



Boone County Board Minutes



MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING PROCEEDINGS

Hilary K. Maricle, Chairman of the Boone County Board of Commissioners called for a motion to open a public hearing on Monday, March 27, 2017 at 11:00 A.M. in the Boone County Courthouse Commissioners Meeting Room in Albion, Nebraska. Motion made by Commissioner Luettel, second by Commissioner Rasmussen to open said public hearing. Notice of the hearing was given in advance by publication and the convened hearing was open to the public. Commissioners present for said public hearing were Ken Luettel, Alan Rasmussen and Hilary K. Maricle. Chairman Maricle read the notice for the record.

The County Board of Commissioners has power to lease real estate owned by the county. The County Board shall hold an open and public hearing prior to any such lease at which any interested party may appear and speak for or against the lease and raise any issue concerning the County Board leasing cropland.

The County Board of Commissioners ran a public notice the weeks of March 13 and 20, 2017, prior to the hearing date of March 27, 2017 in the four county newspapers of Albion News, Cedar Rapids Press, Petersburg Press and St. Edward Advance.

There was no one present in opposition at the public hearing. The County Board is considering a cropland lease for the 2017 crop year ending December 31, 2017 for approximately 24.68 acres, according to FSA records, of dry cropland located in a fraction of the S1/2NE1/4 of Section 28, Township 20 North, Range 6 West of the 6th P.M., Boone County, Nebraska, located south of and adjacent to the present Boone County Fairgrounds. The County Board shall set a date to offer said real estate for lease to the highest bidder. If the County Board receives no bids or if the bids received are substantially lower than the fair market value, the County Board may negotiate a contract for lease of the real estate if such negotiated contract is in the best interests of the county.

Motion made by Maricle, second by Rasmussen to close said hearing at 11:23 A.M. Roll call vote: Yeas: Maricle, Rasmussen and Luettel. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Luettel, second by Maricle to advertise in the four county newspapers the week of March 27, 2017 to accept lease bids for the 2017 crop year ending December 31, 2017 for approximately 24.68 acres, according to FSA records, of dry cropland. Sealed bids will be accepted until 4:00 P.M. on Friday, April 7, 2017, at the office of the Boone County Clerk and will be opened and reviewed at 11:00 A.M. at the County Board meeting scheduled for Monday, April 10, 2017. The law firm of Jarecki Yosten, PC LLO has been approved to prepare the cropland lease documents and a copy of the Lease Bids advertisement is attached hereto these proceedings. Roll call vote: Yeas: Luettel, Maricle and Rasmussen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Kathy Thorberg,
Boone County Clerk