



Thurston County Board Minutes



THURSTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

November 23, 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 23rd day of November, 2020. Present were Mayberry, Trimble, French, Price (Zoom-unable to vote), English, Meyer. Absent was 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 Glen Meyer at 9:03 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 Trimble, seconded by English to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2020. Roll call vote, Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, English, French, Meyer. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Supervisor Meyer brought up evaluations that need to be done. Supervisors English, Mayberry and Meyer will meet to discuss and let the individuals know when they would like to go over them. Supervisor Meyer had a request from the staff upstairs for a key to the west door. He will let Paul Randall know to get them a key.

Supervisor Trimble attended the Northeast Nebraska Area Agency on Aging. After the last meeting on November 9, 2020, Supervisors Trimble and Price conducted the jail inspection. The state inspection was done on November 19th. Supervisor Meyer also joined the NIRMA meeting via conference call.

Mark Casey reported to the Board on the Morrow bridge. Also reporting to the Board on the bridge was Dan Alexander (Warrior Structural LLC). After much discussion, motion by Mayberry, seconded by French to have Dan Alexander do a CMBP application on the Morrow bridge. Roll call vote, Aye: French, English, Trimble, Mayberry, Meyer. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Mark Heckenlaible gave his report. Been spraying down by the river this year. And has also helped Burt County for a half day. He is all done with the NIRMA list. Just needs to send report in. He reported 20 signs that need to be replaced for reflectivity. Mark has ordered new posts and signs. The November training has been cancelled. His office evaluation was done by Adam Brockman (West Point). He reports that that went well. He winterized the sprayer and has been doing webinars and working with Tom Perez, Emergency Manager with 911.

Tom Perez, Emergency Manager gave his report to the Board. He has been working on the CARES act and FEMA. With the ice storm we just had, he would like for the Board to declare a disaster.

Motion by Trimble, seconded by Mayberry to declare a disaster within Thurston County from the ice storm. Roll call vote, Aye: French, English, Trimble, Mayberry, Meyer. Nay: none. Motion carried.



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Motion by Trimble, seconded by Mayberry, to authorize Tom Perez to take the next steps needed for the disaster. Roll call vote, Aye: Trimble, Mayberry, English, French, Meyer. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Discussion regarding tree chipper that is in Macy that is the Roads Department to use.

Mat Frazey gave the Roads Department update. Still grading and stock piling gravel in Rosalie and Walthill. They removed branches out of the ditches from the ice storm.

Motion by Mayberry, seconded by French to send a notice of default letter to Tim Schaefer on the vending machine. Roll call vote, Aye: Trimble, English, French, Mayberry, Meyer. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Discussion regarding township and road department contracts. Mat Frazey and spoke to a few members and they are fine with doing so. He will follow-up with them to get an agreement signed.

Matt Torzcon with Aflac insurance was not present but was asking for the Boards approval for him to contact the employees that have insurance policies to discuss with them their benefits.

Dan Duren with Benefit Management gave the Board the update with Blue Cross Blue Shield. They would not negotiate the increase on the renewal. After much discussion, motion by Trimble, seconded by English to go with renewal of BCBS-HSA-Option 66. Roll call vote, Aye: Trimble, English, Meyer. Nay: French. Abstain: Mayberry. Motion carried.

Motion by Trimble, seconded by French to approve the deed to be recorded on Lot 6, Block 6, First Filing, Village of Rosalie. Roll call vote, Aye: English, Trimble, Mayberry, French, Meyer. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Mayberry, seconded by French to approve the deed to be recorded on Lot 3, Block 28, 4th Filing, Village of Rosalie. Roll call vote, Aye: English, French, Mayberry, Meyer (Trimble out of room at vote). Nay: none. Motion carried.

Motion by French, seconded by Mayberry to approve the deed to be recorded on Lots 1 and 2, Block 19, 2nd Filing, Village of Rosalie. Roll call vote, Aye: English, French, Mayberry, Meyer (Trimble out of room at vote). Nay: none. Motion carried.

The Board decided not to take any action on the Bio-Safe Aqueous Ozon Water Technology for the Courthouse. Not needed at this time.

The Board discussed the Verizon cell phones that the County pays for.

Motion by Mayberry, seconded by English to deny the claim for burial assistance. Roll call vote, Aye: French, Trimble, Mayberry, English, Meyer. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Motion by French, seconded by Trimble to approve the County Clerk's fee report. Roll call vote, Aye: English, Trimble, French, Mayberry, Meyer. Nay: none. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed correspondence.



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Motion by French, seconded by Mayberry to enter into executive session to discuss personnel. Roll call vote, Aye: English, French, Trimble, Mayberry, Meyer. Nay: none. Motion carried.

The Board entered into executive session at 11:24 A.M.

Motion by Trimble, seconded by French to reconvene into open session at 11:40 A.M. Roll call vote, Aye: Trimble, Mayberry, French, English, Meyer. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Motion by French, seconded by English to approve the following claims as presented. Roll call vote, Aye: Trimble, English, French, Mayberry, Meyer. Nay: none. Motion carried.

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

The Board of Supervisors adjourned at 11:41 A.M.

Attest: /s/

 /s/

Tasha Breitbarth, Deputy Co. Clerk

Glen Meyer, Board Chairman