



Thurston County Board Minutes



THURSTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

March 30, 2020

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 30th day of March, 2020. Present were Glen Meyer, Davin French, James Price Sr. (by zoom and phone), Arnie Harlan, Georgia Mayberry, Dan Trimble. Absent: Mark English. 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 of 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 Glen Meyer at 9:06 a.m. Chairman Meyer 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 English, seconded by Mayberry to approve the minutes of the March 16, 2020 meeting as presented. Roll call vote, Aye: Mayberry, French, Price, Trimble, Meyer. Abstain: Harlan. Motion carried. Motion by Mayberry, seconded by French to approve the minutes of the March 23, 2020 emergency board meeting as presented. Roll call vote, Aye: Mayberry, French, Price, Trimble, Meyer. Nay: none. Abstain: Harlan. Motion carried.

Tom Perez gave his report on the Emergency Management department. Tom advised the board that he had been working with the hospitals, schools and tribal entities regarding the corona virus, and advised the board that it is not going away soon; still working on the 2 previous disasters; Tom trying to get out on face book as much information as possible regarding the virus.

Chairman Meyer advised that the roads department have been blading, graveling and rocking as needed.

Motion by Trimble, seconded by Mayberry to allow Casey Murphy to come and intern again this summer with the Emergency Manager. Roll call vote, Aye: French, Price, Harlan, Trimble, Mayberry, Meyer. Nay: none. Motion carried.

The board discussed restricting access to the courthouse. Motion by Trimble, seconded by Mayberry to lock the front door, post and put in numerous places that public access is allowed only with appointment, and only if it is to conduct business that cannot be done over the internet, by mail, or by phone; to limit the number of persons in the offices at a time; and for them to use the drop box as much as possible, but still allowing access to the courts. Roll call vote, Aye: French, Price, Harlan, Trimble, Mayberry, Meyer. Nay: none. Motion carried.

The board discussed possibly using a contractor to help with utilizing assistance on the Main Street beautification project. Supervisor French will take care of this.

Motion by Mayberry, seconded by Trimble to approve the proposal of Mike Rowe for 35th Road and over the Blackbird Creek for the amount of \$20,250.00. Roll call vote, Aye: French, Price, Harlan, Trimble, Mayberry, Meyer. Nay: none. Motion carried.

The board discussed cyber security, and would ask that each office is up to date on their computers, and keeping everything protected.

The board approved the bid for the CBMP 3 project with Wayne County. The board did not go with the lowest bid of ConTech due to quality problems in the past and approved the bid of B's Enterprises. Motion by Trimble, seconded by French to approve the bid of B's Enterprises and pass over the low bid of ConTech due to past quality problems for both Thurston and Wayne Counties. Roll call vote, Aye: Mayberry, French, Price, Harlan, Trimble, Meyer. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Trimble, seconded by Trimble to approve the following claims as corrected (to remove taxes). Roll call vote, Aye; French, Price, Harlan, Trimble, Mayberry, Meyer. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Trimble, seconded by Mayberry to enter into closed session to discuss the hiring of a road foreman. Roll call vote, Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, French, Meyer. Nay: none. Motion carried.

The Board entered into closed session at 10:08 a.m.

Motion by Trimble, seconded by French to reconvene into open session at 10:37 a.m. Roll call vote, Aye: French, Harlan, Trimble, Mayberry, Price, Meyer. Nay: none. Motion carried.



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Motion by Trimble, seconded by Mayberry to hire Mat Frazey @ \$60,000 per year. Roll call vote, Aye: Trimble, Mayberry, Meyer. Nay: French, Harlan, Price. Motion failed.

Motion by Mayberry, seconded by Trimble 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: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, French, Meyer. Nay: none. Motion carried.

The Board of Supervisors adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Attest: _____
Tammy Moore, County Clerk

Glen Meyer, Chairman