



Thurston County Board Minutes



THURSTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

November 22, 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 22nd day of November, 2021. Present were Glen Meyer, Davin French, Georgia Mayberry, Mark English, Arnie Harlan and James Price Sr. Also present were Patty Bessmer Thurston County Clerk, Tammy Maul Bodlak Thurston County Attorney, Shelly Perez Thurston County Sheriff, Tom Perez Thurston County Emergency Manager & Mat Frazey Thurston County Roads Supervisor Dan Duran & Dustin Wills representatives of Benefit Management and Jedd Allan & Mike Boden representatives of NACO Insurance. 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 9:04 a.m. Chairman Meyer stated that the open meeting laws will be followed during this meeting and are posted in the front of the court room for anyone that would like to review them. Motion by English, seconded by Mayberry to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2021 as presented. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried. Abstain, Harlan

Unfinished business there was none to report.

Public Comments: None

Committee reports: Mark English reported that he had meet with Tom Perez to go over his evaluation and the results were given to the Clerk's Office to be put in his employee folder.

Glen Meyer gave his report that he attended the Region 4 Behavior Health meeting. They had provided him with an audit report from 2020, it is available for any Board member to view. Glen said he was very impressed with this program and all the great things they do.

Tom Perez gave his report on Emergency Management Department, he has been doing research on different programs. He did get the EMPG grant completed and filed. He gave the board a list of NIMS courses that need to be completed by the Board of Supervisors. He is scheduling training for the board to complete as a group. He said there is a lot of 911 items coming in. Flood Plain items are arriving and it appears there will be several changes coming in January 2022. He has been working on some frequency items.

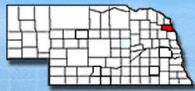
Mat Frazey gave his report on Roads, they have been working on EWP projects 170 is now completed. He has received plans for the next two EWP projects. They have been cutting down trees and brush cleaning out ditches.

No action on hiring Lutz & Company to administer ARPA funds.

Motion was made by Mayberry, second by Trimble to provide each qualifying employee, \$1.00 an hour for productive hours worked. This will include only current active employees, the calculation will exclude overtime, vacation time, holiday pay, etc. Elected Officials do not qualify for this payout. This will be processed as a separate payroll. The payroll period with the beginning of January 1, 2020, and end on June 30, 2021. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, & Meyer. Motion carried.

Dan Duran and Dustin Wills from Benefit Management were her to discuss Health Insurance, at this time they are still in negotiations with Blue Cross Blue Shield to get the premium down. They are proposing a premium of \$1,125.65 for individual, \$2,307.59 employee/spouse, \$1,969.89 employee/children, and \$3,264.39 family. A decision was not made at this time, tabled until next meeting.

Jedd Allen & Mike Boden from NACO were here to discuss Health Insurance. Their insurance is also Blue Cross Blue Shield. They are proposing \$930.26 employee, \$1,867.43 employee/spouse, \$1,867.43 employee/children, and \$2,136.52 for family. No decision was made at this time, tabled until next meeting.



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Jaram Harlan and Anthony Walker were in attendance to present the bids for properties that the County currently owns through foreclosure due to delinquent taxes.

Motion by Mayberry second by French to accept the bid of \$10,967.41 plus interest until November 30, 2021, parcel #3360031 309 Hayden St. Walthill NE. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Motion by Mayberry second by Harlan to accept the bid of \$2,203.19 plus interest until November 30, 2021, parcel # 3410021302 Sawyer St. Walthill, NE. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Motion by Mayberry Second by French to accept the bid of \$8,868.90 plus interest until November 30, 2021, parcel #3400014 100 Costello St. Walthill, NE. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Motion by Mayberry Second by French to accept the bid of \$957.47 plus interest until November 30, 2021, parcel #3830019 Macy, NE. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Motion by Mayberry Second by French to accept the bid of \$1,224.78 plus interest until November 30, 2021, parcel #3830013 Elk St. Macy, NE. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Motion by Mayberry Second by Harlan to accept the bid of \$511.57 plus interest until November 30, 2021, parcel #3830015 Elk St. Macy, NE. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Motion by Mayberry Second by French to accept the bid of \$927.42 plus interest until November 30, 2021, parcel #3830020 Elk St. Macy, NE. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried

Motion by Mayberry Second by French to accept the bid of \$480.20 plus interest until November 30, 2021, parcel #3830028 Main St. Macy, NE. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried

Motion by Mayberry Second by Trimble to accept the bid of \$890.95 plus interest until November 30, 2021, parcel #3870010 Chief St. Macy, NE. Roll Call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried

Motion by Mayberry Second by Harlan to accept the bid of \$441.10 plus interest until November 30, 2021 parcel #3830017 Macy, NE. Roll call Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Motioned by French second by Trimble motion to go into Executive session to discuss Fuel purchases at 10:34 aye Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motioned by English second by Trimble to come out of Executive session at 10:37 a.m. Motion by Mayberry second by Trimble to purchase 10,000 gallons of #2 Diesel from Darling Oil at \$2.58 per gallon. Roll call Aye Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Approve Resolution 21-26 Year End Certification of County Highway Superintendent. Motion to approve Mayberry second by French, Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Motion by French second by Price to approve Chairman Meyer to be designee to cast ballot for Thurston County & alternate to be Mayberry for Offices at the NACO Conference. Roll call Aye Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Motion by Mayberry and second by French to approve Resolution 21-27 to Authorize Thurston County to a full participate in Northeast Nebraska Economic Development District through an Intergovernmental agreement. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

No action was taken on setting salaries for Elected Officials. Tabled until December 20, 2021.

Motion by English second by French to pay the budgeted amount of \$2,000.00 to the Heritage Museum. Glen Meyer will contact John Deere about the late fees from last year that were not paid for the Wheel loader.

Tom Perez discussed 911 signs that need to be installed outside of Winnebago. Thunder Way area and 30th road corrections. The Board told him to get them ordered and get them installed.



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Tom Perez has been working with Minank Patel from the Secretary of States office to get gov emails implemented. He told the board that we need to also work on internet protocols and best practice policies. Minank Patel will get some information ready to present to the board on the future of our internet securities.

Mark English talked to the Board about a company from Sioux City that could come stripe and wax the floors in the Courthouse. He will contact them for a quote.

No action on Skid steer.

The board went into executive session to discuss payroll discriptions at 11:09 motioned by Trimble second by English. Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried. Motioned by Trimble, second by Harlan to come out executive session at 12:01. Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, English, French Meyer. Price was out of the room at time of vote. The Board agreed to pay what was owed to previous employee Shelly Perez and Patty Bessmer now Elected Officials at the pay rate of what they were being paid at the time of acquiring that vacation. Time owed to Shelly Perez 120 hours of vacation at \$18.00 per hour plus 5% interest from 2011. Total of the claim is \$3,518.41. Patty Bessmer's time owed was 23.5 hours at \$18.50 total of claim was \$426.43. This brings all Elected Officials requests up to date as of November 22, 2021. Payroll will be paid per state statue going forward.

Review and Approve claims with corrections to Patty Bessmer & Shelly Perez payroll claims. Also requested not pay the claim to John Deere for late fees at this time. Motioned by Trimble and second by Harlan Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Motioned by Trimble second by English to adjourn at 12:06. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Attest: _____
Patty Bessmer County Clerk

Glen Meyer Chairman