



Brown County Board Minutes



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April 20, 2021

The Brown County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, April 20, 2021, at 5:15 P.M., in the Brown County Courthouse meeting room with members Chairman Buddy Small, Dennis Bauer and Reagan Wiebelhaus present. Also present were Brown County Clerk Travis Hobbs (BCC) and Brown County Highway Superintendent Kenneth Turpin (BCHS).

Chairman Small acknowledged the Open Meeting Act posted near the entrance to the Meeting Room.

Those in attendance rose and stated the Pledge of Allegiance.

Small moved to approve the minutes from the April 6, 2021 Commissioner meeting as written and officially recorded in Commissioner Book #22. Bauer seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes. Motion carried.

Small moved to approve payment of the claims. Wiebelhaus seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried.

BCHS Kenneth Turpin updated the Board with road department projects.

Brown County Treasurer (BCT) Deb Vonheeder presented the Board with the Sheriff Distress Warrant Report. The Board acknowledged the report.

BCT discussed setting up a new fund and bank account for the money that may be received from the American Rescue Act. The Board approved of the new fund and bank account.

At 5:30 pm Brown County Weed Superintendent Scott Erthum discussed noxious weed issues relating to the use of a 15-day notice.

Bauer moved to approve the use of a 15-day notice by the weed superintendent. Small seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried.

At 5:35 pm Brown County Zoning Administrator Tom Jones presented the planning commission on the Brown County Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Regulations.

Small moved to approve Resolution #2021-22 that the matter of approval or rejection, in whole or in part, of the Resolution from the Brown County Planning Commission and the recommendations contained therein shall be discussed at public hearing in the Brown County Courthouse on May 4, 2021 at 5:30 pm. Wiebelhaus seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried.

At 5:45 pm Eric Kamler, Ag/County Liaison for Congressmen Smiths' office provided an update from Congressmen Smiths' office.

Graig Kinzie spoke to the Board regarding a proposal of a community pond. The Kinzie family would like to dedicate memorials for Gary Kinzie who recently passed to the community pond. Andy Glidden Wildlife Biologist with Nebraska Game and Parks provided maps and answered questions.

Wiebelhaus moved to allow Graig Kinzie to go ahead and use some ground east of the hospital for a community pond. Bauer seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried.

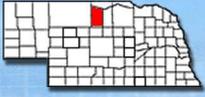
Brown County Attorney Andy Taylor discussed Executive Order 14008 aka "30x30" land grab.

After discussion BCA Taylor will prepare a Resolution for the Board to sign at the May 4, 2021 meeting.

Small discussed the Courthouse pest issues and possible solutions. Small will contact Olson's Pest technicians to determine the extent of the problem.

BCC Hobbs presented the Board with a list of additional surplus property from the Courthouse offices.

Small moved to declare the list of additional items presented by BCC Hobbs as surplus property. Bauer seconded. Roll Call: All three Ayes, motion carried.



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BCC Hobbs discussed the need for WIFI for the courthouse/courtroom to accommodate the growing need for the technology. BCC Hobbs will inquire on additional options and report back to the Board.

No Public comments made.

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 P.M.

The next regular meeting of the Brown County Commissioners will be Tuesday, May 4, 2021 at 5:15 PM, Brown County Courthouse, Ainsworth, Nebraska.

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