



# Thurston County Board Minutes



## THURSTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

November 13, 2017

A regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Thurston County, Nebraska was held at the regular meeting place of the Board in Thurston County, Nebraska Courthouse in Pender, Nebraska on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2017. Present were: Leonard Peters, Georgia Mayberry, Dan Trimble, Roger Nelson, Mark English. Absent: James Price Sr., Arnie Harlan. Notice of the meeting was given to all members of the Board of Supervisors and a copy of their acknowledgement of notice and receipt of notice and the agenda is attached hereto. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Board of Supervisors of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. The meeting was called to order by Chairman of the Board Mark English at 9:03 a.m. Chairman English stated that the open meeting laws will be followed during this meeting and are posted on the south wall of the meeting room for anyone that would like to review them. Motion by Trimble, seconded by Nelson to dispense with the oral reading of the minutes, and approve the minutes of the October 30, 2017 meeting as presented. Roll call vote, Aye: Peters, Mayberry, Trimble, Nelson, English. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Supervisor Mayberry reported to the Board on the NIRMA Workshop she attended. A lot of discussion was had on Catastrophic Insurance for inmates. Supervisor Mayberry suggested that the Board check into the cost of the insurance.

Tom Perez reported on the Emergency Management Department. Tom advised the Board that he would be attending the Pender Village Board meeting tonight; will be going to Lincoln tomorrow for weather training; provided a handout from NACO regarding New NIMS requirements; new matrix is out and updated with NIMS; invited to West Point for a drill on December 7 regarding foot & mouth disease; has been getting things updated; working with hospitals; school wants to hold a drill here in Pender; spent time at the schools and hospitals working on plans.

Bullet Beaudette was unavailable to provide his report to the Board on the Roads Department.

Motion by Peters, seconded by Trimble to approve the Chairman's signature on the deed from the County to the Pender School for the East ½ of Lot 13, Block 22, First Addition to the Village of Pender. Roll call vote, Aye: Nelson, Trimble, Mayberry, Peters, English. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Supervisor Price arrived at 9:10 a.m.

Motion by Trimble, seconded by Peters to approve the proposal from Norfolk contracting to repair west abutment on bridge ½ mile south of Thurston on H Ave. in the amount of \$53,890.00. Roll call vote, Aye: Peters, Mayberry, Price, Trimble Nelson, English. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Peters, seconded by Mayberry to approve advertising with Big Iron for the sale of 2001 Mack Vision truck, previously declared as surplus. Roll call vote, Aye: Nelson, Trimble, Price, Mayberry, Peters, English. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Peters, seconded by Trimble to approve advertising for new semi (will be under \$50,000.00). Roll call vote, Aye: Peters, Mayberry, Price, Trimble, Nelson, English. Nay: none. Abstain: Harlan. Motion carried.

Supervisors Harlan arrived at 9:13 a.m. during above discussion.

No action was taken on signing the substantial completion for the jail project. The County is not ready to sign off yet.

No action was taken on signing the service agreement for the H Vac heating and cooling systems at the new jail, until after review of the County Attorney.

Motion by Nelson, seconded by Trimble to approve pay application #18 for H & R Construction in the amount of \$34,642.00 for jail project. Roll call vote, Aye: Peters, Mayberry, Price, Harlan, Trimble, Nelson, English. Nay: none. Motion carried.

The Board heard the results of the research done by County Attorney Tammy Maul Bodlak regarding the road that goes to the Pender Village Wells. Tammy advised that she could find nothing that ever showed that this was a County Road. Motion by



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Peters, seconded by Trimble to not recognize the road as county property or a county road. Roll call vote, Aye: Peters, Mayberry, Price, Harlan, Trimble, Nelson, English. Nay: none. Motion carried.

County Attorney Tammy Maul Bodlak spoke with the Board regarding the drainage issue at the new jail facility. This was sub-contracted out, and their solution is the County should pay Cooney's to re work the site prep work to create a retaining pond for additional cost of \$4,200.00. Tammy feels like the county shouldn't just pay this as Olson's say it is not a design flaw, and faults the Village, although the Village had nothing to do with the project. It was the consensus of the Board that the jail committee should sit down with Olson's and JEO (village engineer) and get this worked out.

Motion by Mayberry, seconded by Peters to approve the District Court Clerk fee report. Roll call vote, Aye: Nelson, Trimble, Harlan, Price, Mayberry, Peters, English. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Peters, seconded by Mayberry to approve the tourism grant application for Pender Community Development Inc.. Roll call vote, Aye: Peters, Mayberry, Price, Harlan, Trimble, Nelson, English. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Mayberry, seconded by Trimble to approve closing the 125 account at Charter West Bank and to transfer the balance of \$1,675.99 into the General Fund. Roll call vote, Aye: Mayberry, Price, Harlan, Trimble, Nelson, English. Nay: none. (Peters out of room at time of vote). Motion carried.

Motion by Trimble, seconded by Mayberry to approve the Chairman's signature on the Certification of County Highway Superintendents. Roll call vote, Aye: Nelson, Trimble, Harlan, Price, Mayberry, Peters, English. Nay: none. Motion carried.

LaDonna Holstein gave a short presentation to the Board, and asked for their support in a campaign against the opioid crisis here in Thurston County. She advised the Board that there will be a regional meeting held at NENCAP here in Pender on January 10, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. and invited all of the Board to attend.

Dan Duran of Benefit Management met with the Board regarding the renewal of health coverage for County employees. Dan proposed the renewal with Blue Cross Blue Shield. Last year the increase was about 17% on premiums, this year the increase will only be 5.17%.

Motion by Trimble, seconded by Peters to approve the following claims. Roll call vote, Aye: Nelson, Trimble, Harlan, Price, Mayberry, Peters, English. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Trimble, seconded by Peters to adjourn to the next regular meeting with the agenda kept current in the County Clerk's office to be amended as necessary. Roll call vote, Aye: Peters, Mayberry, Price, Harlan, Trimble, Nelson, English. Nay: none. Motion carried.

The Board of Supervisors adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tammy Moore, County Clerk

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Mark English, Chairman