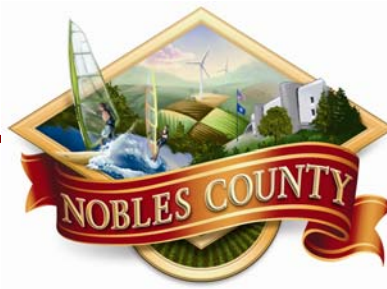


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MEETING NOTICE

NOBLES COUNTY BOARD WORK SESSION
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2021, 8:30 A.M.
NOBLES COUNTY BOARD ROOM

Zoom Information:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81222914570?pwd=VnRrOC90eWZjMFpZWZHKSURGWmdhUT09>

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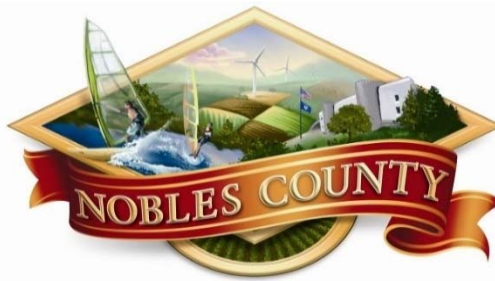
2.0 Impound Vehicle Storage Options

3.0 Highway Department – Aaron Holmbeck

A) Highway Maintenance, Construction and Future Recommendations

4.0 Other / Future Business

Board Meeting – Nobles County Board Room
Tuesday October 05, 2021 9:00 a.m.



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COMMISSIONER BRIEFING – WORK SESSION

September 29, 2021

*Impounded Vehicle Storage Options
Land Acquisition and/or Existing Property
Storage Building and/or Storage Fencing/Lot
(15 Minutes)*

Introduction on Topic:

The Law Enforcement Committee and the City of Worthington have acted to entertain alternate land ownership and storage options for the impounded vehicles that currently surround the Prairie Justice Center. The County acted to not purchase approximately 33 acres of land which was proposed to be used for future uses and the storage of these afore-mentioned vehicles. The County continues to investigate options regarding the visual dilemma presented by the currently-impounded vehicles.

Discussion:

Administrator Bruce Heitkamp was able to thank the landowner for his kind offer to sell 33 acres of land adjacent to the Prairie Justice Center. Heitkamp also shared the Commissioner's action to not purchase 33 the land was partly due to the lack of identified uses for the remaining 28-30 acres. The land owner has since expressed interest in selling a smaller portion of land if it will match up with existing properties. This land is outside of the City limits of Worthington and it is currently zoned for agricultural use.

The County already owns bare land just south of the Prairie Justice Center building. This land is inside Worthington City Limits and would follow Worthington zoning rules and building code. The zoning would coincide with the purpose of storing impounded vehicles. The building code would require additional infrastructure that would cost a substantial amount of money, depending upon what was constructed, and in comparison to building outside of Worthington City Limits.

The possible structure/fenced-in lot was another option that was discussed. A storage building was previously introduced and a rough estimate offered. A less expensive fenced-in lot was also discussed but that option presented issues of being less secure and with weather-related liabilities.

Options:

The Commissioners can continue discussion regarding the available impound options but they cannot act on any decisions. Staff can be directed to seek additional information relating to a future decision.



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COMMISSIONER BRIEFING – WORK SESSION

September 29, 2021

Nobles County Highway Department

Highway Maintenance, Construction, and Future Recommendations

Aaron Holmbeck, Public Works Director

(20 Minutes)

Introduction on Topic:

Nobles County has ongoing projects and an existing 5-year road-improvement plan. Aaron Holmbeck (P.E.) is the newly-hired Nobles County Public Works Director. He is requesting time with the Board of Commissioners to discuss maintenance and ongoing roadway concerns.

Discussion:

Holmbeck would like to introduce his road-maintenance philosophy and to receive the Commissioner’s view of the county’s roadways. Holmbeck brings 20 years of engineer experience into his career with Nobles County. He wants to ensure his future actions are consistent with Commissioner expectations.