



Dixon County Board Minutes



DIXON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

The Dixon County Board of Supervisors met on September 16, 2019 at 9:00 A.M. for an emergency meeting in the jury room in the Dixon County Courthouse in Ponca, Nebraska, pursuant to the call by Lisa Lunz, Chair of the Dixon County Board of Supervisors, for an emergency meeting.

Chair Lisa Lunz opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and called for roll call of members present. Answering were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Terry Nicholson, Greta Kraemer and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Alan Mackling & William Koch. Also present were Cindy Purucker, Dixon County Clerk and Secretary to the Board of Supervisors, Brian McDonald, County Engineer, Matthew Samuelson, Nebraska Dept. of Transportation, Marlen Kraemer and other interested persons. Chair Lunz gave notice to the public of the location of the posted Open Meetings Law.

Motion was made by Blohm, seconded by Nicholson to show that this meeting was preceded by due and legal notice by posting as required by law in the Bank of Dixon County, bulletin board in the lower hall of the courthouse, bulletin board in the County Clerk's office and two County newspapers, and all Board Members were notified simultaneously and the agenda of all know business to come before the Board of Supervisors was posted in the office of the County Clerk. Notice of the meeting was provided by posting same at the Dixon County Courthouse, at the Bank of Dixon County in Ponca, Nebraska, and on the bulletin board in the United States Post Office in Ponca, Nebraska, during regular business hours on Thursday, September 12, 2019. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Anderson, Neil Blohm, Terry Nicholson, Greta Kraemer, and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Alan Mackling & William Koch.

Chair Lunz announced that the purpose of the emergency meeting was to discuss whether the Board of Supervisors should approve the relocation of 5835 Road south of Highway 20. Since it would be too late to vote on the issue at the regular October meeting of the Board, and since there was no time to call a special meeting for that purpose due to the same time constraints, it was necessary to call the emergency meeting.

The State of Nebraska is moving the intersection of 5835 Road to accommodate the expansion of the bridge and guardrails on Highway 20 to the west 175 feet. The area where the partial road reconstruction on 5835 Avenue would connect with the existing road would cause a corner to be very close to the unstable creek bank.

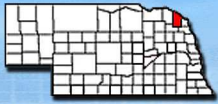
Supervisor Greta Kraemer proposed to move 5835 Avenue straight south 1500 feet from the proposed new intersection with Highway 20 instead of winding around and connecting to the creek. This would eliminate a number of curves, the flooding road and avoid the unstable creek bank.

Matthew Samuelson, NDOT, stated that there are three scenarios that would be available.

1. Leave the NDOT plans as they are.
2. NDOT does all the work and the County pays for the difference over what was budgeted for that phase of the project.
3. The County does all the work to move the road and the state would share the cost with the County.

If the changes are approved by NDOR, the State needs to do an environmental impact study regardless which change scenario is used. This could delay the State's project two to three months. At this point the project is ready to be handed over to be let in January. Mr. Samuelson stated he would know a lot more in the next week or two what is feasible to change and still keep the project on track.

A motion was made by Supervisor Kraemer that the County is willing to relocate the road on 5835 Avenue south of Highway 20 west of its current location. The County will move the road at its own expense and is willing to enter into a cost share agreement with the State of Nebraska. Seconded by Nicholson. On roll



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call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Anderson, Neil Blohm, Terry Nicholson, Greta Kraemer, and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Alan Mackling & William Koch.

A motion to approve the resolution to change the 1&6 Year Road Plan, to add project C26-(306) to change the course of 5835 Avenue, was made by Andersen and seconded by Blohm. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Anderson, Neil Blohm, Terry Nicholson, Greta Kraemer, and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Alan Mackling & William Koch.

The Board adjourned at 10:00 A.M. on a motion by Andersen and second by Blohm. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Anderson, Neil Blohm, Terry Nicholson, Greta Kraemer, and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Alan Mackling & William Koch.

ATTEST: CINDY PURUCKER
DIXON COUNTY CLERK

LISA LUNZ, CHAIR
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