

# Thurston County Board Minutes



## THURSTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

January 19, 2021

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 19th day of January, 2021. Present were Glen Meyer, Davin French, Georgia Mayberry, Mark English, Arnie Harlan. Absent: Trimble, Price. 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 9:01 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 French to approve the minutes of the December 21, 2020 meeting as presented. Roll call vote, Aye: Harlan, English, French, Mayberry, Meyer. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Supervisor Price arrives at 9:05 a.m.

Motion by French, seconded by English to approve the minutes of the January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021 meeting as presented. Roll call vote, Aye: Mayberry, French, English, Price, Meyer. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Supervisor Mayberry advised that they pay for the Veterans service office is not correct. She advised that she is salaried at \$14,400 per year, and is not paid hourly.

Supervisor English informed the board that he had completed the annual report for the Livestock Friendly County.

Chairman Meyer informed the board that he had attended the Northeast Nebraska Public Health District, and reported that they are in need of hiring 4 full time positions; and they discussed the COVID vaccines.

Tom Perez gave his report on the Emergency Management Department. Tom showed the board his calendar for the week, for those wondering what he does; has been informed that someone needs to be appointed the IT and Cyber Security person; informed Supervisor English that they would like to do vaccines in Walthill on the following night; been dealing with a lot of stuff with COVID and the constant changes; have a new grant person to work with for COVID, and made a few changes that will make it easier; will be turning in a EMPG paperwork for EMPG grant; need someone appointed for people needing 911 addressing in Macy, Tom advised that he would be willing to help.

Mat Frazey gave his report on the Roads Department. Mat advised the board that the roads have been blading and moving snow; crushed concrete has gone up to \$12 per ton; been working on trucks and blades when they can't be out.

Motion by Mayberry, seconded by English to approve the fee reports of District Court Clerk and County Clerk. Roll call vote, Aye: Harlan, Price, English, Mayberry, French, Meyer. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Price, seconded French to approve Supervisor Mayberry as the Chairman of the Board of Equalization. Roll call vote, Aye: French, Harlan, Price, English, Mayberry, Meyer. Nay: none. Motion carried.

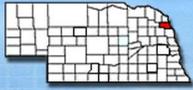
Supervisor Price and Winnebago Village Clerk spoke to the board regarding 911 signs. They advised that they were ready to take action, and they were asking for funding. The board asked for a count on how many signs they needed, and they will get that information to the board prior to making their decision.

Motion by Mayberry, seconded by French to convene as the Board of Equalization. Roll call vote, Aye: French, Mayberry, English, Harlan, Price, Meyer. Nay: none. Motion carried.

### PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

The Board of Equalization was called to order by Chairwoman Mayberry at 10:05 a.m. The Board reviewed the listings of vehicles from Pender Community Health Care Foundation, Northeast Nebraska Community Action Partnership, and St. Augustine Indian Mission for application of exemption of motor vehicle taxes.

Motion by English, seconded by French to approve the vehicles of Pender Community Health Care Foundation for exemption from taxes. Roll call vote, Aye: French, English, Price, Harlan, Meyer, Mayberry.



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Motion by French, seconded by Harlan to approve the vehicles of St. Augustine Indian Mission for exemption from taxes. Roll call vote, Aye: Price, English, French, Harlan, Meyer, Mayberry. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Meyer, seconded by French to approve the vehicles of Northeast Nebraska Community Action Partnership for exemption from taxes. Meyer, Harlan, Price, English, French, Mayberry. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Meyer, seconded by Price to adjourn as the Board of Equalization. Roll call vote, Aye: Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer, Mayberry. Nay: none. Motion carried.

The Board of Equalization adjourned at 10:08 a.m.

Dan Alexander spoke with the board regarding CMBP projects. Thurston County got funding for 2 culverts.

Dan is also interested and has filed an application for the County Highway Superintendents position. Dan has applied for his class A license and is asking for \$1500 per month and \$165 on a as needed basis. The Board asked to get the terms in writing.

The Board discussed the County Surveyor position. Chairman Meyer gave the board information on Nick Seery. After discussion Motion by Price, seconded by Mayberry to advertise for the County Surveyor position. Roll call vote, Aye: French, Mayberry, English, Price, Harlan, Meyer. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Mayberry, seconded by French to correct the holiday date for Arbor day from the 24<sup>th</sup> to the 23<sup>rd</sup>. Roll call vote, Aye: Harlan, Price, English, Mayberry, French, Meyer. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Mayberry, seconded by French to approve Resolution #21-01. Roll call vote, Aye: French, Mayberry, English, Price, Harlan, Meyer. Nay: none. Motion carried.

## RESOLUTION #21-01

### RESOLUTION TO DO A Transfer FROM General to the Inheritance Fund

BE IT RESOLVED by the Thurston county Board of Supervisors that the County Treasurer is hereby directed to do a transfer from the General Fund to the Inheritance fund in the amount of \$100,000.

Motion by Mayberry, seconded by French that the above resolution be adopted.

Roll call vote, Aye: French, Mayberry, English, Price, Harlan, Meyer

Nay: NONE

Absent: Trimble

Abstain: NONE

Dated this 19th day of January, 20211.

Attest: /s/ Tammy Moore  
Tammy Moore

/s/ Glen Meyer  
Glen Meyer

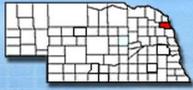
Motion by Mayberry, seconded by Harlan to enter into closed session to discuss deputies raises and personnel. Roll call vote, Aye: Mayberry, French, English, Harlan, Price, Meyer.

The Board entered into closed session at 11:03 a.m.

Motion by Harlan, seconded by Price to reconvene in open session. Roll call vote, Aye: Harlan, Price, English, French, Mayberry, Meyer. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The board reconvened in open session at 11:46 a.m.

Motion by Mayberry, seconded by Harlan to give .55 cents raises to Courtney Frey, Amanda Von Seggren, and Wendy Powley. Roll call vote, Aye: Harlan, Mayberry, Meyer. Nay: French, English, Price. Motion failed.



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Motion by English, seconded by Price to give all deputies a 3% raise. English then amended his motion, seconded by Price to give all deputies a .50 cent raise with deputy county attorney to stay at 70% of official's salary. Roll call vote to amend motion, Aye: French, English, Price, Harlan, Meyer. Nay: Mayberry. Motion carried.

To approve motion as amended, roll call vote, Aye: Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Nay: Mayberry. Motion carried.

The board reviewed correspondence.

Supervisor English gave the board information on the advantage of increasing the in lieu of insurance payments. Supervisor English provided the board with comparisons of what the county could potentially save by increasing the in lieu of insurance. Motion by French, seconded by English to increase the in lieu of insurance payment to \$450 per month. Roll call vote, Aye: Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Nay: Mayberry. Motion carried.

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

Motion by French, seconded by English, to adjourn to the next regular meeting with the agenda kept continuously current in the County Clerk's office to be amended as necessary. Roll call vote, Aye: Mayberry, Price, French, Harlan, English, Meyer. Motion carried.

The Board of Supervisors adjourned at 12:32 p.m.

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

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Glen Meyer, Chairman