

Dixon County Board Minutes



September 27, 2022

DIXON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS – September 27, 2022

The Dixon County Board of Supervisors met on September 27, 2022, at 10:00 A.M. for a special joint hearing in the Cedar County Courthouse in the Cedar County courthouse in Hartington, Nebraska. Chair Lisa Lunz led the Pledge of Allegiance, then called for roll call of members present. Answering were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Steve Hassler, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Terry Nicholson. Also present was Cindy Purucker, Dixon County Clerk and Secretary to the Board. Chair Lunz gave notice to the public of the location of the posted Open Meetings Law.

Motion was made by Anderson, seconded by Blohm to show that this meeting was preceded by due and legal notice. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Steve Hassler, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Nicholson. The Board proceeded with the road closing hearing at 10:15 A.M. Cedar County Chairman Bartels opened the hearing.

Carla Schmidt, Cedar County Highway Superintendent, gave testimony that the Cedar County Commissioners directed her to do a study of 576 Avenue. The study determined that 576 Avenue is a minimum maintenance road in very poor condition. Closing the road would not isolate any landowners nor would it be a detriment to the community. She talked with the adjacent landowner Brad Stolpe numerous times and he was okay with the closing as long as it was at his south property line. The road would be closed approximately 2,656 feet south of the Highway 12 and 576 Avenue intersection and proceed south to the intersection of 576 Avenue & 886 Road.

Ken Lindberg, Obert, gave testimony and referenced the petition from Obert residents that was filed with both counties. The residents use the road to ride horses, jog, walk and use 4-wheelers.

Gerald Stewart, Maskell, gave testimony how dangerous and narrow the road is with the high banks. He also stated that if the road is closed, he would be paying taxes on the land which currently as a road is not being taxed.

Ken Lindberg gave a rebuttal and presented a map that shows how travelers were directed to use the road as a short cut from the two local cemeteries to get to Highway 12.

All Board members stated that it was probably not a very safe route to have travelers unfamiliar with the road to drive on it.

Deric Anderson, Dixon County Board and also a Hooker Township Board member stated that the road is only maintained twice a year and was just maintained last week. He also stated that the Township Board is okay with closing the road.

Chairman Bartels asked if there were any more comments.

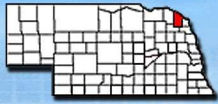
Motion was made to close the road by David McGregor and a second by Chris Tramp. On roll call: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Steve Hassler, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Nicholson. Motion was made by Supervisor Andersen to table the Dixon County decision. Motion died for a lack of a second.

Motion was made by Supervisor Peterson to close the road and sign the resolution offering the road to Hooker Township, seconded by Blohm. On roll call vote: Andersen abstained, All others voting yes. Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Steve Hassler, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Nicholson. **Resolution & Ordinance Book 3 Page 231.**

The Dixon County Supervisors recessed at 10:35 A.M. and reconvened at 1:00 P.M. at the Dixon County courthouse with all present except Nicholson.

At 1:00 P.M Supervisor Peterson made a motion to enter into closed session to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining, seconded by Anderson. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Steve Hassler, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Nicholson.

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Motion was made to come out of closed session by Andersen, seconded by Peterson. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Steve Hassler, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Nicholson. Closed session was adjourned at 1:50 P.M.

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion to adjourn was made by Blohm and seconded by Anderson. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Steve Hassler, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Nicholson.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:52 P.M.

ATTEST: CINDY PURUCKER
DIXON COUNTY CLERK

LISA LUNZ, CHAIR OF THE
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