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# **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – September 20, 2021**

(edited – official proceedings on file Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on September 20, 2021, 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 September 8, 2021, 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 Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to approve the minutes of August 16, 2021, meeting. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Rehak. Nayes: 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 12, 2021 at 8:00 AM.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to adjourn and set the next meeting for Tuesday, October 12, 2021, at 8:00 AM and set the next regular

meeting for October 18, 2021, at 8:00 AM. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: 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 20, 2021

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A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on September 20, 2021, 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.

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

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to approve the minutes of August 16, 2021, meeting. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Loren Smydra of Road Builders Machinery and Supply Co of Norfolk appeared before the board to introduce himself as the new District Sales and Product Support Manager for Road Builders Machinery and Supply Co Inc located in Norfolk, Nebraska.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: Erik Schovanec, Project Director Summit Carson Solutions – Co2 Capture & Sequestration Pipeline Project; Mike Unger, Shf – NIRMA Assist funds (vehicle damage); Nebraska Forest Service – Middle Northeast Community Wildfire Protection Plan draft; NIRMA – memorandum Nomination/Election NIRMA Board Members; NIRMA – memorandum NIRMA Annual Membership meeting information; Candy Downey, Probation – Budget Year End Review.

Mike Unger, county sheriff, appeared before the board with an update on the vehicles destroyed due to flooding at Jones Automotive of Omaha in August. He advised that the county has received 2 checks from Columbia Insurance Group for settlement on replacement costs for the vehicles destroyed. Mike has located a possible replacement for 1 vehicle. Discussion held on dispatching and other county matters. No action needed by the board.

Anthony McPhillips, county veterans' officer, appeared before the board with an employment proposal. Tony proposed to reduce his hours from a 40-hour work week to a 24-hour work week by working an 8-hour day on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at his current hourly wage and would continue to process the county road claims. If he is unable to serve the veterans of Stanton County at the 24-hour work week he will increase his hours to accommodate their needs. Tony understood that reducing his hours would designate his employment position as a part time employee which would make him ineligible for certain benefits (health insurance, cash in lieu, life insurance-ADD-LTD associated with the health insurance, vacation time and sick time). The employment proposal would be effective January 1, 2022. Discussion held on an exit strategy when considering retirement.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to accept the employment proposal effective January 1, 2022 to classify the Veterans' Service Office as a part time 24-hour work week working an 8-hour day on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at his current hourly wage with additional hours, if needed, and not eligible for benefits. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The board reviewed the drafted resolution opposing the Federal Government's "30x30" Land Preservation Goal.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve Resolution No. 2021.09 - 31 opposing the Federal Government's "30x30" Land Preservation Goal

(copy on file clerk's office). Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve Resolution No. 2021.09 - 32 to release pledged security. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

2021 Inventory Statements of Elected and Appointed Officials were reviewed by the board.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve and place on file the 2021 Inventory Statements of the Elected and Appointed Officials. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Ramsy Robertson, representative of Mainelli Wagner and Assoc, joined the meeting.

LaLene Bates, Planning and Zoning Administrator, joined the meeting and advised the board she did not have any planning and zoning issues needing review.

LaLene Bates, Friends of the Library representative, updated the board on library activities. No action needed by the board.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to temporarily move the meeting to the courtroom at 10:00 AM to accommodate additional seating for those appearing on the discussion of bridge C008412755. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman continued the meeting at 10:00 AM in the District Courtroom, who announced that the open meeting act is posted on the north wall in the courtroom.

Discussion continued on bridge C008412755 located 2 miles north of Highway 275 and 571 Ave northwest of Pilger which was closed due to safety concerns. Additional questions and concerns expressed by those in attendance were: weight limit of the bridge, culvert installation instead of bridge, waterway channel, life span of the structure and timeframe for repairs. The board addressed the questions and concerns. Ramsy Robertson, representative of Mainelli Wagner and Associates advised those in attendance that an inspection was conducted to verify the condition of the defects and to determine any improvements which can extend the service life of the structure. The entire

structure and channel were reviewed. The required actions necessary for reopening the bridge are: 1) guard rails are ineffective or missing and need to be removed and new rail system installed at both edges of the deck; 2) cut and remove timber deck planks extending past the exterior stringer; 3) replace all defective deck planks; and 4) smaller stringers shall be braced by installing new steel channels. The recommended actions which would improve the longevity of the structure are: A) install new steel sheet pile wing walls and tie rods at the south abutment and install new steel backwall and wings at the north abutment and B) reshape the channel to correct the erosion in the waterway and install rip rap. The approximate cost to have the structure repaired and opened is \$45,000 - \$55,000. Discussion held on the required and recommended actions needed to re-open the bridge structure. The board also advised those in attendance on the progress being made on the upgrading of the road located west of the bridge to allow an alternate access due to the inconvenience of the closure. Repairs to the structure will commence when resources and materials are available. The board thanked those in attendance for attending and expressing their concerns.

The board meeting returned to the commissioner's room at 10:20 AM and continued with the remaining items on the agenda.

The board reviewed the Permit to Construct Utilities on County Right-of-Way received from Great Plains Communications to install fiber optic. Discussion held on the permit and proposed sites.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve Utility Permit No. 20210920.1 install fiber optic lines starting at SE corner section 26-24-1 on the west side of 563 Ave south between sections 35/36-24-1, 1/2-23-1, 11/12-23-1, then east between sections 12/13-23-1 on 838 Rd and then south between sections 13-23-1/18-23-2, ending NW corner section 19-23-2 in Stanton County and 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. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Bid Letting was held at 10:30AM on the "Material Bid Proposal – Pilger Southeast C-84(390)". Appearing for the bid letting were: Tim Braithwait, representative of B's Enterprises Inc, and Steve Svatora, representative of Midwest Service and Sales Co. Bids were opened and publicly read as follows: B's Enterprises Inc,

Norfolk NE, \$79,920.00, 12-14 weeks after approval of drawings; Midwest Service and Sales Co, Schuyler NE, \$61,251.56, June-July 2022. Bids were reviewed with representatives.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to award the bid to Midwest Service and Sales Co of Schuyler NE for the "Material Bid Proposal – Pilger Southeast C-84(390)" in the amount of \$61,251.56 contingent on review for errors by Ramsy Robertson of Mainelli Wagner and Associates. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Ramsy advised the board that Mark Mainelli is drafting a policy and procedure for oversized loads and permit fees. Discussion held on the progress of repairs to the 2-mi bridge with a completion date of late October or early November. No action needed by the board.

Mike Frohberg, emergency manager, and W. Bert Lammli, county attorney, joined the meeting.

The board discussed emergency manager duties and responsibilities. Mike updated the board on the removal of the office/bathroom area and repairs being made to the emergency management building. Mike informed the board that the County LEOP will need to be reviewed and approved with the board maybe sometime in November or December. He also stated that the County ADA Policy will need to be updated.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve for the month of August the Documentary Stamp Tax, co shr in the amount of \$650.43; County Clerk fees in the amount of \$3,034.00; P&M Fund fees in the amount of \$443.50; Game and Parks Agent fees in the amount of \$0.00; Misc Copy fees in the amount of \$0.00; Clerk of the District Court fees in the amount of \$117.50; Passport fees in the amount of \$35.00; County Treasurer's receipt of money received numbered 22009-22069, inclusive in the amount of \$272,115.37; and place them on file. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: 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: <u>GENERAL FUND</u> - Ameritas, retire-co shr, 8242.81; Antelope Co Shf Dep, boarding etc, 11996.00; Appeara, supplies, 309.40; Applied Connective Tech, fees, 84.20; Kim Bearnes, phone, 40.00; Shawn Beaudette, services, 103.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 30.76; Donna Bloom, reimburse, 19.26; BCBS, ins-co shr, 30221.13; Brite, equip, 10764.00; Carrot-Top Industries, markers, 439.92; Cornhusker Auto Cntr, services, 52.65; DAS State Acct, costs, 43.88; Martha Detlefsen, prior service, 12.00; Douglas Co Dist Crt, fees, 8.25; Eakes Office, supplies, 292.56; Egley Fullner Montag etal, atty fees, 762.40; Ewalt Law, public defender, 2529.23; Faith Regional Health, fees, 28.36; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 2080.03; First Concord Benefits, fees, 55.00; Travis Herbolsheimer, reimburse, 23.00; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 9254.07; Jack Scherer LLC, services, 221.98; Jack's Unif Equip, supplies, 62.85; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 78.41; W Bert Lammli Jr, office allow, 949.00; Lawmen Supply-Municipal Emerg, supplies, 14.87; Luedeke Oil, fuel, 101.18; Lynn Peavey, supplies, 25.00; Madison Co, dist judge, 106.00; Madison Co Dist Crt-Mental Health, board fees, 100.00; Madison Co Shf, boarding etc, 1606.06; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 33.38; Janet Meyer, services, 80.00; Mid-American Benefits, hra fees-co shr etc, 6304.00; Mid-City Superstore, equip, 94.97; Midwest OB/GYN Clinic, services, 233.00; Midwest Special Services, transport fees, 160.50; MIPS, fees, 2776.30; Motorola Solutions, equip, 25504.72; Moyer Moyer, atty fees, 1710.85; Nebraska Assn Co Officials, 75.00; Lavern Newkirk, prior service, 17.00; One Office, supplies, 1370.37; Apothecary Shop, prescriptions, 61.62; Michael Petersen, supplies, 353.07; Pierce Co Shf Dept, boarding, 3050.00; Pierce Pharmacy, prescriptions, 48.24; Pilger Library, supplies, 281.26; Pitzer Digital, services, 689.82; Polk Co Clk Crt, fees, 40.00; Prime Sanitation, services, 39.75; Ramada Midtown Conf Cntr, lodging, 288.00; Region 4 Behavioral Health, au pymt, 4744.50; Rita Roenfeldt, prior service, 20.00; Stanton Auto Parts, services, 147.62; Spectrum Graphics, services, 133.16; Russell Schwartz, mowing, 300.00; Deb Silverman, services, 139.50; Sioux Sales, supplies, 307.40; Stanton Co Clk, postage etc, 48.25; Stanton Co Crt, fees, 798.25; Stanton Co Clk Dist Crt, fees, 323.00; Stanton Co Imprest Acct, ach fees, 20.75; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 1,964.54; Stanton Telecom, services, 1,876.22; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 264.67; Eric Stone, reimburse, 109.00; Teeco, supplies, 76.45; Lil Store, fuel, 2737.84; Thurston Co Shf, boarding, 2450.00; Gannon Tighe, reimburse, 20.00; Univ Nebr-Lincoln Ext-Stanton Co, fees, 44.02; Verizon Wireless, service, 451.74; Wanek Pharmacy, prescriptions, 186.72; Wayne Co, dist judge costs, 5291.99; Cheryl Wolverton, mileage, 138.88; Sandra Zoubek Co Treas, transfers, 50000.00; ROAD FUND - 2K Trucking, hauling, 778.76; AKRS Equip Solutions, parts, 158.62; Ameritas, retire-co shr, 3687.14; Appeara, services, 39.03; ATCO Intl, supplies, 650.00; B's Enterprises, equip, 1608.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 54.41; BCBS, ins-co shr, 18034.03; Bomagars, supplies, 302.90; Century Link, services, 95.60; Clarkson Plbg Htg, services etc, 161.68; Janice Coates, prior service, 17.00; Cornhusker Intl Trucks, parts, 137.82; Doernemann Farm Service, services, 608.44; James Duncan, prior service, 16.00; Eastern Nebr Trlr Repair, parts, 8.98; Emmett's Foodtown, supplies, 9.00; Farmer's Coop, fuel etc, 4583.20; Farmer's Un Coop Supply, supplies, 1480.27; Fastenal Co, supplies, 40.21; GI Trailer, supplies, 1517.13; Hoskins Mfg, steel, 210.24; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 4274.09; Island Supply Welding, supplies; 49.60; Kea Constructors, bridge repair, 224684.53; Kelly Supply, supplies, 17.66; Kimball Midwest, supplies, 197.84; Spenser's Trenching Electric, services, 3167.32; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 415.55; LG Everist, supplies, 635.25; Love Signs, supplies, 120.00; Luedeke Oil Co, fuel etc, 8999.67; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 14.06;

Mainelli Wagner Assoc, eng fees, 21046.26; Martin Marietta, gravel, 5071.06; Matteo Sand Gravel, gravel, 19894.28; Medical Enterprises, fees, 105.00; Menards, tools, 224.77; Mid-American Benefits, hra fees-co shr, 3500.00; Mid-City Superstore, supplies, 94.97; Midwest Service Sales, culverts etc, 6291.50; NMC Exchange, services, 41278.45; Ron Neisius, mowing, 350.00; Paul's Trans Repair, services, 1595.85; Pilger Store, fuel etc, 5051.37; Powerplan, services, 2683.84; Prime Sanitation, services, 50.00; Stanton Auto Parts, services etc, 1706.88; Road Builders Mach Supply, services, 2529.31; Ron's Ag Auto Repair, supplies, 274.50; Pilger Sand Gravel, gravel, 67465.19; Stanley Petroleum Maintenance, parts, 26.50; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 536.05; Stanton Telecom, services, 225.50; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 40.70; Teeco, services, 41.00; Truck Cntr, services, 240.15; US Cellular, services, 53.16; Village Pilger, utilities, 129.75; Weldon Parts, parts, 25.05; Zee Medical Service, supplies, 21.10; Sandra Zoubek Co Treas, fees, 44.00; EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - All Mobile Video, drone equip, 1365.00; Ameritas, retire-co shr, 309.37; Big Red Printing, supplies, 86.69; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 21.40; Engelhardt TV Comm, equip, 600.00; Fire Cam, equip, 390.95; Mike Frohberg, meals etc, 77.51; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 428.26; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 45.41; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 34.68; Menards, supplies, 743.45; Motorola Solutions, equip, 436.80; One Office, supplies, 2098.91; Prime Sanitation, services, 12.50; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 169.14; TWD Lock Safe Key, services, 347.30; WeatherTAP, fees, 89.95; Windshield Doctors, services, 40.00; INHERITANCE TAX - Stanton Co PPD, tower, 128.56; EMERGENCY 911 - City Norfolk, dispatching, 7939.69; Stanton Telecom, services, 73.23; Total aggregate salaries of all county employees \$185,253.35. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to adjourn and set the next meeting for Tuesday, October 12, 2021, at 8:15 AM and set the next regular meeting for October 18, 2021, at 8:15 AM. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Rehak. Nayes: 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 16, 2021**

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

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to approve the minutes of July 12, 2021 and July 19, 2021, meetings. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

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

Presented to the Board was the 2021 Plan of Assessment for Stanton County Assessment Years 2022, 2023 and 2024. Plan Assessment was reviewed and placed on file.

The 2021 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 2021 county valuation in the amount of \$1,597,155,807.00 which is an increase of \$21,156,941.00 from last year's valuation (\$1,575,998,866.00).

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to adjourn and set the next meeting for September 13, 2021 at 8:00 AM and set the regular monthly meeting for September 20, 2021, at 8:00 AM. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

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

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Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to approve the minutes of July 12, 2021 and July 19, 2021, meetings. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: Mike
Frohberg, Emerg Mngr – shop repair estimate; NIRMA – NIRMA Safety Shorts Vol.
9 No. 8; TC Energy – pipeline safety information; Farmers Coop, Pilger –
Propane Delivery Policy; NENEDD – annual report.

Mike Frohberg, Emergency Manager, appeared before the board to discuss the Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG). This grant is reimbursement of eligible salary and operating expenses of the emergency management department. The consensus of the board is to allow Mike to proceed if he so chooses.

Discussion held on the quote received from Motorola Solutions to purchase communication equipment in the amount of \$25,504.72. This equipment will be held in reserve in case of replacement of damaged equipment.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to approve the quote to purchase additional communication equipment. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Mike Unger, county sheriff, appeared via telephone to update the board on the damage to two (2) new patrol units. The units were at Jones Automotive in Omaha on August 8, 2021 and were damaged after heavy rain and flooding. The patrol units and most of the equipment (radar equipment, lightbars, e-citation computer and printer, etc) were destroyed and will need to be replaced. Insurance companies have been notified. Mike asked the board for permission to purchase a replacement vehicle prior to the insurance settlement.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to approve the purchase of a replacement vehicle for the sheriff's department. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Cheryl Wolverton and Tony McPhillips joined the meeting. Discussion held on the addition to the courthouse and other safety issues.

The county clerk presented a quote received from Midwest Alarm Services of Omaha for the replacement of the fire alarm system within the courthouse. Two (2) additional quotes are to be obtained and reviewed.

The board reviewed the proposed FY2021-2022 county budget with the county clerk. Discussion held on the budget and the FY2021-2022 proposed property tax request compared to the FY2020-2021 property tax request. Various funds were reviewed. A copy of the FY2021-2022 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 13, 2021 at 8:15 AM and the hearing on the Special Hearing to Set Final Tax Request is scheduled for September 13, 2021 at 8:30 AM (time approximate at the conclusion of the budget hearing).

Preliminary levy allocation requests were reviewed. Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve Resolution No. 2021.08-23 of the preliminary requests for levy allocations for Stanton Co Ag Society in the amount of \$79,560.00; Stanton Co Rural Fire Dist in the amount of \$261,308.00; and Hoskins rural Fire Dist in the amount of \$65,500.00. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve Resolution No. 2021.08-24 to release pledged security. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

No one appeared for the 30x30 Plan discussion. The board reviewed the information provided. The matter to approve a resolution will be placed on the September 20, 2021 agenda. No action taken by the board.

Tony McPhillips, Veterans' Service Officer, appeared before the board and requested the board to enter into a closed session to discuss a personnel issue.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to enter into closed session at 9:25 AM for the protection or prevention of needless injury to the reputation of individuals. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The county clerk remained per the request of the board and all others in attendance left the meeting. The board came out of closed session at 9:35 AM.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to resume the open meeting. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

LaLene Bates, Planning and Zoning Administrator, was not in attendance. The board proceeded with the RUP and CUP permits set for hearing and the lot split.

The chairman opened the hearing at 9:40 AM on the Residential Use Permit application of Larry Wright to construct a replacement residence on property

located in Pt SE SW 6-21-3. No one appeared for the hearing. The board reviewed the information received from the planning and zoning administrator.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to close the hearing. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to approve the Residential Use Permit application of Larry Wright to construct a replacement residence on property located in Pt SE SW 6-21-3, as per Planning Commission recommendations. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman opened the hearing at 9:41 AM on the Residential Use Permit application of Derek Beerbohm to construct a replacement residence on property located in Pt NW NE 12-22-3. No one appeared for the hearing. The board reviewed the information received from the planning and zoning administrator.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to close the hearing. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the Residential Use Permit application of Derek Beerbohm to construction a replacement residence on property located in Pt NW NE 12-22-3, as per Planning Commission recommendations. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

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

The chairman opened the hearing at 9:42 AM on the Conditional Use Permit of AMG Technology/Don Wisnieski to erect a communication tower on property located in Pt NW NW 33-24-1. Appearing for the hearing were Don and Jolene Wisnieski, landowners, and Shane McEntire, representative for Nextlink. Mr. Wisnieski requested that a variance be given on the light and fence requirements approved by the planning commission. Mr. McEntire indicated the tower is 120' in height and would be erected on the corner of an existing building with limited access stating there would be no need for fencing. Mike Frohberg, emergency manager, questioned the type of communication equipment to be placed on the tower. Mike advised any communication equipment placed on the tower needs to not interfere with the State communication equipment installed on the county tower located one half mile east of the proposed tower site.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to close the hearing. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Additional discussion held on the FFA requirements for height requiring day/night lighting and type of communication equipment to be placed on the tower.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to approve the Conditional Use Permit of AMG Technology/Don Wisnieski to erect a communication tower on property located in Pt NW NW 33-24-1 contingent on: 1) documentation to be submitted on the height requirement by the FAA for lighting, 2) any communication equipment placed on the tower needs to not interfere with the Government Communication Equipment installed on Stanton County's tower located at 56059 Hwy 275, and 3) eliminate conditions 2 and 3; all other conditions as per Planning Commission recommendations. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Ramsy Robertson, representative of Mainelli Wagner and Assoc, joined the meeting.

The board reviewed the Thomas Klug/Lemus lot split to split 2.5 or 3 acres from property located in N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> SE 20-24-1 and reviewed the Planning Commission Minutes of August 9, 2021 denying the lot split of Thomas Klug/Lemus.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to table this matter until September 20, 2021 at 9:30 AM until more information is received for the planning commission. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to temporarily move the meeting to the courtroom at 10:00 AM to accommodate additional seating for those appearing on the bridge discussion. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman continued the meeting at 10:05 AM in the District Courtroom. Open meeting act is posted on the north wall in the courtroom.

Members of the public appeared before the board to discuss the temporary closure of a county bridge located 2 miles north of Highway 275 on 571 Ave northwest of Pilger located between sections 17 and 18, township 24, range 3. Those in attendance expressed concerns with the inconvenience of the closure, if and when the bridge would be repaired, if limitations could be placed

on the road for local traffic only and the guidelines and timeframes of culvert and bridge repairs and replacement within the county. Ramsy Robertson advised the county board that this bridge is scheduled for an inspection in September. The board asked Ramsy to look into temporary costs and replacement costs. The board advised those in attendance that the dirt road located west of the bridge is being upgraded with tree removal, shoulder maintenance and the application of gravel to allow an alternate route while the bridge is temporarily closed. They also stated a road or bridge cannot be designated for local traffic only. They can only be classified as open or closed. The intention of the board is to temporarily repair the bridge, if possible, and look into replacing the bridge in the future. The chairman advised those in attendance that this matter will be continued to the September 20, 2021 meeting at 10:00AM to allow the highway superintendent to conduct an inspection of the bridge and to obtain more information on the repair and replacement costs. The board thanked those in attendance for attending and expressing their concerns.

The board meeting returned to the commissioner's room at 10:35 AM and continued with the remaining items on the agenda.

Ramsy Robertson updated the board on various projects within the county. He advised of a possible CBMP project eligible for replacing deck slabbing. Ramsy stated bid letting needs to be set for project: Pilger SE C84-(390), C008403535 located between sections 1 and 2, township 22, range 3. The board set the bid letting for September 20, 2021 at 10:30 AM. The board asked Ramsy about drafting a policy and procedure for oversized loads within Stanton County.

Jeff Kesting, representative of Pierce Telephone Co, joined the meeting to discuss the utility permits to construct on county road right of ways in the Spring Branch and Dewey Precincts. Mr. Kesting presented a map indicating the roads affected by the permits. Discussion held on the permits, proposed sites and obtaining permission also from Wayne County because of 846 Road which is the county line. Also discussed was the permit fee. The \$100 dollar fee would be charged for each road affected not per permit filed.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve Utility Permits No. 20210816-1 through 20210816-13 to construct fiber optic lines along 562, 563, 564, 565 and 566 Aves and 844, 845 and 846 Rds in Stanton County contingent on the payment of the \$800 permit fees and submission of a certificate of liability for the construction company and 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: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve Resolution No. 2021.08-25 to authorize the chairperson to sign the County Annual Certification of Program Compliance to Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards 2020. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Copy of County Annual Certification of Program Compliance to Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards 2021 on file in County Clerk's office.

Randi Hale, representative of Nebraska Machinery, appeared before the board to update them on the progress with Caterpillar in resolving the issues with the maintainers purchased in 2019. Mr. Hale advised he received a program adjustment that will be applied to the machines to see if the issues is resolved. No action taken by the board.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to approve for the month of July the Documentary Stamp Tax, co shr in the amount of \$2,904.71; County Clerk fees in the amount of \$2,810.50; P&M Fund fees in the amount of \$429.00; Game and Parks Agent fees in the amount of \$12.00; Misc Copy fees in the amount of \$6.00; Clerk of the District Court fees in the amount of \$326.37; Passport fees in the amount of \$70.00; County Treasurer's receipt of money received numbered 21949 – 22008, inclusive in the amount of \$374,712.89; County Sheriff 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter report; County VSO 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter reports; and place them on file. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Rehak. Nayes: 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: <u>GENERAL</u> – Mark Albin atty, atty fees, 1078.35; Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 8221.33; Antelope Co Shf Dept, boarding etc, 4280.00; Appeara, supplies, 149.46; Kim Bearnes, supplies etc, 355.01; Shawn Beaudette, services, 103.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 10.34; BCBS, ins-co shr, 30,221.13; Carrot-Top Industries, markers, 219.96; Gary Carson, mileage etc, 283.94; Central Plains Valuation, contract, 1475.00; Cornhusker Auto Center, services, 1173.54; Co Veterans' SVC Officers Assn, convention, 60.00; DAS State Acct, costs, 43.88; Martha Detlefsen, prior service, 12.00; Eakes Office, supplies, 282.53; Egley Fullner Montag Morland etal, atty fees, 2490.24; Tyler Evans, supplies, 106.98; Ewalt Law Office, public defender, 2529.23; Farm Home Publishing, platt books, 550.00; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 1619.82; Fire Cam, software prog, 1899.00; First Concord Benefits, flex fees, 55.00; Fitzgerald Vetter Temple etal, atty fees, 2661.86; Floor Maintenance, supplies, 200.21; Mike Frohberg, services, 140.10; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 9230.50; Diane Kander, supplies, 17.11; Kuehn's Auto Body, services, 395.00; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 28.33; W Bert Lammli Jr, office allow, 949.00; Luedeke Oil Co, fuel, 138.46; Madison Co Dist Crt, fees, 78.03; Madison Co Shf, boarding etc, 1928.03; Madison Co Treas, prob costs, 16591.76; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 33.38; Anthony McPhillips, meals, 343.50; Janet Meyer, services, 120.00; Mid-Amer Benefits, hra fees, 6312.00; Midwest Service Sales, supplies, 60.00; Midwest Spec Services, services, 321.00; MIPS, fees, 2776.30; NACO, fees, 1012.00; Lavern Newkirk, prior service, 17.00; One Office, supplies, 684.77; Apothecary Shop, services, 58.64; Pierce Co Crt, fees, 3.75; Pierce Co Shf Dept, boarding, 2850.00; Pilger Library, supplies, 320.56; Pitzer Digital, services, 804.35; Postmaster, box rent, 496.00; Prime Sanitation, services, 39.75; Rita Roenfeldt, prior service, 20.00; Stanton Auto Parts, services, 138.76; Stanton Co Crt, fees, 203.00; Stanton Co Imprest Acct, ach fees, 20.00; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 1923.40; Stanton Telecom, services, 1909.37; Stanton Water Sewer, utilities, 271.28; Vaughn Stiles, mowing, 200.00; Teeco, supplies, 58.95; Lil Store, fuel, 3277.88; Thomson Reuters, supplies, 1232.00; Thurston Co Shf, boarding, 1550.00; Univ Nebr-Lincoln Ext, fees, 46.02; Verizon Wireless, service, 400.10; Wanek Pharmacy, services, 69.05; Loree Zach, supplies, 40.65; Sandra Zoubek Co Treas, supplies, 34.09; <u>ROAD</u> – Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 3597.00; Appeara, services, 39.03; ATCO Intl, supplies, 1697.00; Rusty Nuts Repair, services, 2271.57; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 70.45; BCBS, ins-co shr, 18034.03; Bomgaars, supplies, 617.55; Century Link, services, 79.79; Clarkson Plbg Htg, supplies, 30.05; Janice Coates, prior service, 17.00; Doernemann Farm, services etc, 1820.39; James Duncan, prior service, 16.00; Farmer's Coop, fuel etc, 8338.63; Farmers Un Coop, supplies, 729.08; GI Trailer, supplies, 76.52; GWORKS, fees, 327.73; Wanda Heermann, reimburse, 14.22; Hoskins Mfg, steel, 190.53; IRS USA Tax Pymt, co sec tax-co shr, 4166.83; Island Supply Welding, supplies, 49.60; John Deere Finc, services, 807.19; Kea Constructors, bridge repair, 127806.30; Kimball Midwest, supplies, 291.51; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 34.58; Lammers Trailer Repair, services, 3645.79; Luedeke Oil Co, fuel etc. 7436.40; Matteo Sand Gravel, gravel, 8231.08; Menards, tools, 111.92; Mid-Amer Benefits, hra fees, 3500.00; Midwest Service Sales, culverts etc, 6955.50; NMC Exchange, services, 7919.47; One Office, supplies, 81.36; Overhead Door, services, 370.10; Pilger Store, fuel etc, 4976.46; Pinkelman Truck Trailer, services, 1328.21; Prime Sanitation, services, 50.00; Profire Safety, supplies, 26.00; Stanton Auto Parts, services, 433.91; Ron's Ag Auto Repair, services, 541.49; Rueter's Red Power, services, 4160.59; Stalp Gravel, gravel, 2171.48; Stanley Petroleum Maint, parts, 257.40; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 475.85; Stanton Telecom, services, 223.90; Stanton Water Sewer, utilities, 40.70; Teeco, services, 69.00; Thies Garage, services, 273.20; Truck Center, services, 409.38; US Cellular, services, 53.67; Village Pilger, utilities, 129.75; Zee Medical, supplies, 31.85; EMERGENCY MGMT -

Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 309.37; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 20.60; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 226.00; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 428.26; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 17.34; Menards, supplies, 139.96; NACO, fees, 175.00; Prime Sanitation, services, 12.50; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 78.84; Stanton Water Sewer, utilities, 76.50; <u>CO DRUG LAW ENF</u> – Stanton Co, reimburse, 1000.00; <u>INHERITANCE TAX</u> – Stanton Co PPD, tower, 125.57; <u>EMERGENCY 911</u> – City Norfolk, dispatching, 8256.77; Stanton Telecom, services, 73.23; Total aggregate salaries of all county employees \$183,419.03. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to adjourn and set the next meeting for September 13, 2021 at 8:15 AM (following Budget Hearing) and set the regular monthly meeting for September 20, 2021, 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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### **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – July 19, 2021**

(edited – official proceedings on file Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on July 19, 2021, 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 7, 2021, 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. Carolyn Poellot, member of the public, attended the meeting. 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 Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Cheryl Wolverton, county assessor, presented a list of over/under valued 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 over/under valued property and allow the County Assessor to adjust the tax rolls. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

There were no corrections sheets or listings of clerical errors needing approval.

The chairman re-opened the Board of Equalization meeting at 8:05 AM and swore in the County Assessor, Cheryl Wolverton.

Decisions were made on the following protests:

2021 – 01: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

2021 – 02: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Kment and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

2021 – 03: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to adjust the valuation to \$232,330.00 due to land loss. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

2021 – 04: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

2021 – 05: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

2021 – 06: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to adjust the valuation to \$435,775.00 due to a quality change. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

2021 – 07: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to adjust the valuation to \$291,070.00 due to a quality change. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

2021 – 08: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

2021 – 09: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

2021 – 10: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to adjust the valuation to \$253,780.00 due to an adjustment to the condition of the residence and adjustment to the land use. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

2021 – 11: Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: 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 Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to close the protest hearing. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to adjourn and set the next meeting for August 16, 2021, at 8:00 AM. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: 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 19, 2021

(edited – official proceedings on file Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on July 19, 2021, 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 July 7, 2021, 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. Carolyn Poellot, member of the public, attended the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 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 Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: Jason Jacob, Spud Construction – Bomag Road Recycler flyer; Morrow Davies & Toelle PC – announcement merger with Cruise & Associates; Michele York, Nebraska DNR – North Fork Elkhorn Floodplain Mapping Project Update, Lower Elkhorn Watershed Floodplain Mapping Project Update, Upper Elkhorn Watershed Floodplain Mapping Project Update; Dodge Co Plan Comm – Notice public hearing on Biosolids, etc; Stanton Public Library – thank you for continued support and request for funding 2021-2022.

Sandy Zoubek, W. Bert Lammli, Mike Frohberg and Mike Unger joined the meeting.

Discussion held on the semi-annual report for January – June, 2021.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve Resolution No. 2021.07-21 for the County Treasurer's Semi-Annual report ending June 30,2021. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve Resolution No. 2021.07-22 to add and release pledged security. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

General discussion held on the 2021-2022 Budget, hourly increase for appointed officials, maintenance and road department, county insurance cost and coverage, and employee benefits. Consensus of the board is to allow an approximate 50¢ an hour increase for the VSO, Plan Zone Admin, Maintenance and Road employees.

Discussion held on the law enforcement contract. Mr. Lammli presented an outline of services, costs and benefits. The outline contained law enforcement call numbers, comparable law enforcement contract costs, breakdown of cost of salary and benefits for 2 officers, approximate costs of establishing a law enforcement department, current law enforcement agreement and statute email. The outline will be updated after the discussion. A copy will be presented to the city council for consideration at a later date.

LaLene Bates, Planning and Zoning Administrator, joined the meeting. LaLene advised the board that due to a publication error by the newspaper the RUP application of Derek Beerbohm and the RUP application of Larry Wright will be continued to the August 16, 2021 meeting. No action taken by the board.

Ramsy Robertson, representative of Mainelli Wagner and Associations, joined the meeting. Ramsy updated the board on the construction and repair of county bridge C008401105P (2-mile bridge). Discussion held on other road projects and road issues.

Mike Frohberg, Emergency Manager, appeared before the board and asked the board to enter into a closed session to discuss a personnel issue.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to enter into closed session at 10:50AM for the protection or prevention of needless injury to the reputation of individuals. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The county clerk remained per the request of the board and all others in attendance left the meeting. The board came out of closed session at 11:55AM.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to resume the open meeting. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Discussion held on the appointed position of the emergency manager. At the January 7, 2021 meeting the emergency manager was classified as a full-time employee but not eligible for county health insurance due to hours worked, holiday pay, vacation pay or sick pay. Consensus of the board is to classify the emergency manager as an appointed official with a set annual salary of \$55,000.00 and eligible for county health insurance or cash in lieu, holiday pay, vacation pay as allowed by county policy. As a fulltime position more time can be spent on rules and regulations with emergency management and grant application opportunities.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to appoint Michael Frohberg as a fulltime emergency manager eligible for county health insurance or cash in lieu, holiday pay, vacation pay and sick pay as allowed by county policy effective July 1, 2021. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve for the month of June the Documentary Stamp Tax, co shr in the amount of \$1,816.82; County Clerk fees in the amount of \$3,454.25; P&M Fund fees in the amount of \$532.50; Game and Parks Agent fees in the amount of \$12.00; Misc Copy fees in the amount of \$0.00; Clerk of the District Court fees in the amount of \$291.91; Passport fees in the amount of \$0.00; County Treasurer's receipt of money received numbered 21889 – 21948, inclusive in the amount of \$723,265.45; and place them on file. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: 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: <u>GENERAL FUND</u> - AMC Rifle Range, fees, 100.00; Ameritas Retire, ret-co shr, 7936.56; Appeara, supplies, 149.46; Applied Conn Tech, fees, 42.10; Shawn Beaudette, services, 103.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 40.19; Donna Bloom, mileage, 54.21; BCBS, ins-co shr, 30221.13; Custom Credentials, supplies, 25.50; DAS State Acct, costs, 43.88; Martha Detlefsen, prior service, 12.00; Eakes Office, supplies, 98.76; Ewalt Law Office, public defender, 2529.23; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 1992.00; First Concord Benefits , flex benefits, misc, 55.00; Floor Maintenance, supplies, 200.21; Hansen Brothers, repairs, 199.99; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 8943.35; Diane Kander. Supplies, 39.73; W Bert Lammli Jr, office allow, 930.00; Luedeke Oil, fuel, 218.30; Madison Co Shf, boarding, 3050.00; Madison Natl Life, ins-co shr, 33.38; Mid-Amer Benefits, hra fees-co shr etc, 6403.00; Midwest Service Sales, supplies, 80.00; Midwest Special Services, transport, 193.50; MIPS, fees, 2776.30; Nebr Assn Co Officials, reg fee, 150.00; Lavern Newkirk, prior service, 17.00; One Office, supplies, 554.37; Apothecary Shop, prescript, 11.50; Pierce Co Shf, boarding, 1650.00; Pitzer Digital, services, 295.53; Prime Sanitation, services, 39.75; Region IV, au pymt, 1874.50; Region 4 Beh Health Sys, au pymt, 4744.50; Rita Roenfeldt, prior service, 20.00; Sioux Sales, supplies, 2036.00; Stanton Co Dist Crt, fees, 33.00; Stanton Co Crt, fees, 114.00; Stanton Co Imp Acct, ach fees, 19.50; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 1953.12; Stanton Telecom, services, 1844.87; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 262.95; Eric Stone, reimb, 23.09; Stratton DeLay etal, fees, 2568.70; Teeco, supplies, 120.20; Lil Store, fuel, 1113.42; Thurston Co Shf, boarding, 1700.00; Univ Nebr Lincoln-Extension, fees, 45.02; Verizon Wireless, service, 400.10; Wanek Pharmacy, prescript, 69.27; Sandra Zoubek Co Treas, postage etc, 5077.28; Sandra Zoubek, reimb, 48.14; ROAD FUND - Ameritas Retire, ret-co shr, 3576.53; Appeara, services, 38.77; ATCO Intl, services, 780.00; B's Enterprises, supplies, 47300.22; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 101.15; BCBS, insco shr, 21212.69; Century Link, services, 70.97; Janice Coates, prior service, 17.00; Doernemann Farm Service, services etc, 128.18; James Duncan, prior service, 16.00; Eisenmann Supplies, parts, 40.00; Electrical Eng Equip, parts, 74.40; Farmer's Coop, fuel etc, 9600.58; Farmers Un Coop Supply, supplies, 82.23; Fastenal Co, supplies, 53.88; Hundertmark Cleaning Sys, supplies. 50.00; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec-co shr, 4074.71; Island Supply Welding, supplies, 113.90; Kea Constructors, bridge repair, 177354.90; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 85.07; Luedeke Oil, fuel etc, 11577.63; Madison Natl Life Ins Co, ins-co shr, 3.22; Mainelli Wagner Assoc, services, 7269.26; Martin Marietta Materials, gravel, 565.18; Matteo Sand Gravel, aravel, 14266.87; Meisinger Oil Co, supplies, 121.80; Mid-Amer Benefits, hra fees-co shr, 3750.00; NMC Exchange, parts, 850.00; Justin Oswald Trucking, hauling, 293.60; Pilger Store, fuel etc, 3738.85; Pinkelman Truck Trailer, services, 15481.10; Powerplan, services, 1428.97; Prime Sanitation, services, 62.50; Quality Trans Align, services, 426.98; Stanton Auto Parts, parts, 439.38; Road Builders Mach Supply, services etc, 1546.17; Ron's Ag Auto Repair, supplies, 93.00; Pilger Sand Gravel, gravel, 32875.57; Sport Lighting, parts, 159.98; Stalp Gravel Co, aravel, 5869.81; Stanley Petroleum Maintenance, parts, 316.00; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 490.07; Stanton Telecom, services, 225.70; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 40.70; Teeco, services, 41.50; US Cellular, services, 61.58; Village Pilger, utilities, 137.27; Warren Garage Door, services, 122.50; Weldon Parts, supplies; 15.49; Zee Medical Service, supplies, 63.35; EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND - Ameritas Retire, ret-co shr, 215.66; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 31.20; Cornhusker Auto Cntr, services, 103.60; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 447.79; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 244.42; Stanton Hardware, parts, 210.45; One Office, furniture, 107.96; Pitzer Digital, services, 30.00; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 69.47; Stanton Water Sewer, service, 38.25; INHERITANCE TAX FUND - Stanton Co PPD, tower, 122.67; EMERGENCY 911 FUND - City Norfolk, dispatching, 7939.69; Stanton Telecom, services, 73.23; Total agaregate salaries of all county

employees \$175,944.99. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to adjourn and set the next meeting for August 16, 2021, 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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# **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – July 12, 2021**

(edited – official proceedings on file Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on July 12, 2021, 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 June 30, 2021, 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 Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the minutes of June 21, 2021 and June 28, 2021 meetings. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Cheryl Wolverton, county assessor, presented a list of over/under valued 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 over/under valued property and allow the County Assessor to adjust the tax rolls. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman opened the protest hearing at 8:13 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: 2021 Assessment Practices and Procedures of the Stanton County Assessor's office, Nebraska Agricultural Land Valuation Manual, Nebraska Assessor's Reference Manual and 2021 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 Kment to recess the Board of Equalization meeting to open the Board of Commissioners meeting. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman re-opened the Board of Equalization meeting at 8:25 AM.

Protest hearings were heard as follows:

# 2021 - 01: Lots 1 & 2, Blk 64, Original Town City

Stanton. Rolland Lorensen appeared for the protest and was sworn in to give testimony. Mr. Lorensen advised the board on the condition of his residence, street and neighborhood conditions and felt the value of his residence increased too much. Discussion held on values and condition of property. The board thanked Mr. Lorensen for his comments and advised him a decision will be made on the protest July 19, 2021.

2021 - 02: Pt S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> NW 36-22-3, Haymow Prec, 66.67 acres. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

2021 - 03: W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> NE 23-23-2, Stanton Prec, 80 acres (POH-RIV). Mike Wilke and Dave Safty appeared for the protest and were sworn in to give testimony. Mr.

Wilke advised the board that the river has taken land on the north side of the property and that the property is not worth the value listed. Discussion held on the flooding in 2019 and the effects towards the property. The board thanked Mr. Wilke and Mr. Safty for their comments and advised them a decision will be made on the protest July 19, 2021.

2021 – 04: SE 15-23-2, Stanton Prec, 160 acres (Pohlman). Mike Wilke and Dave Safty appeared for the protest and were sworn in to give testimony. Mr. Wilke advised the board that the river has taken land on the south side of the property and that the property is not worth the value listed. He also stated if the river keeps cutting into the field the pivot will not be able to make circle. Discussion held on the flooding in 2019 and the effects towards the property. The board thanked Mr. Wilke and Mr. Safty for their comments and advised them a decision will be made on the protest July 19, 2021.

2021 – 05: Lot 1 of Replat of David Heberer's Lot Split in NW NE 6-24-1, Spring Branch Prec, 11.57 acres. David Heberer appeared for the protest and was sworn in to give testimony. Mr. Heberer advised the board on the sights and sounds created by Nucor Steel and felt the property is not worth the value listed. Discussion held on the property. The board thanked Mr. Heberer for his comments and advised him a decision will be made on the protest July 19, 2021.

2021 – 06: Lot 1 Howard Hansen's Lot Split, in the NE SE 27-23-2, Stanton Prec, 10 acres. Tom and Mary McKeon appeared for the protest and were sworn in to give testimony. They expressed concerns with the value of their property compared to other property with about the same square footage. Discussion held. The board thanked Mr. and Mrs. McKeon for their comments and advised them a decision will be made on the protest July 19, 2021.

2021 – 07: Lot 1 McIntosh Subdivision, Pt SE SW & Pt SW SE 30-24-1, Spring Branch Prec, 2.30 acres. Robert Wiest appeared for the protest and was sworn in to give testimony. Mr. Wiest expressed concerns with the increase of value of his property and presented a listing of comparable houses. Discussion held. The board thanked Mr. Wiest for his comments and advised him a decision will be made on the protest July 19, 2021.

2021 – 08: Lot 44 Willers Cove 4<sup>th</sup> Addn, Pt N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 10-23-3, Pilger Prec, 4.53 acres. Sandra and Loran Rolf appeared for the protest. Sandra Rolf was sworn in to give testimony. Mrs. Rolf expressed concerns with the land increase since 2018. Discussion held on the property. The board thanked Mrs. Rolf for her comments and advised them a decision will be made on the protest July 19, 2021.

2021 – 09: Outlot W Willers Cove Outlots S-Z, Pt N½ 10-23-3, Pilger Prec, 3.59 acres. Sandra and Loran Rolf appeared for the protest. Sandra Rolf was sworn in to give testimony. Mrs. Rolf expressed concerns with the value increase on an empty lot. Discussion held on the property. The board thanked Mrs. Rolf for her comments and advised them a decision will be made on the protest July 19, 2021.

2021 – 10: Pt E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> NW 33-24-1, Spring Branch Prec, 73.68 acres. Appearing and sworn in to give testimony were Dionne Gillespie, Jeff Gillespie, Kathy Neidig and Van Neidig. Mr. Neidig advised the board that areas of the property are unusable due to cedar trees and ravines. Discussion held on the condition of the residence and use of the property. The board thanked those present for their comments and advised them a decision will be made on the protest July 19, 2021.

2021 – 11: Outlot T Willers Cove Outlots S-Z, Pt N $\frac{1}{2}$  10-23-3, Pilger Prec, 4.930 acres. No one appeared. Protest reviewed.

Decisions of the Board of Equalization will be determined on July 19, 2021 and a copy will be mailed to each protester.

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

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to adjourn and set the next meeting for July 19, 2021, at 8:00 AM. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: 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 12, 2021

(edited – official proceedings on file Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on July 12, 2021, 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 30, 2021, 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 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 June 21, 2021 and June 28, 2021 meetings. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: NIRMA – NIRMA Safety Shorts Vol. 9 No. 7; Jill Kuhel, Nebraska DOT – STIP and LRTP input.

General discussion held on bridge and road protects. No action taken.

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. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

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

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve Resolution No. 2021.07 – 19 to add pledged security. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve Resolution No. 2021.07 – 20 to release pledged security. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

General discussion held on the 2021-2022 Budget, proposed increase for office budgets, cost of road projects and proposed increase of approximately 30¢ per hour or \$50 per month for road department and custodian/maintenance employees.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to adjourn and set the next meeting for July 19, 2021, 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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# **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – June 28, 2021**

(edited – official proceedings on file Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on June 28, 2021, at 8:00 AM in the County Commissioner's room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon roll call were: Douglas Huttmann and Duane Rehak, Board of Equalization. Dennis Kment 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 June 16, 2021, 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 Vice Chairman Huttmann, 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 and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Absent: Kment. Motion Carried.

Cheryl Wolverton, county assessor, presented a list of over/under valued 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 over/under valued property and allow the County Assessor to adjust the tax rolls. Voting: Ayes: Rehak and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Absent: Kment. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to adjourn to July 12, 2021 at 8:00 AM and set the next meeting for July 19, 2021 at 8:00 AM. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann and Rehak. Nayes: None. Absent: Kment. Motion Carried.

/s/ Doug Huttmann, Vice Chairman, Board of Equalization, Stanton County, Nebraska Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

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### COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDINGS - June 28, 2021

(edited – official proceedings on file Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on June 28, 2021, at 8:15 AM in the County Commissioner's room in Stanton, Nebraska.

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

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on June 16, 2021, 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 Vice Chairman Huttmann, 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 and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Absent: Kment. Motion Carried.

Discussion held on the Intergovernmental Agreement for Adult Detention Services received from the Thurston County Sheriff's Department. The purpose of the agreement is to establish a formal relationship between the Thurston County Nebraska Jail and Stanton County Nebraska for the detention of adult persons criminally charged or sentenced by the court of Stanton County.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve and authorize the Vice Chairman to sign the Intergovernmental Agreement for Adult Detention Services received from the Thurston County Sheriff's Department. Voting: Ayes: Rehak and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Absent: Kment. Motion Carried. [copy of Intergovernmental Agreement on file in County Clerk's office]

Discussion held on the request received from Jeni Campana, Nebraska Department of Transportation, to provide a Letter of Support for US-275 RAISE Grant Application (US-275 Norfolk to Wisner RAISE Support Letter). The board reviewed the drafted letter.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann, to approve and authorize the Vice Chairman to sign the Letter of Support for US-275 RAISE Grant Application (US-275 Norfolk to Wisner RAISE Support Letter). Voting: Ayes: Rehak and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Absent: Kment. Motion Carried. [copy of Letter of Support on file in County Clerk's office]

W. Bert Lammli, County Attorney, joined by the meeting. Discussion held on contracts, budgets and other county issues. No action needed or taken by the board.

The county clerk advised the board of the need for a new fire and security alarm system within the courthouse. Quotes are going to be obtained for installation of new systems. Also discussed was possible replacement of the copier in the breakroom. No action taken by the board.

Randi Hale, representative of Nebraska Machinery, appeared before the board to update them on the progress with Caterpillar in resolving the issues with the maintainers purchased in 2019. Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve the following Accounts Payable claims as presented and order checks drawn on the various funds. Voting: Ayes: Rehak and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Absent: Kment. Motion Carried.

General Fund – Appeara, supplies, 149.46; Kim Bearnes, supplies etc, 50.44; Joshua Bennett, supplies, 53.50; Big Red Printing, supplies, 1513.16; Donna Bloom, supplies, 25.43; Brite, computer equip, 15720.00; Card Services, training etc., 348.09; Eakes Office Solutions, chairs, 1073.36; Government Forms Supplies, plat cabinet, 1603.34; Hamilton Co Crt, fees, 6.25; Howard Co Crt, fees, 9.05; Jack Scherer LLC, services, 146.26; Mike Kabes, salary etc, 28.44; Diane Kander, supplies, 78.92; Krutz Construction 2, services, 375.00; Kuehn's Auto Body, services, 338.00; Gerald Kuhn, salary etc, 27.88; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 52.27; Microfilm Imaging Systems, equip, 624.00; MIPS, fees, 502.21; Motorola Solutions, comm equip, 32727.30; Douglas Oertwich, salary etc, 25.08; One Office Solution, supplies, 526.32; One Office Solution, printer, 1173.60; Pilger Library, supplies, 364.87; Gerald Podany, salary etc, 28.44; Quality Trans Align, 150.57; Stanton Auto Parts, services, 1049.67; Pilger Sand Gravel, rock, 712.42; Stanton Co Clk, fees, 44.00; Univ Nebraska Lincoln, phone, 45.02; VFW Club Post #3602, meal, 240.00; Mark Wieman, salary etc, 37.40; Zee Medical, supplies, 23.05; Road Fund – Bomgaars, supplies etc, 266.10; Cornhusker Intl Trucks, parts, 214.04; Cornhusker Intl Trucks, 2022 Tesco trlr, 47322.29; Cornhusker Intl Trucks, 2022 Intl HX530 truck, 162367.35; Ag Supply, supplies, 29.79; Matteo Sand Gravel, gravel, 9799.63; Medical Enterprises, supplies, 5.00; NMC Exchange, services, 1380.35; Ron Neisius, mowing, 250.00; Road Builders Machinery Supply, repairs, 7475.90; Emergency Management Fund - Mike Frohberg, repair reimb, 37.97; Sioux Sales Co, supplies, 150.90; P&M Fund - Government Forms Supplies, plat cabinet, 3206.66.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to adjourn to July 12, 2021 and set the next meeting for July 19, 2021 at 8:15 AM. Voting: Ayes: Rehak and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Absent: Kment. Motion Carried.

/s/ Doug Huttmann, Vice Chairman, Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

# **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – June 21, 2021**

(edited – official proceedings on file Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on June 21, 2021, 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 June 9, 2021, 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.

April Johnston, member of the public, attended the meeting.

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

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to approve the minutes of May 17, 2021, meeting. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: Certificate of 2021 Assessment Rolls for the Real Property in Stanton County

The board reviewed the Report of Destroyed Real Property number 01-2021DP (Property ID 0002917.00) for damage occurring on or after January 1 and before July1 of the current year filed with the County Clerk and County Assessor's office.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak that after review the final value to be established at \$75,880.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: 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 2021-10 to 2021-11 and place them on file. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

There were no listings of clerical errors needing approval.

Cheryl presented a list of over/under valued 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 over/under valued property and allow the County Assessor to adjust the tax rolls. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Protest hearing dates were tentatively set for July 7, 8 and 12, 2021 at 8:00 AM.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to adjourn to the fiscal year meeting set for June 28, 2021 at 8:00 AM; set protest hearings tentatively for July 7, July 8 or July 12, 2021 at 8:00AM; and set the next regular meeting for July 19 2021 at 8:00 AM. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: 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 21, 2021

(edited – official proceedings on file Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on June 21, 2021, 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 9, 2021, 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.

April Johnston, member of the public, attended the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 8:25 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. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to approve the minutes of May 17, 2021, meeting. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Various officials joined the meeting to discuss the Covid Procedure Policy. Comments were received from those present on the guidelines eased at the May meeting. Consensus of those present was to continue with the guidelines eased at the May 2021 meeting. No action needed by the board.

Discussion held on the police contract up for renewal end of 2022. The board suggested attending a city council meeting to discuss the matter as to their intent to renew or not. The county clerk was instructed to have the board placed on the city council agenda at a later date.

Bid letting was held on the surplus property at 9:10 AM. No appearances were made. The chairman opened the sealed bids and read them aloud. Bids were received from the following: 6'x9' trailer: David Pinnt in the amount of \$356.00; Eager Beaver Firewood (Charles Timmer) in the amount of \$321.00. 5'x8' trailer: David Pinnt in the amount of \$656.00; Eager Beaver Firewood (Charles Timmer) in the amount of \$456.00. Bids were reviewed by the board.

Motion made by Rehak and seconded by Huttmann to accept the bids of David Pinnt for both trailers in the amounts of \$356.00 and \$656.00. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried. Gina Uhing, Elkhorn Valley Logan Health Department director, appeared before the board to discuss the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds received by the county from the federal government. Gina inquired as to how the county was going to allocate the funds and would like to present a request of funds for their department. The board advised Ms. Uhing that there have been no final guidelines established on how to allocate the funds and the board would not commit to any allocation of the funds.

April Johnston, Stanton Nursing Home administrator, appeared before the board to also discuss the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds received by the county from the federal government. Ms. Johnston informed the board of items needing replaced or repaired at their facility. April also stated that the nursing home is not at full capacity which in turn reduces their revenue allowing them needed funds for repairs, etc. The board advised April that they understood her situation but since there have been no final guidelines established on how to allocate the funds the board would not commit to any allocation of the funds.

Discussion held on the 2021-2022 Budget. The board stated the departments should remain within a 2% increase of services and supplies when considering their department budget for the upcoming year.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to appoint Wanda Heermann, Stanton County Clerk, as the budget making authority for the fiscal year 2021-2022 budget. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve Resolution No. 2021.06 – 18 to add and release pledged security. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: NIRMA – NIRMA Safety Shorts Vol. 9 No. 6; Martin Marietta – Martin Marietta systems conversion; NIRMA – 2021-2022 renewal billing statement; Adele Phillips, Nebraska Dept Natural Resources – Nebraska State Flood Hazard Mitigation Plan public comment

Discussion continued on the NIRMA renewal statement. The board reviewed the current per loss deductibles and the annual contribution paid. Discussed was a possible change to decrease the auto physical damage deductible coverage (per loss) of \$1,000 to \$250 at a premium rate increase of \$837.00 if allowed by NIRMA after the June 18<sup>th</sup> notification deadline.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the change of the auto physical damage deductible to \$250 which increases the premium rate by \$837.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Mark Mainelli, Highway Superintendent, joined the meeting.

Karen Sievers appeared before the board stating she would like to see a poll site available for in person voting in Woodland Park. Previously the Spring Branch Precinct poll site was located at the elementary school within Woodland Park. She suggested another site that could be available located a few miles outside of Woodland Park. Ms. Sievers presented a straw vote conducted for in person voting. The straw vote was sent out through water bills within the Woodland Park area (approximately 400-450). There were 177 returned with a tally of 132 in favor of a poll site and 45 in favor of election by mail. Discussion held on voting in person versus voting by mail. The county clerk restated the reasons for the Election by Mail designation which is allowed by Nebraska State Statute 32-960. No action needed or taken by the board.

Mark Mainelli updated the board on the 2-mile bridge project with work to begin sometime next week. Mark advised the board that the transformer transport on 559 Ave between 5/6-24-1 and over structure C008430335 is complete with no issues at this time. Discussion held on 559 Ave located between 31/32-24-1 south of Hwy 275. The road is unimproved and closed to the public with the proper barricades installed. Consensus of the board is to keep the road as unimproved and closed to the public but still have it remain as a section line road. General discussion held on other road, culvert and bridge projects.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve and sign the gravel contract received from Matteo Sand & Gravel. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Mike Frohberg, Emergency Manager, appeared before the board to discuss the need for additional computer and radio equipment. The computer would be used by emergency management to allow faster response to disasters instantaneously from the field instead of documenting and returning to the office to submit. The radio equipment would be spare radios on hand in case a radio needs to be replaced due to damage. Mike requested the cost of the equipment be taken out of the communication line item in the miscellaneous general fund. The approximate cost of the vehicle computer equipment is \$16,974.00 and the approximate cost of the radio equipment is \$32,727.30. The consensus of the board is to allow the submission of the claims at the fiscal year

meeting to be held on June 28, 2021. Mike also advised the board of a possible \$2,500 donation from Nucor Steel.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve for the month of May the Documentary Stamp Tax, co shr in the amount of \$1,458.85; County Clerk fees in the amount of \$3,420.25; P&M Fund fees in the amount of \$530.00; Game and Parks Agent fees in the amount of \$18.00; Misc Copy fees in the amount of \$18.00; Clerk of the District Court fees in the amount of \$358.64; Passport fees in the amount of \$0.00; County Treasurer's receipt of money received numbered 21825 – 21888, inclusive in the amount of \$1,501,725.11; County Sheriff's 1st Quarter 2021 report; and place them on file. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Accounts Payable claims as presented, except to change the claim of NIRMA in the amount of \$93,748.00 to the amount of \$94,585.00 and approve the Payroll claims as presented and order checks drawn on the various funds. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

General Fund – 81 Auto Glass, services, 790.00; Advanced Corr Healthcare, prescriptions, 36.28; Ameritas, retirement-co shr, 8666.96; Antelope Co Shf Dept, boarding etc, 11409.00; Appeara, supplies, 149.46; Applied Concepts, fees, 2979.75; Applied Connective Tech, fees, 42.10; ASQ, fees, 73.98; Kim Bearnes, phone etc, 2252.57; Shawn Beaudette, services, 103.00; Joshua Bennett, supplies, 67.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 155.50; BCBS, ins-co shr, 27721.18; Blue 360 Media, supplies, 87.75; Blue to Gold, fees, 318.00; Town Country Tech, services, 765.20; Card Services, supplies etc, 825.38; Carney Law, fees, 1059.16; Carrot-Top Industries, supplies, 1650.67; Gary Carson, postage, 69.00; White Water Wash, supplies, 400.00; DAS State Acct, costs, 43.88; Martha Detlefsen, prior service, 12.00; Driver's License Guide, supplies, 31.95; Eakes Office Solutions, supplies, 711.68; Egley Fullner Montag etal, fees, 846.12; Electrical Engineering, supplies, 74.70; Emmett's Foodtown, supplies, 2.60; Tyler Evans, supplies, 111.46; Ewalt Law, public defender, 2529.23; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 1293.70; First Concord Benefits, flex benefits, 60.00; Floor Maintenance, supplies, 223.06; Gillette Printing, supplies, 240.00; Grafix Shoppe, supplies, 185.15; Great Plains Uniforms, supplies, 1380.73; Green Stripe, services, 162.00; Wanda Heermann, supplies, 853.99; In Line of Duty, fees, 595.00; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 9628.85; Jacks Uniform Equip, supplies, supplies, 114.89; William Kaiser, services, 2760.00; Diane Kander, supplies, 453.18; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 306.95; W Bert Lammli Jr, office allow, 930.00; Lawmen Supply, supplies, 1924.00; Luedeke Oil, fuel etc. 4933.44; Lynn Peavey, supplies, 271.80; Madison Co Shf, boarding, 3900.00; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 33.38; Menards, supplies, 28.15; Janet Meyer,

services, 85.00; Mid-American Benefits, hra fees etc, 6296.00; Midwest Service Sales, supplies, 494.00; MIPS, fees, 3887.88; Nebraska Assn Co Officials, reg fee, 100.00; Lavern Newkirk, prior services, 17.00; NIRMA, ins premium, 45021.05; Norfolk Daily News, fees, 163.00; Norfolk Sporting Goods, supplies, 38.95; One Office Solution, supplies, 6340.48; Apothecary Shop, prescriptions, 112.86; Pierce Co Shf Dept, boarding, 2350.00; Pilger Library, supplies, 554.54; Pitzer Digital, services, 134.64; Prime Sanitation, services, 39.75; Quality Trans Align, services, 73.45; RR Donnelley, supplies, 174.92; Renner Auto Body, services, 1000.00; Stanton Auto Parts, services etc, 2119.74; Rita Roenfeldt, prior services, 20.00; Spectrum Graphics, supplies, 804.00; Sioux Sales, supplies, 37.45; Stanton Co 4-H Council, supplies, 79.32; Stanton Co Clk, postage, 28.00; Stanton Co Clk Dist Crt, fees, 144.00; Stanton Co Crt, fees, 168.00; Stanton Co Imprest Acct, ach fees, 20.25; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 1231.12; Stanton Telecom, services, 1929.31; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 83.85; Eric Stone, supplies, 20.32; Teeco, supplies, 43.95; Lil Store, fuel, 5077.56; Thies Garage, repairs, 352.90; Thurston Co Shf, boarding, 1250.00; US Treas, PCORI fees, 99.06; UNL Print Copy Services, supplies, 134.22; Verizon Wireless, service, 400.10; Wanek Pharmacy, prescriptions, 75.49; Ryan Wehrle, services, 137.50; Stanton Co Treas, transfer, 300000.00; Sandra Zoubek, mileage etc, 554.26; Road Fund – Ameritas, retirement-co shr, 3390.62; Appeara, services, 39.03; ATCOIntl, services, 867.50; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 116.77; BCBS, ins-co shr, 17974.38; Bomgaars, supplies etc, 71.65; Cech Excavating, services, 750.00; Century Link, services, 62.36; Clarkson Plbg Htg, supplies, 95.87; Janice Coates, prior service, 17.00; Cornhusker Intl Trucks, parts, 316.10; Doernemann Farm Service, services etc, 532.19; James Duncan, prior service, 16.00; Emmett's Foodtown, supplies, 15.08; Farmer's Coop, fuel etc., 4242.14; Fedex, postage, 247.40; Hoskins Mfg Co, steel, 248.31; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 3858.40; Island Supply Welding, supplies, 199.20; RJ 24-7, services, 105.00; John Deere Finc, supplies, 153.58; Kaup Forage Turf, supplies, 1158.44; Kelly Supply, supplies, 399.35; Kimball Midwest, supplies, 295.08; Big K Custom Trkg, services, 935.00; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 113.24; Luedeke Oil, fuel etc, 10861.99; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 3.22; Martin Marietta, gravel, 455.46; Matteo Sand Gravel, gravel, 12765.51; Menards, supplies, 63.99; Mid-American Benefits, hra fees-co shr, 3750.00; Midwest Service Sales, culverts, 11999.95; NMC Exchange, services etc, 5518.88; Norfolk Works, fees, 111.00; NIRMA, ins premium, 48027.01; OL Scheer Co, supplies, 54.60; Overhead Door, services, 1049.40; Pilger Store, fuel etc., 5459.66; Pinkelman Truck Trailer, services, 968.56; Powerplan, services, 649.11; Prime Sanitation, services, 62.50; Quality Trans Align, services, 591.56; RDO Truck Cntr, parts, 69.68; Stanton Auto Parts, parts, 334.60; Road Builders Mach Supply, services, 4028.71; Ron's Ag Auto Repair, supplies, 35.00; Rueter's Red Power, services, 202.50; Pilger Sand Gravel, gravel, 64412.52; Sioux City Truck Sales, 2022 Peterbilt, 158800.00; Sport Lighting, services, 361.95; Stalp Gravel, gravel, 18366.50; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 421.16, Stanton Telecom, services, 224.47; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 40.70; Teeco, services, 40.00; Dean Thies, reg fee reimb, 200.00; Truck Center Co,

2022 Sidumpr trailer, 56740.00; US Cellular, services, 69.08; Village Pilger, utilities, 133.51; Zee Medical Service, supplies, 40.70; <u>Emergency Management Fund</u> – Ameritas, retirement-co shr, 187.31; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 41.36; Danko Emerg Equip, supplies, 2501.00; Electronic Engineering, equipment, 856.34; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 188.63; Mike Frohberg, supplies, 255.35; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 212.29; Menards, supplies, 1441.46; Motoplex Norfolk, equipment, 477.44; NIRMA, ins premium, 1536.94; Norfolk Daily News, services, 25.08; One Office Solution, office chair, 309.99; Sioux Sales Co, supplies, 359.85; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 50.27; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 38.25; <u>Inheritance Tax Fund</u> - Stanton Co PPD, tower, 108.10; <u>Emergency 911 Fund</u> – City Norfolk, dispatching, 7622.61; Stanton Telecom, services, 73.23; Total aggregate salaries \$181781.11.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to adjourn to the fiscal year meeting set for June 28, 2021 at 8:15 AM; set tentative meeting dates for July 7, July 8 or July 12, 2021 at 8:15AM; and set the next regular meeting for July 19 2021 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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## **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – May 17, 2021**

(edited – official proceedings on file Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on May 17, 2021, 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 May 5, 2021, 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 Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the minutes of April 19, 2021 meeting. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: Nebraska Tax Equalization and Review Comm – findings and order tax year 2021.

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 adjustment of any class or subclass of real property in Stanton County is required by law, no order proposing an adjustment of the value for a class or subclass of real property in Stanton County for tax year 2021 shall be entered and no further proceedings shall be held to determine whether an adjustment should be made. Dated May 11, 2021.

Cheryl presented and explained the correction sheet for the month.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the correction sheet numbered 2021-09 and place it on file. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Cheryl presented a list of over/under valued 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 over/under valued property and allow the County Assessor to adjust the tax rolls. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to adjourn and set the next meeting for June 21, 2021 at 8:00 AM and set the fiscal year meeting for June 28,

2021 at 8:00 AM. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: 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 17, 2021

(edited – official proceedings on file Clerk's office)

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on May 17, 2021, 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 May 5, 2021, 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 Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve the agenda. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to approve the minutes of April 19, 2021 and April 26, 2021 meetings. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: Michele York, Nebr DNR – floodplain mgmt project updates North Fork, Upper Elkhorn

and Lower Elkhorn Watersheds; NE Nebr Econ Dev Dist – 2022 Annual Membership Stmt; NIRMA – NIRMA Safety Shorts Vol. 9 No. 5; Bill Hilton, NIRMA Claims Adjuster – property damage reimbursement; Flinn Paving Plant, Norfolk – cold patch available; Steve Nelson, Equipment Blades – 2020 Email Catalog.

Cheryl Wolverton, County Assessor, appeared to discuss the approval of the Contract for Property Appraisal with Central Plains Valuation LLC of Ralston, Nebraska. Central Plains Valuation shall begin the work to be performed within 6 months after execution of the contract and shall complete its performance on or before March 19, 2022 at the rate of \$125.00 per hour per man. The board reviewed the contract.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to approve the Contract for Property Appraisal with Central Plains Valuation LLC of Ralston for revaluation of properties within Stanton County as presented. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried. [copy Contract for Property Appraisal on file in County Clerk's office]

Joining the meeting were: Cheryl Wolverton, Sandy Zoubek, Mike Frohberg, Mike Unger and Tony McPhillips. Discussion held on the COVID-19 guidelines approved on October 20,2020 and eased February 16, 2021 and April 19, 2021. Comments were received from those present on the adopted guidelines and revisions as well as maybe discontinuing or easing the guidelines. The board felt that the guideline as to if you are feeling ill remain home and if you develop symptoms, have been tested or exposed to COVID-19 to remain home and follow the CDC protocol. They also stated wearing a mask is a personal choice and should use common sense when social distancing.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to ease the guidelines previously approved October 20, 2020 and revised February 16, 2021 and April 19, 2021 to: 1) if you are feeling ill to remain home; 2) if you develop symptoms, have been tested or exposed to COVID-19 to remain home and follow the CDC protocol; 3) wearing a mask is a personal choice and 4) use common sense when social distancing. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Discussion held with Mike Frohberg on possible safety equipment for the fire and rescue departments of Pilger and Stanton, safety procedures, department issues, building repairs and sale of surplus property. Bid Letting set for June 21, 2021 at 9:00 AM for the sale of a 6'x9' army trailer w/empire generator and a 5'x8' army trailer.

Discussion continued on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment Sanctuary. The county board reviewed the drafted resolutions.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to adopt the Resolution declaring Stanton County, Nebraska as a Second Amendment Sanctuary County: Resolution No. 2021.05 – 16. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Discussion held on the NACO Health Insurance Pool with Blue Cross Blue Shield Nebraska letter of April 23, 2021.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to proceed with the renewal of the county health insurance with NACO BCBS PPO \$6,000 HDHP, HSA-eligible plan effective July 1, 2021 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: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Mark Mainelli, Highway Superintendent, joined the meeting.

Bill Fenton did not appear.

Gary Carson, Weed Superintendent, joined the meeting. Discussion held on the reports and requirements summary received by the county board. Gary updated the board on the education requirement and a signed acknowledgement copy of the summary report to be emailed to the Nebraska Dept of Ag Noxious Weed Program. Gary advised the board on the condition of the Weed pickup. Discussion held on the option to transfer the Dodge pickup located at the courthouse to the weed department and the 1993 Dodge D150 weed pickup to be sold as surplus.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to transfer the 1997 Dodge Ram pickup to the weed department. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

LaLene Bates, Planning and Zoning Administrator, joined the meeting and advised the board she did not have anything for them.

Mark updated the board on the various culvert projects. Discussion held on possible road projects.

The board reviewed the Final Acceptance of Project Construction Resolution presented for approval. Discussion held with Mark on the project.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to adopt said Resolution: Resolution No. 2021.05 – 17. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried. [copy of Final Acceptance of Project Construction (NDOR Project BRO-7084(7), Control No. 31208, Project Description Stanton North) on file in Clerk's office].

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to approve and sign the gravel contracts received from Johnson Sand & Gravel and S&S Willers Inc dba Pilger Sand & Gravel. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve for the month of April the Documentary Stamp Tax, co shr in the amount of \$2,565.74; County Clerk fees in the amount of \$3,394.75; P&M Fund fees in the amount of \$576.00; Game and Parks Agent fees in the amount of \$11.00; Misc Copy fees in the amount of \$11.00; Clerk of the District Court fees in the amount of \$151.90; Passport fees in the amount of \$105.00; County Treasurer's receipt of money received numbered 21761 – 21824, inclusive in the amount of \$1,281,995.88; and place them on file. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: 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. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

General Fund - 911 Custom, supplies, 578.00; Ameritas, ret-co shr, 8615.94; Antelope Co Shf Dept, boarding etc, 6249.50; Appeara, supplies, 143.84; Applied Connective Tech, fees, 42.10; Comfort Inn Suites, lodging, 280.05; Kim Bearnes, meals etc, 170.67; Shawn Beaudette, services, 103.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 226.55; BCBS, ins-co shr, 27721.18; Town Country Tech, services, 275.95; Card Services, supplies, 1627.51; Gary Carson, supplies, 5.35; Cornhusker Auto Cntr. services, 39.45; DAS State Acct. fees, 43.88; Deluxe, supplies, 74.00; Martha Detlefsen, prior service, 12.00; Eakes Office, supplies, 245.69; Electrical Engineering Equip Co, supplies, 99.72; Electronic Engineering Co, equip, 4004.14; Emmett's Foodtown, supplies, 9.33; Ewalt Law Office, services, 2529.23; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 1041.53; First Concord, fees, 60.00; Mike Frohberg, equip, 63.69; Gene Steffy, autos, 56306.00; Golden Nugget Biloxi, lodging, 361.53; Great Plains Uniforms, supplies, 48.50; GWorks, fees, 13855.00; Wanda Heermann, fees, 240.82; IAPE, fees, 370.00; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 9593.51; Jack B. Scherer LLC, services, 364.34; Jones Auto, supplies etc, 18480.33; Diane Kander, supplies etc, 1276.58; Aaron Kleensang, supplies, 228.65; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 73.92; W Bert Lammli Jr, office allow, 930.00; Lawmen Supply, supplies, 420.00; Luedeke Oil, fuel etc, 1647.78; Madison Co Clk Dist Crt, fees, 50.00;

Madison Co Shf, boarding, 5600.09; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 33.38; Maximus, fees, 1227.00; Janet Meyer, services, 25.00; Mid-Amer Benefits, hra fees-co shr, 5788.00; MIPS, fees, 2751.29; Natl Pen Co, supplies, 257.10; Nebr Assn Co Officials, fees, 1823.11; Nebr Co Atty Assn, fees, 1057.00; Lavern Newkirk, prior service, 17.00; NE Nebr Area Agy Aging, fees, 3011.00; NE Nebr Econ Dev Dist, fees, 905.00; One Office, supplies, 2540.80; Paper Tiger, services, 540.00; Pell Reporting, services, 143.15; Pictometry Intl, fees, 16170.00; Pierce Co Shf, boarding, 6100.00; Pilger Library, supplies, 254.37; Pitzer Digital, services, 447.64; Prime Sanitation, services, 39.75; Stanton Auto, services, 70.00; ROCIC, reg fees, 150.00; Rita Roenfeldt, prior service, 20.00; Ron's Ag Auto Repair, services, 655.45; Schroeder Land Surveying, services, 98.00; Seal A Card, supplies, 62.00; Joseph M Smith, services, 950.00; Stanton Co Clk, postage, 5.10; Stanton Co Clk Dist Crt, fees, 321.00; Stanton Co Crt, fees, 483.00; Stanton Co Imprest Acct, ach fees, 20.25; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 1245.03; Stanton Telecom, services, 1915.60; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 88.26; Eric Stone, reimb, 54.40; Teeco, supplies, 285.45; Lil Store, fuel, 3007.30; Mike Unger Co Shf, reimb, 292.96; Univ Nebr/IANR, equip, 1686.59; Univ Nebr, phone, 45.02; Verizon Wireless, service, 400.10; Wanek Pharmacy, prescript, 138.68; West Point News, services, 49.50; Loree Zach, reimb, 32.09; Zee Medical, supplies, 41.35; Sandra Zoubek Co Treas, transfer, 550000.00; Road Fund – Appeara, services, 37.73; ATCO, services, 753.26; Bauer Built, services, 300.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 196.46; BCBS, ins-co shr, 17974.38; Bomgaars, supplies, 460.38; Century Link, services, 62.62; Clarkson Plba Hta, supplies, 117.98; Janice Coates, prior service, 17.00; Johnson Trucking Sand Gravel, gravel, 807.56; Doernemann Construction, services, 2040.00; Doernemann Farm Service, parts, 106.33; James Duncan, prior service, 16.00; Farmer's Coop, fuel etc, 5692.44; Farmers Un Coop Supply, supplies, 21.00; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 3981.85; Island Supply Welding, supplies, 487.47; Kaup Forage Turf, supplies, 1217.96; Kimball Midwest, supplies, 148.19; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 79.50; Luedeke Oil, fuel etc. 10382.69; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 3.22; Mainelli Wagner Assoc, fees, 17750.52; Martin Marietta Materials, gravel, 2410.49; Matteo Sand Gravel, gravel, 16327.77; Medical Enterprises, fees, 130.00; Meisinger Oil, supplies, 118.55; Menards, supplies, 21.98; Mid-Amer Benefits, hra fees-co shr, 3750.00; NMC Exchange, services etc, 7157.34; Norfolk Works, fees, 136.00; Pilger Store, fuel etc, 6674.68; Pitzer Digital, services, 640.00; Powerplan, parts, 65.00; Prime Sanitation, services, 62.50; Stanton Auto Parts, services, 489.81; Ron's Ag Auto Repair, supplies, 263.81; Stalp Gravel, gravel, 3343.14; Stanley Petroleum Main, services, 2376.05; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 453.91; Stanton Telecom, services, 225.07; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 40.70; Teeco, services, 46.75; US Cellular, services, 68.55; Village Pilger, utilities, 129.75; Volkman Plbg Htg, supplies, 64.00; Warren Garage Door, supplies, 108.00; Weldon Parts, parts, 1398.94; West Point Impl, parts, 446.39; Zee Medical, supplies, 137.50; Emergency Mangement Fund -Ameritas, ret-co shr, 157.44; Aaron Beckman, equip, 2550.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 70.31; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 246.50; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr,

178.44; Krier Tech, services, 1731.00; Menards, supplie, 110.92; Stanton Auto Parts, parts, 58.00; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 54.40; Stanton Water Sewer, service, 38.25; Inheritance Tax Fund - Stanton Co PPD, tower, 127.35; Emergency 911 Fund - City Norfolk, dispatching, 7622.61; Stanton Telecom, services, 73.23; Total aggregate salaries of all county employees \$182,426.88.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to adjourn and set the next meeting for June 21, 2021 at 8:15 AM and set the fiscal year meeting for June 28, 2021 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

## \* \* \* \* \* \* \* COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDINGS – April 26, 2021 – Special Meeting

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on April 26, 2021, 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 Commissioners. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk was also present.

Notice of the meeting 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.

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

Discussion continued on the bids that were received for a dump truck, pup trailer, semi tractor and side dump trailer at the April 19, 2021 meeting. Clint Hilker, representative of Truck Center Co, Norfolk appeared.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to accept the bid of Cornhusker International of Norfolk for a 2022 International HX520 dump truck in the amount of \$162,367.35. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to accept the bid of Cornhusker International of Norfolk for a 2022 Cornhusker pup trailer in the amount of \$47,322.29. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to accept the bid of Midwest Peterbilt of Norfolk for a 2022 Peterbilt 389 semi tractor in the amount of \$158,800.00. Voting: Ayes: Rehak and Kment. Nayes: Huttmann. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to accept the bid of Truck Center of Norfolk for a 2022 Sidumpr trailer in the amount of \$56,740.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to adjourn and set the next meeting for May 17, 2021, 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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## **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – April 19, 2021**

(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 19, 2021, 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 Deb Hoehne, County Assessor office assistant, were also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on April 7, 2021, 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.

Stanley and Jeanette Hasenkamp, members of the public, attended the meeting.

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

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to approve the minutes of March 15, 2021, meeting. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: Nebraska TERC Order for Hearing and Notice of Hearing – 19R 0273, 20A 0113, 20A 0114; Nebraska Property Assessment Division – 2021 Report and opinions of the Property Tax Administrator.

Deb Hoehne, office assistant for the 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 2021-07 and 2021-08 and place them on file. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

There were no listings of clerical errors needing approval.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to adjourn and set the next meeting for May 17, 2021, at 8:00 AM. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: 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 19, 2021

(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 19, 2021, 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 7, 2021, 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.

Stanley and Jeanette Hasenkamp, members of the public, attended the meeting.

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 Huttmann to approve the agenda. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve the minutes of March 15, 2021, meeting. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: Cathy Pavel, Holt Co Clerk – info ss76-2,112; Jessie Simpson, NDOT – US275 Grant Support Letter; Mike Frohberg, Emerg Mngr – tower generator, 2021 Grant Communications Investment Justifications; Mark Mainelli (Dave or Berghorst & Son) – preliminary permit approval; NACO, Beth Ferrell, Jon Cannon – LB644 information and responses; NIRMA – NIRMA Safety Shorts Vol.9 No.4; GI Trailer – service parts sale; NIRMA – NIRMA board vacancy.

Kevin Heppner appeared before the board to continue the discussion on his Residential Use Permit Application to construct a shouse on property located in the E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> SE 7-23-1. Mr. Heppner stated the trailer house will be incorporated inside the building with no section of the trailer house visible on the outside of the building. Kevin also stated that the axles will remain attached to the trailer to allow possible removal at a later date. Discussion held on the inspections needed from the fire marshal and electrical engineers. At the March meeting LaLene had advised the board that the Planning Commission had denied this building plan at their March 8, 2021 meeting stating concerns with fire, ventilation and safety.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to approve the revision to the Residential Use Permit Application of Kevin Heppner to allow the trailer house to be incorporated inside the shouse building with no section of the trailer house to be visible on the outside and to have the proper fire and electrical inspections completed which deem the area safe as a

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

Discussion held on the need to establish a new fund within the County Budget for the funds the counties will be receiving related to the COVID American Rescue Plan Act signed by the President.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the Resolution to add Fund 2580 COVID American Rescue Plan Act: Resolution No. 2021.04-11. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the Resolution to add and release pledged security: Resolution No. 2021.04-

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

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the Resolution to release pledged security: Resolution No. 2021.04-13. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Resolution to add pledged security: Resolution No. 2021.04-14. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Resolution to add pledged security: Resolution No. 2021.04-15. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The Stanton County Audited Financial Statement for the year ending June 30, 2020 was received from Morrow Davies and Toelle PC. A copy was given to the Board of Commissioners to review.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to approve and place on file the year ending June 30, 2020 audit. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttmann. Nayes. None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to temporarily move the meeting to the courtroom at 8:55 AM to accommodate additional seating and spacing due to COVID restrictions. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman continued the meeting at 9:00 AM in the District Courtroom. Open meetings act is posted on the wall in the District Courtroom.

Members of the public appeared before the board to begin a discussion on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment Sanctuary. The board has been approached about joining a growing list of Nebraska counties adopting a 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment Sanctuary Resolution. Discussion held on the resolutions approved by other counties and comments were received from individuals attending. The county board members voiced their support of adopting this type of resolution and asked those in attendance if they were in favor or opposed. The consensus of those in attendance that a resolution will be drafted and reviewed by the county attorney. Adoption of the resolution will be placed on the May 17, 2021 agenda. No action taken by the board.

Members of the public appeared before the board to discuss the rescue response within the county. Individuals voiced concerns with no EMT's available for rescue calls and having to call Norfolk Rescue to cover calls. They stressed individuals and agencies need to work together for the sake of the community and saving lives. The board did not have an answer and stated the public needs to become involved through community action. No action taken by the board.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to return the meeting to the county board room at 9:50 AM to continue with the remainder of the agenda. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The meeting returned to the commissioner's room and continued with the remaining items on the agenda.

LaLene Bates, Planning and Zoning Administrator, and Ramsy Robertson, representative of Mainelli Wagner and Associates, joined the meeting.

The chairman opened the hearing at 9:55 AM on the Conditional Use Permit application of SC Sows LLC for an addition to the hog facility on property located in Pt NW NE 22-23-3. Doug Oertwich and Andy Scholting appeared for the hearing. LaLene explained the application and reviewed the planning commission recommendations with the board. LaLene also noted that the application did not specify the total head count. The existing head count is 2,500 and the proposed number is 7,000 head over 55lb. No opposition was received.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to close the hearing. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to approve the Conditional Use Permit application of SC Sows LLC for an addition to the hog facility on property located in Pt NW NE 22-23-3, as per Planning Commission recommendations and with an additional condition of only 7,000 head over 55lb allowed. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Kment and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Gravel bid letting was held at 10:00AM. No appearances were made. The chairman opened the sealed bids and read them aloud. Bids were received from the following: Stalp Gravel Co Inc, West Point NE (letter of pit rate) - Gravel - \$13.50 per ton (eff March 1); S&S Willers Inc dba Pilger Sand & Gravel, Pilger NE - Gravel - \$13.00 per ton; Armor Coat - \$13.00 per ton; Delivered Gravel by Precinct - \$17.40 to \$19.62; Matteo Sand & Gravel, Norfolk NE - Gravel - \$13.00 per ton; Armor Coat - \$13.00 per ton; Johnson Sand & Gravel, Columbus NE - Gravel - \$12.50 per ton; Armor Coat - \$13.00 per ton. 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. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Joining the meeting were: Deb Hoehne, Sandy Zoubek, LaLene Bates, Tony McPhillips and W. Bert Lammli. Discussion held on the COVID-19 guidelines approved and effective October 20, 2020 and eased February 16, 2021. Comments were received from those present and the consensus was to ease the sanitary procedure frequency at the discretion of the department official and all other guidelines previously approved to continue.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to ease the sanitary procedure frequency at the discretion of the department official and all other guidelines previously approved October 20, 2020 and eased February 16, 2021 to continue until further notice. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Kment and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Discussion held on the CAT machines purchased and the lack of repairs being completed properly. The board suggested possible legal action due and requested the county attorney to draft a letter of dissatisfaction to be mailed to CAT. Mr. Lammli to look into the matter.

Bid Letting held on the Dump Truck, Pup Trailer, Semi Tractor and Side Dump Trailer was held at 10:30AM. Appearing were representatives of Truck Cntr Co, Midwest Peterbilt, RDO Truck Cntr and Cornhusker Intl. The chairman opened the sealed bids and read them aloud. Bids received for Dump Truck: Truck Cntr Norfolk, 2022 Western Star 4700, \$167,940.00, 505hp, 17' steel box; Midwest Peterbilt Norfolk, 2022 Peterbilt 389, \$185,900.00, 565hp, 18sp manual, 17' alum box; RDO Truck Cntr Norfolk, 2022 Mack Granite, \$162,759.44, 505hp, 12sp auto, 17' steel box; Cornhusker Intl Norfolk, 2021 Intl HV513, \$150,901.68, 475hp, auto, 18' steel box; Cornhusker Intl Norfolk, 2022 Intl HX520, \$162,367.35, 565hp, 18sp manual, 17' alum box. Bids received for Pup Trailer: RDO Truck Cntr Norfolk, 2022 Cornhusker, \$47,917.43, 3 axle, 14' alum box; Cornhusker Intl Norfolk, 2022 Cornhusker, \$47,322.29, 3 axle, 14' alum box. Bids received for Semi Tractor: Truck Cntr Co Norfolk, 2021 Freightliner SD122, \$128,400.00, 505hp, 18sp; Midwest Peterbilt Norfolk, 2022 Peterbilt 389, \$158,800.00, 565hp, 18sp, extend cab; Midwest Peterbilt Norfolk, 2022 Peterbilt 389, \$161,800.00, 565hp, 18sp; RDO Truck Cntr Norfolk, 2022 Mack Anthem, \$128,837.98, 505hp, 12sp auto; Cornhusker Intl Norfolk, 2022 Intl LT, \$136,732.20,

500hp, 18sp; Cornhusker Intl Norfolk, 2021 Intl Lonestar, \$137,770.96, 565hp, 18sp. Bids received for Side Dump Trailer: Truck Cntr Co Norfolk, 2022 Sidumpr, \$56,740.00, bi-dump; RDO Truck Cntr Norfolk, 2022 RWay, \$61,044.90, bi-dump; Cornhusker Intl Norfolk, 2022 SmithCo, \$62,744.40. Bid proposals were reviewed by the board. Discussion was held on bids received with the representatives attending.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to table the decisions on the bid letting until April 26, 2021 at 8:00 AM to allow time to review and compare bids. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Ramsy updated the board on the preconstruction meeting held on the construction and repair of county bridge C008401105P (2-mile bridge) which is slated to begin the first part of June. Also discussed were other unfinished road projects.

Discussion held on the oversize load permit request to transport an electrical transformer to a substation near Nucor. Preliminary routes were submitted to Mark Mainelli for approval. Mark discussed this request with the board via telephone. He stated that an analysis of a structure along the route would need to be completed before any approval and the cost of this type of analysis is costly and it would need to be determined who would be responsible for the fee. Mark also stated damages to the road could show up 3 to 4 months later. The installation of the transformer has no benefit to Stanton County just possible damages to county roads and structures. The board advised Mark to deny the request at this time.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to approve for the month of March the Documentary Stamp Tax, co shr in the amount of \$3,308.67; County Clerk fees in the amount of \$4,331.50; P&M Fund fees in the amount of \$679.50; Game and Parks Agent fees in the amount of \$10.00; Misc Copy fees in the amount of \$9.00; Clerk of the District Court fees in the amount of \$209.92; Passport fees in the amount of \$0.00; County Treasurer's receipt of money received numbered 21663 – 21760, inclusive in the amount of \$1,499,679.11; and place them on file. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Accounts Payable claims as presented, except to add the claim of Morrow Davies and Toelle in the amount of \$12,000.00 and approve the Payroll claims as presented and order checks drawn on the various funds. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried. General Fund – 911 Custom, equip, 2388.00; Mark Albin atty, atty fees, 2281.70; Ameritas Retire, ret-co shr, 7924.14; Appeara, supplies, 144.05; Applied Concepts Inc, equip, 4520.00; Applied Connective Tech, fees, 42.10; Arkfeld Lock Security, locks etc, 4238.90; Kim Bearnes, equip etc, 145.44; Shawn Beaudette, services, 103.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 322.23; BCBS, ins-co shr, 23605.08; Bryan Med Cntr, services, 135.00; Card Services, meals, 90.00; Gary Carson, mileage, 24.08; CIOX Health, services, 20.00; Colfax Co Press, fees, 30.00; Cornhusker Auto Cntr, services, 39.45; Custom Credentials, fees, 12.75; DAS St Acct, costs, 43.88; Martha Detlefsen, prior service, 12.00; Eakes Office, supplies, 181.79; Emblem Authority, supplies, 366.00; Tyler Evans, supplies, 54.95; Ewalt Law Office, public defender, 2529.23; Faith Reg Health, services, 28.36; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 1376.79; First Concord Benefits, fees, 60.00; First Nebr Bank, Ioan pymt, 15000.00; Floor Maintenance, supplies, 397.72; Judy Funk, mileage etc. 34.48; Grafix Shoppe, supplies, 1144.53; Great Plains Unif, supplies, 740.00; GWorks, redistrict fees, 2275.00; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 8863.76; Jacks Unif Equip, supplies, 421.97; Jones Automotive, supplies, 701.20; Mike Kabes, mileage etc, 43.44; Gerald Kuhn, mileage etc, 55.76; Russell Kumm, mileage etc, 20.60; W Bert Lammli Jr, office allow, 930.00; Luedeke Oil, fuel etc, 1247.21; Lynn Peavey, supplies, 49.00; Madison Co Shf, boarding, 1600.00; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 33.38; Menards, supplies, 11.47; Mid-Amer Benefits, hra fees etc, 5538.00; Midwest Service Sales, supplies, 530.00; Midwest Spec Services, services, 226.50; MIPS, fees, 4396.80; Morrow Davies Toelle, services, 12000.00; NACO, fees, 50.00; Nebr Assn Co Treas, fees, 100.00; Nebr St Patrol, fees, 417.00; Lavern Newkirk, prior service, 17.00; NJ Crim Interdiction, reg fees, 299.00; NPZA, fees, 20.00; Douglas Oertwich, mileage etc, 50.16; Olson's Pest Tech, services, 330.00; One Office, supplies, 7141.90; Pierce Co Shf, boarding, 11050.00; Pierce Dental Office, services, 394.00; Pilger Library, supplies, 209.16; Pitzer Digital, services, 744.02; Platte Co Detention, boarding, 100.00; Gerald Podany, mileage etc, 56.88; Prime Sanitation, services, 39.75; Region IV, pymt, 1874.50; REPCO Marketing, supplies, 41.80; Rita Roenfeldt, prior service, 20.00; Sioux Sales, supplies, 1067.18; Stanton Auto Parts, services, 2260.87; Stanton Clk Dist Crt, fees, 108.00; Stanton Co Crt, fees, 298.00; Stanton Co Imp Acct, fees, 19.75; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 1070.71; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 172.42; Stanton Telecom, services, 1843.68; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 76.50; Stephens Peck, supplies, 100.00; Eric Stone, reimb, 159.00; Teeco, supplies, 58.95; Lil Store, fuel, 2687.68; Thurston Co Shf, boarding, 700.00; Town Country Tech, services, 588.99; Univ NE Lincoln, phone, 45.02; Verizon Wireless, service, 400.10; Wanek Pharmacy, services, 6.78; Mark Wieman, mileage etc, 37.40; Loree Zach, reimb, 49.83; Sandra Zoubek Co Treas, transfers etc. 439518.01; Road Fund – 2K Trucking, services, 342.54; Advance Auto Parts, parts, 4.19; AKRS Equip, parts, 283.56; Ameritas Retire, ret-co shr, 3755.02; Appeara, services, 37.61; ATCO, services, 821.73; B's Enterprises, supplies, 5121.75; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 272.95; BCBS, inc-co shr, 17974.38; BOKF, int pymt, 9303.75; Bomgaars, supplies etc, 608.00; Century Link, services, 68.49; Clarkson Plba Hta,

supplies, 73.16; Janice Coates, prior service, 17.00; Cornhusker Intl, services, 337.63; Doernemann Constr, services, 3057.35; Doernemann Farm Service, services etc, 1069.75; James Duncan, prior service, 16.00; Eisenmann Supplies, tools, 509.00; Farmer's Coop, fuel etc, 9297.77; Farmers Un Coop, chemicals, 270.73; Fastenal Co, supplies, 138.63; GI Trailer, parts, 55.41; Heartland Fire Prot, supplies, 265.79; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 4275.27; Island Supply Welding, supplies, 448.40; John Deere, parts, 378.96; Johnson Trucking, gravel, 10509.00; Kelly Supply, supplies, 55.23; Kimball Midwest, supplies, 289.47; Leigh Motor Service, parts, 26.45; LG Everist, rock, 2591.79; Luedeke Oil Co, fuel etc, 7957.41; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 3.22; Martin Marietta Materials, gravel, 3476.56; Matteo Sand Gravel, gravel, 18885.64; Menards, supplies etc, 1135.70; Mid-Amer Benefits, hra fees, 3750.00; Midwest Service Sales, supplies, 1685.16; NMC Exchange LLC, services, 6560.47; Norfolk Works, fees, 136.00; Northeast Glass, services, 560.00; Scheer's Ace Hardware, supplies, 3.98; Pilger Concrete Recycling, rock, 808.64; Pilger Store, fuel etc, 3091.99; Powerplan, parts, 5168.35; Prime Sanitation, services, 62.50; Profire Safety, supplies, 153.50; RDO Truck Cntrs, parts, 39.22; Stanton Auto Parts, services etc, 2224.07; Road Builders Mach, supplies, 9316.56; Ron's Ag Auto Repair, supplies, 56.00; Rueter's Red Power, services, 8299.92; Pilger Sand Gravel, gravel, 25103.64; Seals Service, services etc. 454.54; Stalp Gravel, gravel, 14631.58; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 539.80; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 158.39; Stanton Telecom, services, 225.07; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 40.70; Teeco, services, 48.25; TMS Intl, rock, 392.73; US Cellular, services, 69.72; Vic's Engine Service, services, 252.00; Village Pilger, utilities, 125.99; Zee Medical, supplies, 311.25; Emergency Mgmt Fund – Ameritas Retire, ret-co shr, 184.78; Aaron Beckman, equip, 1100.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 85.09; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 309.41; Mike Frohberg, equip etc, 628.13; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 209.42; Menards, supplies, 173.29; Nebr St Patrol, dues, 32.00; One Office, supplies, 82.49; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 60.27; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 167.48; Stanton Water Sewer, service, 38.25; Inheritance Tax Fund – Stanton Co PPD, tower, 148.13; Sandra Zoubek Co Treas, transfer, 200000.00; Emergency 911 Fund – City Norfolk, dispatching, 7622.61; Stanton Telecom, services, 73.23; Total aggregate salaries of all county employees \$177,127.47.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to adjourn to April 26, 2021 at 8:00 AM and set the next regular meeting for May 17, 2021, 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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# **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – March 15, 2021**

(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 15, 2021, 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 March 3, 2021, 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 Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the minutes of February 16, 2021, meeting. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman opened the hearing at 8:10 AM on the Exemption Application for Tax Exemption on Real and Personal Property by Qualifying Organizations Form 451 of Principles for Living, Norfolk Nebraska. No one appeared for the hearing. Cheryl Wolverton, county assessor, informed the board on the exemption application and recommended approval as charitable property.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to close the hearing. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann, to approve the Principles of Living Exemption Application Form 451 as charitable property. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Cheryl presented and explained the correction sheet for the month.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the correction sheet numbered 2021-06 and place it on file. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to adjourn and set the next meeting for April 19, 2021, at 8:00 AM. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: 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 15, 2021

(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 15, 2021, 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 March 3, 2021, 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 Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda.

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

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to approve the minutes of February 16, 2021, meeting.

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

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: NIRMA – Pete Edien, property/liability claims manager, retirement; Matt Gartner – letter resignation; NACO – weed supt; NIRMA – 2020 Annual Report; Nebraska Assoc Emerg Mgmt – annual awards; NIRMA – NIRMA Safety Shorts Vol. 9 No. 3; Robin Dolesh – letter resignation.

Cheryl Wolverton, county assessor, appeared to update the board on the agreement she entered into October 13, 2020 with Pictometry Intl Corp for imagery mapping. In the initial agreement the Village of Pilger was not included in the essentials and property imaging. Cheryl advised the board to there would be an additional charge of approximately \$2,880. The consensus of the board was to approve the additional charge.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve the Resolution for recognition of years of service to county government. Resolution No. 2021.03 – 09. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The board readdressed the request to designate an individual to participate in the Community Wildfire Protection Plans committee for Stanton County tabled at the February meeting.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to designate Mike Frohberg, emergency manager, to the Community Wildfire Protection Plan committee for Stanton County. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The board reviewed the agreement with Nextlink for use and rental space on the communication tower owned by Stanton County located on Hwy 275. The rental agreement is for January 2021 to June 2021 (6 months) in the amount of \$1,500.00 payable in 6 monthly payments of \$250.00.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve and sign the agreement with Nextlink for use and rental space on the communication tower owned by Stanton County in the amount of \$1,500.00 payable in 6 monthly payments of \$250.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried. [Tower and Building Rental Agreement – on file in County Clerk's office]

Karen Sievers and Duane and Jessica Harlan of Woodland Park appeared before the board to discuss the possibility of a poll site in the Woodland Park area. Discussion was held with those present on the decision to eliminate the poll site and have the election conducted by mail prior to the 2018 election cycle. The factors considered prior to designating the area to an Election by Mail were: not adequate parking for school staff and voters, minimal space in the music room for voting, armed guard needed at the school, long waiting lines to vote, the ability to find individuals who were willing to work on election day and the safety of the children at the school with additional individuals in the hallways and restrooms. Advantages of an election by mail are: higher voter turnout, more secure accountability and security of ballots, no lines and convenience of voting at home (privacy), postage prepaid on return ballot envelopes, locked drop boxes available for return of ballots and less need for numerous election board workers. Nebraska State Statute 32-960 provides a County with less than ten thousand inhabitants to conduct elections by mail with approval of the Secretary of State. No action needed or taken by the board.

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

Kevin Heppner appeared before the board to discuss possible changes to his Residential Use Permit application approved by the board on August 17, 2020. The approved RUP allowed Mr. Heppner to construct a shouse on property located in the E½ SE 7-23-1 and allowed him to temporarily reside in a trailer house until shouse completed. Kevin is requesting that he be allowed to incorporate the trailer house next to the building. Discussion held on the reasoning for the request and concerns with fire, ventilation and safety. LaLene advised the board that the Planning Commission denied this request at their March 8, 2021 meeting.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to table this matter until April 19, 2021 at 8:30AM until more information is received on electrical, fire concerns, ventilation and safety concerns. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Ben Hansen, Kandace Hanna and Jamey Adams, representatives of Logistics 365, appeared before the board to introduce their business. Discussion held on

their portfolio that gives access to competitive pricing in medical supplies, IT supplies, law enforcement equipment and heavy equipment. They requested to be added to the county bid letting list. No action needed by the board.

The chairman opened the hearing at 9:40 AM on the Conditional Use Permit application of 4.5 Cattle Company to apply nutrient/dry manure from another county on property located SE 34-24-1, W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> NE and E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> NW 11-23-2, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> SW and S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> SE 18-24-2 and Pt N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> SE 20-24-2, W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> NE and Pt E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> NW and Pt E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> SW 29-24-2, NW SW and E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> SW and W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> SE 34-24-2, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> SE 4-24-3, E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> SE and Pt W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> SE 5-24-3. Allan Kampschneider of Nutrient Advisors appeared. No other appearances were made. LaLene explained the application, reviewed the planning commission recommendations with the board and noted condition 12) Any damage to roads or bridges beyond normal wear and tear will be responsibility of owner, applicant, trucker and facility and no manure shall be hauled unless the Commissioner of that district has been contacted. She noted concerns received about fencing, stockpiling and odor.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to close the hearing. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to approve the Conditional Use Permit application of 4.5 Cattle Company to apply nutrient/dry manure from another county on property located SE 34-24-1, W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> NE and E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> NW 11-23-2, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> SW and S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> SE 18-24-2 and Pt N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> SE 20-24-2, W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> NE and Pt E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> NW and Pt E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> SW 29-24-2, NW SW and E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> SW and W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> SE 34-24-2, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> SE 4-24-3, E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> SE and Pt W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> SE 5-24-3 with conditions, as per Planning Commission recommendations. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Kment and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman opened the hearing at 9:50 AM on the Conditional Use Permit application of Leon, Randy, Nathan and Dillon Bender to apply nutrient/liquid manure from another county on property located SE 29-23-1, NE 32-23-1, NW 2-22-1 and SW 8-22-2. No one appeared for the hearing. LaLene explained the application and reviewed the planning commission recommendations with the board and noted condition 11) Any damage to road beyond normal wear and tear will be responsibility of owner, applicant, trucker and livestock facility. No manure shall be hauled unless the Commissioner of that district has been contacted. No opposition received.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to close the hearing. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to approve the Conditional Use Permit application of Leon, Randy, Nathan and Dillon Bender to apply nutrient/liquid manure from another county on property located SE 29-23-1, NE 32-23-1, NW 2-22-1 and SW 8-22-2 with conditions, as per Planning Commission recommendations. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman opened the hearing at 9:55AM on the Conditional Use Permit application of Gary Brester to apply nutrient/dry and liquid manure from another county on property located Pt SW 13-21-3 and N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> SE 30-22-3, Pt SW and Pt E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> SE 33-22-3, W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> NE and NW 34-22-3. No one appear for the hearing. LaLene explained the application and reviewed the planning commission recommendations with the board and noted condition 11) Any damage to road beyond normal wear and tear will be responsibility of owner, applicant, trucker and feedlot. No manure shall be hauled unless the Commissioner of that district has been contacted. No opposition received.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to close the hearing. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Kment and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to approve the Conditional Use Permit application of Gary Brester to apply nutrient/dry and liquid manure from another county on property located Pt SW 13-21-3 and N½ SE 30-22-3, Pt SW and Pt E½ SE 33-22-3, W½ NE and NW 34-22-3 with conditions, as per Planning Commission recommendations. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Kment and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Conditional Use Permit application of SC Sows LLC for an addition to the hog facility on property located Pt NW NE 22-23-3 to be continued to April 19, 2021 at 9:30 AM until more information is received. No action taken by the board.

LaLene presented the Duane M. Rehak's Lot Split splitting 9.79 acres on property located in Pt SE 29-21-3. Duane Rehak appeared for the lot split. LaLene explained the reason for the lot split.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to approve the Duane M. Rehak's Lot Split splitting 9.79 acres on property located in Pt SE 29-21-3, as per Planning Commission recommendations. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Abstain: Rehak. Motion Carried.

LaLene represented the Terra Ventures LLC Lot Split splitting 7.32 acres on property located in Pt SE 28-24-1. No one appeared for the lot split. LaLene

advised that a waiver of density will be required if a residence is to be constructed on lot one.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to approve the Terra Ventures LLC Lot Split splitting 7.32 acres on property located in Pt SE 28-24-1, as per Planning Commission recommendations. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

LaLene advised the board of the resignation of Robin Dolesh from the planning commission board. She advised the board of a possible replacement. She noted years of experience of other members of the board and suggested a possible recognition dinner in the future. No action taken by the board.

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

Kim Bearnes, county extension agent, appeared before the board to discuss if a new vehicle could be purchased to replace the 2010 Dodge caravan. The van has approximately 112,000 miles and is in good running order with a bluebook trade of \$3,000.00. The consensus of the board was not to purchase a new vehicle at this time and continue to drive the van due to low mileage and good working order. No action taken by the board.

Mark Mainelli, Highway Superintendent, joined the meeting.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to approve the Resolution to add and release pledged security: Resolution No. 2021.03 – 10. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The board reviewed the Memorandum of Understanding received from the Madison County Attorney in reference to the 2021-2023 Community Based Juvenile Services Grant application. The crime commission requires the county attorney and the chairman of the board to approve the agreement.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the Memorandum of Understanding between the Madison County Attorney and Stanton County Attorney for the Nebraska Crime Commission's 2021-2023 Community Based Juvenile Services Grant application. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried. [Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) – on file in County Clerk's office]

Mike Unger, county sheriff, joined the meeting to discuss department staffing and update the board on county issues.

Sandy Zoubek, county treasurer, appeared before the board to discuss the purchase of a computer for the treasurer's office. Sandy requested that the cost of the computer be taken out of the miscellaneous general fund because the cost was not budgeted in her budget.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to allow the cost of the computer to be taken out of the miscellaneous general fund. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttmann. Nayes: 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 - \$1,162.67 and Jack Scherer LLC, Stanton - \$808.50 (courthouse) plus \$167.91 (extension) for a total of \$976.41.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to accept the proposal of Jack Scherer LLC for lawn maintenance in the estimated amount of \$976.41 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. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Gravel Bid Letting set for April 19, 2020 at 10:30 AM.

Ken Beaudette, Murphy Tractor representative, Scott Clausen, Cornhusker International representative and Darrell Hansen, County Bridge Foreman, joined the meeting.

Discussion held on county equipment needing repairs or replacement. Discussion held on purchase or lease of a new semi tractor and sidedump trailer or a truck and pup trailer. The disadvantages of purchasing used equipment are: parts availability, warranties and increase of repairs. The advantages of a new vehicle are warranties and less need of repairs. Bid letting set on April 19, 2021 at 10:30AM for a truck and pup trailer and bid letting for a semi tractor and sidedump trailer. Specifications to be determined.

Mark Mainelli updated the board on road and bridge projects within the county. The board asked Mark about 569 Ave/837 Rd repairs needed due to the flood. He advised the board the road bank is to be rebuilt after approval is given to the county from FEMA/NEMA. Mark advised the board that the reimbursement of the ER-Bank Stabilization project funds from the State are being delayed until all the ER projects are completed by the county. Mark is to look into the possibility to have the state reimburse the funds for the 2019

flooding projects already completed. Discussion held on the 2021 fracture bridge inspection fees and 2021 bridge inspection fees to be conducted by Mainelli Wagner and Associates.

The board reviewed the 2021 Fracture Critical Bridge Inspection fee information received from Mainelli Wagner and Associates Inc. There are 18 structures due for a full fracture critical inspection in 2021 (15 are girder/floorbeam bridges with lengths ranging from 30' to 91' and 3 are truss bridges with lengths ranging from 61' to 102'). For these 18 inspections, Mainelli Wagner and Associates proposes to provide the following services: 1) Fracture Critical inspection for 18 structures (per the most recent BrM data); 2) Taking site photographs as required by NDOT; 3) Inputting data into the BrM program; 4) Preparing a new Fracture Critical Inspection Report or Special Inspection form; 5) Generating a maintenance report for the county's use; 6) Labeling all pictures per the NDOT naming convention; 7) Submitting report/form, pictures and data to NDOT; 8) Submit disk with any Special Inspection reports, Critical Findings Reports and pictures to County; and 9) Submit file with updated SIA sheets for all structures inspected. For girder/floorbeam bridges, the rate per bridge will be \$980.00 (15). For truss bridges, the rate per bridge will be \$1,580.00 (3). Total for all bridges = \$19,440.00.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the 2021 Fracture Critical Bridge Inspection fee for all bridges (18) in the amount of \$19,440.00 and authorize the chairman to sign the approval form. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The board reviewed the 2021 Bridge Inspection fee information received from Mainelli Wagner & Associates Inc. There are 84 routine inspections required for 2021. For the 2021 routine inspections Mainelli Wagner & Associates proposes 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 \$143.00 (84).

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to approve the 2021 inspection rate of \$143.00 per structure (84) and authorize the chairman to sign the approval form.

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

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve for the month of February the Documentary Stamp Tax, co shr in the amount of \$1,162.38; County Clerk fees in the amount of \$2,923.00; P&M Fund fees in the amount of \$460.50; Game and Parks Agent fees in the amount of \$10.00; Misc Copy fees in the amount of \$11.00; Clerk of the District Court fees in the amount of \$301.86; Passport fees in the amount of \$35.00; County Treasurer's receipt of money received numbered 21609 – 21662, inclusive in the amount of \$961,243.57; County Treasurer's Notice Closing Public Sale Delinquent Taxes March 2021; and place them on file.

Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: 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 – Mark Albin atty, fees, 3910.24; Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 7580.60; Antelope Co Shf Dept, boarding etc, 7515.00; Appeara, supplies, 143.84; Applied Connective Tech, fees, 42.10; Axon Enterprise, fees etc, 764.34; Kim Bearnes, phone etc, 106.48; Shawn Beaudette, services, 103.00; Joshua Bennett, reimb, 36.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 630.48; Donna Bloom, supplies, 9.98; BCBS, ins-co shr, 23605.08; Carney Law, fees, 3863.44; CLS Vet PC, services, 32.00; Cornhusker Auto Cntr, services, 39.45; Co VSO Assn-Nebr, fees, 60.00; DAS State Acct, costs, 43.88; Dataspec LLC, fees, 449.00; Martha Detlefsen, prior service, 12.00; Douglas Co Crt Crim Div, fees, 3.25; Eakes Office Solutions, supplies, 285.44; Egley Fullner Montag Morland, atty fees, 670.76; Environmental Sys Research, fees, 400.00; Ewalt Law Office, public defender, 2529.23; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 828.62; First Concord Benefits Group, flex benefits, 60.00; Postalia, fees, 396.00; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 8540.76; Jacks Unif Equip, supplies, 185.90; Johnsons, services, 252.00; Lammli Locke Beaudette, liability ins, 4769.20; W Bert Lammli Jr, office allow, 930.00; Luedeke Oil Co, fuel etc, 1759.92; Madison Nat Life Ins, ins-co shr, 33.38; Marshall & Swift, fees, 656.20; Menards, supplies, 178.60; Janet Meyer, services, 185.00; Mid-Amer Benefits, hra fees-co shr, 5538.00; MIPS, fees, 2751.29; Moyer Moyer, atty fees, 7275.65; Natl Pen Co, fees, 75.94; Nebr Assn Co Treas, fees, 50.00; Nebr Public Health Environ Lab, medical, 105.00; Lavern Newkirk, prior service, 17.00; Norfolk Daily News, services, 190.76; One Office Solution, supplies, 1860.10; Pierce Co Shf Dept, boarding, 7850.00; Pitzer Digital, services, 1874.92; Platte Co Dist Crt, fees, 27.50; Pollard Pumping, services, 650.00; Prime Sanitation, services, 39.75; Region 4 Beh Health Sys, pymt, 4676.00; Rita Roenfeldt, prior service, 20.00; Stanton Auto Parts, services, 43.99; Stanton Co Clk Dist Crt, fees, 141.00; Stanton Co Crt, fees, 410.00; Stanton Co Imp Acct, ach fees, 20.00; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 1078.44; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 139.57; Stanton Telecom, services, 1844.47; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 76.50; Stratton DeLay Doele Carlson, atty fees, 12428.44; Eric Stone, ammo, 1909.47; Teeco, supplies, 43.95; Lil Store, fuel, 2250.78; Thomson Reuters, supplies, 1842.00;

Thurston Co Shf, boarding, 1550.00; Cable TV, supplies, 80.49; Mike Unger Co Shf, fees, 39.50; Univ Nebr, phone, 45.02; Verizon Wireless, services, 400.10; Wanek Pharmacy, supplies, 87.28; Wisner News Chronicle, services, 66.80; Zee Med Service, supplies, 51.25; Sandra Zoubek, supplies, 46.72; ROAD FUND -Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 3289.90; Appeara, services, 42.89; ATCO Intl, supplies, 985.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 687.71; BCBS, ins-co shr, 17974.38; Boelter Farm Repair, services, 2944.27; Bomgaars, supplies etc, 275.89; Century Link, services, 74.10; Clarkson Plfb Htg, supplies, 31.90; Janice Coates, prior service, 17.00; Cornhusker Intl Trucks, services, 420.36; Doernemann Constr, hauling, 155.00; Doernemann Farm, services, 149.11; James Duncan, prior service, 16.00; Eisenmann Supplies, tools, 89.38; Emmett's Foodtown, propane, 21.99; Farmer's Coop, fuel etc, 4009.26; Farmer's Un Coop Supply, chemicals, 256.27; Fastenal Co, supplies, 420.63; The Power Station, supplies, 49.95; Hoskins Mfg Co, services, 1106.00; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 3748.20; Island Supply Welding, supplies, 153.88; Dale Johnson Trucking, gravel, 674.20; Kimball Midwest, supplies etc, 778.85; LG Everist, rock, 6403.72; Luedeke Oil Co, fuel etc, 6116.95; Mainelli Wagner Assoc, eng fees, 10473.46; Martin Marietta Materials, gravel, 494.15; Matteo Sand Gravel Co, gravel, 1143.38; Menards, supplies etc, 143.06; Mid-American Benefits, hra fees-co shr, 3750.00; NMC Exchange, services, 1557.93; Pilger Store, fuel etc, 2610.04; Powerplan, parts, 2127.01; Prime Sanitation, services, 62.50; Profire Safety, supplies, 207.75; Road Builders Mach, supplies, 30.42; Pilger Sand Gravel, gravel, 1093.44; Stanton Auto Parts, services etc, 676.30; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 1002.42; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 663.23; Stanton Telecom, services, 224.60; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 40.70; Teeco, services, 26.50; US Cellular, services, 71.42; Village Pilger, utilities, 120.80; Weldon Parts, parts, 148.12; EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND – Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 163.52; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 137.83; Engelhardt TV Comm, equip, 1008.00; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 316.41; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 185.33; Menards, supplies, 454.90; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 49.64; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 87.51; Stanton Water Sewer, service, 38.25; INHERITANCE TAX FUND – Stanton Co PPD, tower, 180.81; EMERGENCY 911 FUND – City Norfolk, dispatching, 7622.61; Stanton Telecom, services, 73.23; Total agaregate salaries of all county employees \$165,773.11. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to adjourn and set the next meeting for April 19, 2021, 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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## **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – February 16, 2021**

(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, February 16, 2021, 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 February 3, 2021, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes.

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

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to approve the minutes of January 19, 2021, meeting. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Allen Cooper and David Martinez representatives of Principals for Living Inc joined the meeting to discuss their organization's nature of business. Principals for Living Inc is a non-profit organization. They informed the board of a residence owned by Principles for Living in the Woodland Park area. The house is used as temporary housing for pastors in training. Discussion held on the 451 Exemption Application for Tax Exemption on Real and Personal Property by Qualifying Organizations. Property tax exemption regulations determine eligibility for educational, religious, charitable, and cemetery property tax exemptions. The five mandated criteria are ownership, exclusive use, no financial gain or profit, restricted alcoholic liquor sales, and prohibited discrimination. The property must meet all five criteria for the exemption to be allowed. No action taken on exemption application until next month's hearing.

The board reviewed the request received from Pilger Senior Citizen's Center (storage building) of Pilger to waive the failed timely filing of Form 451A to maintain the exempt status for 2021.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to allow the county assessor to continue the exempt status for Pilger Senior Citizen's Center (storage building) of Pilger for the 2021 year. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Presented to the board and placed on file was a listing of Form 451A Statement of Reaffirmation of Tax Exemption for 2020.

Cheryl Wolverton, county assessor, explained the correction sheets for the month.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the correction sheets numbered 2021-03 to 2021-05 and place them on file. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

There were no listings of clerical errors needing approval.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to adjourn and set the next meeting for March 15, 2021, at 8:00 AM. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: 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 16, 2021

(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, February 16, 2021, 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 February 3, 2021, 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 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 Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the minutes of January 19, 2021, meeting. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: LENRD – public entity funding information; Pam Anderson, Norfolk – potholes woodland park entrance; NACO updates – inheritance tax etc; NIRMA – NIRMA Safety Shorts Vol. 9 No. 2; State Nebraska – COVID (Cares Act) reimbursement; Freightliner Truck Center – information flyer.

Joining the meeting were: Sandy Zoubek, Cheryl Wolverton, Mike Unger and Mike Frohberg. Discussion held on the COVID-19 guidelines approved and effective October 20, 2020. Comments were received from those present and the consensus was to ease the restriction on the breakroom use and contact between departments while still observing social distancing and all other guidelines previously approved to continue. Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to ease the restriction on the breakroom use and contact between departments while still observing social distancing and all other guidelines previously approved October 20, 2020 to continue until further notice. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Cheryl appeared before the board to discuss the plotter printer in her office. This printer is no longer repairable and was purchased in 2003 for \$3,200. The cost for a new HP Plotter printer is \$4,469.53. Cheryl requested that the cost of the printer be taken out of the miscellaneous general fund because the cost was not budgeted in her budget.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to allow the cost of the plotter printer to be taken out of the miscellaneous general fund. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Mike Frohberg, Emergency Manager, and Mike Unger, County Sheriff, discussed department issues with the board. No action needed.

The board reviewed the information received from Sandy Benson in reference to Community Wildfire Protection Plans (CWPP). CWPP gathers together community resources to enhance wildfire mitigation and preparedness. Mike Frohberg advised the board he did not have time to review all the information received. Matter tabled until information can be reviewed.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the Resolution to add pledged security: Resolution No. 2021.02-06. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Presented to the board for review was: Resolution No. 2021-1 of SID No. 1 amending Ordinance No. 4-1 regulating animals, along with Resolution 12.21.20-36 declaring its approval and intention to amend said ordinance. This ordinance was approved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Norfolk January 19, 2021. The board of commissioners reviewed and had no issues with the ordinance, understood the intention and placed on file.

Discussion held on LB102 regarding transferring the duties of ex officio Clerks of the District Court to the Judicial Branch and changes to the elected Clerks of the District Court. There is no financial benefit to Stanton County by transferring the duties to the state. The county would no longer receive any fees associated with the district court office but would be responsible for maintaining adequate office space at the county expense. The local transparency and control of the office would no longer be controlled by the citizens of the county. The board was advised that the NACO Board of Directors voted to oppose LB 102.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to submit a letter in opposition of LB 102 to the Judiciary Committee. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The board reviewed the Memorandum of Understanding of the Northeast Nebraska Juvenile Justice Partnership Plan for the Counties of Madison, Boone, Burt, Cuming, Knox, Pierce, Stanton and Wayne. The purpose of this MOU is for Stanton County's approval of and participation in the 2021-2025 Comprehensive Community Plan.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to authorize the chairman to sign the Memorandum of Understanding of the Northeast Nebraska Juvenile Justice Partnership Plan for the Counties of Madison, Boone, Burt, Cuming, Knox, Pierce, Stanton and Wayne. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried. [MOU Northeast Nebraska Juvenile Justice Partnership Plan and Northeast Nebraska Juvenile Justice Comprehensive Juvenile Services Community Plan (2021-2025) on file County Clerk's office]

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

The chairman opened the hearing at 10:05 AM on the Residential Use Permit application of Tim Barth to construct a replacement residence on property located in Pt SE 6-23-3. 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. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve the Residential Use Permit application of Tim Barth to construct a replacement residence on property located in Pt SE 6-23-3, as per Planning Commission recommendations. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman opened the hearing at 10:15 AM on the Residential Use Permit application of Eugene Sateren to construct a replacement residence on property located in  $E\frac{1}{2} N\frac{1}{2} S\frac{1}{2} NE$  14-23-3. 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. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve the Residential Use Permit application of Eugene Sateren to construct a replacement residence on property located in E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> NE 14-23-3, as per Planning Commission recommendations. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman opened the hearing at 10:20 AM on the Conditional Use Permit application of Doug Sunderman/John Collins to apply nutrient/dry manure from another county on property located in Pt S½ 34-23-1, Pt S½ 35-23-1 and in the NW & Pt NW NE 3-22-1. No one appeared for the hearing. LaLene explained the application and reviewed the planning commission recommendations with the board and noted condition 12) Any damage to roads or bridges beyond normal wear and tear will be responsibility of owner, applicant, trucker and facility and no manure shall be hauled unless the commissioner of that district has been contacted.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to close the hearing. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the Conditional Use Permit application of Doug Sunderman/John Collins to apply nutrient/dry manure from another county on property located in Pt S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 34-23-1, Pt S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 35-23-1 and the NW & Pt NW NE 3-22-1, as per Planning Commission recommendations. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman opened the hearing at 10:25 AM on the Conditional Use Permit application of Jared Sindelar/Robert Hader/Ralph Hefti/George, Ron & David Baumert/Alice Horak and Trade Loop Properties to apply nutrient/dry & liquid manure from another county on property located in N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> SW & SE 22-21-3, SE 27-21-3, E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 33-21-3, NW 35-21-3 and Pt NE 36-21-3. No one appeared for the hearing. LaLene explained the application and reviewed the planning commission recommendations with the board and noted condition 11) Any damage to road beyond normal wear and tear will be responsibility of owner, applicant, trucker and feedlot. No manure shall be hauled unless the commissioner of that district has been contacted. Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to close the hearing. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to approve the Conditional Use Permit application of Jared Sindelar/Robert Hader/Ralph Hefti/George, Ron & David Baumert/Alice Horak and Trade Loop Properties to apply nutrient/dry & liquid manure from another county on property located in N½ SW & SE 22-21-3, SE 27-21-3, E½ 33-21-3, NW 35-21-3 and Pt NE 36-21-3, as per Planning Commission recommendations. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Kment and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman opened the hearing at 10:30 AM on the Conditional Use Permit application of Rick & Bill Jacobs/O'Neal Family Farms to apply nutrient/dry manure from another county on property located in Pt SE 13-22-3, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 24-22-3 and Pt NW 25-22-3. No one appeared for the hearing. LaLene explained the application and reviewed the planning commission recommendations with the board and noted condition 11) Any damage to road beyond normal wear and tear will be responsibility of owner, applicant, trucker and feedlot. No manure shall be hauled unless the commissioner of that district has been contacted.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to close the hearing. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve the Conditional Use Permit application of Rick & Bill Jacobs/O'Neal Family Farms to apply nutrient/dry manure from another county on property located in Pt SE 13-22-3, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 24-22-3 and Pt NW 25-22-3, as per Planning Commission recommendations. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

LaLene presented the Vollbrecht Lot Split splitting property located in Pt SW and the W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> SE 3-22-1 into 5 lots. 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 Vollbrecht Lot Split splitting property located in Pt SW and the W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> SE 3-22-1, as per Planning Commission recommendations. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried. LaLene presented the Wayne D. Heermann Lot Split splitting property located in Pt NE NW and NW NE 13-22-3 into 2 lots. 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 Wayne D. Heermann Lot Split splitting property located in Pt NE NW and NW NE 13-22-3, as per Planning Commission recommendations. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Discussion held on the clarification of a road located on the west side of section 30-24-1 (558 Ave north of Hwy 275). Road classified as Grandview Dr during 911 implementation. This is a private drive and lot parcels should have their address off E Omaha Ave.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to clarify that portion of 558 Ave north of Hwy 275 (previous known as Grandview Dr) as a private drive and residences are to be addressed off E Omaha Ave, Norfolk NE 68701. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Chairman Kment opened the hearing at 11:10 AM on the One and Six Year Road Plan.

The One and Six Year Road Plan was reviewed. No one appeared for the hearing. Discussion held on road projects contained in the road plan. No public comments were received.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to close the One and Six Year Road Plan. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve the Resolution to adopt the One and Six Year Plan for Highway Improvements: Resolution No. 2021.02 – 07. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Discussion held on the Stanton Southwest Bridge Repair, ER-BR-3165, Change Order No. 1. Mark explained the conditions of the change order.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the Change Order No. 1 for project ER-BR-3165. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Kment and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Motion Carried. Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve the following resolution to authorize the chairman to sign the Program Agreement between Stanton County, Nebraska and Nebraska Department of Transportation, Project No. STWD-CBMP(5), Control No. 00974D, County Bridge Match Program, Project Program Agreement – BL2118: RESOLUTION No. 2021.02 – 08. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried. [copy of CBMP Program Agreement on file in County Clerk's office]

Commissioner Rehak presented quotes received for a used 2011 Rhino SD15 shredder in the amount of \$9,500.00 and a new 2014 Woods BW180XQ shredder in the amount of \$12,600.00. The board reviewed the quotes.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to accept the quote of \$9,500.00 for a used 2011 Rhino SD shredder from Platte Valley Equipment LLC of Clarkson Nebraska. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Kment and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve for the month of January the Documentary Stamp Tax, co shr in the amount of \$1,782.32; County Clerk fees in the amount of \$2,641.00; P&M Fund fees in the amount of \$409.50; Game and Parks Agent fees in the amount of \$13.00; Misc Copy fees in the amount of \$0.00; Clerk of the District Court fees in the amount of \$304.22; Passport fees in the amount of \$140.00; County Treasurer's receipt of money received numbered 21514 – 21608, inclusive in the amount of \$1,153,470.33; County Sheriff's 4<sup>th</sup> Qu report; County VSO's 1<sup>st</sup> Qu and 2<sup>nd</sup> Qu 2020-2021 reports; and place them on file. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to approve the following Accounts Payable claims as presented, except to add the claim of Platte Valley Equip LLC in the amount of \$9,500.00 and approve the Payroll claims as presented and order checks drawn on the various funds as follows: GENERAL FUND – Abacus Data Svs, fees, 1679.76; Ameritas Ret, ret-co shr, 8241.85; Appeara, supplies, 144.05; Applied Connective Tech, fees, 42.10; Kim Bearnes, phone, 40.00; Shawn Beaudette, services, 103.00; Big Red Printing, supplies, 1329.16; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 535.63; BCBS, ins-co shr, 24856.86; Blue360 Media, manuals, 81.75; Card Services, meals, 623.94; Gary Carson, postage etc., 6.78; DAS State Acct, costs, 43.88; Martha Detlefsen, prior service, 12.00; Eakes Office Solutions, supplies, 214.38; Ewalt Law Office, public defender, 2529.23; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 850.62; First Concord Benefits Group, fees, 60.00; Floor Maintenance, supplies, 135.67; Frohberg Elec, services, 4258.38; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 9277.77; Jacks Unif Equip, supplies, 121.90; Johnsons Inc, supplies, 37.86; W Bert Lammli Jr, office allow, 930.00; Luedeke Oil Co, fuel etc, 611.77; Madison Co Clk Dist Crt, fees, 50.00; Madison Co Shr, fees, 28.03;

Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 44.22; Menards, supplies, 39.91; Mid-American Benefits, hra fees etc, 5796.00; Midwest Spec Services, services, 213.00; MIPS, fees supplies, 2833.14; NACO Planning Zoning, dues, 40.00; Nebr Asssn Co Clk ROD Elec, fees, 75.00; Lavern Newkirk, prior service, 17.00; Newton Co Shf Dept, fees, 50.00; Norfolk Alian Spec, services, 81.90; Norfolk Sporting Goods, supplies, 36.75; Wayne Ohnesorg, services, 14.95; One Office Solution, supplies, 1523.82; The Apothecary Shop, supplies, 63.03; Pierce Co Shf, boarding, 4850.00; Pitzer Digital, services, 82.64; Prime Sanitation, services, 39.75; Rita Roenfeldt, prior service, 20.00; SID#1, franchise fees, 3697.89; Stanton Auto Parts, services, 1137.26; Stanton Co Clk Dist Crt, fees, 177.00; Stanton Co Crt, fees, 314.00; Stanton Co Imp Acct, ach fees, 21.25; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 1116.84; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 22.96; Stanton Telecom, services, 1905.62; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 76.50' Stratton DeLay etal, atty fees, 299.95; Teeco, supplies, 58.95; The Lil Store, fuel, 2512.75; Thurston Co shr, boarding, 900.00; Michael Unger, reimb, 15.39; Mike Unger Co Shf, fees, 129.19; Univ Nebr Lincoln, phone, 5.02; Verizon Wireless, service, 320.08; Wanek Pharmacy, supplies, 106.50; West Coast Unif Access, supplies, 296.30; Sandra Zoubek Co Treas, transfers etc 500104.88; Sandra Zoubek, supplies, 45.05; ROAD FUND – Ameritas Retire, ret-co shr, 3387.65; Appeara, services, 37.98; ATCO Intl, supplies, 825.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 537.97; BCBS, ins-co shr, 17974.38; Boelter Farm Repair, services, 8431.79; Bomaaars, supplies etc., 367.71; Century Link, services, 73.65; Clarkson Plbg Htg, supplies, 16.38; Janice Coates, prior service, 17.00; Cornhusker Intl, services, 44.79; Doernemann Farm Service, services, 287.84; James Duncan, prior service, 16.00; Farmer's Coop, fuel etc, 7704.37; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 3858.95; Island Supply Welding, supplies, 26.04; John Deere Finc, parts, 19.62; Kelly Supply, supplies, 165.77; Kimball Midwest, signs, 173.46; Luedeke Oil Co, fuel etc, 1316.01; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 3.22; Martin Marietta Materials, gravel, 4427.33; Medical Enter, services, 110.00; Mid-American Benefits , hra fees-co shr, 3750.00; Midwest Service Sales, supplies etc, 1497.85; NMC Exchange, services, 6704.07; Northeast Glass, services, 1644.00; Pilger Store, fuel etc, 2002.68; Platte Valley Equip, shredder etc, 9829.97; Pollard Pumping, services, 405.00; Powerplan, parts, 1676.94; Prime Sanitation Services, services, 62.50; Road Builders Mach, services, 6491.31; Ron's Aa Auto Repair, parts, 311.87; Rusty Nuts Repair, services, 1638.51; SID#1, hwy alloc funds, 14000.00; Sport Lighting, lights, 99.98; Stanton Auto Parts, services etc, 419.74; Stanton Co PPD, service, 866.44; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 732.27; Stanton Telecom, services, 224.00; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 40.70; Teeco, services, 42.95; Dean Thies, reimb, 80.00; Thompson Excavating, gravel, 8000.00; US Cellular, services, 71.87; Vic's Engine Service, services, 154.42; Village Pilger, utilities, 134.56; EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND – Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 156.43; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 125.25; Cornhusker Auto Cntr, services, 163.35; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 231.41; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 177.29; Menards, supplies, 122.03; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 53.29; Stanton Water Sewer, service, 38.25; Michael Unger, equip, 826.84; INHERITANCE TAX FUND - Stanton Co PPD,

tower, 145.71; <u>EMERGENCY 911 FUND</u> – City Norfolk, dispatching, 7622.61; Stanton Telecom, services, 73.23; Total aggregate salaries of all county employees \$176,807.54. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to adjourn and set the next meeting for March 15, 2021, at 8:15 AM. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann 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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# **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – January 19, 2021**

(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 19, 2021, 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 January 6, 2021, 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 Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to approve the minutes of December 21, 2020 and January 7, 2021, meetings. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Cheryl Wolverton, county assessor, submitted an omitted property listing for January 19, 2021 within Stanton County. She explained the updates and/or changes to the listed properties.

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

Cheryl 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 2021-01 to 2021-02 and place them on file. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The board reviewed the request received from St. John's Lutheran Church of Pilger to waive the failed timely filing of Form 451A to maintain the exempt status for 2021.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to allow the county assessor to continue the exempt status for St. John's Lutheran Church of Pilger for the 2021 year. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to adjourn and set the next meeting for Tuesday, February 16, 2021, at 8:00 AM. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: 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 19, 2021

(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 19, 2021, 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 January 6, 2021, 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 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 Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to approve the minutes of December 21, 2020 and January 7, 2021, meetings. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: Lower Elkhorn Watershed – project update; North Fork Elkhorn Watershed – project update; Jon Cannon, NACO deputy director - LB310 phase out of inheritance tax.

Leigh Fuhrman appeared before the board to discuss the increased truck traffic on 560 Ave and 844 Rd in Spring Branch precinct. Ms. Fuhrman stated that increased commercial truck traffic is causing damage to the shoulders and intersections when the trucks are short cutting the corners. Discussion held on options that might restrict traffic on the county roads. Commissioner Huttmann to look into the matter. No action taken by the board.

Joining the meeting were: Sandy Zoubek, Cheryl Wolverton and Mike Unger. 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 February meeting. No action taken.

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.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to authorize the chairman to sign the annual reports for the weed department that need to be filed prior to January 31st. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried

Mike Frohberg, emergency manager, joined the meeting. Discussion held on the installation of the state radio equipment, system yearly fees, trailer repair update, LEOP plan update, and progress of repairs to the emergency management building. No action needed by the board.

Ed Sokol appeared before the board to discuss the need of gravel on 831 Rd west of Hwy 15 due to the extra traffic on the road with the new hog facility and other road issues. The board thanked Mr. Sokol for the information and advised him gravel would be applied as needed when weather permits.

Ramsy Robertson, representative of Mainelli Wagner and Associates, joined the meeting. Ramsy advised the board of the CBMP selection of structure 24420 located on 825 Rd between 567/568 Ave (15/22-21-2). Also discussed was the One and Six Year Road Plan. Hearing on One and Six Year Road Plan set for February 16, 2021 at 11:00 AM.

Discussion held on an updated Interlocal Agreement for Region 4 Behavioral Health System. The original adoption by resolution 120-74 was approved and signed August 21, 1974. The Agreement for the Formation of the Region IV Community Mental Health Program Under the Interlocal Cooperation Act was approved and signed September 12, 1974, and amended March 17, 1986 and October 18, 1993. At a recent Region 4 Behavioral Health System Board meeting it was agreed upon by those present to update the Interlocal Agreement. The board reviewed the updated interlocal agreement.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve the Resolution to enter into an agreement for the participation in Region 4 Behavioral Health System: Resolution No. 2021.01 – 03. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried. [copy of Agreement on file in County Clerk's office] Discussion held on the semi-annual report for July – December, 2020.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the Resolution for the County Treasurer's Semi-Annual report ending December 31, 2020: Resolution No. 2021.01 – 04. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The county clerk advised the county board of an adjustment/correction needed to the 2020-2021 expenditures in the Inheritance Tax Fund and General Fund. The expenditure was inadvertently taken from the incorrect fund.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the Resolution to adjust/correct 2020-2021 expenditures as follows: Resolution No. 2021.01 – 05. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve for the month of December the Documentary Stamp Tax, co shr in the amount of \$3,405.16; County Clerk fees in the amount of \$3,709.50; P&M Fund fees in the amount of \$601.50; Game and Parks Agent fees in the amount of \$8.00; Misc Copy fees in the amount of \$8.00; Clerk of the District Court fees in the amount of \$162.93; Passport fees in the amount of \$70.00; County Treasurer's receipt of money received numbered 21461 – 21515, inclusive in the amount of \$861,475.83; and place them on file. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: 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 - Mark Albin atty, fees, 1190.69; Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 8708.80; Antelope Co Shf Dept, boarding, 3045.00; Appeara, supplies, 76.53; Applied Connective Tech LLC, fees, 42.10; Maxine Bauermeister, mowing, 300.00; Kim Bearnes, phone, 40.00; Shawn Beaudette, services, 103.00; Larry Belz, mowing, 300.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 447.31, BCBS, ins-co shr, 25217.62; Card Services, meals etc. 141.15; Central Plains Valuation, services, 12885.00; Consolidated Mgmt, fees, 64.37; Cornhusker Auto, services, 61.40; Danko Emerg Equip, supplies, 1275.00; DAS State Acct, costs, 43.88; Martha Detlefsen, prior service, 12.00; Donna Dixon, prior service, 57.50; Eakes Office, supplies, 60.73; Egley Fullner Montag etal, atty fees, 989.63; Tyler Evans, supplies, 137.49; Ewalt Law Office, public defender etc. 5375.78; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 725.88; First Concord Benefits Group, fees, 60.00; Floor Maintenance, supplies, 472.19; Judy Funk, salary etc, 34.48; Green Stripe, services, 65.00; Hall Co Crt, fees, 3.25; Heartland Fire Protection, services, 140.75; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 9802.18; Jack Scherer LLC, services, 380.93; Mike Kabes, salary etc, 56.88; Kubert Appraisal, fees, 2500.00; Kuehn's Auto Body, services, 2130.00; Gerald Kuhn, salary etc, 55.76; Russell Kumm, salary etc,

20.60; W Bert Lammli Jr, office allow, 930.00; Law Enf Risk Mamt Group, fees, 99.00; Luedeke Oil, 1788.41; Lynn Peavey, supplies, 27.95; Madison Co Crt, fees, 4.00; Madison Co Shf, boarding, 400.00; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 44.22; Judene Mewis, prior service, 69.24; Mid-Amer Benefits, hra fees, 11296.00; Mid States Organized Crime Info Ctr, fees, 100.00; Midwest Spec Services, services, 211.00; MIPS, fees, 2780.29; Gilbert Morfeld, prior service, 23.08; Natl Shf Assoc, fees, 68.00; Nebr CDC Assn, fees, 50.00; Nebr State Fire Marshal, services, 72.00; Lavern Newkirk, prior service, 17.00; Douglas Oertwich, salary etc, 75.24; One Office, supplies, 884.94; Pierce Co Shf, boarding, 1750.00; Pilger Library, supplies, 1002.22; Pitzer Digital, services, 31.49; Platte Co Detention, boarding, 500.00; Gerald Podany, salary etc., 56.88; Prime Sanitation, services, 39.75; Region IV, pymt, 1874.50; Rita Roenfeldt, prior service, 20.00; RR Donnelley, supplies, 109.32; Sioux Sales, supplies, 905.00; Edward Sokol, prior service, 115.40; Stanton Co CDC, fees, 72.00; Stanton Co Crt, fees, 129.00, Stanton Co Imprest Acct, fees, 21.50; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 1119.74; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 16.98; Stanton State Bank, box fees, 60.00; Stanton Telecom, services, 1806.80; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 78.95; Stratton DeLay Doele etal, atty fees, 1188.90; Teeco, supplies, 116.20; Lil Store, fuel, 2439.43; Thomson Reuters, supplies, 2225.00; Univ Nebr, phone, 45.02; Verizon Wireless, service, 400.10; Carla Vogel, prior service, 46.16; Mark Wieman, salary etc, 74.80; Winsupply Norfolk, supplies, 39.36; Wolfcom Enterprises, supplies, 84.00; Zee Medical, supplies, 25.70; Sandra Zoubek co treas, cash acct, 34.15; Sandra Zoubek, supplies, 14.99; ROAD FUND – Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 3757.94; Appeara, services, 37.98; ATCO Intl, supplies, 1004.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 392.79; B's Enterprises, supplies, 88.00; BCBS, ins-co shr, 17974.38; Boelter Farm Repair, services, 784.43; Bomgaars, supplies, 313.53; Century Link, services, 67.59; Clarkson Plba Hta, supplies, 67.39; Janice Coates, prior service, 17.00; Cornhusker Intl, services, 78.82; Doernemann Construction, rental etal 3030.00; Doernemann Farm Service, services, 410.14; James Duncan, prior service, 16.00; Emmett's Foodtown, supplies, 23.57; Farmer's Coop, fuel etc, 7832.17; Fastenal Co, supplies, 26.50; Hamernik Plbg Well Drilling, services, 314.04; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec taxco shr, 4278.53; Island Supply Welding, supplies, 26.04; Kelly Supply, supplies, 243.25; Kryaer Glass, services, 20.00; Luedeke Oil, fuel etc., 4640.70; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 3.22; Mainelli Wagner Assoc, eng services, 32721.58; Martin Marietta Materials, gravel, 2464.74; Marx Repair, services, 281.75; Matteo Sand Gravel, gravel, 4877.75; Menards, supplies, 1462.03; Mid-American Benefits, hraco shr, 7500.00; Midwest Service Sales, supplies etc, 4749.50; NMC Exchange, services, 4572.05; One Office, supplies, 708.09; Pilger Store, fuel etc, 1632.72; Prime Sanitation, services, 62.50; Quality Trans Align, services, 501.80; Road Builders Mach, services, 3860.48; Ron's Ag Auto Repair, parts, 127.00; Rueter's Red Power, services etc, 409.29; Pilger Sand Gravel, gravel, 2622.96; Stalp Gravel, gravel, 18548.14; Stanton Auto Parts, services etc, 605.81; Stanton Co PPD, service, 722.76; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 27.06; Stanton Telecom, services, 223.40; Stanton Water Sewer, services, 40.70; Teeco Inc,

services, 40.00; US Cellular, services, 70.62; Village Pilger, utilities, 120.80; <u>EMERGENCY MGMT FUND</u> – Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 67.84; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 115.74; Farmer's Coop, fuel, 108.24; IRS USA Tax Pymt, so sec tax-co shr, 76.88; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 49.56; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 186.00; Stanton Water Sewer, service, 38.25; <u>INHERITANCE TAX FUND</u> – Stanton Co PPD, tower, 109.65; <u>EMERGENCY 911 FUND</u> – City Norfolk, dispatching, 7622.61; J Vernon Davidson, tower rent, 120.00; Stanton Telecom, services, 73.23; Total aggregate salaries of all county employees \$187,835.31. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to adjourn and set the next meeting for Tuesday, February 16, 2021, 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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# **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – January 7, 2021**

(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 Thursday, January 7, 2021 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 was also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on December 23, 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 Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the agenda. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Huttmann. Nayes: 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 Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to nominate Dennis Kment for chairman, that nominations cease and Dennis Kment be elected by affirmation. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Nominations opened for vice chairman of the Board of Equalization. Motion made by Kment, seconded by Rehak to nominate Doug Huttmann for vice chairman, that nominations cease and Doug Huttmann be elected by affirmation. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Rehak and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: Nebraska TERC – Notice of Appeals – 20A 0113 and 20A 0114.

Katherine Armbruster, Clerk Magistrate, joined the meeting and swore in Duane Rehak as County Commissioner for term 2021-2024.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to adjourn and set the next meeting for Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at 8:00 AM. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: 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 7, 2021

(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 7, 2021 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 December 23, 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 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.

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 Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to nominate Dennis Kment for chairman, that nominations cease and Dennis Kment be elected by affirmation. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Nominations opened for vice chairman of the Board of Commissioners. Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to nominate Doug Huttmann for vice chairman, that nominations cease and Doug Huttmann be elected by affirmation. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Kment and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: Incident report – culvert damage; Pat Clancy, NIRMA – extension tax credit (COVID); Candace Meredith, NACO – executive director transition plan; NIRMA – NIRMA's Safety Short Vol. 9 No. 1; Brad Frandsen, NASASP – surplus property program membership program; NIRMA – recommitment/dividend. Joining the meeting were: Tony McPhillips, Sandy Zoubek, Cheryl Wolverton and Mike Unger.

Discussion held on the inclement weather policy previously approved at the March 2018 commissioner meetings. Currently when closed due to weather employees are allowed 1 day paid per fiscal year (July 1 – June 30). This 1-day allotment does not carry over to the next fiscal year. If additional days are needed in a fiscal year, for inclement weather, employees are required to take vacation pay, compensation pay or no pay. Also discussed was the option of which personnel to report conditions, late start versus closing when snow/blizzard advisories/warnings are given by the weather service and after monitoring weather conditions for the closure of the courthouse.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to 1) continue with the 1-day paid per fiscal year (July-June) if the courthouse is closed for public safety due to the weather, 2) when a snow/blizzard advisory or warning is issued for the following day to enact a 2 hour late start (10:30 AM) of the courthouse to allow for travel, public safety and development of conditions, 3) when snow/blizzard advisory or warning is issued during the day to close the courthouse early to allow for travel and public safety, and 4) county officials and road employees are to contact chairman or board members about weather conditions to either have a late start or closure of the courthouse within a timely manner to enable notification to employees and the public. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

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 Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Resolution for the depositories for Stanton County funds for 2021: RESOLUTION No. 2021.01 – 01. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the following Resolution to add and release pledged security: RESOLUTION No. 2021.01 – 02. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Committee appointments were discussed.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann 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 – Mike Frohberg; NE Nebraska Area Agency on Aging Representative – Dennis Kment; NE Nebraska Community Action Partnership – Dennis Kment; NE Nebraska Dept Economic Development Representative – Douglas Huttmann; 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 Huttmann; Region IV Mental Health Board – Duane Rehak; Safety Committee – Douglas Huttmann; 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: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Discussion held on the re-appointment of the appointed officials for the year 2021.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to confirm the appointment on January 3, 2019 for the following appointed officials for the years 2019 – 2022: Emergency Manager - Mike Frohberg; Highway Superintendent - Mark Mainelli; Planning Zoning Administrator - LaLene Bates; Veterans' Service Officer - Anthony McPhillips; Weed Superintendent - Gary Carson. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Discussion held on the wage/salary of the appointed officials. The hourly rate for the Emergency Manager, Planning/Zoning Administrator and Veterans' Service Officer will remain the same and will be re-visited at the 2021-2022 budget approval. The annual salary of the Weed Superintendent is \$12,000.00 (\$1,000.00

monthly) and the monthly salary of the Highway Superintendent is \$1,100.00.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to re-visit the hourly rate for the Emergency Manager, Planning/Zoning Administrator and Veterans' Service Officer at the 2020-2021 budget approval, to continue the Weed Superintendent annual salary at \$12,000.00 (\$1,000.00 monthly) and continue the Highway Superintendent monthly salary at \$1,100.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Discussion held on the part-time position classification of the emergency manager. To be eligible for grants the emergency manager should be classified as a full-time employee. If classified as a full-time employee this position would not be eligible for county health insurance due to the minimum hours worked per week per calendar year. Also, it is the understanding that due to the minimum hours worked per week per the calendar year the employee would not be eligible for holiday, vacation or sick pay.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to classify the emergency manager as a full-time employee not be eligible for county health insurance due to the minimum hours worked per week per calendar year, holiday pay, vacation pay or sick pay. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve and place on file the following Stanton County Extension Board Members for the year 2021: Pat Larson, Jackie Schapman, Terri Shafer, Kim Spence and Tim Stamm. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Huttmann to approve and place on file the following Stanton County VSO Committee Members: year 2021 – Robert Sprieck; year 2022 – Bill Johnson; year 2024 – Robert Chilcoat and Clint Warnke; and year 2025 – Jim Campbell. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Huttmann and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Re-appointments to the Stanton County Planning Commission were reviewed. Members needing to be re-appointed for the year 2021 for a three (3) year term are: Robin Dolesh, Mike Kabes and Todd Zohner. Board members not needing re-appointment are: year 2022 – Russell Kumm, Doug Oertwich and Gerald Podany; and year 2023 – Judy Funk, Gerald Kuhn and Mark Wieman.

Motion made by Rehak, seconded by Kment to re-appoint Robin Dolesh, Mike Kabes and Todd Zohner to a three (3) year term on the Planning Commission Board. Voting: Ayes: Rehak, Kment and Huttmann. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Re-appointments to the Stanton County Board of Adjustment were reviewed. Member needing to be re-appointed for the year 2021 is Robert Lueninghoener. Board members not needing re-appointment are: year 2022 – John Gall and Robert Locke; and year 2023 – Mark Wieman and alternate, Dave Stepan. A vacated position on the board will be filled at a later date.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to re-appoint Robert Lueninghoener to a three (3) year term on the Stanton County Board of Adjustment. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Rehak, and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried. Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the revised mileage rate of \$.56 cents/mile effective January 1, 2021 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: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to approve the legal newspaper as the Stanton Register for the year 2021, 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: Huttmann, Rehak and Kment. Nayes: 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 Kment, seconded by Huttmann 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 2021, and review during the renewal of the county health plan coverage. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Rehak. Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Rehak to adjourn and set the next meeting for Tuesday, January 19, 2021 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