



# Thurston County Board Minutes



## THURSTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

March 19, 2018

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 19<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2018. Present were Leonard Peters, Georgia Mayberry, Arnie Harlan, Dan Trimble, Roger Nelson, Mark English. Absent: James Price Sr. The meeting was called to order by Chairman of the Board Mark English at 9:05 a.m. The Chairman announced that the open meeting laws would be followed during this meeting, and are posted on the south wall of the meeting room for anyone wishing to review them.

Motion by Peters seconded by Nelson to approve the minutes of the March 5, 2018 meeting as presented. Roll call vote, Aye: Peters, Harlan, Mayberry, Nelson, English. Nay none. (Trimble out of room at time of vote.) Motion carried.

Supervisor Mayberry advised the Board that she had been contacted regarding the claim paid to Reif being \$1,900.00 more than the bid that was awarded for making pass through openings in the jail cell doors. Supervisor Mayberry stated that it need to identify why the amounts were different, and to clarify that they did additional work, other than what was in the bid.

Supervisor Price arrives at 9:10 a.m.

Supervisor Peters informed the Board the Northeast District County Officials workshop had been postponed from the past Friday due to road conditions, and is rescheduled for April 6th.

Supervisor Trimble advised the Board that he attended the recent meeting of the Area Agency on Aging, with standard reports.

Tom Perez gave his report to the Board on the Emergency Management Department. Tom reported to the Board that they held the storm spotter class in Walthill with approximately 30 people in attendance; next week is weather awareness week, and the communities will be checking the sirens on the 28th; he was notified regarding flood reports for this spring, and was told that we could expect another season like 2011; 1st Net is to be here on Wednesday; he is busy doing training; Tom informed the Board that regulations for NIMS have been updated and that he will have to take the NIMS classes.

Bullet Beaudette gave his report to the Board on the Road Department. Bullet told the Board that got the Mack truck and have been hauling gravel, been putting some on the roads; west of Pender, to the cemetery, they hauled rock, as well as several other areas around the county; most the guys are taking the wings off their motor graders today; Bullet would like to take gravel bids at the next meeting.

Mark Heckenlaible gave his report to the Board on the Noxious Weed/Sign Department. Mark told the Board that he has been doing the physical inspections of all signs in the County is and about 95% complete; the barricades from the NIRMA grant arrived last week; Rail Road signs shipping out in the near future, and he will have to pick them up in Dodge County; Mark attended the Annual FSA Weed meetings and made several good contacts.

Motion by Price, seconded by Trimble to approve accepting gravel bids on April 2, 2018 a 9:30 a.m.. Roll call vote, Aye: Trimble, Price, Harlan, Mayberry, Nelson, English. Nay: none. (Peters out of room at time of vote). Motion carried.

Motion by Peters, seconded by Trimble to approve the proposal of Mike Rowe for hydrolic study and engineering on a bridge on N Ave., .1 miles east of 28 Road. Roll call vote, Aye: Peters, Trimble, Price, Harlan, Mayberry, Nelson, English.

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

Sheriff Shelly Perez spoke with the Board regarding the security camera's that had been replaced by insurance after lightning blew out the system. Communications has the monitor, but can't use it without the control stick, and there are also cameras in the old jail that can be used. Electronic Engineers can move those things as well as adjust some other cameras, but it will incur cost to do so. Shelly will get an estimate from them, and if under the bidding requirements will have them do the necessary work, otherwise will ask the board to accept bids to get it done.



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Sheriff Shelly Perez spoke with the Board regarding moving Communications back under the Sheriff. Gayle Dahlman, Communications Supervisor, would like to cut back her hours, and they have talked and both are requesting it be back under the supervision of the Sheriff.

Motion by Peters, seconded by Price to approve Communications to be placed back under the supervision of the Sheriff, after passing the necessary Resolution at the next meeting. Roll call vote, Aye: Nelson, Mayberry, Harlan, Price, Trimble, Peters, English. Nay: none. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the six letters regarding the intent to place land in trust, and spoke with the County Attorney about responding to the letters. The Board discussed the amount of acres and the loss of the revenue, while still providing services.

Motion by Nelson, seconded by Peters to direct the County Attorney to respond to the letters, and to oppose the land be put into trust, due to the loss of revenue, while still providing services. Roll call vote, Aye: Nelson, Mayberry, Harlan, Price, Trimble, Peters, English. Nay: none. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the request of the County Judge for a phone in his office. Tom Perez advised the Board that he had gotten one in but had to send it back, it wasn't the right one. Tom told the Board that it had been taken care of. Tom is also working on the judges request for a phone on the bench in the courtroom that has speakers for the prosecutors, and defense tables.

The Board discussed the request of the County Judge regarding getting hot water in the upstairs men's restroom. Motion by Mayberry, seconded by Price to have the Building Committee (Supervisor Peters) to obtain cost estimates. Roll call vote, Aye: Nelson, Mayberry, Harlan, Price, Trimble, English. Nay: none. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the report provided by Treasurer Christiansen regarding money collected from the March 2018 tax sales.

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

The Board met with Jacob Hurla with 360 Energy Engineers regarding improvements in the old jail for future use. Jacob spoke with the Board on how their company works, they are all inclusive - engineering, contractors; once the project is done, they will stay in close contact for the next 18 months to make sure everything is performing as promised. They can finance projects for up to 30 years. He asked what the needs were, what they needed to accomplish so that they brought out all the right engineers to properly evaluate what could be done. Supervisor Peters told Mr. Hurla that they would like them to evaluate the air exchange in the former jail, and time line wise, would like the evaluation as soon as possible. Supervisor Peters will take Mr. Hurla around after the meeting so he can see what the area looks like.

Motion by Mayberry, 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, Trimble, Price, Harlan, Mayberry, Nelson, English. Nay: none. Motion carried.

The Board of Supervisors adjourned at 10:46 a.m.

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

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Mark English, Chairman