The board asked Mark Mainelli to look at a 4-way stop on the Stanton/Madison County line located at 833 Rd. Mark to report back to the board after review. Discussion held on the One and Six Year Plan for Highway Improvements. Mark reviewed the proposed One and Six map with the county board. Bridge and culvert projects were noted on the map. Discussion held on bridge and culvert projects for possible submission to the CBMP (County Bridge Match Program).

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve for the month of October the Documentary Stamp Tax, co shr in the amount of \$600.44; County Clerk fees in the amount of \$2,716.00; P&M Fund fees in the amount of \$420.50; Game and Parks Agent fees in the amount of \$4.00; Misc Copy fees in the amount of \$0.00; Clerk of the District Court fees in the amount of \$304.51; Passport fees in the amount of \$0.00; County Treasurer's receipt of money received numbered 21326 – 21394, inclusive in the amount of \$395,561.30; County Sheriff's 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Report (July-September); County Treasurer's List of Distress Warrants issued October 31, 2020; County Treasurer's List of Distress Warrants issued October 31, 2019 and returned from County Sheriff; and place them on file.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve the following Accounts Payable and Payroll claims as presented and order checks drawn on the various funds as follows: GENERAL FUND - Mark Albin, atty fees, 2110.30; Ameritas, retire-co shr, 7930.51; Antelope Co Shf Dept, boarding etc, 5547.50; Applied Connective Tech, fees, 42.10; Kim Bearnese, meals etc, 123.49; Shawn Beaudette, services, 103.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 219.54; Donna Bloom, supplies, 17.63; BCBS, ins-co shr, 25217.62; Blue to Gold, fees, 149.00; Gary Carson, fees etc, 155.87; Consolidated Mgmt, fees, 293.41; Custom Sports, supplies, 211.00; Co VSO Assn, fees, 110.00; DAS State Accot, costs, 43.88; Martha Detlefsen, prior service, 12.00; James Duncan, mowing, 600.00; Eagleview Pictometry Intl, contract costs, 5230.00; Eakes Office, supplies, 396.78; Election Costs, brd costs, 828.42; Elite Door, services, 4383.20; Engelhardt TV Comm, services, 62.49; Ewalt Law, services, 2455.56; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 886.06; First Concord Benefits, flex benefits, 60.00; Floor Maintenance, supplies, 224.23; Galls, supplies, 31.99; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 8920.06; Jacks Unif Equip, supplies, 483.95; Aaron Kleensang, reimb, 370.69; W Bert Lamli Jr, office allow, 930.00; Luedeke Oil, fuel, 54.19; Madison Co Shf, boarding etc, 2928.29; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 33.38; Menards, supplies, 1088.44; Jan Meyer, services, 80.00; Mid-Amer Benefits, hra fees, 5796.00; MIPS, fees etc, 3087.22; Moyer Moyer, atty fees, 772.00; Natl Assn Co, fees, 450.00; Nebr Assn Co Off, supplies, 10.00; Lavern Newkirk, prior service, 17.00; One Office, supplies, 2355.72; Pierce Co Shf Dept, boarding, 2550.00; Pilger Library, supplies, 168.41; Pitzer Digital, services, 1079.69; Prime Sanitation, services, 39.75; Radar Shop, services, 506.00; Rita Roenfeldt, prior service, 20.00; Ron's Ag Auto Repair, services, 60.00; Sioux Sales, supplies, 37.50; Stanton Auto Parts, services, 52.00; Stanton Comm Schl, advertising, 75.00; Stanton Co Clk Dist Crt, fees, 210.00; Stanton Co Crt, fees, 131.00; Stanton Co Imp Acct, fees, 21.00; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 1212.16; Stanton Hardware, 46.11; Stanton Telecom, services, 1903.86; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 163.75; Teeco, supplies, 44.25; Lil Store, fuel, 2155.78; Kristin Unger, supplies, 58.35; Mike Unger Co Shf, fees, 180.00; Univ Nebr-Lincoln, phone, 180.08; Visa, transport, 259.83; Loree Zach, supplies, 128.39; Zee Medical, supplies, 37.00; Sandra Zoubek Co Treas, fees, 59.27; ROAD FUND - AKRS Equip, services, 404.46; Advance Auto, parts, 48.70; Ameritas, retire-co shr, 3438.05; Appeara, services, 37.61; ATCO Intl, supplies, 807.80; Bauer Built, services, 5459.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 182.30; BCBS, ins-co shr, 17974.38; Bomgaars, supplies, 596.46; Century Link, services, 58.68; Clarkson Plbg Htg, supplies, 62.81; Janice Coates, prior service, 17.00; Cornhusker Intl, services, 1266.03; Doernemann Farm Service, services, 3279.94; James Duncan, prior service, 16.00; Engelhardt TV Comm, services, 234.80; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 4810.43; Fastenal, supplies, 353.63; Hoskins Mfg, services, 62.81; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 3916.06; Island Supply, supplies, .84; Kelly Supply, supplies, 3.19; Kimball Midwest, supplies, 458.74; Leigh Motor, services, 176.10; Luedeke Oil, fuel etc, 5004.69; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 3.22; Mainelli Wagner Assoc, fees, 12528.37; Matteo Sand Gravel, gravel, 13101.88; Mead Lumber, lumber, 19.27; Medical Enterprise, fees, 160.00; Mid-Amer Benefits, hra fees-co shr, 3750.00; Midwest Service Sales, steel, 714.00; NMC Exchange, services, 2628.21; Norfolk Works, fees; 136.00; Overhead Door Co, services, 76.00; Gary Pickhinke, supplies, 12.83; Pilger Store, fuel, 2600.57; Pilger Sand Gravel, gravel, 21152.52; Pollard Pumping, services, 300.00; Prime Sanitation, services, 50.00; RDO Truck Cntr, service, 188.04; Road Builders Mach, services, 5256.19; Ron's Ag Auto, services etc, 8114.92; Smith Dump Trucking, rental, 320.00; Stanley Petroleum, parts, 159.00; Stanton Auto, parts, 516.39; Stanton Co PPD, service, 428.10; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 100.07; Stanton Telecom, services, 222.81; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 40.70; Teeco, services, 31.75; Dean Thies, supplies, 64.19; Travis Thies, services, 455.60; US Cellular, services, 68.27; Village Pilger, utilities, 124.56; EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND - Ameritas, retire-co shr, 201.99; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 36.65; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 214.65; Mike Frohberg, meals etc, 185.10; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 228.93; Prime Sanitation, services, 12.50; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 50.37; INHERITANCE TAX FUND - Stanton Co PPD, tower, 93.66; Verizon Wireless, service, 160.04; EMERGENCY 911 FUND - City Norfolk, dispatching, 7622.61; Stanton Telecom, services, 73.23; Total aggregate salaries of all county employees \$173,479.90.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to adjourn and set the next meeting for December 21, 2020, at 8:15 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk’s office)

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on October 19, 2020, at 8:00 AM in the district courtroom at the Stanton County Courthouse in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Equalization. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk and Cheryl Wolverton, County Assessor, were also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by posting in three (3) public places, those being the Stanton Courthouse in Stanton, SID No.1 Office in Norfolk and Cooper Community Center in Pilger, at least two (2) days prior to the meeting, on October 15, 2020, a copy of the proof of posting such notice is attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meetings act is posted on the wall in the district courtroom and a copy may be obtained from the county clerk’s office upon request.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Cheryl Wolverton, county assessor, presented a list of Omitted Property within Stanton County. She explained the updates and/or changes to the listed properties.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve the list of omitted property and allow the county assessor to adjust the tax rolls.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to adjourn and set the next meeting for November 16, 2020, at 8:00 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Equalization, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**COMMISSIONER’S PROCEEDINGS – October 19, 2020**

(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk’s office)

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on October 19, 2020, at 8:15 AM in the district courtroom at the Stanton County Courthouse in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Commissioners. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk was also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by posting in three (3) public places, those being the Stanton Courthouse in Stanton, SID No.1 Office in Norfolk and Cooper Community Center in Pilger, at least two (2) days prior to the meeting, on October 15, 2020, a copy of the proof of posting such notice is attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meetings act is posted on the wall in the district courtroom and a copy may be obtained from the county clerk’s office upon request.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: NIRMA – NIRMA Annual Membership Meeting and Dividend Distribution; Stanton Public Library – thank you for 2020-2021 funds; Lower Elkhorn NRD – Community Forestry Incentive Program; NE Nebraska Economic Dev Dist – annual report 2019-2020; NIRMA – NIRMA Safety Shorts Vol. 8 No. 10; Michele York, NDRD – Lower Elkhorn Watershed project update; Michele York, NDRD – Upper Elkhorn Watershed project update; Michele York, NDRD – North Fork Elkhorn Watershed project update; David Scribner – NECC house route map.

The board discussed the NACO Election Procedures for casting a ballot for NACO Officers at the annual conference in December. Chairman Kment announced he planned on attending. A possible alternate was discussed if chairman was unable to attend. Decision to be determined at November meeting.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Resolution to add and release pledged security:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.10 – 029:**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that Stanton State Bank, Stanton, Nebraska hereby wishes to add the following security held in escrow to secure deposits of this county in said bank, to-wit: BMW Bk No Amer Salt Lake, No.05580ASQ8, Due 10/12/2021, 1.80%, \$200,000.00; Goldman Sachs Bk USA, No.38149MBA0, Due 6/7/2021, 2.45%, \$200,000.00; ENERBANK USA Ut CD, No.29278TQJ2, Due 1/24/2023, 0.30%, \$245,000.00; Federal Farm Credit Bank, No.3133ELS62, Due 7/10/2023, 0.25%, \$300,000.00.

AND, that the release of the following security is also hereby approved: US Treas Note, No.9128285B2, Due 9/30/2020, 2.75%, \$300,000.00; US Treas Note, No.912828VZ0, Due 9/30/2020, 2.00%, \$100,000.00; US Treas Note, No.912828VZ0, Due 9/30/2020, 2.00%, 300,000.00.

AND, that the same is hereby approved.

Dated this 19<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2020.

Board of Commissioners Stanton County, Nebraska  
/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttman, /s/ Duane Rehak

Attest:

/s/ Wanda Heermann, Stanton County Clerk [seal]

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Cheryl Wolverton, county assessor, advised the board that the contract for appraisal services approval has not yet been received. The approval of the contract continued to the November meeting.

Discussion held on drafting a COVID-19 exposure response policy for the courthouse and other county buildings due to the concerns regarding increased positive results within the county. Procedures discussed were: encourage to wear a mask when in close contact to another employee or individual, social distance and separate from other individuals as much as possible, sanitize and/or wash hands often, if exposed self-isolate, if test positive for COVID individuals need to self-quarantine at home as per the CDC guidelines and if you get tested remain at home until results are known. Input was heard from the officials and employees present on restrictions, limitations and guidelines. Stanton County remains committed to actively decreasing exposure risk to county employees and visitors by implementing additional guidelines effective October 20, 2020. A response exposure guideline will be drafted and given to all county employees and departments. Guidelines are subject to change as CDC recommendations are updated.

Jerry Weatherholt appeared before the board to discuss the E½ of 840 Rd between 567 and 568 Ave. This road was vacated June 27, 2012 by Resolution 2012-06-29 and the land reverted back to the owners of the adjacent real estate. Discussion held on the bridge decks, brush/tree growth and mound of dirt located on the vacated road. Jerry asked whether the county would consider hard closing the road, removing the bridge deck planks, help clean the brush growth and remove or level the mound of dirt located on the vacated road. The consensus of the board was to assist the land owners with the items discussed.

Jim Dietz of Columbus appeared to discuss a culvert located on 836½ Rd west of 565 Ave. He stated the vegetation has grown into the ditch and adjoining property. Also questioned whether there might be a drainage issue with the culvert. The board advised Mr. Dietz that they would have the highway superintendent look into whether the culvert would need to be cleaned out.

LaLene Bates, Planning and Zoning Administrator, joined the meeting.

LaLene presented Robert Dahlkoetter's 3<sup>rd</sup> Lotsplit splitting lot 2 into Lot 1 (74.63 acres) and Lot 2 (5 acres) on property located in the E½ SE 18-23-1. No one appeared for the lot split. LaLene explained the reason for the lot split.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the Robert Dahlkoetter's 3<sup>rd</sup> Lotsplit located in the E½ SE 18-23-1, as per Planning Commission recommendations.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Discussion held on the City of Stanton Zoning memo regarding Elkhorn Ridge Estates located in the SW SE 19-23-2 (40 acres).

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to make no recommendations because the subdivision is not connected to a county road.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Jeff Wagner, representative of Mainelli Wagner and Assoc, joined the meeting. The board instructed Jeff to look at the culvert located on 563 ½ Rd west of 565 Ave for possible drainage issue. Discussion held on FEMA road repair projects. An update was given on the county line bridge located between Madison and Stanton County (C-84(385)). Phase 2 has been completed in an estimated cost of \$158,690.00 and an Interlocal Agreement needs to be approved and signed by a resolution. GPS vehicle list discussed. No action taken.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the resolution for an interlocal agreement between Madison County, Nebraska and Stanton County, Nebraska for Stanton Northwest Phase 2, C-84(385) and authorize the chairman to sign such resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020.10 – 030:** Resolution Interlocal Agreement Between Madison County, Nebraska and Stanton County, Nebraska Stanton Northwest Phase 2, C-84(385). [copy of Resolution on file in County Clerk's office]

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve for the month of September the Documentary Stamp Tax, co shr in the amount of \$1,691.33; County Clerk fees in the amount of \$3,695.00; P&M Fund fees in the amount of \$571.00; Game and Parks Agent fees in the amount of \$3.00; Misc Copy fees in the amount of \$10.00; Clerk of the District Court fees in the amount of \$161.67; Passport fees in the amount of \$105.00; County Treasurer's receipt of money received numbered 21261 – 21325, inclusive in the amount of \$873,786.95; and place them on file.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Accounts Payable and Payroll claims as presented and order checks drawn on the various funds as follows:

**GENERAL FUND** – Adstamp, supplies, 19.83; Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 7851.65; Appera, services, 143.84; Applied Connective Tech, services, 364.20; Kim Bearnes, phone, 40.00; Shawn Beaudette, services, 103.00; Joshua Bennett, supplies, 20.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 60.75; BCBS, ins-co shr, 25217.62; Blue to Gold, fees, 149.00; Bomgaars, supplies, 39.98; CLS Vet PC, services, 200.00; Consolidated Mngmt Co, fees, 326.40; DAS State Acct, fees, 43.88; Martha Detlefsen, prior service, 12.00; Drahota Clean LLC, services, 500.00; Dugan Printing, supplies, 890.00; James Duncan, mowing, 300.00; Eakes Office, supplies, 361.16; Election Systems Software, supplies, 8026.26; Elite Door, services, 1095.80; Ewalt Law, public defender, 2455.56; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 964.49; First Concord Benefits, flex benefits, 60.00; Fischer Tree Central, services, 1250.00; Floor Maintenance, supplies, 311.58; Friends of Stanton Library, 5000.00; Galls, supplies, 296.17; Matt Gartner, supplies, 226.00; Government Forms Supplies, supplies, 613.84; Heckman Top Body Co, services, 35.00; Charles Hickman, services, 50.00; Holiday Inn Kearney, lodging, 269.85; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 8784.95; Jack Scherer, services, 135.82; Jacks Uniform Equip, supplies, 89.40; W Bert Lammler Jr, office allow, 930.00; Law Office Kate Jorgensen, fees, 310.30; Luedeke Oil Co, fuel etc, 1066.96; Madison Co Crt, fees, 3.00; Madison Co Shf, boarding, 400.00; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 42.83; Maximus, contract, 700.00; Jan Meyer, services, 70.00; Mid-Amer Benefits, hra fees, 5796.00; Midwest Spec Services, services, 189.00; MIPS, fees, 2780.29; Lavern Newkirk, prior service, 17.00; Norfolk Daily News, services, 74.80; NE Nebr Assoc Co Assrs, fees, 25.00; NE Nebr Juv Service, boarding, 3153.75; NPZA, fees, 20.00; One Office, supplies, 757.01; Pierce Co Shf Dept, boarding, 1300.00; Pilger Library, supplies, 260.45; Pitzer Digital, services, 2425.02; Prime Sanitation, services, 39.75; Region IV, pymt 2<sup>nd</sup> Qu, 1874.50; Rita Roenfeldt, prior service, 20.00; RR Donnelley, supplies, 141.18; Stanton Auto, services, 508.60; Stanton Co Crt, fees, 395.50; Stanton Co Imp Acct, fees, 20.75; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 1769.51; Stanton Telecom, services, 1912.59; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 254.13; Mike Strong, fees, 50.00; Teeco, supplies, 57.45; Lil Store, fuel, 1848.75; Gannon Tighe, fees, 32.00; Mike Unger Co Shr, fees, 29.00; UNL Eastern NE Research Ext Cntr, fees, 90.00; Norman Weber, mowing, 300.00; Cheryl Wolverton, reimb, 180.00; Zee Medical, supplies, 46.35; Sandra Zoubek Co Treas, transfer etc, 25049.13; Sandra Zoubek, supplies, 47.88;

**ROAD FUND** – AKRS Equip Solutions, parts, 91.68; Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 3569.92; Appera, services, 37.61; ATCO Intl, supplies, 617.50; B's Enterprises, culverts, 8778.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 87.17; BOKF NA, bond pymt, 582866.25; BCBS, ins-co shr, 17974.38; Bomgaars, supplies etc, 124.43; CAP Gravel, gravel, 388.31; Century Link, services, 58.99; Clarkson Plbg Htg, supplies etc, 34.44; Janice Coates, prior service, 17.00; Cornhusker Intl Trucks, services, 214.32; Doernemann Construction, services, 120.00; Doernemann Farm Service, services,

548.48; James Duncan, prior service, 16.00; Farmer's Coop, fuel etc, 9508.63; Farmers Union Coop Supply, seeding, 301.87; Floor Maintenance, supplies, 47.30; GI Trailer, parts, 212.87; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec-co shr, 4065.48; Island Supply Welding, supplies, 126.90; Kimball Midwest, supplies, 308.95; Kuehn's Auto Body, parts, 10.00; Luedeke Oil Co, fuel etc, 2443.35; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 3.22; Martin Marietta Materials, gravel, 476.18; Matteo Sand Gravel, gravel, 19778.39; Medical Enterprises, fees, 70.00; Mid-American Benefits, hra fees, 3750.00; Midwest Service Sales, culverts, 1456.45; NMC Exchange, services, 28774.41; Ron Neisius, mowing, 237.50; Pilger Store, fuel etc, 2349.45; Powerplan, services, 1092.77; Prime Sanitation, services, 50.00; Road Builders, services, 1013.17; Road Guy Construction, armor coating, 145422.90; Ron's Ag Auto, services etc, 292.82; Pilger Sand Gravel, 34666.60; Smith Dump Trucking, rental, 2856.00; Stanley Petroleum Main, parts, 73.50; Stanton Auto Parts, parts etc, 486.24; Stanton Co PPD, service etc, 438.45; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 86.30; Stanton Telecom, services, 224.01; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 40.70; Teeco, services, 55.00; Dean Thies, reimb, 29.00; Rough Road Repair, services, 1471.00; Thies Garage, services, 379.20; US Cellular, services, 69.04; Village Pilger, utilities, 238.56; Weldon Parts, parts, 777.44; Zee Medical, supplies, 262.65;

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND – Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 170.35; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 32.38; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 126.87; Mike Frohberg, meals, 25.65; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 193.06; Prime Sanitation, utilities, 2.50; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 20.76; Stanton Water Sewer, utilities, 38.25; Internet Services Tap Publishing, fees, 89.95;

REGISTER OF DEEDS P&M FUND – Government Forms Supplies, supplies, 2968.75;

INHERITANCE TAX FUND – Stanton County PPD, tower, 105.05; Verizon Wireless, service, 160.04;

EMERGENCY 911 FUND – City Norfolk, dispatching, 7622.61; Stanton Telecom, services, 73.23;

Total aggregate salaries of all county employees \$173,198.64.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to adjourn and set the next meeting for November 16, 2020, at 8:15 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – October 13, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on October 13, 2020, at 8:00 AM in the County Commissioner's room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Equalization. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk and Cheryl Wolverton, County Assessor, were also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on September 30, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meetings act is posted on the wall in the commissioner's room and a copy may be obtained from the county clerk's office upon request.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve the minutes of September 14, 2020 and September 21, 2020, meetings.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Tax dollar requests submitted by various governmental entities and calculated levies for the 2020-2021 fiscal year were reviewed.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Resolution adopting the levy rates for the fiscal year:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.10 – 028:**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the following levies for Stanton County, Nebraska, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021 are hereby adopted as follows:

Subdivisions: Stanton County – valuation 1,575,998,866; Total County levy 0.135784. Stanton Co Agricultural Society – valuation 1,575,998,866; General levy 0.004886. City of Stanton – valuation 69,001,267; General levy 0.368863. Village of Pilger – valuation 19,200,035; General levy 0.499999; Bond levy 0.464999; Total Village of Pilger levy 0.964998. SID No.1 – valuation 80,283,526; General levy 0.362790. Stanton Co Rural Fire D#1 – valuation 791,843,920; General levy 0.006398; Bond levy 0.020593; Total Stanton Co Rural Fire D#1 levy 0.026991. Stanton Community School – valuation 609,364,302; General levy 0.887796; Spl Bldg 0.043927; Qu Cap Pur levy 0.038818; Total Stanton Community School levy 0.970541.

Levy Rates are set as cents per \$100 of Actual Valuation.

Dated and passed this 13<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2020.

Board of Equalization, Stanton County, Nebraska

/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttman, /s/ Duane Rehak

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, Stanton County Clerk [seal]

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to adjourn to the next meeting set for October 19, 2020, at 8:00 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Equalization, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDINGS – October 13, 2020**

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on October 13, 2020, at 8:15 AM in the County Commissioner's room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Commissioners. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk was also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on September 30, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:20 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meetings act is posted on the wall in the Commissioner's room and a copy may be obtained from the County Clerk's office upon request.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to approve the minutes of September 14, 2020 and September 21, 2020, meetings.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Cheryl Wolverton, county assessor, joined the meeting to continue the discussion on the pictometry program presented by Eagleview at the September 21, 2020 meeting. She advised the board she was going to proceed with the imagery mapping and the cost will be budgeted through the assessor's fund over the next 3 years. No action needed by the board.

LaLene Bates, Planning and Zoning Administrator, joined the meeting.

LaLene presented the Replat of Lot 2 Steffensmeier Lotsplit splitting lot 2 into Lot 2A (5 acres) and Lot 2B (149.5 acres) on property located in the NW NW 36-21-2. No one appeared for the lot split. LaLene explained the reason for the lot split.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve the replat of Lot 2 Steffensmeier Lotsplit located in the NW NW 36-21-2, as per Planning Commission recommendations.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Brian Frost appeared for the Permit to Construct Utilities on County Right-of-Way along/and on 575 Ave between 836 Rd and 839 Rd in Kingsburg Precinct. Discussion held on the permit requesting permission to place a transfer hose alongside the county road in the ditch, placement of the transfer hose through culverts when possible and temporarily crossing of the county road with a flat 14 ft x 4 ft x 4 inch manure transfer hose. The project is estimated to take 2 to 3 days. Additional conditions discussed were: permission of land owners along the route, liability issues, signage placement, restoration of county road if damaged and removal of the transfer hose from the county road after dusk.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to approve Utility Permit No. 20201013-1 for Frosty's Dragline LLC to allow a manure transfer hose along/and on 575 Ave between 836 Rd and 839 Rd in Kingsburg Precinct subject to the requirements and provisions of the permit and with the following conditions: 1) the transfer hose to be placed alongside the county road in the ditch, through culverts when possible and temporarily cross the county road with a flat 14 ft x 4 ft x 4 inch manure transfer hose, 2) removal of the flat manure hose from the road after dusk, 3) to place road signs cautioning road work ahead, 4) the road needs to be returned to its original condition or the cost for repairs to fix the damages will be billed to the applicant, and 5) contact Duane Rehak, commissioner, or Gary Pickhinke, road department, for caution signs and with any questions or concerns and the permit fee is waived.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Kment and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to adjourn to the next meeting set for October 19, 2020, at 8:15 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – September 21, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on September 21, 2020, at 8:00 AM in the County Commissioner's room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Equalization. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk and Cheryl Wolverton, County Assessor, were also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on September 9, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meetings act is posted on the wall in the commissioner's room and a copy may be obtained from the county clerk's office upon request.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to approve the minutes of August 17, 2020, meeting.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Cheryl Wolverton, county assessor, advised the board that there were no corrections sheets or no listings of clerical errors needing approval.

County levies to be set on Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at 8:00 AM.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to adjourn and set the next meeting for Tuesday, October 13, 2020, at 8:00 AM and set the next regular meeting for October 19, 2020, at 8:00 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Equalization, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDINGS – September 21, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on September 21, 2020, at 8:15 AM in the County Commissioner's room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Commissioners. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk was also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on September 9, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meetings act is posted on the wall in the Commissioner's room and a copy may be obtained from the County Clerk's office upon request.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to approve the minutes of August 17, 2020, meeting.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: TC Energy re: Keystone Pipeline Co – notice mowing along property September through November 2020.

Safety Committee members appeared before the board. Discussion held on safety issues, clothing allowance for the road department to obtain steel toed boots or shoes, courthouse addition with possible drive-up window and repairs to front sidewalk. The board will discuss the matter with Mark Mainelli about the repairs to the front sidewalk. No action taken by the board.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve the following Resolution to add pledged security:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.09-026:**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that First Nebraska Bank, Stanton, Nebraska hereby wishes to add the following security held in escrow to secure deposits of this county in said bank, to-wit: US Treas Note No.912828WZ9, Due 4/30/2022, 1.75%, \$1,000,000.00.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Bank First, Norfolk, Nebraska wishes to add the following security held in escrow to secure deposits of this county in said bank, to-wit: ALG Student Loan Tr II No. 001621AE1, Due 7/1/2047, 2.970%, \$250,000.00.

AND, that the same is hereby approved.

Dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2020.

Board of Commissioners Stanton County, Nebraska  
/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttman, /s/ Duane Rehak

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, Stanton County Clerk [seal]

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to temporarily move the meeting to the courtroom at 9:05 AM for a presentation by Eagleview of Sioux Falls SD on pictometry.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

John Wenande, regional technical manager of Eagleview, presented a slideshow demonstration on image mapping. This image mapping programming can be intergraded with use with Gworks, Mips software, GeoCom and other mapping programs for enhanced images. A proposal was given for a multi-project (2 projects over 6 years). No action taken by the board.

The meeting returned to the commissioner's room at 9:45 AM to continue the board meeting.

LaLene Bates, Planning and Zoning Administrator, and Mark Mainelli, Highway Superintendent, joined the meeting.

Also joining the meeting were Keith Janata and John Moritz of Jamor Pork and Dale Kosmacek. Keith Janata addressed the board on the odor issue plan for his hog operation located in the SE 17-22-3. Keith updated the board on different types of pit additives products they have used to try to reduce the odor and a new additive to be used to see if it will help control the odor. Discussion held on the CUP conditions approved

in relationship to trees being planted on the north and east side of the property and setbacks approved by the Planning Commission. Mr. Janata advised the board that he has 5 different hog operation sites within the county and has had no complaints on the other 4 sites. Dale Kosmacek expressed concern with the CUP conditions not being followed in reference to the odor control by placing trees along the north and east side of the site. Mr. Janata indicated that he thought the requirement for trees to be placed on the east side was removed prior to the Planning Commission approval. Additional discussion held on types of trees that could be used to control dust and odor, other dust containment options and general nature of hog operation sites.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to instruct that trees be placed on the north side of the site and the decision on tree placement on the east side of the site was tabled.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Bill Fenton and Ben Borgmann, attorney, joined the meeting to continue the discussion on the shooting range. Mr. Borgmann advised the board of the urban defender tactical training scheduled Oct 3, 2020. Discussion was held on the course layout as outlined on the Facebook page. He felt this type of training does not follow the CUP regulations approved and asked the board for their opinion on the CUP conditions as approved. The board advised Mr. Borgmann to contact the county attorney before any opinion given. No action taken by the board.

LaLene Bates temporarily left the meeting.

Mike Froberg, Emergency Manager, joined the meeting. Mike asked the Board for their opinion about a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Stanton County and the Stanton Community School to install a business band radio on the county tower at no charge. The board felt this type of agreement would be beneficial for the public safety of school students and the community and advised Mike to proceed with the agreement. Mr. Froberg also inquired about a possible subscription to Gworks for an Emergency Management Tab which would assist in disaster recovery information as well as other emergency situations. Discussed were the startup cost and annual fee associated with this program as well as the necessity compared to the cost. Mike is going to contact other EM's to see exactly how this program works and how the program benefits them to justify the cost. No action taken on the Gworks subscription. Discussion held on the Connecting Point agreement as to whether it is a valid agreement since the company was bought out by Nextlink. It was noted that equipment given in lieu of tower rent is outdated and unusable. Mike advised that numerous attempts to contact Nextlink have gone unanswered and he was going to confer with the county attorney on procedures. No action taken by the board.

Mark Mainelli updated the board on the armor coating and striping of the Golf Course road. Also discussed were CBMP projects, bridge/road projects and FEMA update on flood reimbursement. The board inquired as to engineer requirements for drafting plans for the update to the front sidewalk entrance of the courthouse. Mr. Mainelli instructed to look into the matter.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the following resolution to authorize the chairperson to sign the County Annual Certification of Program Compliance to Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards 2020:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.09 – 027:**

RESOLUTION SIGNING OF THE COUNTY ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF PROGRAM COMPLIANCE FORM 2020  
Resolution No. 2020.09 – 027

**Whereas:** State of Nebraska Statutes, sections 39-2115, 39-2119, 39-2120, 39-2121, and 39-2520(2), requires an annual certification of program compliance to the Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards; and

**Whereas:** State of Nebraska Statute, section 39-2120 also requires that the annual certification of program compliance by each county shall be signed by the County Board Chairperson and shall include a copy of a resolution of the governing body of the county authorizing the signing of the certification form.

**Be it resolved** that the County Board Chairperson of Stanton County is hereby authorized to sign the attached County Annual Certification of Program Compliance form.

Adopted this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2020, at Stanton Nebraska.  
County Board Members  
/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttman, /s/ Duane Rehak

County Board Member Doug Huttman Moved the adoption of said resolution; Member Duane Rehak Seconded the Motion. Roll Call: 3 Yes 0 No    Abstained    Absent Resolution adopted, signed and billed as adopted

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, Signature County Clerk [seal]

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

COUNTY ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF PROGRAM COMPLIANCE TO NEBRASKA BOARD OF PUBLIC ROADS CLASSIFICATIONS AND STANDARDS 2020 [copy of Agreement on file in County Clerk's office]

The permit of Nebraska Game and Park Commission to construct utilities on county right-of-way with a drainage pipe under 562 Ave located in the NE 34-23-1 was reviewed.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve Utility Permit No. 20200921-1 for Nebraska Game and Park commission to install a drainage pipe under 562 Ave in the NE 34-23-1 subject to the requirements and provisions of the permit and with the following conditions: 1) all trenches shall be backfilled the same day; 2) restore road to prior condition; 3) culverts to be bored under not cut through; and 4) contact Darrell Hansen, bridge foreman, with questions or concerns.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

LaLene Bates re-joined the meeting.

The chairman opened the hearing at 11:50 AM on the Conditional Use Permit application of Ernesti Farms to apply dry manure from another county on property located in the SW 5-21-3. No one appeared for the hearing. LaLene explained the application and reviewed the planning commission recommendations with the board.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to close the hearing.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to approve the Conditional Use Permit application of Ernesti Farms to apply dry manure from another county on property located in the SW 5-21-3, as per Planning Commission recommendations.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Kment and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman opened the hearing at 11:53 AM on the Residential Use Permit application of Kim Timperley to construct a residence on property located in the SE 6-22-1. No one appeared for the hearing. LaLene explained the application and reviewed the planning commission recommendations with the board.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to close the hearing.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to approve the Residential Use Permit application of Kim Timperley to construct a residence on property located in the SE 6-22-1, as per Planning Commission recommendations.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman opened the hearing at 11:55 AM on the Residential Use Permit application of Chris Steffensmeier to construct a residence on property located in the NW 36-21-2. No one appeared for the hearing. LaLene explained the application and reviewed the planning commission recommendations with the board.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to close the hearing.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve the Residential Use Permit application of Chris Steffensmeier to construct a residence on property located in the NW 36-21-2, as per Planning Commission recommendations.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 Inventory Statements of Elected and Appointed Officials were reviewed by the board and placed on file.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve for the month of August the Documentary Stamp Tax, co shr in the amount of \$1,361.86; County Clerk fees in the amount of \$3,857.00; P&M Fund fees in the amount of \$582.00; Game and Parks Agent fees in the amount of \$3.00; Misc Copy fees in the amount of \$16.00; Clerk of the District Court fees in the amount of \$236.71; Passport fees in the amount of \$105.00; County Treasurer's receipt of money received numbered 21193 – 21260, inclusive in the amount of \$378,310.40; County Treasurer's List of Parcels of Real Estate which taxes are delinquent 2019 and back; and place them on file.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve the following Accounts Payable claims as presented, except to change the claim of Region IV Behavioral Health in the amount of \$4,676.00 to \$4,561.25 and approve the Payroll claims as presented and order checks drawn on the various funds as follows:

GENERAL FUND – Mark Albin atty, atty fees, 354.65; Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 7458.89; Antelope Co Shf Dept, boarding, 3880.00; Appera, services, 285.49; Kim Bearnes, phone etc, 120.00; Shawn Beaudette, services, 103.00; Big Red Printing Inc, supplies, 1309.02; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 63.58; BCBS, ins-co shr, 24589.42; Brite, eCitation equip, 76496.00; Gary Carson, meals etc, 372.77; Century Lumber Cntr, parts, 130.77; Consolidated Mngmt Co, fees, 139.70; DAS State Acct, costs, 43.88; Deluxe Business Forms, supplies, 72.00; Martha Detlefsen, prior service, 12.00; Dodge Co Crt, copies, 2.75; Eakes Office Solutions, supplies, 72.58; Egley Fullner Montag Morland Easland, atty fees, 1902.45; Electrical Eng Equip, supplies, 89.64; Ewalt Law Office, public defender, 2455.56; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 998.33; First Concord Benefits, fees, 60.00; Floor Maintenance Paper Supply, supplies, 47.30; Francotyp-Postalia, fees, 468.00; Galls, supplies, 385.41; Matt Gartner, supplies, 19.96; Holt Co Shf, fees, 19.50; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec-co shr, 8347.23; Jacks Uniform Equip, supplies, 204.24; Diane Kander, mileage, 142.60; Aaron Kleensang, reimb, 40.64; W Bert Lammler Jr, office allow, 930.00; Luedeke Oil Co, fuel, 703.95; Madison Co Crt, fees, 5.25; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 38.80; Jan Meyer, services, 75.00; Mid-American Benefits, hra fees-co shr, 5804.00; Midwest Spec Services, services, 163.50; Mills Co Clk Crt, copies, 35.50; MIPS Inc, fees, 2780.29; Nebr Assn Co Assr, fees, 50.00; Lavern Newkirk, prior service, 17.00; NE Nebr Juv Service, boarding, 1160.00; NSA/POAN Conf, training, 120.00; Norfolk Daily News, services, 148.68; One Office Solution, supplies, 2315.41; Pierce Co Shf Dept, boarding, 900.00; Pilger Library, supplies, 160.08; Pitzer Digital, services, 907.11; Prime Sanitation, services, 39.75; Priority Comm Solutions, services, 96.67; Profire Safety, services, 95.00; Region 4 Behavioral Health Sys, 2<sup>nd</sup> Qu pymt, 4561.25; Rita Roenfeldt, prior service, 20.00; Silver State Consulting Group, fees, 200.00; Stanton Co Clk, fees, 8.15; Stanton Co Clk Dist Crt, fees, 72.00; Stanton Co Crt, fees, 516.75; Stanton Co Impt Acct, fees, 20.00; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 2233.85; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 39.03; Stanton Telecom, services, 1951.72; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 237.25; Teeco Inc, supplies, 118.35; Lil Store, fuel, 2170.46; Town & Country Tech, services, 417.98; Woodbury Co Clk Crt, fees, 42.00; Sandra Zoubek Co Treas, transfers etc, 440195.11; Sandra Zoubek, supplies, 37.39;

ROAD FUND – 2K Trucking, hauling, 1543.75; Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 3536.44; Appera, services, 33.27; ATCO Intl, supplies, 745.38; B's Enterprises, culverts, 1360.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 52.09; BCBS, ins-co shr, 17974.38; Bomgaars, supplies etc, 510.14; Century Link, services, 62.96; Clarkson Plbg Htg, supplies, 34.44; Janice Coates, prior service, 17.00; Cornhusker Intl Trucks, services, 204.25; Doernemann Farm Service, services, 100.60; James Duncan, prior service, 16.00; Eastern Nebr Trlr Repair, services, 2171.00; Farmer's Coop, fuel etc, 4828.88; GWorks, fees, 321.30; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec-co shr, 4027.55; Island Supply Welding, supplies, 286.00; Johnson Sand Gravel, gravel, 2668.59; Kimball Midwest, supplies, 121.21; LG Evereist, rock, 1335.86; Luedeke Oil, fuel etc, 4253.33; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 3.22; Mainelli Wagner Assoc, eng fees, 28714.28; Martin Marietta Materials, gravel, 1057.72; Matteo Sand Gravel, gravel, 6048.50; Medical Enterprises, fees, 125.00; Meisinger Oil, supplies, 118.55; Mid-American Benefits, hra fees, 3750.00; NMC Exchange, services, 399.22; OL Scheer Co, tools, 101.96; Pilger Store LLC, fuel etc, 3504.16; Powerplan, services, 1092.77; Prime Sanitation, services, 50.00; Ron's Ag Auto Repair, services, 2218.24; Pilger Sand Gravel, gravel, 23051.88; Sport Lighting, services, 129.00; Stanley Petroleum Maintenance, parts, 62.00; Stanton Auto Parts, parts, 62.71; Stanton Co PPD, service, 1119.70; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 57.34; Stanton Telecom, services, 221.51; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 40.70; Teeco Inc, services, 61.75; Smith Dump Trucking, rental, 1776.00; Truck Cntr, services, 15351.64; US Cellular, services, 70.46; Village Pilger, utilities, 124.56; Weldon Parts, parts, 6.12;

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND – Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 181.24; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 128.19; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec-co shr, 205.40; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 25.06;

INHERITANCE TAX FUND – Stanton Co PPD, tower, 108.12; Verizon Wireless, service, 160.04;

EMERGENCY 911 FUND – City Norfolk, dispatching, 7622.61; Stanton Telecom, services, 73.23;

Total aggregate salaries of all county employees \$167,142.30.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to adjourn and set the next meeting for Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at 8:15 AM and set the next regular meeting for October 19, 2020, at 8:15 AM

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

**BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – September 14, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk’s office)

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on September 14, 2020, at 8:00 AM in the County Commissioner’s room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Equalization. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk and Cheryl Wolverton, County Assessor, were also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on September 9, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes and by posting in three (3) public places, those being the Stanton Courthouse in Stanton, SID No.1 Office in Norfolk and Cooper Community Center in Pilger, at least two (2) days prior to the meeting, on September 4, 2020, a copy of the proof of posting such notice is attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meetings act is posted on the wall in the commissioner’s room and a copy may be obtained from the county clerk’s office upon request.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Cheryl Wolverton, county assessor, presented an Exemption Application (form 451) filed in her office. She advised the board the application did not provide adequate information.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to deny the Exemption application due to inadequate information provided.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to adjourn to the next meeting set September 21, 2020, at 8:00 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Equalization, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**BUDGET HEARING – September 14, 2020**

The Budget Hearing for Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on September 14, 2020, at 8:15 AM in the County Commissioner’s room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Advance notice of the hearings was given by publication in the Stanton Register on September 2, 2020 and September 9, 2020, a copy of the proofs of publication being attached to these minutes.

The Budget Hearing was opened at 8:15 AM by Chairman Kment for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to the proposed budget.

The board chairman announced that the open meetings act is posted on the wall in the Commissioner’s room and a copy may be obtained from the County Clerk’s office upon request.

Present were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Commissioners and Wanda Heermann, County Clerk. No members of the public appeared for the hearing.

Presentation given outlining provisions of the proposed budget, including, but not limited to, a comparison with the prior year’s budget. To increase the necessary cash reserve, \$100,000.00 will be transferred from the Inheritance Tax Fund to the General Fund and \$200,000.00 to the Road Fund. To offset operating expenses, \$200,000.00 will be transferred from the Inheritance Tax Fund to the General Fund. The transfer of funds will be accomplished through the claims process. The total tax dollar request is \$4,976,744.50 a decrease of \$23,083.23.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to close the Budget Hearing at 8:30 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Special Hearing to Set Final Tax Request was opened at 8:30 AM by Chairman Kment for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observation of taxpayers relating to setting the final tax request.

Present were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Commissioners and Wanda Heermann, County Clerk. No members of the public appeared for the hearing.

Discussion held on the tax request for 2020-2021 budget year. It was noted that the proposed levy would be less than last year due to a decrease in the property tax request. The certified 2020 valuation of Stanton County is \$1,575,998,866.00, which is an increase of \$41,563,633.00 from last year’s valuation. The proposed tax levy request is 0.315784 a decrease of 0.010058 per \$100 of assessed value.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to close the Special Hearing to Set Final Tax Request at 8:35 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion carried.

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**COMMISSIONER’S PROCEEDINGS – September 14, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk’s office)

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on September 14, 2020, at 8:15 AM following the Budget Hearing in the County Commissioner’s room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Commissioners. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk was also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on September 9, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes and by posting in three (3) public places, those being the Stanton Courthouse in Stanton, SID No.1 Office in Norfolk and Cooper Community Center in Pilger, at least two (2) days prior to the meeting, on September 4, 2020, a copy of the proof of posting such notice is attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:35 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meetings act is posted on the wall in the Commissioner's room and a copy may be obtained from the County Clerk's office upon request.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: NIRMA – Road Sign Re-audit; Nebraska EMA – DR-4420 PW 1741 shr pymt \$69,287.37; Mike Froberg, Emerg Mngr – inventory surplus; NIRMA – Nomination/Election NIRMA Brd members and Annual Membership mtg notice, etc; NIRMA – NIRMA Safety Shorts Vol.8 No.9.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman, to approve an additional 1% increase to the lid computation for the budget year 2020-2021.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Budget Hearing and Special Hearing to Set Final Tax Request were held September 14, 2020 in the open and public session on September 14, 2020, at 8:15 AM in the County Commissioner's room in Stanton, Nebraska. Advance notice of the hearings was given by publication in the Stanton Register on September 2, 2020 and September 9, 2020.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Resolution of Adoption and Appropriations of the 2020-2021 Budget:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.09 – 020:**

**STANTON COUNTY RESOLUTION OF ADOPTION AND APPROPRIATIONS**

WHEREAS, a proposed County Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2020, to June 30, 2021, prepared by the Budget Making Authority, was transmitted to the County Board on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of COMMISSIONERS of Stanton County, Nebraska as follows:

SECTION 1. That the budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2020, to June 30, 2021, as categorically evidenced by the Budget Document be, and the same hereby is, adopted as the Budget for Stanton County for said fiscal year.

SECTION 2. That the offices, departments, activities and institutions herein named are hereby authorized to expend the amounts herein appropriated to them during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021.

SECTION 3. That the income necessary to finance the appropriations made and expenditures authorized shall be provided out of the unencumbered cash balance in each fund, revenues other than taxation to be collected during the fiscal year in each fund, and tax levy requirements for each fund.

DATED AND PASSED this 14<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2020.  
COUNTY BOARD STANTON COUNTY, NEBRASKA  
/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttman, /s/ Duane Rehak

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, Stanton County Clerk [seal]

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Resolution Setting the Property Tax Request at a different amount than last year.

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.09 – 021:**

**RESOLUTION SETTING THE PROPERTY TAX REQUEST**

WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute 77-1601.02 provides that the Governing Body of Stanton County passes by a majority vote a resolution or ordinance setting the tax request; and

WHEREAS, a special public hearing was held as required by law to hear and consider comments concerning the property tax request;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Governing Body of Stanton County, resolves that:

1. The 2020-2021 property tax request be set at \$4,976,744.50, consisting of the following: General Fund \$4,600,367.24; 911 Emergency Fund 73,607.57; Courthouse Improvement Fund 302,769.69; TOTAL \$4,976,744.50.
2. The total assessed value of property differs from last year's total assessed value by 3%.
3. The tax rate which would levy the same amount of property taxes as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of property, would be \$0.317248 per \$100 of assessed value.
4. Stanton County proposes to adopt a property tax request that will cause its tax rate to be \$0.315784 per \$100 of assessed value.
5. Based on the proposed property tax request and changes in other revenue, the total operating budget of Stanton County will exceed last year by 0%.
6. A copy of this resolution be certified and forwarded to the County Clerk on or before October 15, 2020.

Motion by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to adopt Resolution No. 2020.09 – 021. Voting yes were: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Voting no were: \_\_\_\_\_.

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2020.

Board of Commissioners Stanton County, Nebraska  
/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttman, /s/ Duane Rehak

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, Stanton County Clerk [seal], Stanton County Clerk

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Resolution to release pledged security:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.09 – 022:**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that Bank First, Norfolk Nebraska hereby wishes to release the following security held in escrow to secure deposits of this county in said bank, to-wit: Columbus NE Comb Rev, No.199437LB8, Due 6/15/2027, \$70,000.00; SLM Student Loan Tr Ser. 2003-3 Cls B, No.78442GFX9, Due 6/15/2039, \$250,000.00.

AND, that the same is hereby approved.

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2020.

Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttmann, /s/ Duane Rehak

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, Stanton County Clerk [seal], Stanton County Clerk

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Resolution to release pledged security:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.09 – 023:**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that Midwest Bank, Pilger, Nebraska hereby wishes to release the following security held in escrow to secure deposits of this county in said bank, to-wit: York Cnty Neb Hosp Auth, No.986356HQ9, Due 3/1/2026, \$400,000.00.

AND, that the same is hereby approved.

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2020.

Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttmann, /s/ Duane Rehak

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, Stanton County Clerk [seal], Stanton County Clerk

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Resolution to add and release pledged security:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.09 – 024:**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that Stanton State Bank, Stanton, Nebraska hereby wishes to add the following security held in escrow to secure deposits of this county in said bank, to-wit: BMO Harris Bk Natl Assn Chicago, No.05581W7Q2, Due 11/22/2022, 0.55%, \$200,000.00.

AND, that the release of the following security is also hereby approved: Capital One Natl Assn VA, No.14042RHQ7 (no record on file), Due 8/31/2020, 1.95%, \$200,000.00.

AND, that the same is hereby approved.

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2020.

Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttmann, /s/ Duane Rehak

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, Stanton County Clerk [seal], Stanton County Clerk

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Resolution to add pledged security:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.09 – 025:**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that First Nebraska bank, Stanton, Nebraska hereby wishes to add the following Insured Cash Sweep Listing held in said bank, to-wit: Depositor Control Panel, Trans Acct No.7261 Effective: 9/9/2020, Expiration Date 9/\_\_/2020, \$1,100,000.00.

AND, that the same is hereby approved.

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2020.

Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttmann, /s/ Duane Rehak

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, Stanton County Clerk [seal], Stanton County Clerk

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Gary Carson, Weed Superintendent, joined the meeting. Gary presented the board with a booklet of the Noxious Weed Control Act and Noxious Weed Regulations. Also, he gave a copy of a book entitled "Weeds of the Great Plains" to the board members. No action needed.

Discussion held on an hourly increase for the Planning/Zoning administrator and the Veterans' Service Officer. The hourly increase was missed last month when an increase was approved for other departments.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to increase the hourly rate by 50¢ for the Planning/Zoning Administrator and the Veterans' Service Officer effective July 1, 2020.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttmann. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to adjourn to the next meeting set September 21, 2020, at 8:15 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – August 17, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on August 17, 2020, at 8:00 AM in the County Commissioner's room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Equalization. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk and Cheryl Wolverton, County Assessor, were also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on August 5, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meetings act is posted on the wall in the commissioner's room and a copy may be obtained from the county clerk's office upon request.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to approve the minutes of July 20, 2020, meeting.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Cheryl submitted a clerical error listing for August 17, 2020 within Stanton County. She explained the updates and/or changes to the listed properties.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the list of clerical errors and allow the County Assessor to adjust the tax rolls.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Presented to the Board was the 2020 Plan of Assessment for Stanton County Assessment Years 2021, 2022 and 2023. Plan Assessment was reviewed and placed on file.

The 2020 review of ownership and use of Stanton County cemeteries has been completed by the County Assessor as per Nebraska Statute 77-202.10. The listing was presented to the board for review and placed on file.

Cheryl advised the Board of the proposed 2020 county valuation in the amount of \$1,575,998,866.00 which is an increase of \$41,563,633.00 from last year's valuation (\$1,534,435,233.00).

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to adjourn and set the next meeting for September 14, 2020 at 8:00 AM and set the next regular meeting for September 21, 2020, at 8:00 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Equalization, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDINGS – August 17, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on August 17, 2020, at 8:15 AM in the County Commissioner's room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Commissioners. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk was also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on August 5, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:25 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meeting act is posted on the wall in the Commissioner's room and a copy may be obtained from the County Clerk's office upon request.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the minutes of July 20, 2020, meeting.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: Nebraska DNR – Lower Elkhorn Watershed update; Nebraska DNR – North Fork Elkhorn Watershed update; Nebraska DNR – Upper Elkhorn Watershed update; Jon Cannon, NACO Dep Director – attorney general letter re: Purdue Pharama Opioid Bankruptcy; NIRMA – NIRMA Safety Shorts Vol.8 No.8; Elkhorn Logan Valley Public Health Dept – DHM to forbid beer gardens; Stanton County Sheriff – letter to Fair Board on beer garden; Elkhorn Valley Public Health Dept email – approval sales at fair; Dinkel – letter termination tower lease; Northeast power – hazard mitigation plan; Dist 7 Probation – year-end review.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Resolution to release pledged security:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.08 – 017:**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that First Nebraska Bank, Stanton, Nebraska hereby wishes to release the following security held in escrow to secure deposits of this county in said bank, to-wit: [Pledged to: Stanton County Clerk] US Treasury Note, No.912828VP2, Due 7/31/2020, 2.00%, \$250,000.00; [Pledged to: Stanton County Treasurer] US Treasury Note, No.912828VP2, Due 7/31/2020, 2.00%, \$100,000.00.

AND, that the same is hereby approved.

Dated this 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020.

Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttmann, /s/ Duane Rehak

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, Stanton County Clerk [seal]

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Resolution to add pledged security:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.08 – 018:**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that Stanton State Bank, Stanton, Nebraska hereby wishes to add the following Irrevocable Letter of Credit held in said bank, to-wit: Irrevocable Letter of Credit No.64558, Expiration Date 9/16/2020, \$2,500,000.00, Effective: 8/10/2020.

AND, that the same is hereby approved.

Dated this 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020.

Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttmann, /s/ Duane Rehak

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, Stanton County Clerk [seal]

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The county clerk informed the board of the discontinuation of service of county emails through MIPS. The contracted provider for MIPS has sold the company and with the new company issues and problems have increased. It was suggested to move the email accounts to a free email provider, POP account server or create a county domain through an exchange server. Discussion held on options. The board instructed the county clerk to proceed with creating a county domain and establishing email accounts. The county clerk also advised the board of the need to upgrade the county website. The current software used to upload information on the site has not been updated to be compatible with newer web browsers. The consensus of the board was to proceed with updating the website to a newer style.

W. Bert Lampli, County Attorney, and Mike Frohberg, Emergency Manager, joined the meeting.

Discussion continued on the communication system. New communication equipment is necessary to establish better communication between state law enforcement, county law enforcement and emergency management. Competitive bidding shall not be required when purchasing unique or noncompetitive items when the price has been established by a cooperative purchasing agreement. Motorola and Kenwood were both contacted about the communication system. The quote of \$263,544.08 for equipment and the lease agreement were reviewed from Motorola. Three options were presented for payment (two tier first payment deferral): Option 1: 3 year – 2 annual payments of \$141,314.18, interest rate 2.84%; Option 2: 4 year – 3 annual of payments \$95,605.36, interest rate 2.87%; and Option 3: 5 year – 4 annual payments of \$72,757.67, interest rate 2.89%. The board was advised there would be no penalty to pay the lease off early but the first payment could not be made until after the deferral period. Additional cost for the equipment is an \$11 monthly fee for each unit for service and maintenance. The county board determined that a need exists for the purchase of the equipment described in the lease between Stanton County and Motorola Solution Inc.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to proceed with the lease agreement presented for the purchase of communication equipment in the amount of \$263,544.08 with 4 annual payments of \$72,730.38 beginning September 15, 2022 and ending September 15, 2025 with interest rate of 2.89% and authorize the chairman to sign the necessary documents when presented.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

LaLene Bates, Planning and Zoning Administrator, joined the meeting.

The Hintz/Heppner RUP hearing scheduled for 9:30AM was set aside temporarily with no appearances being made.

Dale Kosmacek appeared before the board with a complaint of the odor from the hog confinement located south of his residence in section 17, township 21, range 3. Mr. Kosmacek stated the CUP approved indicated trees were to be planted along the north and east side of the building to help with drift odor. Discussion held on the possibility of a mesh fence or bio filters to help with drift odors. The board directed LaLene to contact the owners about their plan on how they are addressing the odors and report back to the board at the September meeting.

LaLene temporarily left the meeting.

Rachel Liester appeared to continue the discussion on implementing a lodging tax within Stanton County. Ms. Liester presented a 2018 State and County Lodging Tax Collection spreadsheet containing the taxes collected within the counties who have implemented a lodging tax. Discussion held on the figures. The county board asked Ms. Liester to obtain what dollar amount of the 1% tax already collected by the State is collected from Stanton County. They requested this figure to assist in projecting possible tax collections within the county. No action taken by the board.

Ramsy Robertson, representative of Mainelli Wagner and Assoc, joined the meeting. Discussion held on bridge issues, culvert projects and road repairs. Ramsy also informed the board that the Madison/Stanton county line bridge closes on Wednesday to allow for repairs on the embankment damaged by the 2019 flood. Discussion held on a GPS program for the road department. No action needed by the board.

LaLene Bates re-joined the meeting.

The chairman opened the hearing at 10:50 AM on the Residential Use Permit application of Thomas Hintz/Kevin Heppner to construct a residence on property located in the E½ SE7-23-1. No one appeared for the hearing. LaLene explained the application and reviewed the planning commission recommendations with the board.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to close the hearing.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to approve the Residential Use Permit (RUP) of Thomas Hintz/Kevin Heppner to construct a residence on property located in the E½ SE 7-23-1, as per Planning Commission recommendations with a revision to condition item 5 to allow 2 years to complete with annual update to Zoning Administrator.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

LaLene presented the Tobias-Lightning Creek Cattle Company LLC lotsplit located in the SW NW and E½ NW 14-24-3. Discussion held on the history of the ownership of the property. In 2011 Mr. Tobias sold 20 acres to Ms. Wachter for a residence and in order to meet density Mr. Tobias agreed that the second residence in Parcel B would not be occupied. Currently Lot 1 consists of 2.5 acres and Mr. Tobias would like to include 1.16 acres to this lot. The board felt this should be a lot boundary change instead of a lotsplit.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to approve a lot boundary change on Lot 1 to include the additional 1.16 acres with the requirement that only 1 residence can be occupied within the 3.66 acres.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Kment and Huttmann. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

LaLene updated the board on the FEMA damage reporting and other zoning issues within the county. No action needed by the board.

The board reviewed the proposed FY2020-2021 county budget with the county clerk. Discussion held on the budget and the FY2020-2021 proposed property tax request compared to the FY2019-2020 property tax request. Various funds were reviewed. A copy of the FY2020-2021 budget is on file in the County Clerk's office. The notice of budget hearing and budget summary will be published prior to the budget hearing.

Budget Hearing and Budget Summary is scheduled for September 14, 2020 at 8:15 AM and the hearing on the Special Hearing to Set Final Tax Request is scheduled for September 14, 2020 at 8:30 AM.

Discussion held on an hourly increase for the road department and custodian/maintenance.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to increase the hourly rate by 50¢ for the road department employees and the custodian/maintenance employee.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment, Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Preliminary levy allocation requests were reviewed. Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the following resolution of the preliminary requests for levy allocations:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.08 - 019:**

WHEREAS, Nebraska Statute 77-3443(3) requires all political subdivisions subject to county levy authority to submit a preliminary request for levy allocations to the County board; and

WHEREAS, the Stanton County Board is the levy authority for the following political subdivisions; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Stanton County Board that the tax allocations requested for the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year are approved as follows: Stanton County Agricultural Society [General] – Tax Request: \$77,010.00; Stanton County Rural Fire District – Tax Request: \$213,722.37; Hoskins Rural Fire District [General] \$55,000.00 and [Sinking] \$10,500.00 – Tax Request: \$65,600.00.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Roll call vote: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 Absent: - Motion Carried.

Dated this 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020.

Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttmann, /s/ Duane Rehak

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, Stanton County Clerk [seal]

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve for the month of July the Documentary Stamp Tax, co shr in the amount of \$954.90; County Clerk fees in the amount of \$2,790.00; P&M Fund fees in the amount of \$419.00; Game and Parks Agent fees in the amount of \$10.00; Misc Copy fees in the amount of \$10.00; Clerk of the District Court fees in the amount of \$160.30; Passport fees in the amount of \$140.00; County Treasurer's receipt of money received numbered 21125 – 21192, inclusive in the amount of \$290,363.01; County Sheriff's 2<sup>nd</sup> 2020 Quarter report; Veterans' Service Office 2019-2020 4<sup>th</sup> Qu report; and place them on file.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Accounts Payable and Payroll claims as presented and order checks drawn on the various funds as follows: GENERAL FUND – Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 7626.75; Antelope Co Shf Dept, boarding, 1515.00; Appera, services, 141.65; Arkfeld Lock Security, services etc, 2715.39; Kim Bearnes, phone, 40.00; Shawn Beaudette, services, 103.00; Joshua Bennett, reimb, 14.50; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 63.58; BCBS – ins co shr, 27097.60; Big Red Printing, supplies, 1111.49; DAS State Acct, fees, 43.88; Martha Detlefsen, prior service, 12.00; Dregalla Family Dentistry, services, 105.00; Eakes Office Solutions, supplies, 525.61; ES&S, supplies, 315.00; Engelhardt TV Comm, services, 205.49; Ewalt Law Office, public def, 2455.56; Farmers Coop, fuel, 893.43; First Concord Benefits Group, fees, 60.00; Floor Maintenance, supplies, 181.37; Green Stripe LLC, services, 267.50; Hansen Brothers Parts Service, services, 717.63; Wanda Heermann, reimb, 21.39; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 8570.76; W Bert Lammler Jr, office allow, 930.00; Luedeke Oil Co, fuel etc, 1281.50; Madison Co, dist judge costs, 135.37; Madison Co, prob costs, 14280.74; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr 27.66; Jan Meyer, services, 155.00; Mid-American Benefits, hra fees, 6054.00; MIPS, service, 3485.55; Nebr Law Enf Train Cntr, fees, 135.00; Nebr Notary Assoc, fees, 181.17; Lavern Newkirk, prior service, 17.00; One Office Solution, supplies, 909.37; Pierce Co Shf Dept, boarding, 6350.00; Pierce Pharmacy, services, 28.33; Pilger Library, supplies, 236.49; Pitzer Digital, 648.70; Police Officers Assn NE, supplies, 18.00; Postmaster, box rent, 416.00; Prime Sanitation, services, 39.75; Rita Roenfeldt, prior service, 20.00; Jack Scherer LLC, services, 224.49; Russell Schwartz, mowing, 300.00; Stanton Auto Parts, services, 1089.16; Stanton Co Clk, postage, 18.45; Stanton Co Clk Dist Crt, fees, 180.00; Stanton Co Crt, fees, 369.00; Stanton Co Imprest Acct, fees, 19.50; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 2278.11; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 15.99; Stanton Telecom, services, 1889.00; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 238.23; Tax Valuation, fees, 27300.00; Teeco, supplies, 116.20; The Lil Store, fuel, 2100.38; Town Country Tech, services, 529.92; Mike Unger Co Shf, fees, 29.45; Verizon Wireless, service, 160.04; Wayne Co, dist judge costs, 4120.85; Wolf's Den, meals, 28.50; Loree Zach, reimb, 9.18; Zee Medical, supplies, 68.80; Sandra Zoubek Co Treas, transfers etc, 5132.10; ROAD FUND – 2K Trucking, hauling, 4166.73; AKRS Equip Solutions, supplies, 21.68; Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 3518.95; Appera, services, 35.00; ATCO Intl, supplies, 923.00; B's Enterprises, culverts, 8741.88; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 52.81; BCBS, ins-co shr, 17974.38; Bomgaars, supplies, 377.74; Century Link, services, 65.45; Clarkson Plbg Htg, supplies, 118.12; Janice Coates, prior service, 17.00; Cornhusker Intl Trucks, services, 2340.53; Doernemann Farm Service, services, 91.47; James Duncan, prior service, 16.00; Farmers Coop, fuel etc, 7839.14; Farmers Un Coop Supply, seeding, 2178.36; Hobby Construction, hauling, 2553.81; Hundertmark Cleaning Sys, services, 50.00; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr,

4017.73; Johnson Sand Gravel, gravel, 1585.17; Kelly Supply, supplies, 52.23; Kimball Midwest, supplies, 130.71; Luedeke Oil Co, fuel etc, 6247.46; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 2.75; Mainelli Wagner Assoc, eng fees, 22312.60; Martin Marietta Materials, gravel, 13097.58; Matteo Sand Gravel, gravel, 6580.89; Medical Enterprises, fees, 75.00; Menards, supplies, 5.72; Mid-American Benefits, hra fees, 3750.00; Midwest Service Sales, supplies, 5431.10; NMC Exchange, services etc, 28378.02; Norfolk Works, fees, 85.00; Pilger Store, fuel etc, 3187.48; Pitzer Digital, services, 158.77; Powerplan, services, 5498.46; Prime Sanitation Services, services, 50.00; Road Builders Machinery Supply, services, 532.58; Ron's Ag Auto Repair, services etc, 980.46; Rusty Nuts Repair, services, 537.25; Pilger Sand Gravel, gravel, 34260.12; Seals and Service, services, 1201.96; Smith Dump Trucking, rental, 936.00; Stalp Gravel, gravel, 11391.25; Stanton Auto Parts, parts etc, 746.89; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 510.28; Stanton Hardware, supplies etc, 277.63; Stanton Telecom, services, 221.21; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 40.70; Teeco, services, 83.50; Thompson Excavating, services, 560.00; Truck Center, services, 912.06; US Cellular, services, 71.09; Village Pilger, utilities, 164.80; Zee Medical, supplies, 51.00; EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND – Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 158.46; Farmers Coop, fuel, 168.48; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 179.59; Menards, supplies, 43.88; INHERITANCE TAX FUND – Stanton Co PPD, tower, 109.35; EMERGENCY 911 FUND – City Norfolk, dispatching, 7672.61; Stanton Telecom, services, 73.23; Total aggregate salaries of all county employees \$169,265.58.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to adjourn and set the next meeting for September 14, 2020 at 8:15 AM (following Budget Hearing) and set the next regular meeting for September 21, 2020, at 8:15 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – July 20, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on July 20, 2020, at 8:00 AM in the County Commissioner's room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttmann, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Equalization. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk and Cheryl Wolverton, County Assessor, were also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on July 8, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meetings act is posted on the wall in the commissioner's room and a copy may be obtained from the county clerk's office upon request.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve the agenda. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the minutes of July 8, 2020 and July 10, 2020, meetings. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: Ruth Sorensen, Nebr Dept Rev – email

Cheryl Wolverton, county assessor, presented a list of overvalued property within Stanton County. She explained the updates and/or changes to the listed properties.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the list of overvalued property and allow the County Assessor to adjust the tax rolls. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to recess the Board of Equalization's meeting to open the Board of Commissioner's meeting. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman re-opened the Board of Equalization meeting at 9:25 AM.

Chairman Kment opened the protest hearing at 9:25 AM and swore in the County Assessor, Cheryl Wolverton.

Decision were made on the following protests:

2020 – 001: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to change the valuation to \$60,000.00. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 002: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to change the buildings valuation to \$550,620.00. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 003: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttmann. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 004: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Kment and Huttmann. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 005: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 006: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to change the buildings valuation to \$168,070.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 007: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 008: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to change the buildings valuation to \$124,465.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 009: Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 010: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 011: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 012: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to change the buildings valuation to \$432,225.00. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 013: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to change the valuation to \$31,415.00. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 014: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to change the buildings valuation to \$70,340.00. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 015: Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to change the valuation to \$154,820.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 016: Motion made by Huttman seconded by Kment to change the valuation to \$129,860.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Kment and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 017: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to change the valuation to \$802,355.00. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Kment and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 018: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to change the valuation to \$795,555.00. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 019: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to change the buildings valuation to \$410,795.00. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 020: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to change the buildings valuation to \$488,965.00. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 021: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 022: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to change the valuation to \$177,310.00. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 023: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 024: Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Kment to change the buildings valuation to \$442,655.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Kment and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 025: Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to change the valuation to \$220,540.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 026: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 027: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to change the valuation to \$354,710.00. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 028: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to change the valuation to \$15,115.00. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 029: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to change the valuation to \$82,805.00. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 030: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 031: Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to change the valuation to \$479,295.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 032: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to change the valuation to \$763,945.00. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 033: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to change the valuation to \$424,595.00. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 034: Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to change the valuation to \$178,400.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 035: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to change the valuation to \$712,640.00. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 036: Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 037: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to change the buildings valuation to \$128,150.00. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 038: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to change the buildings valuation to \$175,535.00. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Kment and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 039: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to change the valuation to \$91,200.00. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 040: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to change the valuation to \$66,050.00. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Kment and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 041: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 042: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Kment and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 043: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 044: Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Kment that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Kment and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 045: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to change the valuation to \$163,550.00. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 046: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 047: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to change the valuation to \$70,980.00. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 048: Filing incomplete (no signature). No action taken.

2020 – 049: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to change the valuation to \$41,065.00. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 050: Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to change the valuation to \$183,260.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 051: Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Kment to change the valuation to \$519,360.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Kment and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 052: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to recess the Board of Equalization's meeting to re-open the Board of Commissioner's meeting. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman re-opened the Board of Equalization meeting and continued with the protest hearing decisions at 12:05 PM.

Cheryl Wolverton, county assessor, rejoined the meeting and was reminded she was still under oath.

Decision were made on the following protests:

2020 – 053: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to change the valuation to \$533,785.00. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 054: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 055: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to change the valuation to \$698,460.00. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 056: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to change the valuation to \$247,600.00. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 057: Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 058: Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to change the valuation to \$310,725.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 059: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to change the buildings valuation to \$64,085.00. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Kment and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 060: Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 061: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to change the valuation to \$1,301,790.00. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Kment and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 062: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 063: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to change the valuation to \$340,755.00. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2020 – 064: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Each protester will be notified prior to August 2<sup>nd</sup> of the decision of the County Board of Equalization.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to close the protest hearing. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to adjourn and set the next meeting for August 17, 2020, at 8:00 AM. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Equalization, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDINGS – July 20, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on July 20, 2020, at 8:15 AM in the County Commissioner's room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Commissioners. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk was also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on July 8, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:20 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meeting act is posted on the wall in the Commissioner's room and a copy may be obtained from the County Clerk's office upon request.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to approve the minutes of July 8, 2020 and July 10, 2020, meetings. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: Katherine Kaiser – NACo Scholarship Funds; Mike Frohberg, Emerg Mngr – estimates for insulation and electrical wiring; Oliver Blaha, Nebr PERS – Stanton County Audit 2020.

Sandy Zoubek, county treasurer, joined the meeting. Discussion held on the semi-annual report for Jan – June, 2020.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve the following Resolution for the County Treasurer's Semi-Annual report:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.07 - 014:**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board proceeded with and completed settlement with the County Treasurer for the six (6) months ending June 30, 2020 and found that all receipts and disbursements were properly accounted for as per statement on file at the County Clerk's office.

Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020.

Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttman, /s/ Duane Rehak

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk (seal)

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Resolution to add and release pledged security:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.07 – 015:**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that Stanton State Bank, Stanton, Nebraska hereby wishes to add the following security held in escrow to secure deposits of this county in said bank, to-wit: Wells Fargo Natl Bk CD, No.949495AR6; Due 1/31/2022, 1.80%; \$200,000.00.

AND, that the release of the following security is also hereby approved: Federal Home Loan Banks, No.3130ADYY2; Due 7/15/2020, 2.40%; \$200,000.00.

AND, that the same is hereby approved.

Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020.

Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttman, /s/ Duane Rehak

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk (seal)

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The board reviewed the previous January 2, 2020 proceedings in reference to the question of electing a county surveyor or submitting the matter on the 2020 General Election ballot. The board did not adopt a resolution prior to February 1, 2020 to continue to elect the county surveyor so the matter will be placed on the general election ballot.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve the following resolution to place the question to eliminate the office of an elected county surveyor on the 2020 general election ballot.

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.07 – 016:**

WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute § 32-525 requires the question of electing a county surveyor to appear on the ballot at the statewide general election in 2020 in all counties with a population of less than one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants unless the county board in such counties with an elected county surveyor passed a resolution prior to February 1, 2020 to retain the office as an elected position; and

WHEREAS, the population of Stanton County is less than one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants according to the most recent official United State Census; and

WHEREAS, the office of elected county surveyor of Stanton County appeared on the ballot at the November 2018 statewide general election; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, did not pass a resolution to retain the office as an elected county position but determined that the issue should be placed before the registered voters of Stanton County at the next statewide general election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the question of whether the office of County Surveyor in Stanton County should remain as an elected part-time position shall be submitted to the registered voters of Stanton County, Nebraska at the statewide general election: "Shall the office of county surveyor in Stanton County remain as an elected part-time position or shall the elected office cease to exist at the end of the term of the incumbent and the office become an appointed position. For election of county surveyor; Against election of county surveyor." If a majority of votes cast are in favor of the election of the office of county surveyor, the office continues to be elected. If a majority of votes cast are against the election of the office of county surveyor, the elected office ceases to exist at the end of the term of the incumbent and the office becomes an appointed position.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Stanton County Clerk immediately so that the question may be submitted to the voters at the general election to be held on November 3, 2020.

Board Member Duane Rehak moved the adoption of said resolution. Member Doug Huttman seconded the Motion. Roll Call: Yes: Rehak, Huttman, Kment; No: \_\_\_\_; Abstain: \_\_\_\_; Absent: \_\_\_\_\_. Resolution adopted, signed and billed as adopted.

Passed and Adopted this 20<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020.

Stanton County Board of Commissioners  
/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttman, /s/ Duane Rehak

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk (seal)

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

LaLene Bates, Planning and Zoning Administrator, joined the meeting.

Bill Fenton and Ben Borgmann, attorney, joined the meeting to discuss the shooting range. Mr. Fenton questioned the use of the minimum maintenance road, local traffic only signage, noise and safety in reference to the shooting range.

W. Bert Lampli, county attorney, joined the meeting.

Discussion continued on the shooting range. Mr. Fenton requested the option to place signage on the minimum maintenance road about controlled shooting ahead. He also advised the board that the shooting has caused his cattle to run through a fence in a pasture located ½ to 1 mile west of the minimum maintenance road. He questioned the CUP regulations of the caliber limitation, automatic guns and other regulations. Mr. Fenton asked the board to consider a violation of the CUP in reference to the violation of noise, nuisance and safety issues. No action taken.

Mr. Fenton also made a complaint on the road maintenance in his area. He feels the graders drive too fast and cut through intersections. He questioned the training each grader employee receives. Discussion held. No action taken.

Mike Unger, county sheriff, Tyler Evan and Tony McPhillips joined the meeting. Discussion held on department personnel, budget, radio equipment, e-citation equipment and other safety issues.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to recess the Board of Commissioner's meeting to re-open the Board of Equalization meeting. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman re-opened the Board of Commissioner's meeting at 10:30 AM.

Mark Mainelli, Highway Superintendent, joined the meeting.

Bid Letting was held at 10:30 AM on the Construction Bid Proposal – Stanton Southwest Bridge Repair, ER-BR-3165. Appearing for the bid letting were: Jessica Chicoine, representative of Kea Constructors of Milford NE, and Kent Shirley, representative of Simon Contractors of North Platte NE. Bids were opened and publicly read as follows: Simon Contractors \$1,193,700.00, Start date 3/15/2021, End date 7/13/2021; Kea Construction \$1,011,722.50, Start date 5/3/2021, End date 120 days.

Bids were reviewed.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to award the bid to Kea Constructors of Milford NE for the Stanton Southwest Bridge Repair ER-BR-3165 in the amount of \$1,011,722.50, contingent on the DOT funding approval, and authorizes the chairman to sign the necessary documents when received. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Discussion held on possible relocation of 826 Rd located on the south of 10-21-2. Relocation of the road would eliminate the need to replace the bridge east of 567 Ave. The cost of relocating the road would be less the replacing the bridge. The board also discussed the bridge near 567 Ave and 826 Rd. Mark Mainelli advised the board he is still waiting for pricing information on a GPS system for the road department equipment.

The permit of NE Nebraska PPD to construct utilities on county right-of-way with a single-phase powerline along NE Industrial Hwy in section 7-24-1 was reviewed.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve Utility Permit No. 20200720-1 for NE Nebraska PPD to install a single-phase powerline along NE Industrial Hwy in section 7-24-1 subject to the requirements and provisions of the permit and with the following conditions: 1) the powerline should be placed on the edge of the road (halfway between the edge of the road and the middle of the road), 2) the road needs to be returned to its original condition or the cost for repairs to fix the damages will be billed to the applicant, 3) all culverts are to be bored under, not cut through, and 4) contact Darrell Hansen, bridge foreman, prior to beginning to be certain all culverts have been flagged and with any questions, or concerns. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The permit of Michael Clinch to construct utilities on county right-of-way with a water line under 558 Ave in SW 31-23-1 was reviewed.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve Utility Permit No. 20200720-2 for Michael Clinch to install a water line under 558 Ave in SW 31-23-1 subject to the requirements and provision of the permit and with the following conditions: 1) encasement of the water line under the county road to prevent damage to the road if the water line was to fail and 2) contact Darrell Hansen, bridge foreman, with questions or concerns. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The permit of Michael Wilke to construct utilities on county right-of-way with a water line under 832 Rd in NE & NW 16-22-2 was reviewed.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to approve Utility Permit No. 20200720-3 for Michael Wilke to install a water line under 832 Rd in NE & NW 16-22-2 subject to the requirements and provision of the permit and with the following conditions: 1) all trenches shall be

backfilled the same day and 2) contact Darrell Hansen, Bridge Foreman, with questions or concerns. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve for the month of June the Documentary Stamp Tax, co shr in the amount of \$1,270.87; County Clerk fees in the amount of \$3,626.95; P&M Fund fees in the amount of \$528.50; Game and Parks Agent fees in the amount of \$5.00; Misc Copy fees in the amount of \$0.00; Clerk of the District Court fees in the amount of \$124.45; Passport fees in the amount of \$70.00; County Treasurer's receipt of money received numbered 21070 – 21124, inclusive in the amount of \$774,011.58; Veterans' Service Office 2019-2020 2<sup>nd</sup> Qu; Veterans' Service Office 2019-2020 3<sup>rd</sup> Qu reports; and place them on file. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve the following Accounts Payable claims as presented, except to add the claim to the Stanton County Treasurer in the amount of \$5,000.00 and approve the Payroll claims as presented and order checks drawn on the various funds as follows:

GENERAL FUND – Mark Albin atty, atty fees, 370.50; ALPHA Workforce Health, services, 375.30; Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 7520.97; Antelope Co Shf Dept, boarding, 1585.00; Appeara, services, 283.30; Kim Bearnese, phone etc, 183.36; Shawn Beaudette, services, 103.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 63.15; BCBS- ins-co shr, 27097.60; Gary Carson, supplies, 48.61; DAS State Acct, costs, 43.88; Martha Detlefsen, prior service, 12.00; Eakes Office Solutions, supplies, 51.58; Ewalt Law Office, public defender, 2455.56; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 897.90; First Concord Benefits Group, flex benefits, 60.00; Floor Maintenance, supplies, 67.86; Green Stripe LLC, services, 985.50; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so se tax-co shr, 8433.83; W Bert Lammler Jr, office allow, 912.00; Luedeke Oil Co Inc, fuel, 71.37; Madison Natl Life Ins Co, ins-co shr, 22.84; Mid-American Benefits Inc, hra fees, 6104.00; MIPS Inc, fees, 2780.29; Moyer & Moyer, atty fees, 397.70; Nebr Assoc Co Off, fees, 125.00; Lavern Newkirk, prior service, 17.00; One Office Solution, supplies, 1879.59; Pierce Co Shf Dept, boarding, 5450.00; Pierce Dental Office, services, 161.00; Pitzer Digital, services, 497.69; Prime Sanitation, services, 39.75; Region IV Inc, dues, 1874.50; Region 4 Behavioral Health Sys, dues, 4790.75; Renner Auto Body, services, 396.82; Rita Roenfeldt, prior service, 20.00; Sioux Sales, uniforms etc, 419.70; Stanton Co Clk, postage, 11.20; Stanton Co Crt, fees, 422.00; Stanton Co Imp Acct, ach fees, 19.25; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 2155.92; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 21.99; Stanton Telecom, services, 1825.53; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 279.64; Vaughn Stiles, mowing, 200.00; Teeco Inc, supplies, 52.20; The Lil Store, fuel, 255.30; Thomson Reuters-West, subscrip, 1071.00; VFW Club Post #3602, markers, 180.00; Wolf's Den, meals, 11.00; Sandra Zoubek Co Treas, trans funds, 5000.00; Sandra Zoubek, reimb, 148.24;

ROAD FUND – 2K Trucking Inc, services, 4157.92; Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 3472.51; Appeara, services, 36.15; Asphalt and Concrete Materials, gravel, 22964.04; ATCO Intl, supplies, 1844.00; Bauer Built, services, 6381.10; Rusty Nuts Repair, services, 1289.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 51.25; BCBS, ins-co shr, 17974.38; Century Link, services, 63.97; Janice Coates, prior service, 17.00; Doernemann Farm Service, rock, 46.59; James Duncan, prior service, 16.00; Farmer's Coop, fuel etc, 3820.11; Hobby Const, hauling, 3061.87; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 3965.19; John Deere Finc, supplies, 97.58; Johnson Sand Gravel, gravel, 294.52; Luedeke Oil Co, fuel etc, 6717.43; Madison Natl Life Ins Co, ins-co shr, 3.69; Martin Marietta, gravel, 2454.85; Matteo Sand Gravel, gravel, 9121.50; Medical Enterprises, fees, 70.00; Meisinger Oil, supplies, 113.55; Mid-American Benefits, hra fees-co shr, 3750.00; NMC Exchange LLC, services etc, 4368.87; Pilger Store, fuel etc, 3246.16; Prime Sanitation, services, 50.00; Profire & Safety, supplies, 206.75; Road Builders Mach Supply, services, 3302.52; Ron's Ag Auto Repair, services, 1063.81; Pilger Sand Gravel, gravel, 46218.23; Seals Service Inc, services, 2388.00; Smith Dump Trucking, services, 1152.00; Stalp Gravel, rock, 8391.89; Stanton Auto Parts, parts, 281.80; Stanton Co PPD, services, 420.67; Stanton Hardware, supplies etc, 64.43; Stanton Telecom, services, 227.11; Stanton Water Sewer, 40.70; Teeco Inc, services, 31.75; Truck Center, services, 1097.86; US Cellular, services, 70.30; Village Pilger, utilities, 164.80; Zee Medical Service, supplies, 298.90;

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND – Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 160.48; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 129.20; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 181.88; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 45.39; Luedeke Oil Co, services, 780.00; Menards, supplies, 914.98;

INHERITANCE TAX FUND – Stanton Co PPD, tower, 107.40; Verizon Wireless, service, 160.04;

EMERGENCY 911 FUND – City Norfolk, dispatching, 7597.61; Stanton Telecom, services, 73.23;

Total aggregate salaries of all county employees \$166,845.66.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to adjourn and set the next meeting for August 17, 2020, at 8:15 AM. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – July 10, 2020**

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on July 10, 2020, at 8:00 AM in the District Courtroom at the Stanton County Courthouse in Stanton, Nebraska

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Equalization. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk and Cheryl Wolverton, County Assessor, were also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on June 24, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting re-convened and was called to order at 8:00 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meetings act is posted on the wall in the District Courtroom and a copy may be obtained from the county clerk's office upon request.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to recess the Board of Equalization's meeting to open the Board of Commissioner's meeting.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman re-opened the Board of Equalization meeting at 8:30 AM.

The chairman re-convened the protest hearings and reminded the county assessor she was still was sworn in.

Protest hearings were heard as follows:

2020 – 041: Robin's Lotsplit located Pt SW SE & Lots 1 & 2 Nixon Family Partnership LS in SE 22-24-1. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 042: Lot 1 Mark Walker's Lotsplit of Pt NW SW 4-24-1. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 043: Lots 6,7,8,9,10 Block 21 (Lot 6=60' Outlot B), Village of Pilger. Dennis Wolverton appeared for the protest and was sworn in to give testimony. Mr. Wolverton discussed the flood plain regulations to build, rebuild or improve property within Pilger which increases the cost of construction. He felt the valuation for empty lots seemed above market value. Discussion held on the market values that affect valuation assessment. The board thanked Mr. Wolverton for his comments and advised him a decision would be made on the protest July 20, 2020.

2020 – 044: S 60' of N 180' Outlot B, Village of Pilger. (see 2020 – 043)

2020 – 045: Lot 6 Block 2 Pine Ridge Subd located SW 8-23-2. Tony Kander appeared for the protest and was sworn in to give testimony. Mr. Kander expressed concerns with the process of establishing valuations. He gave a history of the changes and additions to the property. Discussion held. The board thanked Mr. Kander for his comments and advised him a decision would be made on the protest July 20, 2020.

2020 – 046: Lot 11 Royal Oaks 3<sup>rd</sup> Addn, Woodland Park. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 047: Improvement only located on Lot 2, SE 18-21-3. Kurt Gall appeared for the protest and was sworn in to give testimony. Mr. Gall expressed concerns with valuations set on hoop structures because the cost of materials does not compare to value set. He stated other structures do not compare to the value set on his property. Discussion held. The board thanked Mr. Gall for his comments and advised him a decision would be made on the protest July 20, 2020.

2020 – 048: Improvement only located on SW 18-21-3. (see 2020 – 047)

2020 – 049: Pt Block 16, all N of track, Holman's Addn, City of Stanton. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 050: Lot 29 Woodland Park 10<sup>th</sup> Development. Cindy Mills appeared for the protest and was sworn in to give testimony. Ms. Mills expressed concerns with the value of square footage compared to other property on her same street. Discussion held. The board thanked Ms. Mills for her comments and advised her a decision would be made on the protest July 20, 2020.

2020 – 051: Pt SW SE 30-24-1. Chad Waldow appeared for the protest and was sworn in to give testimony. Mr. Waldow questioned the increase of his valuation and informed the board there have been no additions or improvements to his property. Discussion held. The board thanked Mr. Waldow for his comments and advised him a decision would be made on the protest July 20, 2020.

2020 – 052: Pt SW 18-23-2. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 053: Lot 1 Wiese's Lotsplit in Pt NW NW 6-21-3. Mark Wiese and Jadine Wiese appeared for the protest and were sworn in to give testimony. Mr. Wiese questioned the increase of the house value with no improvements having been made. They also expressed concern to the increase to improvements on the grain bins. They felt age and condition should be considered when valuing grain bin. Discussion held. The board thanked Mark and Jadine for their comments and advised them a decision would be made on the protest July 20, 2020.

2020 – 054: Improvements only located on S½ S½ SW 31-22-3. (see 2020 – 053)

2020 – 055: S½ S½ SW 31-22-3. (see 2020 – 053)

2020 – 056: Pt NE NW 15-23-1. Ron Gadeken appeared for the protest and was sworn in to give testimony. Mr. Gadeken expressed concerns with the increase to the house and buildings. He stated the earth home was built in 1985 and should not be valued the same as a traditional house because you are unable to get a traditional loan on an earth home. His home does not compare to a traditional home with a second story and basement. Discussion held. The board thanked Mr. Gadeken for his comments and advised him a decision would be made on the protest July 20, 2020.

2020 – 057: NW 7-22-1. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 058: Lot 2 Change of Boundary Lori Miller's Subd in NE NW 9-24-1. Bill Christian on behalf of Paul Christian appeared for the protest and was sworn in to give testimony. Mr. Christian stated the structure was not 90% completed and felt the valuation was too high compared to the cost of construction. Discussion held. The board thanked Mr. Christian for his comments and advised him a decision would be made on the protest July 20, 2020.

2020 – 059: Pt NW 19-23-2. Melvern Horst appeared for the protest and was sworn in to give testimony. Mr. Horst questioned the increase of valuation. Discussion held. The board thanked Mr. Horst for his comments and advised him a decision would be made on the protest July 20, 2020.

2020 – 060: Lot 69, Woodland Park 6<sup>th</sup> Development. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 061: Lot 1 Douglas Oertwich's Lotsplit of the SW NW 16-23-3. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 062: Lot 1 less 3', Woodland Park 10<sup>th</sup> Development. Kurt Shaw appeared for the protest and was sworn in to give testimony. Mr. Shaw asked how the valuation of a property is determined. Discussion held on comparable sales and blanket adjustments. Mr. Shaw stated that the only improvements to his property is routine maintenance. The board thanked Mr. Shaw for his comments and advised him a Decision would be made on the protest July 20, 2020.

2020 – 063: NW NW 18-22-3. Tom Dorwart, atty on behalf of Kennard Pohlman appeared for the protest and was sworn in to give testimony. Mr. Dorwart informed the board on the usage of the buildings on the property. Discussion held. The board thanked Mr. Dorwart for his comments and advised him a decision would be made on the protest July 20, 2020.

2020 – 064: Lot 1 Willers Lotsplit in SE 10-24-1. Tom Dorwart, atty on behalf of Kennard Pohlman appeared for the protest and was sworn in to give testimony. Mr. Dorwart felt the valuation of the grain bin was overvalued. Discussion held. The board thanked Mr. Dorwart for his comments and advised him a decision would be made on the protest July 20, 2020.

2020 – 028: S Pt Block 75, Original Town, City of Stanton. Dale Hajek appeared for the protest and was sworn in to give testimony. Mr. Hajek informed the board of the condition of the structure. He thought the land value should remain the same. Discussion held. The board thanked Mr. Hajek for his comments and advised him a decision would be made on the protests July 20, 2020.

2020 – 029: Pt Block 75, Original Town, City of Stanton. Dale Hajek appeared for the protest and advised the board that no improvements have been made on the house. The roof needs repair, siding needs to be replaced, water is getting into the basement and there is hail damage. Discussion held on land values. The board thanked Mr. Hajek for his comments and advised him a decision would be made on the protests July 20, 2020.

Decisions on the Property Valuation Protests will be determined by the Board of Equalization on July 20, 2020 and a copy will be mailed to each protester.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to close the protest hearings.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to adjourn and set the next regular meeting for July 20, 2020 at 8:00 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Equalization, Stanton County, Nebraska

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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#### **COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDINGS – July 10, 2020**

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on July 10, 2020, at 8:15 AM in the District Courtroom at the Stanton County Courthouse in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Commissioners. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk was also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on June 24, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting re-convened and was called to order at 8:15 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meeting act is posted on the wall in the District Courtroom and a copy may be obtained from the County Clerk's office upon request.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: Stanton Telecom – thank you for patronage; Stanton Library Board – thank you and request funding 2020-2021 fiscal year.

The board reviewed the estimated cost to install the new doors on the emergency management shed (prior weed shed) received from Mike Froberg. The estimated cost is for installation of doors, control hoist and disposal of removed doors. Discussion held on the doors. The chairman will contact Mike to clarify questions from the board. No action taken by the board.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to recess the Board of Commissioner's meeting to re-open the Board of Equalization meeting.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman re-opened the Board of Commissioner's meeting at 11:10 AM.

General discussion held on county and road issues. No action taken.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to adjourn and set the next regular meeting for July 20, 2020 at 8:15 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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#### **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – July 8, 2020**

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on July 8, 2020, at 8:00 AM in the District Courtroom at the Stanton County Courthouse in Stanton, Nebraska

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Equalization. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk and Cheryl Wolverton, County Assessor, were also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on June 24, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meetings act is posted on the wall in the District Courtroom and a copy may be obtained from the county clerk's office upon request.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to approve the minutes of June 15, 2020 and June 26, 2020, meetings.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Cheryl Wolverton, county assessor, presented a list of Overvalued Property within Stanton County. She explained the updates and/or changes to the listed properties.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve the list of overvalued property and allow the County Assessor to adjust the tax rolls.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman opened the protest hearing at 8:08 AM. The county assessor was sworn in by the chairman and she advised the board that the following documents are available in the Assessor's office for use during the hearing process: 2020 Assessment Practices and Procedures of the Stanton County Assessor's office, Nebraska Agricultural Land Valuation Manual, Nebraska Assessor's Reference Manual and 2020 Reports and Opinions of the Property Tax Administrator for Stanton County. She asked that the mentioned evidence be made a part of each Board of Equalization hearing and a part of the record.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to recess the Board of Equalization's meeting to open the Board of Commissioner's meeting.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman re-opened the Board of Equalization meeting at 8:20 AM.

Protest hearings were heard as follows:

2020 – 001: Lot 6, Woodland Park 5<sup>th</sup> Development. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 002: Lot 1 Don W. Wisnieski Lotsplit, NW NW 33-24-1. Don and Jolene Wisnieski appeared for the protest. Don was sworn in to give testimony. Mr. Wisnieski advised the board that there was no longer a commercial business on his property and requested if the property could be valued as residential. Discussion held. The board thanked Mr. Wisnieski for his comments and advised him a decision would be made on the protest July 20, 2020.

2020 – 003: NW NW 36-21-1. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 004: Lots 8 & 9, Block 26, Village of Pilger. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 005: Lot 10, Block 26, Village of Pilger. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 006: Lot 1, ½ vac 5<sup>th</sup> St & ½ vac E½ Pine St, Block 4, Nelson's Addn, City of Stanton. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 007: W 80' Outlot B, Village of Pilger. Rebecca Topp appeared for the protest and was sworn in to give testimony. Ms. Topp stated recent sales of lots within the Village of Pilger were lower than what the market value suggests. Discussion held on flood plain regulations and other issues with constructing or improving properties. The board thanked Ms. Topp for her comments and advised her a decision would be made on the protest July 20, 2020.

2020 – 008: E½ NE 19-24-2. Howard Schuetz appeared for the protest and was sworn in to give testimony. Mr. Schuetz questioned the house value increase on a house which was built 60 years ago. He stated there have been no changes or additions to the house for a number of years. Discussion held. The board thanked Mr. Schuetz for his comments and advised him a decision would be made on the protest July 20, 2020.

2020 – 009: Lots 1 & 2, Block 5, Village of Pilger. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 010: Pt NE SW 31-24-1. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 011: Tr 1 located S½ SE 28-23-2. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 012: Lot 1 Randy Oertwich Lotsplit, SE SE 27-24-3. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 013: Improvements only W½ NE 10-21-3. Mark Burenheide appeared for the protest and was sworn in to give testimony. Mark informed the board that the hoop structure was built in 2018 and the cost of the materials was less than the assessed valuation. Discussion held on the usage of the structure. The board thanked Mr. Burenheide for his comments and advised him a decision would be made on the protest July 20, 2020.

2020 – 014: E½ NW 17-23-1. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 015: N½ NW NW 22-23-2. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 016: Lot 52, Woodland Park 3<sup>rd</sup> Development. Erin Bennett appeared for the protest and was sworn in to give testimony. Ms. Bennett informed the board they purchased the property in April 2020 and sustained water damage in May due to improper construction of the driveway. Discussion held on the necessity to remove the drywall and carpet in the basement to treat a mold issue. The board thanked Ms. Bennett for her comments and advised her a decision would be made on the protest July 20, 2020.

2020 – 017: Pt NW 4-22-1 and Lot 2 Tighe Lotsplit in Pt NE NW 4-22-1. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 018: SW 4-22-1. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 019: W½ NW 26-22-1. Todd and Ann Zohner appeared for the protest and were sworn in to give testimony. Todd questioned the increase of valuation. He stated that only 1 comparable property sold within the area and was not overpriced. Ann questioned the rural property valuation increase. Todd informed there was 2,000 sq ft of hardwood in the house, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor there was 800 sq ft of non-living space and the playhouse only had 6' ceilings instead of 8'. Discussion held on comparable properties and considering comparable regional sales. The board thanked Todd and Ann for their comments and advised them a decision would be made on the protest July 20, 2020.

2020 – 020: SE SE & Lot 2 Howard F. Hansen Lotsplit in NE SE 27-23-2. Howard Hansen appeared for the protest and was sworn in to give testimony. Mr. Hansen is concerned with the increase valuation of rural properties and they should not be comparable to urban properties. Discussion held on comparable sales. The board thanked Mr. Hansen for his comments and advised him a decision would be made on the protest July 20, 2020.

2020 – 021: W½ Lots 1 & 2, Block 8, Holman & Graves Addn, City of Stanton. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 022: E ½ Lot 4, Block 11, Holman's Addn, City of Stanton. Dean and Jeanne Quinn appeared for the protest and were sworn in to give testimony. Dean questioned the current valuation of \$190,540 on the property compared to the new appraised value just completed on the property in the amount of \$182,280. Discussion held on the valuing of property with comparable market values. The board thanked Dean and Jeanne for their comments and advised them a decision would be made on the protest July 20, 2020.

2020 – 023: Lot 1 replat David Heberer Lotsplit in NW NE 6-24-1. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 024: Lot 2 Otte Addn being replat of Pt Lot 3 Zastrow’s Addn & Pt NE NW 20-24-1. Bowdie Otte appeared and was sworn in to give testimony. Mr. Otte informed the board that the cost of materials when building house were less than compared to valuation of the house and that there is poor water quality on his property. Discussion held on land valuations being raised due to reclassification of valuation types by the State of Nebraska and comparable market values. The board thanked Mr. Otte for his comments and advised him a decision would be made on the protest July 20, 2020.

2020 – 025: Lot 1 Otte Addn being replat of Pt Lot 3 Zastrow’s Addn & Pt NE NW 20-24-1. Blake Otte appeared and was sworn in to give testimony. Mr. Otte informed the board he purchased his house from NECC for \$130,000 and moved it on to 5 acres received from his father. Blake also informed the board of the poor water quality, sandy soil instead of a lawn and that the basement is unfinished. He questioned the valuation placed on his property. Discussion held on valuations. The board thanked Mr. Otte for his comments and advised him a decision would be made on the protest July 20, 2020.

2020 – 026: Lot 1 Dale Remmick’s Lotsplit of NW SW 15-24-1. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 027: Lot 1 Belz’s Lotsplit in Pt NW NE 30-23-2. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 028 & 2020 - 029: Hearing moved to Friday, July 10, 2020 at 10:30 AM.

2020 – 030: Lot 1 Prusa Lotsplit in SW 20-22-2. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 031: W 50 ac in S½ NW 26-24-3. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 032: NW 15-24-3. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 033: E½ SE 9-24-3. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 034: Pt NE 30-24-1. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 035: Pt SW 14-23-2. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 036: Lot 1 Chamberlain’s Lotsplit located NW NW & N½ SW NW 16-22-2. Mark Chamberlain appeared and was sworn in to give testimony. Mr. Chamberlain questioned the valuation change and stated the basement was unfinished. Discussion held on market values and comparable values on similar buildings. The board thanked Mr. Chamberlain for his comments and advised him a decision would be made on the protest July 20, 2020.

2020 – 037: N 120 ac NW 21-22-3. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 038: Lots 3,4,5,6,7 inc vac East, West & North, South alleys, Block 3, Perkins Addn, City of Stanton. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 039: Grain Bin 20-24-3. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2020 – 040: E 42’ Lot 7 inc RR ROW & all Lot 8 inc vacated 13<sup>th</sup> St, Block 60, Original Town Addn, City of Stanton. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

Decisions of the Board of Equalization will be determined on July 20, 2020 and a copy will be mailed to each protester.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to recess the protest hearings and board of equalization meeting and to set the meeting to reconvene on Friday, July 10, 2020 at 8:00 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Equalization, Stanton County, Nebraska

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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### COMMISSIONER’S PROCEEDINGS – July 8, 2020

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on July 8, 2020, at 8:15 AM in the District Courtroom at the Stanton County Courthouse in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttmann, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Commissioners. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk was also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on June 24, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meeting act is posted on the wall in the District Courtroom and a copy may be obtained from the County Clerk’s office upon request.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the minutes of June 15, 2020 and June 26, 2020, meetings.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: Tyler Evans – resignation and thank you; Anonymous – thank you (sheriff office); NIRMA – NIRMA Safety Shorts Vol.8 No.7; NIRMA – Fire Marshall Office Fuel Storage Division Q&A.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to recess the Board of Commissioner’s meeting to re-open the Board of Equalization meeting.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman re-opened the Board of Commissioner’s meeting at 11:36 AM.

General discussion held on county and road issues. No action taken.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to recess the board of commissioner's meeting and to set the meeting to reconvene on Friday, July 10, 2020 at 8:15 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – June 26, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on June 26, 2020, at 8:00 AM in the County Commissioner's room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Equalization. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk and Cheryl Wolverton, County Assessor, were also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on June 10, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meetings act is posted on the wall in the commissioner's room and a copy may be obtained from the county clerk's office upon request.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Cheryl Wolverton, county assessor, presented and explained the correction sheet for the month.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the correction sheet numbered 2020-08 and place it on file.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Cheryl presented a listing of Undervalued, Overvalued and Omitted Property and a Listing of Clerical Errors within Stanton County. She explained the updates and/or changes to the listed properties.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve the listing of Undervalued, Overvalued and Omitted Property and a Listing of Clerical Errors and allow the County Assessor to adjust the tax rolls.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to adjourn to Wednesday, July 8, 2020, at 8:00 AM and set the regular next meeting for July 20, 2020 at 8:00 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Equalization, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDINGS – June 26, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on June 26, 2020, at 8:15 AM in the County Commissioner's room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Commissioners. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk was also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on June 10, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:20 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meeting act is posted on the wall in the Commissioner's room and a copy may be obtained from the County Clerk's office upon request.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: Mark A. Johnson, District Judge – thank you; NIRMA – note of support; NE Nebraska community Action – 2019 annual report.

Discussion held on Nebraska COVID-19 Local government Response Assistance Program. As part of the process, the County Board Chair or the County Board designee shall complete the funding request certification form in order to be eligible for a reimbursement claim.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to appoint Wanda Heermann, Stanton County Clerk, as the designee for submitting reimbursement claims if eligible.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Discussion held on the August 17, 2009 agreement to allow Dinkel Implement Co to place and maintain a base station and antenna telecommunication device on Stanton County's tower located in Pt SW SE 28-24-1. It had been determined that the monthly/annual fees have not been remitted to the county for at least 10 years. The board felt the agreement was valid and the amount of \$12,000 was owed to the county. Due to the terms of the agreement it stated "Dinkel shall be obligated to pay compensation to Stanton County in exchange for allowing Dinkel to place the device on such tower in the amount of \$100 monthly". There was no mention in the agreement that the County was to invoice Dinkel for this service. The agreement automatically renewed each year unless either party terminated the agreement by giving written notice to the other party six months prior to anniversary date.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to have Mike Froberg, emergency manger, revisit the lease agreement with Dinkel and advise them the \$12,000 fee is owed to the county on the signed agreement on file.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The county clerk informed the board on the delinquent notices being received from Blue Cross Blue Shield for late payments. The premiums are due at the first of the month with a 30 days grace period to remit the premium fees. The premium fees have been clearing the bank account within the 30 days grace period but BCBS considers payments received after the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month late. Discussion was held on the possibility of prepaying the July premium.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Accounts Payable claims as presented, except to add the claim of Blue Cross Blue Shield in the amount of \$44,443.78 and order checks drawn on the various funds as follows:

GENERAL FUND – Appera, services, 141.65; Big Red Printing, supplies etc, 2231.36; BCBS, ins (July)-co shr, 26469.40; Brogan & Gray PC LLO, legal fees, 1500.00; Eakes Office Solutions, supplies, 384.65; Floor Maintenance, supplies, 107.27; Flooring Solutions LLC, supplies, 3545.83; Jack Scherer LLC, services, 512.92; Diane Kander, supplies, 140.62; Microfilm Imaging Systems Inc, equip, 624.00; Nebraska Sec State Elec Div, supplies, 60.00; Norfolk Daily News, dues, 163.00; One Office Solution, supplies, 2273.58; Pilger Library, supplies, 303.84; Pitzer Digital LLC, services, 201.17; Platte Co Dist Crt, fees, 14.00; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 85.94; Stanton State Bank, ck fees, 200.65; Eric Stone, reimb, 292.16; UNL ITS Comm Cntr, service, 46.02;

ROAD FUND – ATCO Intl, supplies, 92.23; BCBS, ins (July)-co shr, 17974.38; Bomgaars, supplies etc, 113.32; Cornhusker Intl Trucks Inc, services, 177.98; Eastern Nebr Trlr Repair Inc, services, 308.08; Heckman Top & Body Co Inc, services, 60.00; Hoskins Mfg Co Inc, supplies, 43.04; Johnson Sand Gravel Co Inc, gravel, 303.03; Kimball Midwest, supplies etc, 158.16; Matteo Sand Gravel Co Inc, gravel, 6855.36; NMC Exchange LLC, services etc, 328.94; Powerplan, services, 115.66;

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND – Luedeke Oil Co Inc, tires, 780.00; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 45.39;

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to adjourn to Wednesday, July 8, 2020, at 8:15 AM and set the regular next meeting for July 20, 2020 at 8:15 AM

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – June 15, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on June 15, 2020, at 8:00 AM in the County Commissioner's room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Equalization. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk and Cheryl Wolverton, County Assessor, were also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on June 3, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meetings act is posted on the wall in the commissioner's room and a copy may be obtained from the county clerk's office upon request.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to approve the minutes of May 18, 2020 and June 1, 2020, meetings.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Cheryl Wolverton, county assessor, presented and explained the correction sheet for the month.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the correction sheet numbered 2020-07 and place it on file.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Cheryl Wolverton, county assessor, presented a listing of Undervalued, Overvalued and Omitted Property and a Listing of Clerical Errors within Stanton County. She explained the updates and/or changes to the listed properties.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the listing of Undervalued, Overvalued and Omitted Property and a Listing of Clerical Errors and allow the County Assessor to adjust the tax rolls.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to adjourn to the next meeting set on June 26, 2020, at 8:00 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Equalization, Stanton County, Nebraska

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDINGS – June 15, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on June 15, 2020, at 8:15 AM in the County Commissioner's room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttmann, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Commissioners. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk was also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on June 3, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:40 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meeting act is posted on the wall in the Commissioner's room and a copy may be obtained from the County Clerk's office upon request.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the minutes of May 18, 2020 and June 1, 2020, meetings.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: NIRMA – NIRMA Safety Shorts Vol.8 No.6

Joining the meeting were Sandy Zoubek, Cheryl Wolverton and Katy Armbruster. Discussion held on the previously approved courthouse access effective June 1, 2020 to allow limited access as outlined in the state guidelines for social distancing and the regional directive health measure.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to lift the limited access restrictions at the courthouse and county buildings and encourage the public to follow the state guidelines for social distancing.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Resolution to release pledged security:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.06 – 12:**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that First Nebraska Bank, Stanton, Nebraska hereby wishes to release the following security held in escrow to secure deposits of this county in said bank, to-wit: US Treasury Note, No.912828PC8, Due 11/15/2020, 2.63%, \$500,000.00. AND, that the same is hereby approved.  
Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2020.

Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttmann, /s/ Duane Rehak

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, Stanton County Clerk [seal]

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Resolution to release pledged security:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.06 – 13:**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that First Nebraska Bank, Stanton, Nebraska hereby wishes to release the following security held in escrow to secure deposits of this county in said bank, to-wit: [Pledged to: Stanton County Clerk] US Treasury Notes, No.912828VF4, Due 5/31/2020, 1.38%, \$100,000.00. AND, that the same is hereby approved.  
Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2020.

Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttmann, /s/ Duane Rehak

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, Stanton County Clerk [seal]

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

W. Bert Lampli, Stanton County Attorney, joined the meeting.

Tom Schellpeper, member of the Stanton County Fair Board, joined the meeting. Tom updated the board on the capital improvements completed with the funds received from Stanton County over the past 5 years and a discussion was held on the possible commitment to continue with the \$15,000 annual payment for another 5 years. Additional discussion held on fair attractions and upcoming events for the 2020 county fair currently scheduled in August.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to pay \$15,000 annually for 5 years beginning 2021 for improvements to the fair grounds and support of the county fair.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Ramsy Robertson, representative of Mainelli Wagner and Assoc, joined the meeting. Discussion held on bridge issues, culvert projects and road repairs. The board noted the receipt of Permit No: NWO-2011-01105-WEH from the Department of the Army Corps of Engineers for the Elkhorn River Bridge, Stanton Southwest, STR 32-23-1. No action needed by the board.

Bid letting set for July 20, 2020 at 10:30AM for the construction/repair of county bridge C008401105P (2-mile bridge).

Joining the meeting were: Mike Frohberg, Mike Unger, Tony McPhillips and Tyler Evans.

Mike Frohberg advised the board that the City of Stanton did not approve storage container for additional storage. Discussion held on other options for property storage. General discussion held with those present on other county issues.

Joining the meeting were: Kyle Voecks and Bill Schellen, members of the Stanton City Council.

Mike Frohberg requested the board enter into closed session to discuss EMT/rescue issues.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to enter into closed session at 11:00 AM for the protection or prevention of needless injury to the reputation of individuals for a general discussion and that no policy or policies will be created.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The county clerk, Mike Unger, Tony McPhillips and Tyler Evans left the meeting. The board came out of closed session at 12:20 PM.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to resume the open meeting.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve for the month of May the Documentary Stamp Tax, co shr in the amount of \$482.95; County Clerk fees in the amount of \$2,546.30; P&M Fund fees in the amount of \$405.50; Game and Parks Agent fees in the amount of \$7.00; Misc Copy fees in the amount of \$17.00; Clerk of the District Court fees in the amount of \$177.59; Passport fees in the amount of \$35.00; County Treasurer's receipt of money received numbered 21009 – 21069, inclusive in the amount of \$833,850.55; and place them on file.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve the following Accounts Payable and Payroll claims as presented and order checks drawn on the various funds as follows:

GENERAL FUND – Abe's Detailing, services, 285.00; AMC Rifle Range, fees, 100.00; Ameritas, ret-co shr, 8664.69; Antelope Co Shf, boarding, 1545.00; Appera, services, 80.15; Applied Concepts, services, 52.00; Kim Bearnes, meals etc, 94.19; Shawn Beaudette, services, 103.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 103.73; BCBS, ins-co shr, 28705.52; Blue360 Media, dues, 76.75; Brite, supplies, 692.00; Conover Properties, supplies, 800.00; DAS State Acct, costs, 43.88; Martha Detlefsen, prior service, 12.00; Douglas Co Crt, fees, 3.25; Eakes Office, supplies, 289.76; Election Board, costs, 689.29; Tyler Evans, uniform, 345.12; Ewalt Law Office, public defender, 2455.56; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 647.44; First Concord Benefits, flex benefits, 60.00; Floor Maintenance, supplies, 188.02; Flooring Solutions, supplies, 34.24; Hansen Brothers, services, 106.12; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 9505.65; Jacks Uniform, supplies, 264.34; Johnson's Inc, supplies, 37.86; Jones Automotive, services, 1100.00; Diane Kander, supplies etc, 637.64; Aaron Kleensang, uniform, 291.15; Kuehn's Auto Body, services, 1125.00; W Bert Lammler Jr, office allow, 912.00; Luedeke Oil Co, fuel, 3044.55; Madison Co Shf, boarding, 300.00; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 21.14; Mid-Amer Benefits, hra fees, 6570.00; MIPS, fees, 4304.37; Natl Assn Co Treas, workshop fee, 40.00; Nebr Assoc Co Officials, dues, 1674.40; NIRMA, insurance, 44790.55; Lavern Newkirk, prior service, 17.00; Norfolk Sporting Goods, supplies, 29.95; One Office, supplies, 3010.21; Pierce Co Shf, boarding, 4650.00; Pierce Pharmacy, supplies, 30.74; Pilger Library, supplies, 143.95; Pitzer Digital LLC, services, 695.87; Platte Co Crt, fees, 8.25; Prime Sanitation Service, 39.75; Public Agency Training Council, fees, 150.00; RR Donnelley, supplies, 146.26; Rita Roenfeldt, prior service, 20.00; Ron's Ag, services, 203.19; Sioux Sales Co, uniforms etc, 698.95; Stanton Co Crt, fees, 287.00; Stanton Co Imprest Acct, fees, 21.00; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 1306.15; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 23.98; Stanton Telecom, services, 1845.87; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 114.75; Eric Stone, supplies, 16.36; Stratton Delay Doele etal, atty fee, 5977.57; Teeco, supplies, 52.20; Lil Store, fuel, 3127.82; Michael Unger, supplies, 425.86; US Treas, PCORI fees, 93.10; UNL ITS Comm Cntr, service, 46.02; Visa, supplies, 624.00; Ryan Wehrle, boiler main, 210.00; Loree Zach, supplies, 117.06; Zee Medical, supplies, 77.65; Sandra Zoubek Co Treas, postage etc, 505019.50;

ROAD FUND – 2K Trucking, services, 200.00; AKRS Equip, supplies, 149.76; Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 3197.49; Appera, services, 36.15; ATCO Intl, supplies, 2528.25; B's Enterprises, sign etc, 6453.50; Bauer Built, services, 6363.15; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 88.12; BSBC, ins-co shr, 17794.00; Boelter Farm Repair, services, 771.17; Bomgaars, supplies, 68.12; CAP Gravel, rock, 346.97; Century Link, services, 60.12; Clarkson Plbg Htg, supplies, 23.98; Janice Coates, prior service, 17.00; Cornhusker Intl Trucks, services, 453.07; Doernemann Construction, rock, 6159.29; Doernemann Farm Service, services, 57.98; James Duncan, prior service, 16.00; Farmer's Coop, fuel etc, 7045.93; Farmers Union Coop, supplies, 39.00; GI Trailer, services, 105.72; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 3649.63; Island Supply Welding, supplies, 56.04; Johnson Sand Gravel, gravel, 2580.81; Kaup Forage Turf, seed, 606.75; Kimball Midwest, supplies, 267.28; LG Everist, rock, 4497.79; Luedeke Oil Co, fuel etc, 4653.72; Mainelli Wagner Assoc, eng fees, 34757.72; Martin Marietta Materials, gravel, 1979.10; Matteo Sand Gravel, gravel, 23195.13; Medical Enterprises, fees, 75.00; Mid-Amer Benefits, hra fees, 3750.00; Midwest Services Sales, signs etc, 2827.80; NMC Exchange, services, 3895.18; NIRMA, insurance, 48785.11; Norfolk Works, fees, 55.00; Ron Neisius, mowing, 150.00; Justin Oswald Trucking, hauling, 463.52; Pilger Store LLC, fuel etc, 2657.08; Prime Sanitation, services, 50.00; Quality Trans Alignment, services, 52.54; Ron's Ag, services, 554.69; Reuters Red Power, services, 35.10; Pilger Sand Gravel, gravel, 124944.20; Stanton Auto Parts, parts etc, 269.37; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 394.02; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 73.70; Stanton Telecom, services, 255.54; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 40.70; Teeco, services, 40.00; Truck Center Co, services, 31.49; US Cellular, services, 68.88; Village Pilger, utilities, 120.80;

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND – Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 153.90; Cornhusker Auto Cntr, supplies, 39.45; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 109.32; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 174.42; NIRMA, insurance, 1446.34;

INHERITANCE TAX – Stanton Co PPD, tower, 134.27; Verizon Wireless, service, 160.04;

EMERGENCY 911 FUND – City Norfolk, dispatching, 7597.61; Stanton Telecom, services, 73.23;

COURTHOUSE IMPROVEMENT – Walter Lammler Jr, reimb, 320.79; Merkel Electric, services, 294.00; Town Country Tech, services, 1633.48;

Total aggregate salaries of all county employees \$176,494.74.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to adjourn to the next meeting set on June 26, 2020, at 8:00 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – June 1, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk’s office)

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on June 1, 2020, at 8:00 AM in the County Commissioner’s room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Equalization. Douglas Huttman was absent. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk and Cheryl Wolverton, County Assessor, were also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on May 20, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meetings act is posted on the wall in the commissioner’s room and a copy may be obtained from the county clerk’s office upon request.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Absent: Huttman. Motion Carried.

Doug Huttman joined the meeting at 8:07 AM.

Cheryl Wolverton, county assessor, presented a listing of Undervalued, Overvalued and Omitted Property and a Listing of Clerical Errors within Stanton County. She explained the updates and/or changes to the listed properties.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to approve the listing of Undervalued, Overvalued and Omitted Property and a Listing of Clerical Errors and allow the County Assessor to adjust the tax rolls.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Kment and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Protest hearing dates set July 8, 9, 10 & 13, 2020 (if needed).

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to adjourn to June 15, 2020, at 8:00 AM and set the fiscal year meeting for June 26, 2020, at 8:00 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Equalization, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**COMMISSIONER’S PROCEEDINGS – June 1, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk’s office)

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on June 1, 2020, at 8:15 AM in the County Commissioner’s room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Commissioners. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk was also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on May 20, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:20 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meeting laws are posted on the wall in the Commissioner’s room and a copy may be obtained from the County Clerk’s office upon request.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: NIRMA/NIRMA II – 2020-2021 insurance renewal letter

Discussion held on the NACO Health Insurance pool with Blue Cross Blue Shield letter reviewed at the May 18, 2020 meeting.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to proceed with the renewal of the county health insurance with NACO BCBS and that the county will continue to pay the full family insurance for employees at this time, continue the current HRA contribution per employee enrolled in the county health plan to assist with the insurance deductible and authorize the county clerk to sign the BCBS subgroup application.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Joining the meeting were Sandy Zoubek, Cheryl Wolverton, Mike Unger and Katy Armbruster. Discussion held on the courthouse access adopted to allow limited access effective June 1, 2020.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to continue with the previous limited access effective June 1, 2020 which was adopted at the May 18, 2020 meeting and allow the chairman to adjust access as needed prior to June 15, 2020.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to adjourn to June 15, 2020, at 8:15 AM and set the fiscal year meeting for June 26, 2020, at 8:15 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – May 18, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on May 18, 2020, at 8:00 AM in the County Commissioner's room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Equalization. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk and Cheryl Wolverton, County Assessor, were also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on May 6, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meetings act is posted on the wall in the commissioner's room and a copy may be obtained from the county clerk's office upon request.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve the minutes of April 20, 2020, meeting.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: Nebraska Tax Equalization and Review Commission – Findings and Order tax year 2020

The Board reviewed the Findings and Orders document received from the Nebraska Tax Equalization and Review Commission and placed it on file. The Nebraska Tax Equalization and Review Commission finds that no order proposing an adjustment of the value for a class or subclass of real property in Stanton County for tax year 2020 be entered and that no further proceedings be held to determine whether an adjustment should be made. Dated May 8, 2020.

Cheryl Wolverton, county assessor, advised the board that there were no corrections sheets and no listings of clerical errors needing approval. She also requested a meeting be scheduled on June 1, 2020 to approve correction sheets, clerical error listings and listings of undervalued, overvalued and omitted property.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to adjourn and set the next meeting for June 1, 2020, at 8:00 AM, set the regular meeting for June 15, 2020, at 8:00 AM and set the year end meeting for June 26, 2020 at 8:00 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Equalization, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDINGS – May 18, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on May 18, 2020, at 8:15 AM in the County Commissioner's room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Commissioners. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk was also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on May 6, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:20 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meeting laws are posted on the wall in the Commissioner's room and a copy may be obtained from the County Clerk's office upon request.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the minutes of April 20, 2020, meeting.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: SPUD Construction Inc – introduction letter; NACO – health insurance premium rates 2020-2021; Mike Froberg, Emergency Manager – tornado sirens; Larry Dix, NACO Exec Dir – COVID-19 transitional considerations; NIRMA – NIRMA Safety Shorts Vol. 8 No. 5; Tim Baxter, NIRMA – maintenance highway approach areas; Northeast Nebraska Economic Development District – 2020-2021 Annual membership stmt; Northeast Nebraska Solid Waste Coalition – landfill site observations; Elkhorn Rural PPD, Battle Creek NE – hazard mitigation planning.

The board reviewed the NACO Section 125 plan re-enrollment notice. For 2020 the IRS has announced an increase to the healthcare flexible spending account. The annual limit increased to \$2,750.00.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to increase FSA maximum annual limit to \$2,750 as per the IRS index amount.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to appoint Wanda Heermann, Stanton County Clerk, as the budget making authority for the fiscal year 2020-2021 Budget.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttmann. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

At 8:30 AM joining the meeting were Cheryl Wolverton, Sandy Zoubek, Tony McPhillips, Mike Unger, Mike Frohberg, Ryan Wehrle, Katy Armbruster and W. Bert Lamli. Discussion held on allowing limited access to the courthouse building with the loosening of the Directive Health Measure for Stanton County. Options discussed were: state guidelines, limiting access of individuals into the building, social distancing within the courthouse building, no public access to restrooms, no public access to non-essential rooms, current suspended access to remain until May 31, 2020, easing restrictions on courtroom access and effective date for re-opening.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to have the current courthouse access suspension remain until May 31, 2020 and effective on June 1, 2020 to allow limited access to the courthouse building by allowing 1 individual per office with no access to restrooms or non-essential rooms, continue to encourage the public to use online resources (telephone, email, drop box, etc.) and to allow limited access by 1 defendant and their attorney to the courtroom by entering the courthouse through the east door with direct entry into the courtroom with no access to restrooms or non-essential rooms.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Brief discussion held on the Ag Society payment to First Nebraska Bank. The board will request Ag Society Board members to appear at the June 15, 2020 meeting to discuss the renewal of the loan agreement co-signed by the county. No action taken by the board.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Resolution to add pledged security:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.05 – 10:**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that Midwest Bank, Pierce, Nebraska hereby wishes to add the following security held in escrow to secure deposits of this county in said bank, to-wit: GNAR AF BD4151 C, No.3617BKTG6, Due 10/1/2047, \$3,500,000.00.

AND, that the same is hereby approved.

Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020.

Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttmann, /s/ Duane Rehak

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, Stanton County Clerk

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Resolution to add pledged security:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.05 – 11:**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that First Nebraska Bank, Stanton, Nebraska hereby wishes to add the following Insured Cash Sweep Listing held in said bank, to-wit: Depositor Control Panel, Trans Acct No. 5034, Effective: 5/12/2020, Expiration Date 05/15/2020, \$4,770,000.00.

AND, that the same is hereby approved.

Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020.

Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttmann, /s/ Duane Rehak

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, Stanton County Clerk

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

LaLene Bates, Planning and Zoning Administrator, and Mark Mainelli, Highway Superintendent, joined the meeting.

LaLene presented the Mike Wilke/MRB LLC/Sandy Ridge LLC lot split splitting 7.09 acres on property located in the NE 28-22-2. No one appeared for the lot split. LaLene explained the reason for the lot split.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to approve the Mike Wilke Lot Split located in the NE 28-22-2, as per Planning Commission recommendations.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Discussion held on the additional changes being required by FEMA before submitting damages due to the 2019 flood. Also discussed was a GPS program for county maintenance vehicles to enable maintenance tracking of projects and roads. Mark Mainelli to obtain more information and the cost of such program. No action taken by the board.

Discussion held on the permits to construct utilities on county right-of-way received from Frontier Communications and Stanton Telecom.

The permit to construct utilities on county right-of-way with a fiber optic line along 564 Ave in sections 30/31-21-2 & 25/36-21-1 was reviewed from Frontier Communications. Discussion held on the permit and proposed sites.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve Utility Permit No. 20200518-1 contingent on the payment of the \$100 permit fee for Frontier Communications to install a telecommunications fiber optic cable along 564 Ave in sections 30/31-21-2 and 25/36-21-1 subject to the requirements and provisions of the permit and with the following conditions: 1) the fiber line should be placed on the edge of the road (halfway between the edge of the road and the middle of the road), 2) the road needs to be returned to its original condition or the cost for repairs to fix the damages will be billed to the applicant, 3) all culverts are to be bored under, not cut through, and 4) contact Darrell Hansen, bridge foreman, prior to beginning to be certain all culverts have been flagged and with any questions, or concerns.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The permit to construct utilities on county right-of-way with a fiber optic line along 560 Ave south of Hwy 24 in sections 8/17-23-1 was reviewed from Stanton Telecom Inc. Discussion held on the permit and proposed sites.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve Utility Permit No. 20200518-2 for Stanton Telecom to install a telecommunications fiber optic cable along 560 Ave south of Hwy 24 in sections 8/17-23-1 subject to the requirements and provisions of the permit and with the following conditions: 1) the fiber line should be placed on the edge of the road (halfway between the edge of the road and the middle of the road), 2) the road needs to be returned to its original condition or the cost for repairs to fix the damages will be billed to the applicant, 3) all culverts are to be bored under, not cut through, and 4) contact Darrell Hansen, bridge foreman, prior to beginning to be certain all culverts have been flagged and with any questions, or concerns.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The board reviewed the 2020 Bridge Inspection fee information received from Mainelli Wagner & Associates Inc. There are 82 routine inspections and 2 special inspections required for 2020. For the 2020 routine inspections Mainelli Wagner & Associates propose to provide the following services, including: 1) Routine inspections for 84 structures (per the most recent BrM data); 2) Taking site photographs as required by NDOT; 3) Inputting data into the BrM Program; 4) Generating a maintenance report for the County's use; 5) Labeling all pictures per the NDOT naming convention; 6) Submitting pictures and data to NDOT; 7) Submit disk with any Special Inspection report, Critical Findings Reports and pictures to County; and 8) Submit file with updated SIA sheets for all structures inspected. The rate per bridge will be \$135.00.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to approve the 2020 inspection rate of \$135.00 per structure (84) and authorize the chairman to sign the approval form.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve and sign the gravel contracts received from Johnson Sand & Gravel, Matteo Sand & Gravel and S&S Willers Inc dba Pilger Sand & Gravel.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Russ Kumm, member of the public, joined the meeting.

Mike Froberg, Emergency Management Director, re-joined the meeting. A discuss was had on the Directed Health Measure issued by the Elkhorn Logan Valley Public Health Department regarding the COVID-19 pandemic. Mike updated the board on getting outdoor sirens repaired within the county and testing signal strength in the deputy cars with antenna and connection issues. He also advised the board of the improvements to the lighting, wiring and updates needed for the doors to the building acquired from the weed department and future purchase of a 40' container for additional storage of inventory and equipment. No action taken by the board.

Discussion held with Mark Mainelli and Russ Kumm on the status of county road located at 837 Rd and 569 Ave. Mark informed Russ and the board that the plans for the relocation of the road were submitted to FEMA for mitigation approval. Other discussion held on the 2-mile bridge, striping of the golf course road after it has been re-surfaced and updates on other culvert projects.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve for the month of April the Documentary Stamp Tax, co shr in the amount of \$1,514.85; County Clerk fees in the amount of \$2,831.00; P&M Fund fees in the amount of \$429.50; Game and Parks Agent fees in the amount of \$3.00; Misc Copy fees in the amount of \$8.00; Clerk of the District Court fees in the amount of \$380.15; Passport fees in the amount of \$0.00; County Treasurer's receipt of money received numbered 20949 – 21008, inclusive in the amount of \$440,143.51; County Sheriff's 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2020 report; and place them on file.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve the following Accounts Payable and Payroll claims as presented and order checks drawn on the various funds as follows:

GENERAL FUND – Mark Albin atty, fees, 554.95; Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 7693.81; Appeara, services, 154.97; Applied Concepts, services, 2275.00; Kim Bearnes, phone, 40.00; Shawn Beaudette, services, 103.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 257.12; BCBS, ins-co shr, 29333.72; Carrot-Top Industries, markers, 1194.35; DAS State Acct, costs, 43.88; Martha Detlefsen, prior service, 12.00; Eakes Office Solutions, supplies, 184.31; ES&S Inc, supplies, 2407.13; Emmett's Foodtown, supplies, 45.00; Tyler Evans, uniform, 49.99; Ewalt Law Office, public defender, 2455.56; Farmers Co-op, fuel, 685.96; First Concord Benefits Group, flex benefits, 60.00; First Nebr Bank, loan pymt ag society, 15000.00; Floor Maintenance, supplies, 82.37; G-Works, annual fees, 13855.00; Grafex Shoppe, fees, 123.85; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 8563.88; Jacks Uniform Equip, supplies, 293.79; Diane Kander, supplies, 51.67; Lammler Locke Beaudette, reimb ins, 3813.60; W Bert Lammler Jr, office allow, 912.00; The Lil Store LLC, fuel, 1346.53; Luedeke Oil Co, services etc, 1733.58; Madison Co Shf, boarding, 1800.00; Madison Natl Life Ins Co, ins-co shr, 22.24; Menards, supplies, 59.98; Mid-American Benefits, hra fees-co shr, 6570.00; MIPS Inc, fees etc, 2783.48; Nebr Co Atty Assoc, fees, 1057.00; Lavern Newkirk, prior service, 17.00; NE Nebr Area Agency Aging, fund matching, 2850.00; NE Nebr Econ Dev Dist, dues, 900.00; One Office Solution, supplies, 7077.68; Paper Tiger Shredding, services, 540.00; Pierce Co Shf Dept, boarding, 4500.00; Pilger Library, supplies, 406.31; Positive Concepts/ATPI, supplies, 731.96; Prime Sanitation, services, 39.75; Region 4 Behavioral Health Sys, pymt, 1535.00; Renner Wraps Graphics, services, 1500.00; Rita Roenfeldt, prior service, 20.00; Ron's Ag Auto Repair, services, 109.00; Sioux Sales Co, uniforms etc, 838.02; Stanton Co Crt, fees, 17.00; Stanton Co Imp Acct, fees, 20.00; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 1303.16; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 158.78; Stanton Register, services, 1502.84; Stanton Telecom, services, 1828.45; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 114.75; Stratton Delay Doele Carlson etal, atty fees, 296.50; Teeco Inc, supplies, 7.95; Thurston Co Shf, boarding, 1850.00; Town Country Tech, laptop, 630.92; Kristin Unger, reimb, 52.39; Univ NE-Lincoln, equip, 1628.59; UNL ITS Comm Cntr, service, 46.02; Sandra Zoubek Co Treas, transfer etc, 505034.50;

ROAD FUND – A R Const Co, culvert proj, 142852.81; Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 3455.94; Bruce Anderson, supplies, 202.19; Appeara, services, 35.18; ATCO Intl, supplies, 958.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 195.45; BCBS, ins-co shr, 17350.80; Bomgaars, supplies etc, 372.22; Century Link, services, 56.63; Clarkson Plbg Htg, supplies etc, 120.79; Janice Coates, prior service, 17.00; Cornhusker Intl Trucks, services, 95.81; James Duncan, prior service, 16.00; Eastern Nebraska Trlr Repair, services, 509.68; Farmer's Coop, fuel etc, 10258.66; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 3942.57; Johnson Sand Gravel Co, gravel, 292.59; Kaup Forage Turf, seed, 641.20; Kimball Midwest, supplies etc, 281.24; Luedeke Oil Co, fuel etc, 6085.12; Martin Marietta Materials, gravel, 538.51; Matteo Sand Gravel Co, gravel, 3878.10; Menards, supplies, 101.06; Mid-American Benefits, hra fees-co shr, 3750.00; NMC Exchange, services etc, 4866.90; One Office Solution, supplies, 173.60; Overhead Door Co, services, 64.65; Pilger Store LLC, fuel etc, 2571.74; Farmers Feeders Tire Serv, services, 6386.80; Powerplan, services, 11272.96; Tom Preister, services, 1425.00; Prime Sanitation Services, services, 50.00; Ramaekers, steel, 273.80; Road Builders Mach Supply, services, 898.74; Ron's Ag Auto Repair, services, 138.28; Pilger Sand Gravel, gravel, 15286.08; Stanton Auto Parts, parts etc, 120.98; Stanton Co PPD, services, 509.42; Stanton Hardware, supplies etc, 48.69; Stanton Telecom, services, 244.64; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 40.70; Teeco Inc, services, 46.75; Truck Cntr Co, services, 119.48; US Cellular, services, 67.92; Village Pilger, utilities, 120.80;

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND – Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 143.52; Echo Group, supplies, 1417.67; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 114.89; Mike Froberg, meals, 21.11; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 162.66; Jack's Uniform Equip, supplies, 209.75; Luedeke Oil Co, fuel, 260.00; Menards, supplies, 67.50; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 18.13;

INHERITANCE TAX – Stanton Co PPD, tower, 137.80; Verizon Wireless, service, 240.06;

EMERGENCY 911 FUND – City Norfolk, dispatching, 7597.61; Stanton Telecom, services, 73.23;

COURTHOUSE IMPROVEMENT – Town Country Tech, equip, 1457.74; Walter A Lammler Jr, reimb equip, 1349.74; Mid-City, equip, 1799.98;

Total aggregate salaries of all county employees \$167,859.82.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to adjourn and set the next meeting for June 1, 2020, at 8:15 AM, set the regular meeting for June 15, 2020 at 8:15 AM and set the year end meeting for June 26, 2020, at 8:15 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – April 20, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk’s office)

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on April 20, 2020, at 8:00 AM in the County Commissioner’s room in Stanton, Nebraska and by telephone conference (as per Executive order No. 20-03 Coronavirus Public Meetings Requirement Limited Waiver).

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttmann, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Equalization. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk and Cheryl Wolverton, County Assessor, were also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on April 8, 2020 (a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes) and by posting the notice of the meeting by telephone conference on the Stanton County website.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public by telephone conference.

The meeting was called to order at 8:04 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meetings act is posted on the wall in the commissioner’s room, available for review on the link provided on the county website and a copy may be obtained from the county clerk’s office upon request.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve the minutes of March 16, 2020, meeting.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Cheryl Wolverton, county assessor, presented and explained the correction sheets for the month.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the correction sheets numbered 2020 -05 through 2020-06 and place them on file.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

There were no listings of clerical errors needing approval.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to adjourn and set the next meeting for May 18, 2020, at 8:00 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Equalization, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**COMMISSIONER’S PROCEEDINGS – April 20, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk’s office)

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on April 20, 2020, at 8:15 AM in the County Commissioner’s room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttmann, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Commissioners. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk was also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on April 8, 2020 (a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes) and by posting the notice of the meeting by telephone conference on the Stanton County website.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public by telephone conference.

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meetings act is posted on the wall in the commissioner’s room, available for review on the link provided on the county website and a copy may be obtained from the county clerk’s office upon request.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the minutes of March 16, 2020, meeting and the April 7, 2020 special meeting.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: NIRMA – NIRMA’s Safety Shorts Vol. 8 No. 4; LENRD – Lower Elkhorn Watershed update, Upper Elkhorn Watershed update, and North Fork Elkhorn Watershed update; Charles Hibberd, Nebraska Extension – working remotely guidelines.

Mike Frohberg, Emergency manager, joined the meeting. Preliminary discussion held on the weed building storage. Matter set aside and will be taken up at the 10:00 AM scheduled time. General discussion held on siren testing, emergency management inventory and other department issues.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Resolution to add and release pledged security:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.04 – 07:**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that Stanton State Bank, Stanton, Nebraska hereby wishes to add the following security held in escrow to secure deposits of this county in said bank, to-wit: Federal Home Loan Bank, No.3130A7QK4, Due 4/26/2021, 1.70%,\$200,000.00;

AND, that the release of the following security is also hereby approved: US Treas Note, No.912828J84, Due 3/31/2020, 1.375%, \$200,000.00; US Treas Note, No.912828UV0, Due 3/31/2020, 1.125%, \$200,000.00; Federal Home Loan Bank, No.3130A7QK4, Due 4/26/2021, 1.70%, \$200,000.00;

AND, that the same is hereby approved.

Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020.

Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttman, /s/ Duane Rehak

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, Stanton County Clerk

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Resolution to add pledged security:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.04 – 08:**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that Stanton State Bank, Stanton, Nebraska hereby wishes to add the following Irrevocable Letter of Credit held in said bank, to-wit: Irrevocable Letter of Credit No. 61923, Effective 4/13/2020, Expiration Date 5/18/2020, \$2,500,000.00;

AND, that the same is hereby approved.

Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020.

Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttman, /s/ Duane Rehak

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, Stanton County Clerk

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

At 9:00 AM joining the meeting were Sandy Zoubek, Mike Unger, Phyllis Cleveland, Cheryl Wolverton and Mike Frohberg. Discussion held on the restrictions implemented March 24, 2020 & April 3, 2020 by the County Board on the access to the courthouse due to the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic. Those present advised that conducting business by telephone, email or drop box has been working. There has been an issue raised by the court on the additional risk imposed on Madison County personnel. Discussed was allowing limited access to the court by appointment on emergency issues only.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to allow limited access to the district court by appointment on emergency issues only and that all other restrictions implemented to continue until further notice.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

General discussions held on the effects of COVID-19 on the community. Also discussed was the upcoming election and Stanton County being Election by Mail. Mike updated the board on the e-citation program being used by his department and the need to complete the installation of e-citation equipment into remaining sheriff vehicles with the cost to be budgeted in the next fiscal budget. No action taken by the board.

LaLene Bates, Planning and Zoning Administrator, joined the meeting.

The board reviewed a letter received in reference to the Lower Elkhorn NRD Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) update. The plan had been set up so that Stanton County will be eligible to pursue grant applications for any project which meet the FEMA grant criteria.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve the following Resolution to adopt the Lower Elkhorn Natural Resources District Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.04 – 09:**

WHEREAS, the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 was signed in to law on October 30, 2000, placing new emphasis on state and local mitigation planning for natural hazards and requiring communities to adopt a hazard mitigation action plan to be eligible for pre-disaster and post-disaster federal funding for mitigation purposes; and

WHEREAS, a Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan was prepared by Lower Elkhorn Natural Resources District with assistance from JEO Consulting Group, Inc. of Lincoln, NE.

WHEREAS, the purpose of the mitigation plan was to lessen the effects of disasters by increasing the disaster resistance of the Natural Resources District and participating jurisdictions located within the planning boundary by identifying the hazards that affect Stanton County and prioritize mitigation strategies to reduce potential loss of life and property damage from those hazards; and

WHEREAS, FEMA regulations require documentation that the plan has been formally adopted by the governing body of Stanton County in the form of a resolution and further requesting approval of the plan at the Federal level; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the governing body of Stanton County does herewith adopt the Lower Elkhorn Natural Resources District Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan in its entirety; and

PASSED AND APPROVED 20<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020.

Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttmann, /s/ Duane Rehak

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, Stanton County Clerk

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

General discussion held on the 2019 flood damage and an update on the reports being compiled to submit to FEMA on the damages and costs sustained by Stanton County. No action taken by the board.

At 10:00 AM the item on the agenda to discuss the storage space in the weed building was continued with Mike Frohberg. No other appearances were made by telephone. Discussion held on the need to have space to store the emergency management equipment. An option suggested was to have the emergency management move their equipment into the weed building and have the weed superintendent relocate his equipment and files to the Pilger maintenance shop building. All parties involved agreed this would be acceptable. Discussed was the need to replace the doors, upgrade lighting and other minor details with the weed building. The only request from the weed superintendent was to still allow him access to the telephone and answering machine.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to transfer the storage at the Weed building to the Emergency Management and transfer the storage for the Weed Control to the Pilger Maintenance shop building but still allowing the Weed Superintendent access to the telephone and answering machine at the Emergency Management building.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttmann. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Mr. Lampli, County Attorney, joined the meeting.

Mark Mainelli, Highway Superintendent, joined the meeting by telephone conference.

The board reviewed the letter and plan received from Ducks Unlimited. No action taken by the board.

Discussion held on FEMA mitigation on 561 Ave/835½ Rd to rebuild road and replace a culvert, 569 Ave/837 Rd relocation of county road and 568 Ave/837 Rd erosion due to the flooding by the Elkhorn river. Discussed was obtaining quotes for road repairs, quotes for hauling rip rap to stockpile for road projects. Plans for repairs were reviewed.

The board reviewed and discussed the Permit to Construct Utilities on County Right-of-Way received by Dan Brandl. Mr. Brandl is wanting to install a 1½" water line by plowing along 564 Ave located in the SW 7-22-2. This road is a minimum maintenance road. Mr. Brandl is not the landowner adjacent to the road. Discussed was the need for Mr. Brandl to get permission from the landowner in writing or by easement.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to deny the permit per regulations and pending receipt of an easement from the landowner.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

General discussion held on the bridge located on the county line between Cuming and Stanton County (SE 36-21-3). Plans are being developed to replace this bridge. Also discussed was the 2-mile bridge. Plans have been drafted but have not been approved by the Army Corp of Engineers.

At 10:30 AM Luke Winkelbauer joined the meeting by telephone to discuss a permit to run water on county right-of-way along 560 Ave/838 Rd south of STR 8-23-1. Mr. Winkelbauer has tiled his property with the drainage entering the county right-of-way which in turn flows on to neighboring private property. Drainage allowed in county right-of-way includes surface water runoff to natural water ways. Anything unnatural is not allowed. Land owners are obligated to drain excess water which is not natural to a natural creek or waterway. Mr. Winkelbauer is to develop an alternative plan to drain the excess water by not using the county right-of-way. Shane Siecke joined the meeting by telephone to discuss how the county was going to address the issue. The board advised Mr. Siecke to contact an attorney to inquire about his civil rights on the drainage issue. No action taken by the board.

Gravel bid letting was held at 10:50AM. Mark Mainelli appeared by telephone. No other appearances were made. The chairman opened the sealed bids and read them aloud. Bids were received from the following: S&S Willers Inc dba Pilger Sand & Gravel, Pilger NE, Gravel - \$12 ton, Armor Coat - \$12 ton, Delivered Gravel by Precinct - \$16.40 to \$18.62; Matteo Sand & Gravel, Norfolk NE, Gravel - \$12.50 ton, Armor Coat - \$12.50 ton; Johnson Sand & Gravel, Columbus NE, Gravel - \$11.50 ton (when available).

Discussion was held on bids received.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to accept all bids and to purchase gravel at the pits with the lowest price and where hauling is most economical and to purchase delivered gravel at the pit where it is available at the lowest price for purchase of delivered gravel.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Bid letting was held at 11:00 on the Golf Course Road Armor Coat Construction Bid. Appearing for the bid letting was Mark Mainelli by telephone. Bids were opened and publicly read as follows: Topkote Inc, Yankton SD, \$160,452.52, Start Date 9/1/2020, End Date, 30 days; Stabilt Construction, Harlan IA, \$163,625.62, Start Date 7/1/2020, End Date 9/30/2020; The Road Guy Construction Co, Yankton SD, \$154,343.70, Start Date 6/1/2020, End Date 9/30/2020.

Bids were reviewed.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to accept the bid of The Road Guy Construction Co of Yankton SD for the Golf Course Road Armor Coat in the amount of \$154,343.70, contingent on the review by the highway superintendent, and authorizes the chairman to sign the necessary paperwork when received.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve for the month of March the Documentary Stamp Tax, co shr in the amount of \$4,322.07; County Clerk fees in the amount of \$3,759.22; P&M Fund fees in the amount of \$539.50; Game and Parks Agent fees in the amount of \$3.00; Misc Copy fees in the amount of \$0.00; Clerk of the District Court fees in the amount of \$63.83; Passport fees in the amount of \$70.00; County Treasurer's receipt of money received numbered 20851 – 20948, inclusive in the amount of \$1,518,904.99; and place them on file.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve the following Accounts Payable and Payroll claims as presented and order checks drawn on the various funds as follows:

GENERAL FUND - Advanced Corr Healthcare, prescription, 4.46; Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 7863.39; Antelope Co Shf Dept, boarding etc, 3025.00; Appera, services, 153.60; Avera Medical Group, services, 210.00; Kim Bearnes, phn reimb, 40.00; Shawn Beaudette, services, 103.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 375.94; BCBS, ins-co shr, 28705.52; Blue360 Media, manuals, 153.50; Gary Carson, meeting, 120.00; Cornhusker Auto Cntr, services, 2209.56; DAS State Acct, costs, 43.88; Dakota Co Crt, fees, 4.25; Martha Detlefsen, prior service, 12.00; Dugan Printing,

supplies, 1002.50; Eakes Office Solutions, supplies, 105.14; Egley Fullner Montag Morland, atty fees, 803.10; ESS Inc, supplies, 3623.12; Emmett's Foodtown, supplies, 18.78; Engelhardt TV Comm, services, 1770.07; Ewalt Law Office, public defender, 2455.56; Farm Home Publishers, supplies, 1100.00; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 934.60; First Concord Benefits Group, fees, 60.00; Floor Maintenance, supplies, 358.39; Francotyp-Postalia, supplies, 396.00; Gene Steffy, vehicles, 55740.00; Grafix Shoppe, services, 935.00; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 8728.66; Jacks Uniform Equip, supplies, 14.94; Jones Auto, vehicle, 19211.75; William Kaiser RE Appraisal Service, services, 3315.00; W Bert Lampli Jr, office allow etc, 1606.18; Luedeke Oil Co, services etc, 1466.03; Madison Co Crt, fees, 6.25; Madison Co Shf, boarding 2900.00; Madison Natl Life Ins Co, ins-co shr, 23.64; Maximus, fees, 1261.76; Mid-American Benefits, hra fees-co shr, 6554.00; Midwest Special Services, services, 454.50; MIPS, fees, 2683.30; Nebr Clk Dist Crt Assn, fees, 75.00; Nebr State Patrol, equip, 363.00; Lavern Newkirk, prior services, 17.00; Norfolk Daily News, services, 9.77; NE Comm College, fees, 30.00; One Office Solution, supplies, 1434.65; Pierce Co shr Dept, boarding, 5750.00; Pierce Pharmacy, medicine, 88.41; Pilger Library, supplies, 272.42; Pilger Store, fuel, 73.68; Platte Co Detention Facility, boarding, 400.00; Prime Sanitation Service, services, 39.75; Olson's Pest Tech, services, 330.00; Profire Safety, services, 18.00; Region IV, pymt, 1874.50; Rita Roenfeldt, prior service, 20.00; Stanton Auto Parts, services, 1676.50; Stanton Co Clk, postage, 7.75; Stanton Co Clk Dist Crt, fees, 36.00; Stanton Co Crt, fees, 202.00.; Stanton Co Imprest Acct, fees, 20.00; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 1100.88; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 26.45; Stanton Register, services, 849.15; Stanton Telecom, services, 2307.60; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 115.00; Stephens Peck, supplies, 100.00; Teeco, supplies, 21.45; The Lil Store, fuel, 2008.51; Thurston Co Shf, boarding, 4050.00; UNL ITS Comm Cntr, service, 46.02; Sandra Zoubek Co treas, fees etc, 53.30;

ROAD FUND – 2K Trucking Inc, hauling, 1075.07; Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 3376.55; Appeara, services, 33.46; ATCO Intl, supplies, 1207.16; B's Enterprises, signs, 1201.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 268.76; BCBS, ins-co shr, 17531.18; BOKF, int pymt, 12866.25; Bomgaars, supplies etc, 1469.11; CAP Gravel LLC, rock, 1430.65; Century Link, services, 56.99; Clarkson Plbg Htg Inc, supplies etc, 99.81; Janice Coates, prior service, 17.00; Cornhusker Intl Trucks, services, 68.16; Doernemann Const, rock, 4975.58; Doernemann Farm Service, services, 250.29; James Duncan, prior service, 16.00; Eastern Nebr Trlr Repair, services, 677.68; Farmer's Coop, fuel etc, 9909.98; Farmer's Un Coop Supp Co, supplies, 213.93; Fastenal Co, signs, 123.62; Hamernik Plbg Well Drilling, services, 80.00; Heartland Fire Prot Co, supplies, 844.10; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 3852.62; Island Supply Welding Co, supplies, 26.04; Johnson Sand Gravel Co, gravel, 8338.41; Justin Oswald Trucking, hauling, 456.00; Kelly Supply Co, supplies etc, 110.03; Kimball Midwest, supplies, 211.73; Luedeke Oil Co, fuel etc, 6890.57; Madison Natl Ins Co, ins-co shr 3.69; Mainelli Wagner Assoc, eng fees, 4854.98; Martin Marietta Materials, gravel, 1913.46; Matteo Sand Gravel, gravel, 44092.63; Menards, supplies, 23.44; Mid-American Benefits, hra fees-co shr, 4500.00; Midwest Service Sales Co, supplies, 2650.31; NMC Exchange, services etc, 13495.50; Northeast Glass, services, 1125.00; One Office Solution, supplies, 15.99; Pilger Sand Gravel, gravel, 14401.20; Pilger Store, fuel, 2127.60; Prime Sanitation Services, services, 50.00; Ron's Ag & Auto Repair, services, 554.35; Rusty Nuts Repair, services, 191.86; Sport Lighting, services, 429.00; Stalp Gravel Co, gravel, 1783.60; Stanton Auto Parts, parts etc, 1234.81; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 593.29; Stanton Hardware, supplies etc, 171.62; Stanton Telecom, services, 233.04; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 40.70; Teeco, services, 46.75; Thies Garage, services, 108.00; US Cellular, services, 68.38; Vic's Engine Service, services, 29.70; Village Pilger, utilities, 157.04; Zee Med Service, supplies, 213.30;

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND – Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 197.18; Engelhardt TV Comm, services, 42.50; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 193.58; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 223.48; Luedeke Oil Co, fuel, 520.00; Menards, supplies, 47.95;

INHERITANCE TAX – Stanton Co PPD, tower, 140.86; Verizon Wireless, service, 80.02;

EMERGENCY 911 FUND – City Norfolk, dispatching, 7597.61; Stanton Telecom, services, 73.23;

Total aggregate salaries of all county employees \$169,633.17.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to adjourn and set the next meeting for May 18, 2020, at 8:15 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDINGS – April 7, 2020 – Special Meeting**

A special meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on Tuesday, April 7, 2020, at 9:00 AM in the County Commissioner's room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttmann, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Commissioners. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk was also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Norfolk Daily News on March 30, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Attending the meeting were elected officials, appointed officials and courthouse staff.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meeting laws are posted on the wall in the Commissioner's room and a copy may be obtained from the County Clerk's office upon request.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting held March 24, 2020.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the minutes of the Emergency Meeting held April 3, 2020.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to place on file Resolution No. 2020.04 – 06 approved at the emergency meeting held April 3, 2020, closing all public access to the courthouse, courtroom, hallways, etc. with only emergencies excepted.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Discussion held on the COVID-19 (coronavirus). Due to the situation escalating and concerns regarding the safety to the public and county employees the procedures implemented to suspend public access to the county buildings at the special meeting held March 24, 2020 and the emergency meeting April 3, 2020 was discussed. The consensus of the county board is to continue with the current restrictions implemented until further notice.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to adjourn and set the next meeting for April 20, 2020, at 8:15 AM such meeting to be held by teleconference.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDINGS – April 3, 2020 – Emergency Meeting**

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held via telephone at 8:40AM in Stanton County, Nebraska.

Present per telephone were: Douglas Huttmann, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Commissioners and Wanda Heermann, County Clerk.

Advance notice of the telephone meeting was given to the Board members by telephone conversation with W. Bert Lampli, County Attorney, April 2, 2020, a copy of a resolution was emailed to each commissioner for review on the extension to close public access to the courthouse for court proceedings.

The meeting was conducted over the telephone with each member stating their stand on the proposed emergency resolution.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to approve the emergency resolution to extend its previous closure of the courthouse to the public by closing all public access to the courtroom, hallway, etc.

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.04 – 06:**

For the safety of our employees, and in consideration of Governor Ricketts placing Stanton County in a Directed Health Measure, Stanton County does hereby extend its previous closure of the Courthouse to the public by now, effective immediately, closing all public access to the Courtroom, hallways, and Judges Chambers, with only emergencies excepted. All Court participants may access the Court system by telephonic or electronic means as authorized by the Stanton County District Court. Stanton County District Court Clerk, Telephone: (402) 439-2222; Stanton County Court, Telephone: (402) 439-2221.

Adopted this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2020.

Board of Commissioners  
Stanton County, Nebraska  
/s/ Dennis Kment  
By Dennis Kment, Chairman

Attest:  
/s/ Wanda Heermann  
Stanton County Clerk

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttmann. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to continue to the Special Meeting set for April 7, 2020 at 9:00 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDINGS – Special Meeting March 24, 2020**

A special meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on Tuesday, March 24, 2020, at 9:00 AM in the County Commissioner's room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttmann, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Commissioners. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk was also present.

Notice of the meetings was given in advance thereof by posting in three (3) public places, those being the County Courthouse, SID No. 1 Office in Woodland Park, Norfolk and Cooper Community Center in Pilger, at least 2 days prior to the meeting. A copy of the acknowledgement of posting such notice is attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Attending the meeting were elected officials, appointed officials and courthouse staff.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meeting laws are posted on the wall in the Commissioner's room and a copy may be obtained from the County Clerk's office upon request.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to authorize the chairman to sign the Disaster Declaration for Stanton County State of Emergency authorized under Nebraska State Statute RRS 81-829.50.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Discussion held on the COVID-19 (coronavirus). Due to the increase of concerns regarding the safety to the public and county employees, procedures were discussed to suspend or limit public access to county buildings. Input was heard from those present on restrictions, limitations and guidelines.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to suspend public access to county buildings except by limited appointment for at least two (2) weeks effective at close of business March 24, 2020 at 4:30 PM and that the suspension/limitation will be revisited on April 7, 2020 at 9:00 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to continue the Special Meeting to April 7, 2020 at 9:00 AM to revisit the limitation to the access of the county buildings.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – March 16, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk’s office)

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on March 16, 2020 at 8:00 AM in the County Commissioner’s room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Equalization. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk and Cheryl Wolverton, County Assessor, were also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on March 4, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meeting laws are posted on the wall in the Commissioner’s room and a copy may be obtained from the County Clerk’s office upon request.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Kment to approve the minutes of February 18, 2020, meeting.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Kment and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Cheryl Wolverton, County Assessor, explained the correction sheet for the month.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the correction sheet numbered 2020-4 and place it on file.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

There were no listings of clerical errors needing approval.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to adjourn and set the next meeting for April 20, 2020, at 8:00 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Equalization, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**COMMISSIONER’S PROCEEDINGS – March 16, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk’s office)

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on March 16, 2020 at 8:15 AM in the County Commissioner’s room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Commissioners. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk was also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on March 4, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meeting laws are posted on the wall in the Commissioner’s room and a copy may be obtained from the County Clerk’s office upon request.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Kment to approve the minutes of February 18, 2020, meeting.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Kment and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: Loretta Fenton – letter; Stanton Community School – career expo; NIRMA – NIRMA Safety Shorts Vol. 8 No. 3; NIRMA – NIRMA Spotlight Seminar Series information.

Cheryl Wolverton and Wanda Heermann, members of the building committee, updated the board on the discussion held on a possible 2<sup>nd</sup> addition option, storage and next procedure to the planning process. No action taken by the board.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve the following Resolution to release pledged security:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.03 – 05:**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that First Nebraska Bank, Stanton, Nebraska hereby wishes to release the following security held in escrow to secure deposits of this county in said bank, to-wit: US Treasury Note, No.912828UQ1, Due 2/29/2020, 1.25%, \$500,000.00.

AND, that the same is hereby approved.

Dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.

Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttmann, /s/ Duane Rehak

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, Stanton County Clerk [seal]

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Discussion held on the vision plan with NIS, which is under the NACO VSP Block, is up for renewal on 7/1/2020. Information received indicates an addition of enhancements to the plan. The enhancements are based on the most utilized services employees have used. There will be a slight increase to the rates. The new rates effective 7/1/2020 will be guaranteed for 3 years (until 7/1/2023). The enhancements will have frames available every 12 months (previously every 24 months); frame allowance will increase to \$185 for frames, \$205 for featured brands (previously \$170/\$190); and UV coating on lenses will now be included at no cost. The rate change per month will be: employee \$.17 increase; employee/spouse \$.36 increase; employee/child(ren) \$.44 increase and family \$.59 increase.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to have the county clerk sign the participation agreement letter confirming the acceptance of this plan effective 7/1/2020.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The Stanton County Audited Financial Statement for the year ending June 30, 2019 was received from Morrow Davies and Toelle PC. A copy was given to the Board of Commissioners to review. Discussion held on the audit.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve and place on file the year ending June 30, 2019 audit.

Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The board reviewed and discussed the following proposals received for lawn maintenance at the Courthouse and Extension Building: Lawnco Lawn and Tree Care, Norfolk - \$1,193.99 and Jack Scherer LLC, Stanton - \$743.27 (courthouse) plus \$150.98 (extension) for a total of \$894.25.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to accept the proposal of Jack Scherer LLC for lawn maintenance in the estimated amount of \$894.25 for the courthouse and extension building lawn. This proposal includes early spring application, pre-emergent fertilizer, bug and fertilizer, midsummer fertilizer and late fall application with cost to power rake yard included in proposal (weather permitting).

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttmann. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Mike Unger, County Sheriff, joined the meeting. Discussion held on department issues and the jail budget. Due to the increase of jail time in county jail, the jail budget is almost depleted. Mike asked if after the jail budget is depleted the additional jail invoices could be paid from the Miscellaneous General Fund.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to authorize the invoices received above the jail budget for the 2019-2020 be paid through the Miscellaneous General Fund.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Mark Mainelli, Highway Superintendent, joined the meeting.

LaLene Bates, Planning and Zoning Administrator, joined the meeting. LaLene presented the application of Robert Fuhrman to split 6.99 acres on property located in the E½ NW 16-24-1. No one appeared for the lot split. LaLene explained the reason for the lot split.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve the Robert Fuhrman Lot Split located in the E½ NW 16-24-1, as per Planning Commission recommendations.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann, and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Safety Committee requests were received from LaLene Bates. Discussed was the placement of an additional panic button within the courthouse. Also discussed were possible safety grants through NIRMA to obtain steel toe boots for the road department. The board requested LaLene contact NIRMA and other counties on how to proceed. No action taken by the board.

Kim Bearnes, County Extension Agent, joined the meeting. Kim presented the board with a quote for a new vehicle for her department. The quote was for a 2019 Pacifica in the amount of \$35,945 and after trade \$27,710. Currently the extension office has a 2010 Chrysler Town and Country Van with 108,000 mi. Discussion held on the purchase of a new vehicle, department issues and budget issues. The board suggested looking into getting a state bid/government pricing on a new vehicle. No action taken by the board.

Joining the meeting were: Sandy Zoubek, Mike Unger, LaLene Bates and Doug Oertwich.

General discussion held on the COVID-19 (coronavirus). Discussed were procedures to maintain service to individuals if the courthouse was to be closed to the public. The employee policy for vacation, sick and compensation time was reviewed. Guidelines drafted by NIRMA was reviewed. Input was heard from those present on drafting a policy for employees to keep them informed on the time off policy, if needed.

Gerald Clinch, Mike Clinch and Jim Bstandig joined the meeting to discuss road access on 559 Ave located STR 30/29-23-1. This section of road was vacated and the road right-of-way was reverted to the adjacent land owners on July 19, 2004 after a hearing. Gerald advised the board he would like the road re-established to allow him access to his property located in the NE of section 30-23-1. Discussion held on the procedure to have the road re-established. Since the road was vacated and right-of-way reverted to the land owners the land owners will need

to petition the county board to have the road re-established, a road study will need to be done, corp permits will need to be obtained (if needed) and a hearing will need to be held on the establishment of the road. No action by the board.

Doug Oertwich's permit to construction utilities on county right-of-way on 838½ Rd located SE 9-23-3 to construct a drain tile with 12" PVC was reviewed. Tim Kilmer of Horsepower Drainage of Sioux Falls SD is the contractor for this project. The drain tile will be placed along or near a current culvert across the road.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve Doug Oertwich's Utility Permit No. 20200316-1 to install a drain tile subject to the requirements and provision of the permit and additional requirements to display signage and barricades during construction, return road to original condition and to contact commissioner Duane Rehak prior to beginning work.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Mark Mainelli updated the board on projects within the county. The culverts on 561 Ave south of 835½ Rd are slated to be replaced. Plans to move the road and construct mitigation in the right-of-way on 569 Ave/837 Rd (Kumm/Wessell road) was outlined. The board directed Mark to survey the area and mark out a possible replacement road. Discussion held on the 2-mile bridge west of Stanton. Plans have been drafted but still waiting on Army Corp of Engineers and State permission before proceeding.

Gravel Bid Letting set for April 20, 2020 at 10:30 AM.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve for the month of February the Documentary Stamp Tax, co shr in the amount of \$668.93; County Clerk fees in the amount of \$1,840.75; P&M Fund fees in the amount of \$300.00; Game and Parks Agent fees in the amount of \$8.00; Misc Copy fees in the amount of \$10.00; Clerk of the District Court fees in the amount of \$244.59; Passport fees in the amount of \$140.00; County Treasurer's receipt of money received numbered 20793 – 20850, inclusive in the amount of \$350,136.91; County Treasurer Closing of Public Sale of Delinquent Real Estate Taxes March 2, 2020; and place them on file.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Accounts Payable and Payroll claims as presented and order checks drawn on the various funds as follows:

GENERAL FUND – Advanced Corr Healthcare, prescription, 4.46; Mark Albin atty, fees, 903.61; Ameritas, ret-co shr, 7348.82; Antelope Co Shf Dept, boarding, 3920.00; Appera, services, 140.21; Kim Bearnese, meals etc, 202.70; Shawn Beaudette, services, 103.00; Big Red Printing Inc, services, 1635.25; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 531.35; BCBS, ins-co shr, 28705.52; Brite, equip, 24428.00; City Norfolk, dispatching, 3600.00; Custom Sports, supplies, 270.00; DAS State Acct, fees, 43.88; Dataspec, comp prog, 449.00; Martha Detlefsen, prior service, 12.00; Douglas Co Crt, copies, 2.25; Egley Fullner Montag etal, atty fees, 1678.03; Electrical Engineering & Equip Co, parts, 14.64; Environmental Sys Research Inst, services, 400.00; Ewalt Law Office, fees, 2455.56; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 845.69; First Concord Benefits Group, fees, 60.00; Jeffrey Hrouda, atty fees, 2288.51; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 8190.41; Kuehn's Auto Body, services, 229.99; W Bert Lammler Jr, office allow, 912.00; Ross Locke, services, 90.00; Luedeke Oil Co, services etc, 413.20; Madison Co Shf, boarding, 150.00; Madison Natl Life, ins-co shr, 187.62; Marshall & Swift/Boeckh, services, 656.20; Menards, supplies, 48.18; Merkel Elec, services, 835.00; Janet Meyer, services, 55.00; Mid-American Benefits, hra fees, 6554.00; Midwest Spec Services, services, 1458.00; MIPS, fees, 3073.46; Morrow Davies & Toelle, audit fees, 9900.00; Moyer & Moyer, atty fees, 2800.23; Nebr Assoc Co Ext Brd, fees, 100.00; NACT/ Cont Edu, fees, 150.00; Lavern Newkirk, prior service, 17.00; NPZA Secy/Treas, fees, 35.00; One Office Solution, supplies, 1177.26; Pierce Co Shf Dept, boarding, 6000.00; Pierce Pharmacy, medicine, 32.27; Pilger Store, fuel, 23.62; Platte Co Detention, boarding, 600.00; Region 4 Behavioral Health Sys, 4<sup>th</sup> Qu pymt, 4790.75; Rita Roenfeldt, prior service, 20.00; Ron's Ag Auto Repair, services, 61.50; SID#1, franchise fees, 3413.58; Sarpy Co Crt, copies, 2.00; Spectrum Graphics, services, 62.25; Stanton Auto Parts, supplies, 203.90; Stanton Co Clk, postage, 1.70; Stanton Co Clk Dist Crt, fees, 72.00; Stanton Co Crt, fees, 247.00; Stanton Co Imprest Acct, fees, 19.75; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 1110.98; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 78.42; Stanton Register, services, 453.43; Stanton Telecom, services, 1856.80; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 115.73; Eric Stone, lodging, 201.88; Megan Taylor, fees etc, 109.16; Teeco, supplies, 112.95; The Lil Store, fuel, 2110.49; Thurston Co Shf, boarding, 5450.00; Cable TV of Stanton, services, 162.61; UNL ITS Comm Cntr, service, 46.02; Michael Unger, meals, 10.00; Visa, lodging etc, 545.84; Wisner News Chronicle, services, 66.80; Loree Zach, reimb, 10.69; Sandra Zoubek Co Treas, fees, 19.50;

ROAD FUND – Advance Auto Parts, tools, 37.27; Ameritas, ret-co shr, 3059.23; Appera, services, 33.46; ATCO Intl, supplies, 1777.55; Bauer Built, parts, 242.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 429.18; BCBS, ins-co shr, 17531.18; Bomgaars, supplies, 1076.76; CAP Gravel, rock, 9559.03; Century Link, services, 60.84; Clarkson Plbg Htg, supplies, 78.79; Janice Coates, prior service, 17.00; Cornhusker Intl Trucks, services, 2786.82; Doernemann Farm Service, parts, 49.65; James Duncan, prior service, 16.00; Farmer's Coop, fuel etc, 6992.16; High Plains Diversified Enterprises, road proj, 32892.97; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 3493.04; Island Supply Welding, supplies, 424.56; Johnson Sand Gravel Co, gravel, 5390.64; Kelly Supply, supplies, 125.52; Kimball Midwest, supplies, 127.35; Luedeke Oil Co, fuel etc, 6048.10; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 36.90; Mainelli Wagner Assoc, eng fees, 32692.54; Martin Marietta, gravel, 6911.74; Menards, supplies, 57.98; Mid-American Benefits, hra fees-co shr, 2500.00; Midwest Service Sales Co, supplies, 3292.25; NMC Exchange, services, 1563.26; Pilger Store, supplies, 1830.16; Powerplan, parts, 2197.91; RDO Truck Cntrs, parts, 64.54; Ron's Ag Auto Repair, services, 125.00; Rusty Nuts Repair, services, 5538.17; Seals and Service, services, 340.00; Sport Lighting, services, 183.78; Stanton Auto Parts, parts etc, 2047.47; Stanton Co PPD, services, 685.57; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 97.98; Stanton Telecom, services, 230.53; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 40.70; Rough Road Repair, services, 2433.60; Thies Garage, services, 108.00; Truck Cntr Co, supplies, 132.07; US Cellular, services, 69.80; Village Pilger, utilities, 120.80; Weldon Parts, parts, 36.82;

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND – Ameritas, ret-co shr, 140.48; Badgeandwallet.com, supplies, 736.50; Engelhardt TV Comm, services, 1046.77; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 132.74; Mike Frohberg, meals etc, 75.30; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 159.22; Menards, supplies, 55.69;

INHERITANCE TAX – Stanton Co PPD, tower, 134.43; Verizon Wireless, service, 160.04;

EMERGENCY 911 FUND – City Norfolk, dispatching, 3997.61; Stanton Telecom, services, 73.23;

Total aggregate salaries of all county employees \$157,014.40.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to adjourn and set the next meeting for April 20, 2020, at 8:15 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – February 18, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on February 18, at 8:00 AM in the County Commissioner's room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Equalization. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk and Cheryl Wolverton, County Assessor, were also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on February 5, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meeting laws are posted on the wall in the Commissioner's room and a copy may be obtained from the County Clerk's office upon request.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the minutes of January 21, 2020, meeting.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Cheryl Wolverton, county assessor, presented and explained the correction sheets for the month.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the correction sheets numbered 2020-02 to 2020-03 and place them on file.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Cheryl presented the Exemption Applications (Form 451) filed prior December 31, 2019.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve the Exemption Applications and authorize members of the board to sign the various applications.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Kment to adjourn and set the next meeting for March 16, 2020, at 8:00 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Kment and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Equalization, Stanton County, Nebraska

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDINGS – February 18, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on February 18, at 8:15 AM in the County Commissioner's room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Commissioners. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk was also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on February 5, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

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The meeting was called to order at 8:15 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meeting laws are posted on the wall in the Commissioner's room and a copy may be obtained from the County Clerk's office upon request.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the minutes of January 21, 2020, meeting.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: Lucas Nelson, Center Rural Affairs – economic development opportunities; Jamie Reinke, Nebraska NRD – Lower Elkhorn Watershed update; Jamie Reinke, Nebraska NRD – North Fork Elkhorn Watershed update; Chad Engle, NIRMA Loss Prevention – Incident/Accident investigation checklist; NIRMA – NIRMA Safety Shorts Vol.8 No.2; NIRMA – 2019 Annual Report.

Discussion held on the ADA/LIFE/LTD coverage under the NACO insurance umbrella. NACO guidelines require 100% participation. The NACO guideline affects the employees taking cash in lieu instead of BCBS coverage. Discussed was the option to have the county cover the premium cost for the employees taking cash in lieu to be at 100% participation or if the county chose not to cover the cost of the premium a review moving away from 100% participation would result in an increase of the rate coverage. There are approximately 6 employees who elected cash in lieu. The NACO umbrella rate would be approximately \$5.42 per employee per month, or \$32.52 monthly; or \$390.24 annually.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to have Stanton County cover the premium cost for the employees taking cash in lieu to ensure the county to be at 100% participation.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Abstain: Kment. Motion Carried.

Joining the meeting were: Tony McPhillips, W. Bert Lampli, Cheryl Wolverton, Ryan Wehrle, Sandy Zoubek and Michael Peterson

Tony McPhillips gave an update on items discussed at the building committee meeting. The option of an addition on the north side of the courthouse was discussed along with basement storage, bathroom relocation and procedures to contact construction/engineering contractors. No action taken by the board.

Discussion held on the internet service within the courthouse. Currently the 100mbps line is running at 40-50mbps. This is due to the all the offices within the courthouse and eCitation using the same internet line. An option discussed was to add a second internet line and separate the eCitation connection to free up usage on the internet line currently being used.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to authorize the installation of another internet line within the courthouse.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to temporarily move the meeting to the courtroom at 9:05 AM to allow the Stanton High School FFA Ag Team to present a presentation on Renewable Energy.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Members of the Stanton High School FFA Ag Team who presented information, advantages and disadvantages on renewable energy were: Savannah Siebrandt, Josiah Sholes, Zoe Wiedeman, Drew Chase, Thomas Cunningham and Kinley Pohlman.

The meeting returned to the commissioner's room at 9:25AM to continue the board meeting.

LaLene Bates, Planning and Zoning Administrator, joined the meeting. LaLene presented the application of Ryan Kander to split 5 acres on property located in the SE of SE 29-22-3. No one appeared for the lot split. LaLene explained the reason for the lot split.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to approve the Kander Lot Split located in the SE SE 29-22-3, as per Planning Commission recommendations.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Kment and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Sandy Zoubek, County Treasurer, joined the meeting to request the establishment of a petty cash fund pursuant to N.R.S. 23-106 for the purpose of making payments for subsidiary general operation expenditures and purchases.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Resolution to adopt a resolution to establish a petty cash fund for the County Treasurer:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.02 – 04:**

WHEREAS, Nebraska State Statute 23-106 shall be known and may be cited as county funds; management; establish petty cash fund; purpose; power of county board.

WHEREAS, the county board shall manage the county funds and county business except as otherwise specifically provided.

WHEREAS, the county board shall have the authority to establish a petty cash fund for such county for the purpose of making payments for subsidiary general operational expenditures and purchases. Such county board shall set, by resolution of the board, the amount of money to be carried in such petty cash fund and the dollar limit of an expenditure from such fund and such amount shall be stated in the fiscal policy of the county board budget message.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Stanton County Board of Commissioners that a petty cash fund be established for the County Treasurer in the amount of \$500.00 for the purpose of making payments for subsidiary general operation expenditures and purchases as per Nebraska State Statutes 23-106.

Adopted this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020 at Stanton, Nebraska.

Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
/s/ Dennis Kment; /s/ Doug Huttman; /s/ Duane Rehak

Board Member Huttman moved the adoption of said resolution. Member Rehak seconded the motion.  
Roll Call: 3 Yes 0 No - Abstain - Absent. Resolution adopted, signed and billed as adopted.

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, Stanton County Clerk

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Discussion held on the newly appointed member of the Stanton County Extension Board for the year 2020. Previous approved members are: Pat Larson, Terri Shafer, Kim Spence and Tim Stamm.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to approve and place on file the following newly appointed Stanton County Extension Board Member for the year 2020: Nathan Kander.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Ramsy Robertson, representative of Mainelli Wagner and Associates, joined the meeting.

Russ Kumm joined the meeting to inquire on the status of county road located at 837 Rd and 569 Ave. Discussion held on relocating the road to the south of the existing road which had been damaged by erosion after the 2019 Flood. The board requested Ramsy Robertson to check on the location for a new road and easements. Mr. Kumm inquired about creating a new field entrance to his property because erosion along the river had damaged his previous field entrance. The board advised that the field entrance could be moved as long as it does not impede the site line for traffic on the road.

Ramsy advised the board that A&R Construction Co is to begin construction March 15, 2020 on box culvert project C-84(371) awarded July 19, 2019 and delayed. The project is located on 833 Rd just west of Hwy 15. He also updated the board on other various culvert and bridge projects.

Bid Letting was held at 10:35AM on the Sale of Surplus Property – 1993 International dump truck w/14 yard crsteeel box (sold AS IS). No one appeared. Bids were opened and publicly read as follows: Tim Smith, Stanton - \$13,200; City of Stanton, Stanton - \$10,500. Bids were reviewed by the board.

Motion made Huttman, seconded by Kment to accept the bid of \$13,200 from Tim Smith for the 1993 International w/14 yard box (sold AS IS).

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Kment and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Discussion held on the request for support of the federal grant application for US Hwy 275. Consensus of the board is to send a letter of support for the US Highway 275 (US-275) project to Elaine Chao, Secretary of Transportation, US Department of Transportation.

Mike Frohberg, Emergency Manager, joined the meeting. Mike advised the board that he continues to review communications issues, to review inventory, to work on updating employee ID's through the Salamander Tagging website and continued to monitor the river for ice jams and possible flooding.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Kment to approve for the month of January the Documentary Stamp Tax, co shr in the amount of \$1,523.35; County Clerk fees in the amount of \$2,510.00; P&M Fund fees in the amount of \$380.00; Game and Parks Agent fees in the amount of \$18.00; Misc Copy fees in the amount of \$10.00; Clerk of the District Court fees in the amount of \$412.76; Passport fees in the amount of \$35.00; County Treasurer's receipt of money received numbered 20725 – 20792, inclusive in the amount of \$1,634,551.49; County Sheriff's 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Report (Oct – Dec 2019); and place them on file.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Kment and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve the following Accounts Payable and Payroll claims as presented and order checks drawn on the various funds as follows:

GENERAL FUND – Mark Albin atty, atty fees, 1756.16; Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 7782.18; Antelope Co Shf Dept, boarding etc, 5345.00; Appera, services, 140.21; Arkfeld Lock & Security, services, 48.00; Kim Bearnese, meals etc, 441.05; Shawn Beaudette, services, 103.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 644.26; BCBS, prem-co shr, 28705.52; Blue to Gold LLC, fees, 153.50; Brogan & Gray PC LLO, atty fees, 1014.75; Visa Card Services, meals, 642.00; Gary Carson, meals etc, 50.38; Co Veterans SVC Officers Assn-NE, conference, 60.00; DAS State Acct, costs, 43.88; Martha Detlefsen, prior service, 12.00; Eakes Office Solutions, supplies, 298.82; James Egle, fees, 150.00; Ewalt Law Office, services, 3948.01; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 1186.38; First Concord Benefits Group, flex benefits, 60.00; Floor Maintenance Supply, supplies, 105.73; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 8647.32; Johnson's Inc, repairs etc, 483.93; Jones Automotive Inc, services, 760.00; K&M Reporting, services, 100.00; W Bert Lammler Jr, office allow, 912.00; Law Enf Sys Inc, supplies, 90.00; Ross Locke, services, 262.50; Luedeke Oil Co Inc, services etc, 1656.16; Madison Co Crt, fees, 10.25; Madison Co Dist Crt, fees, 100.00; Madison Co Shf, boarding etc, 900.86; Madison Natl Life Ins Co, ins-co shr, 5.42; Menards, supplies, 42.97; Janet Meyer, services, 350.00; Mid-American Benefits Inc, hra fees-co shr, 6554.00; Midwest Spec Services Inc, services, 1140.00; MIPS Inc, supplies, 2769.01; NACO Planning and Zoning, fees, 40.00; Lavern Newkirk, prior service, 17.00; Norfolk Sporting Goods, supplies, 126.20; NE Nebr Assoc Co Officials, fees, 200.00; Valorie Olson RMR, fees, 50.00; One Office Solution, supplies, 1213.37; Pierce Co Shf Dept, boarding, 3700.00; Pierce Pharmacy, services, 32.27; Pilger Library, supplies, 135.61; Prime Sanitation, services, 79.50; Rita Roenfeldt, prior service, 20.00; Sioux Sales Co, supplies, 924.70; Melanie Smith, fees, 150.00; Stanton Co Clk – Dist Crt, fees, 210.00; Stanton Co Crt, fees, 232.00; Stanton Co Imp Acct, fees, 20.00; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 1220.01; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 92.21; Stanton Register, services, 1035.92; Stanton Telecom, services, 1711.05; Stanton Water & Sewer, services, 115.24; Ryan Stover, fees, 225.00; Teeco Inc, supplies, 65.70; The Lil Store LLC, fuel, 2460.68; Thurston Co Shf, boarding, 5150.00; UNL ITS Comm Cntr, service, 46.02; Winsupply, supplies, 61.98; Sandra Zoubek co treas, fees etc, 130.81;

ROAD FUND – Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 3486.05; Appera, services, 36.90; ATCO Intl, supplies, 1437.50; B's Enterprises Inc, supplies, 2260.00; Behmer Trucking Inc, services, 400.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 499.57; BCBS, ins-co shr, 16099.02; Bomgaars, supplies etc, 607.70; Century Link, services, 64.50; Janice Coates, prior service, 17.00; Cornhusker Intl Trucks Inc, services, 7203.62; James Duncan, prior service, 16.00; Eisenmann Supplies Inc, tools, 89.50; Farmer's Coop, fuel etc, 4812.43; F&F Tire/Service LLC, services, 245.95; Farmer's Un Coop Supply Co, seeding, 183.93; Fastenal Co, supplies, 21.96; Green Line Equip Inc, parts, 93.34; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec-co emp, 4047.83; Island Supply Welding Co, supplies, 26.04; Johnson Sand, gravel, 4359.87; Kelly Supply Co, supplies etc, 41.62; Ken's Trailer Sales & Repair, parts, 426.70; Kimball Midwest, supplies, 396.82; Leigh Motor Service, parts, 68.00; LG Everist Inc, gravel, 2050.67; Luedeke Oil Co Inc, fuel etc, 5997.64; Martin Marietta Materials, gravel, 1643.13; Matteo Sand, gravel, 501.72; Medical Enterprises Inc, fees, 110.00; Menards, supplies, 225.96; Mid-American Benefits Inc, hra fees-co shr, 3250.00; Midwest Service & Sales Co, supplies, 1155.00; NMC Exchange LLC, services, 146.68; Norfolk Works, services, 95.00; Pilger Store LLC, supplies, 1774.00; Prime Sanitation Service, services, 100.00; Ramaekers Inc, supplies, 12.95; Ron's Ag & Auto Repair, services, 46.10; Pilger Sand & Gravel, gravel, 2000.76; Speedway Auto Parts, parts, 10.00; Stanton Auto Parts, parts etc, 961.50; Stanton Co PPD, services, 854.89; Stanton Hardware, supplies etc, 1960.67; Stanton Telecom Inc, services, 218.43; Stanton Water & Sewer, services, 40.70; Teeco, supplies, 46.75; Truck Cntr Co, parts repairs, 20057.72; US Cellular, services, 70.83; Village Pilger, utilities, 113.47; Weldon Parts Inc, parts, 43.24; Zee Med Service Co, supplies, 48.90; Sandra Zoubek co treas, fees, 10.00;

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND – Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 154.41; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 199.42; Mike Frohberg, meals, 7.68; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr; Menards, supplies, 20.00; One Office Solution, supplies, 311.00;

INHERITANCE TAX – Stanton Co PPD, tower, 131.39; Verizon Wireless, service, 283.96;

EMERGENCY 911 FUND – City Norfolk, dispatching, 7597.61; Stanton Telecom Inc, services, 73.23;

Total aggregate salaries of all county employees \$170,447.04.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to adjourn and set the next meeting for March 16, 2020, at 8:15 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – January 21, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on Tuesday, January 21, 2020, at 8:00 AM in the County Commissioner's room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Equalization. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk and Cheryl Wolverton, County Assessor, were also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on January 8 & 15, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes and by posting in three (3) public places, those being the Stanton Courthouse, Stanton Public Library and Cooper Community Center in Pilger NE, at least two (2) days prior to the meeting, on January 16, 2020, a copy of the proof of posting such notice is attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meeting laws are posted on the wall in the Commissioner's room and a copy may be obtained from the County Clerk's office upon request.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to approve the minutes of January 2, 2020, meeting.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Cheryl Wolverton, county assessor, presented and explained the correction sheets for the month.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the correction sheets numbered 2019-47 and 2020-01 and place them on file.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Form 451 Exempt Application approval moved to February 18, 2020 meeting.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to adjourn and set the next meeting for Tuesday, February 18, 2020, at 8:00 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Equalization, Stanton County, Nebraska

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDINGS – January 21, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on Tuesday, January 21, 2020, at 8:15 AM in the County Commissioner's room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Commissioners. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk was also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on January 8 & 15, 2020, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes and by posting in three (3) public places, those being the Stanton Courthouse, Stanton Public Library and Cooper Community Center in Pilger NE, at least two (2) days prior to the meeting, on January 16, 2020, a copy of the proof of posting such notice is attached to these minutes.

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The meeting was called to order at 8:15 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meeting laws are posted on the wall in the Commissioner's room and a copy may be obtained from the County Clerk's office upon request.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to approve the minutes of January 2, 2020, meeting.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Joining the meeting were: Mike Froberg, Mike Unger, LaLene Bates and Cheryl Wolverton.

Appearing for an informational meeting were Bobbi Risor and Shane Weidner, Region 11 Emergency Management Agency representatives. The Region 11 Emergency Management Agency is an interlocal agreement between Antelope County, Madison County, Pierce County and the City of Norfolk. The interlocal agreement guidelines for Region 11 were discussed. Additional discussion held on regional director duties, grant submissions for equipment, disaster data, weather notifications, training opportunities, regional and local control, cooperation between entities. The board thanked Bobbi and Shane for their information. No action taken by the board.

Gary Carson, Weed Superintendent, joined the meeting. The annual activity report, budget report, noxious weed infestation report, weed control authority board roster and Noxious Weed Control Plan were reviewed by the board. Discussion held on weed issues within the county. Gary advised the board of a drone service that can scan the river to locate weed infestation at an approximate cost of \$500-750. The board felt this could be beneficial to locate and treat overgrown areas.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to authorize the chairman to sign the annual reports for the weed department that need to be filed prior to January 31st.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Rachel Liester called and advised the board she was unable to attend the meeting.

Cheryl Wolverton and LaLene Bates, members of the safety committee, appeared to discuss the possible purchase of coats for the road department. Discussion held on the amount to be allowed for each road department employee.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the allowance of \$200 per employee for safety apparel through Bomgaars or other vendors Stanton County has an account with.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The board advised members of the safety committee of the approval of a resolution at the January 2, 2020 meeting selecting the design-build contract or construction management at risk contract for the Judicial Addition to the courthouse.

Mike Froberg, Emergency Management Director, informed the board of issues with Hwy 275 tower radio reception. Mike presented a quote from United Communication Group for either VSWR testing of the antenna and coax without climbing the tower, VSWR testing by climbing

the tower, replacement of the antenna, or replacement of the antenna and coax. Additional information was going to be obtained from Engelhardt Communication. No action taken by the board.

Mr. Froberg asked the board to enter into a closed session to discuss department issues.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to enter into a closed session at 9:16 AM to discuss department issues.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The county clerk and sheriff remained per the request of the board and all others in attendance left the meeting. The board came out of closed session at 9:45 AM.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to resume the open meeting.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Kory Krutz, Stanton Fire Chief, appeared before the board to discuss EMT coverage. Also in attendance was Tony McPhillips. Kory advised the board that currently there are no EMT's associated with the fire department available through the day to answer emergency calls. Discussion held on a request of possible employment, other solutions and fee rates. Mr. Krutz also advised the board of an informational meeting to be held on January 27, 2020 at 7:00PM at the Stanton Firehall. He requested a member of the county board to attend. No action taken by the board.

LaLene Bates, Planning and Zoning Administrator, presented the Duane A. Wolff's Lot Split to split 3.0 acres on property located in the SE NE 6-23-1 into two (2) lots. No one appeared for the lot split. LaLene explained the reason for the lot split.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Kment to approve the Duane A. Wolff's Lot Split located in the SE NE 6-23-1, as per Planning Commission recommendations.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Kment and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Jeff Wagner, representative of Mainelli Wagner and Associates, joined the meeting. Discussion held on road projects, culvert projects, flood damage repairs and bridge inspections. No action needed by the board.

Discussion held on the semi-annual report for July – December, 2019.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve the following Resolution for the County Treasurer's Semi-Annual report:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.01 – 03:**

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE Board proceeded with and completed settlement with the County Treasurer for the six (6) months ending December 31, 2019 and found that all receipts and disbursements were properly accounted for as per statement on file at the County Clerk's office.

Dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2020.

Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttman, /s/ Duane Rehak

Attest:  
/s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk (seal)

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

W. Bert Lammler, county attorney, joined meeting. Discussion held on the appeal filing and other department issues.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: NIRMA – NIRMA Safety shorts Vol.8 No.9; Curt Becker, Project Manager for Lower Elkhorn NRD – Public Entity Funding information; Brittany Brockway, TC Energy – Keystone XL Status Update.

Discussion held on the sale of the 1993 International dump truck in the road department. The consensus of the board is to advertise the dump truck for sale through the bid letting process. Bid letting set for February 18, 2020 at 10:30AM.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve for the month of December the Documentary Stamp Tax, co shr in the amount of \$4,021.60; County Clerk fees in the amount of \$2,913.00; P&M Fund fees in the amount of \$457.50; Game and Parks Agent fees in the amount of \$1.00; Misc Copy fees in the amount of \$13.00; Clerk of the District Court fees in the amount of \$215.78; Passport fees in the amount of \$245.00; County Treasurer's receipt of money received numbered 20663 – 20724, inclusive in the amount of \$472,447.01; and place them on file.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Accounts Payable and Payroll claims as presented and order checks drawn on the various funds as follows:

GENERAL FUND – Abacus Data Sys, subs, 1679.76; Mark Albin atty, atty fees, 1676.60; Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 7995.25; Antelope Co Shf, boarding etc, 3095.00; Pender Care Centre Dist, services, 19.43; Appera, services, 140.21; Axon Enterprise, supplies, 450.00; LaLene Bates, mileage, 190.24; Kim Bearnes, meals etc, 187.51; Shawn Beaudette, services, 103.00; Big Red Printing, supplies, 1038.78; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 528.95; BCBS, ins-co shr, 28705.52; Blue to Gold LLC, fees, 349.00; Conover Properties LLC, supplies, 800.00; Custom Credentials, supplies, 13.50; DAS State Acct, costs, 43.88; Martha Detlefsen, prior service, 12.00; Donna Dixon, prior service, 57.50; Robin Dolesh, mileage etc, 55.52; Ewalt Law Office, public defender, 2455.56; Farmers Coop, fuel, 1289.61; First Concord Benefits Group, flex benefits, 60.00; Judy Funk, mileage etc, 17.32; Galls, supplies, 306.16; Hampton Inn, lodging, 439.80; Heartland Fire Prot Co, services, 133.75; Wanda Heermann, mileage, 189.08; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 8836.22; Jack Scherer LLC, services, 375.75; Mike Kabes, mileage etc, 28.92; Gerald Kuhn, mileage etc, 56.68; Russell Kumm, mileage etc, 53.64; W Bert Lammler Jr, office allow, 912.00; Luedeke Oil Co, services etc, 380.43; Lynn Peavey Co, supplies, 79.90; Madison Co Crt, fees, 10.25; Madison Co Shf, boarding, 4250.00; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 5.42; Judene Mewis, prior service, 69.24; Janet Meyer, services, 33.25; Mid-Amer Benefits, hra fees-co shr, 6554.00; Mid States Organized Crime Info Ctr, fees, 100.00; Midwest Spec Services, services, 560.25; MIPS, services, 3034.47; Gilbert Morfeld, prior service, 23.08; Moyer & Moyer, atty fees, 1848.90; Natl Shf Assoc, fees, 65.00; Nebr Assn Co Clk etal, fees, 75.00; Nebr Clk Dist Crt Assn, fees, 50.00; NE State Fire Marshal, services, 60.00; Lavern Newkirk, prior service, 17.00; Douglas Oertwich mileage etc, 59.00; One Office Solution, supplies, 3638.68; Pierce Co Crt, fees, 3.50; Pierce Co Shf, boarding, 2600.00; Pilger Library, supplies, 752.25; Pilger Store, fuel, 31.81; Gerald Podany, mileage etc, 81.04; Region IV Inc, pymt, 1874.50; Renner Auto Body, services, 182.00; Rita Roenfeldt, prior service, 20.00; Sioux Sales Co, supplies, 276.75; Edward Sokol, prior service, 115.40; Stanton Auto, services, 27.95; Stanton Co Clk Dist Crt, fees, 141.00; Stanton Co Crt, fees, 429.00; Stanton Co Imprest Acct, ach fees, 19.25; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 1193.12; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 39.98; Stanton Register, services, 507.08; Stanton State Bank, fees, 60.00; Stanton Telecom, services, 1877.57; Stanton Water & Sewer, services, 114.75; Eric Stone, parts etc, 233.03; Tax Valuation Inc, services, 15000.00; Teeco Inc, supplies, 118.95; The Lil Store, fuel, 2376.32; Thurston Co Shf, boarding, 4650.00; UNL IT Comm Cntr, service,

71.02; Visa Card Services, meals etc, 549.60; Wayne Co Crt, fees, 7.25; Fred Wiebelhaus, unif allow, 50.00; Mark Wieman, mileage etc, 38.20; Wolf's Den, meals, 7.50; Sandra Zoubek Co Treas, transfer etc, 505072.03; Sandra Zoubek, meals etc, 223.89;

ROAD FUND – 2K Trucking, hauling, 1600.00; Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 3326.38; Appeara, services, 66.92; ATCO Intl, supplies, 2015.00; Behmer Trucking, hauling, 2400.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 314.46; BCBS, ins-co shr, 16099.02; Bomgaars, supplies etc, 616.49; Bret Burtwistle, hauling, 4000.00; CAP Gravel LLC, gravel, 1061.71; Caterpillar Finc Svs Corp, pymt, 70901.30; Century Link, services, 64.31; Clarkson Plbg Htg, supplies etc, 86.54; Janice Coates, prior service, 17.00; Cornhusker Intl Trucks, services, 412.39; DDM Trucking, pup trailer, 9750.00; Doernemann Farm Service, services, 82.71; James Duncan, prior service, 16.00; Eastern Nebr Trlr Repair, supplies etc, 816.66; Eisenmann Supplies, tools, 51.97; Farmers Coop, fuel etc, 5885.83; Farmers Union Coop Supply Co, seeding, 141.03; Fastenal Co, supplies, 64.98; High Plains Diversified Enterprises, road proj, 219278.35; Howells Plbg Htg & Air, services, 1988.80; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec-co shr, 3867.01; Island Supply Welding Co, supplies, 25.53; Johnson Sand & Gravel, gravel, 1665.81; Kelly Supply Co, supplies etc, 376.05; Ken Trailer Sales & Repair, parts, 89.30; Kimball Midwest, supplies, 188.03; Leigh Motor Service, parts, 36.00; Luedeke Oil Co, fuel etc, 9547.86; Mainelli Wagner & Assoc, eng fees etc, 15224.94; Matteo Sand & Gravel, gravel, 8783.64; Meisinger Oil Co, supplies, 827.09; Menards, supplies, 517.59; Mid-Amer Benefits, hra fees- co shr, 3250.00; Midwest Service & Sales, supplies, 467.50; Overhead Door, services, 98.40; Pilger Store, supplies, 1305.05; Powerplan, services, 591.43; Quality Trans & Align, services, 760.30; Road Builders Mach & Supply, services, 1896.70; Ron's Ag & Auto Repair, services, 60.00; Rueter's Red Power, services, 459.08; OL Scheer Co, supplies, 115.75; Pilger Sand & Gravel, gravel etc, 1996.20; SID#1, street service, 14000.00, Stanton Auto Parts, parts etc, 1763.97; Stanton Co PPD, services, 746.80; Stanton Hardware, supplies etc, 436.12; Stanton Register, services, 18.91; Stanton Telecom, services, 218.43; Stanton Water & Sewer, services, 40.70; Russell Stodola, supplies, 17.63; Teeco, supplies, 46.75; Truck Center, supplies, 222.80; US Cellular, services, 70.44; Village Pilger, utilities, 124.42; Weldon Parts, parts, 11.75; Windshield Doctors, services, 50.00; Zee Medical Service, supplies, 218.23;

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND – Farmers Coop, fuel, 303.60; Menards, supplies, 80.34; Sandra Zoubek Co Treas, fees, 14.00;

INHERITANCE TAX – Estate Tracy Keith, refund tax, 107.18; Stanton Co PPD, tower, 101.25; Verizon Wireless, service, 80.02;

EMERGENCY 911 FUND – City Norfolk, dispatching, 7597.61; J Vernon Davidson, tower rent, 120.00; Stanton Telecom, services, 73.23;

Total aggregate salaries of all county employees \$168,264.19.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to adjourn and set the next meeting for Tuesday, February 18, 2020, at 8:15 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – January 2, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on January 2, 2020 at 8:00 AM in the County Commissioner's room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Equalization. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk was also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on December 18, 2019, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meeting laws are posted on the wall in the Commissioner's room and a copy may be obtained from the County Clerk's office upon request.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the minutes of December 16, 2019 meeting.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Re-organization meeting was held in open session by law and as per Statute.

Nominations opened for chairman of the Board of Equalization.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to nominate Dennis Kment for chairman, that nominations cease and Dennis Kment be elected by affirmation.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Nominations opened for vice chairman of the Board of Equalization.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to nominate Duane Rehak for vice chairman, that nominations cease and Duane Rehak be elected by affirmation.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to adjourn and set the next meeting for Tuesday, January 21, 2020 at 8:00 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Equalization, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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**COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDINGS – January 2, 2020**  
(edited proceedings – Official Proceedings on file in County Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on January 2, 2020 at 8:15 AM in the County Commissioner's room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak, Board of Commissioners. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk was also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on December 18, 2019, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meeting laws are posted on the wall in the Commissioner's room and a copy may be obtained from the County Clerk's office upon request.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to approve the minutes of December 16, 2019 meeting.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Re-organization meeting was held in open session by law and as per Statute.

Nominations opened for chairman of the Board of Commissioners.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to nominate Dennis Kment for chairman, that nominations cease and Dennis Kment be elected by affirmation.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Nominations opened for vice chairman of the Board of Commissioners.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Kment to nominate Duane Rehak for vice chairman, that nominations cease and Duane Rehak be elected by affirmation.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Kment and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: Sanford Goshorn, Emergency Manager – letter resignation effective Jan 15, 2020; Dave Remter, Norfolk NE – Motor Doctor Small Engine Repair Specialist introduction letter.

The applications for County Depository Banks were reviewed. A Statement of Disclosure was given by Dennis Kment regarding the employment of his son, David Kment, at Stanton State Bank.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Resolution for the depositories for Stanton County funds for 2020:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.01 – 01:**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the written applications for the designation as County Depositories of the County funds, as filed by the following named banks for the year ending December 31, 2019, coming on for consideration; and the County Board being fully advised, hereby accepts and approves the applications and hereby authorizes the deposit of County funds in the following banks for the term beginning January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2020: Bank First, Norfolk NE; Elkhorn Valley Bank and Trust, Norfolk NE; First Nebraska Bank, Stanton NE; Midwest Bank NA, Pierce, Pilger, Wisner NE; Stanton State Bank, Stanton NE; NPAIT, Lincoln NE; up to, but not exceeding the amount of the paid capital stock and surplus of said banks, respectively, upon the qualification by said bank, or any or all of them by furnishing of sufficient securities, and the approval of the same by the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska, as provided by Sec. 77-2318, of the Revised Statutes of Nebraska, Reissue 2009.

AND, that the same is hereby approved.

Dated this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of January, 2020.

Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttman, /s/ Duane Rehak

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, Stanton County Clerk

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Discussion held on the current HRA \$3,000 contribution per employee for assistance with health insurance deductible. Contributions are submitted on a monthly basis during the year.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to continue with the contribution of \$3,000 per employee eligible for insurance coverage through the county health plan to the Health Reimbursement arrangement plan managed by Mid-American Benefits for the year 2020, and review during the renewal of the county health plan coverage.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to approve the revised mileage rate of \$.575 cents/mile effective January 1, 2020 for all reimbursable mileage incurred by county employees; and further providing that the sheriff is permitted to charge an additional \$.03 cents/mile for paper service all as per NRS §81-1176.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to approve the legal newspaper as the Stanton Register for the year 2020, to set the legal radio stations as WJAG/KEXL and US92 for legal and weather-related announcements, and designate the Stanton County website (www.co.stanton.ne.us) as a means of publication of legal notices or other announcements.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Joining the meeting were: Tony McPhillips, LaLene Bates and Mike Froberg.

Discussion held on the re-appointment of the appointed officials for the year 2020.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to confirm the re-appointment January 3, 2019 the following appointed officials for the years 2019 – 2022: Highway Superintendent - Mark Mainelli; Planning/Zoning Administrator - LaLene Bates; Veterans' Service Officer - Anthony McPhillips; Weed Superintendent - Gary Carson.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Discussion held on the Emergency Manager vacancy due to the death of Sanford Goshorn. Mike Froberg, Deputy Emergency Manager, presented the board with an outline of a possibility of Stanton County joining the Region 11 Emergency Management. Region 11 Emergency Management consists of the surrounding counties of Antelope, Madison and Pierce. The outline presented noted positives and concerns with joining such an agreement. Also discussed was the possible appointment of an interim director to oversee any possible agreement, current county matters and transfer/storage of emergency management inventory. The board inquired if Mr. Froberg would be interested to be an interim director. Mr. Froberg replied he would accept this type of position and stated that no reimbursement for his service was required.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Kment to appoint Mike Froberg as interim Emergency Management Director.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Kment and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to authorize Doug Huttman to serve as the county representative for discussions and/or meetings with possible entities on the matter of an interlocal agreement for the emergency management.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Discussion held on the salary/wage of the appointed officials. The hourly rate for the Planning/Zoning Administrator and Veterans' Service Officer will remain the same and will be re-visited at the 2020-2021 budget approval. The annual salary of the Weed Superintendent will remain at \$12,000.00 (\$1,000.00 monthly). An increase to the hourly wage of the Emergency Manager was discussed.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Kment to re-visit the hourly rate for the Planning/Zoning Admin and VSO at the 2020-2021 budget approval, to continue the Weed Superintendent annual salary at \$12,000.00 (\$1,000.00 monthly) and to increase the hourly wage of the Emergency Manager to \$15 hourly.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Kment and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Committee appointments were discussed.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Rehak to approve the appointments to various positions as follows: County Health Dept Board – Dennis Kment; County Health Dept Board – Kirk Van Pelt, county representative (non-elected); DOT regulations for Drug Free Workplace Supervisor – Duane Rehak; Emergency Planning Committee, local – LaLene Bates and later appointment; NE Nebraska Community Action Partnership – Jerry Weatherholt, county representative (non-elected), alternate – Dennis Kment; NE Nebraska Area Agency on Aging Representative – Dennis Kment; NE Nebraska Dept Economic Development Representative – Douglas Huttman; NE Nebraska Dept Economic Development Representative – Chad Waldow, county representative (non-elected); NE Nebraska Juvenile Services Board – Dennis Kment, alternate – Mike Unger; Northstar Board – Douglas Huttman; Prairieland RC&D Board Representative – Douglas Huttman; alternates – Dennis Kment and Duane Rehak; Region IV Mental Health Board – Duane Rehak; Safety Committee – Douglas Huttman; alternate – Duane Rehak. Previously appointed: NE Nebraska Area Agency on Aging Advisory Board – Linda Hewitt, 3yr term (2019-2021) (non-elected); NE Nebraska Solid Waste Coalition Board – Duane Rehak; alternate – Dennis Kment (Res No.2018.01-002); NE Nebraska Solid Waste Coalition Board – Gary Svitak, Maple Creek representative (non-elected) (Res No.2018.01-003).

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Rehak and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to approve and place on file the following Stanton County Extension Board Members for the year 2020: Pat Larson (new), Terri Shafer, Kim Spence and Tim Stamm. A vacated position on the board will be filled at a later date.

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to approve and place on file the following Stanton County VSO Committee Members for the year 2020 – Jim Campbell; year 2021 – Robert Spriek; year 2022 – Bill Johnson; and year 2024 – Robert Chilcoat and Clint Warnke.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Re-appointments to the Stanton County Planning Commission were reviewed. Members needing to be re-appointed for the year 2020 are: Judy Funk, Gerald Kuhn and Mark Wieman. Board members not needing re-appointment are: year 2021 – Robin Dolesh, Mike Kabes and Todd Zohner; year 2022 – Russell Kumm, Doug Oertwich and Gerald Podany.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to re-appoint Judy Funk, Gerald Kuhn and Mark Wieman to a three (3) year term on the Planning Commission Board.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Re-appointments to the Stanton County Board of Adjustment were reviewed. Members needing to be re-appointed for the year 2020 are: Mark Wieman and alternate, Dave Stepan. Board members not needing re-appointment are: 2021 – Robert Lueninghoener; year 2022 – John Gall and Robert Locke. A vacated position on the board will be filled at a later date.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Kment to re-appoint Mark Wieman and alternate, Dave Stepan to a three (3) year term on the Stanton County Board of Adjustment.

Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Kment and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Discussion held on the Judicial Addition to the courthouse. An attorney from NACO recommended the county board approve a design-build process rather than the traditional design-bid-process. The board was updated on a discussion held by the building committee on possible building design.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to a to approve the following Resolution to adopt a resolution selecting the design-build contract or construction management at risk contract:

**RESOLUTION No. 2020.01 – 02:**

WHEREAS, Nebraska State Statutes 13-2901 to 13-2914 shall be known and may be cited as the Political Subdivisions Construction Alternatives Act.

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Political Subdivisions Construction Alternatives Act is to authorize a political subdivision to enter into a design-build contract which is subject to qualification-based selection or a construction management at risk contract for a public project if the political subdivision adheres to the procedures set forth in the act. §13-2902.

WHEREAS, Notwithstanding the procedures for public lettings in section 73-101 to 73-106 or any other statute relating to the letting of bids by a political subdivision, a political subdivision which follows the Political Subdivisions Construction Alternatives Act may solicit and execute a design-build contract or a construction management at risk contract.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Stanton County Board of Commissioners that: The governing body of the political subdivision shall adopt a resolution selecting the design-build contract or construction management at risk contract delivery system provided under the act prior to proceeding with the provision of section 13-2905 to 13-2914.

Adopted this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of January, 2020 at Stanton, Nebraska.

Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
/s/ Dennis Kment, /s/ Doug Huttman, /s/ Duane Rehak\

Board Member Dennis Kment moved the adoption of said resolution.  
Member Doug Huttman seconded the motion.  
Roll Call: 3 Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_ Absent.  
Resolution adopted, signed and billed as adopted.

Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, Stanton County Clerk

Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Rehak. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Discussion held on legislation enacted in 2014 to require the election of county surveyors in all counties under 150,000 unless certain actions are taken. In counties with an elected surveyor as of January 1, 2020 the county board may, following a public hearing, adopt a resolution to continue to elect the county surveyor. This resolution must be adopted prior to February 1, 2020. If the county board does not adopt a resolution to continue to elect the county surveyor, the question of electing a county surveyor must appear on the general election ballot in November 2020. The consensus of the board was not to pass a resolution continuing the practice to elect a county surveyor and to have the matter placed on the general election ballot in November 2020. If a majority of votes cast are against the election of the office of county surveyor, the elected office ceases to exist at the end of the term of the incumbent and the office becomes an appointed position. The appointee serves the same 4yr term as an elected surveyor. If a majority of votes cast are in favor of the election of the office of county surveyor, the office continues to be elected. No action taken by the board.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttman to adjourn and set the next meeting for Tuesday, January 21, 2020 at 8:15 AM.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska  
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk