Osceola, Nebraska
January 26, 2021

Pursuant to notice published in the January 21st, 2021 issue of the Polk County News, the Board of County Commissioners convened at 1:30 p.m. with all members present. The meeting was postponed due to road conditions. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Chairman Westring informed those in attendance that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted on the wall of the Commissioner's room.

The Annual Report of Nebraska Extension in Polk County was reviewed by the Board and approved.

A motion was made by Boruch authorizing the Chairman to sign the management representation letter for the County's 2019-2020 audit. The motion was seconded by Boss and the roll call vote was Boruch, aye; Boss, aye; Westring, aye.

Hospital Administrator Joe Lohrman updated the Board on the activities of the hospital. December was comparable to November for the facility but above the last twelve month average. A small operating loss but an overall gain was reported. The OB project, which was put on hold due to the pandemic, will be reviewed by the Board of Trustees. Replacement parts for the fire alarm panel and additional GI scopes have been ordered and the new floor scrubber has been put to use. Rapid tests are still being performed at the hospital but the numbers have declined. Visitor restrictions have been relaxed and information regarding registering for the Covid-19 vaccine is available on the hospital's website.

Highway Supt. Theis updated the Board on the work being done in the Road Dept. Due to the snow storm, the crew is busy moving snow today and will also be doing snow removal tomorrow. The issues being experienced on the deck of the 127th Road bridge appear to be caused by a log which has been wedged under the deck. The plan is to lift the deck enough to remove the log.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 3:20 p.m. to meet again on February 2nd and 16th, 2021. An agenda of the meetings will be available at the office of the County Clerk.

Approved: /S/ Debra S. Girard — County Clerk /S/ Jerry Westring — Chairman