



Thurston County Board Minutes



Thurston County Board of Supervisors Proceedings December 20, 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 20 day of December 2021. Present were Glen Meyer, Dan Trimble, Arnie Harlan and James Price Sr., Davin French. 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. Also present were Victoria Kitcheyan spoke person for the Winnebago Tribe & Gwen Porter spoke person for Omaha Tribe and several others from both Tribes. 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 in the front of the court room for anyone that would like to review them. Motion by Mayberry, seconded by Trimble to approve the minutes of the December 6, 2021, as presented. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English Abstain, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Unfinished business there was none to report.

Committee report Meyer gave his report on the information he had obtained at NACO Conference held in Kearney, NE from December 7, 2021, through December 10, 2021. After some discussion he felt at this time no ARPA funds should be dispersed until the final guidelines are issued.

Public comments none at this time.

Emergency manager reported that he was working with the Weather Service following the storm from December 15, 2021, he had been out taking pictures of damages and reporting that to them to the weather service.

The board discussed the claim from OnSolve from June 29, 2021, in the amount of \$7,250.00 the county needs emergency communication software to operate. Motioned by Mayberry second by Price to pay this out of the General Fund. Roll call aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Trimble second by Price to Approve the Declaration for damage from severe weather Storm that occurred on December 15, 2021. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English Abstain, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Road Supervisor Mat Frazey reported that they have been blading, stockpiling gravel, cleaning ditches, and repairing culverts. The wings have been put on the motor graders in preparation of bad weather. Roads took approximately ½ day to clear tree branches from the roads after the storm on December 15, 2021.

The board discussed the evaluation and pay raise of Mat Frazey Roads Supervisor. Motioned by Mayberry second by Price to give him a yearly raise of \$2,200. Roll call aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Motioned by Mayberry second by French to approve the Clerk's fee report as presented. Roll call aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Shelly Perez discussed with the board about Martin's brother bid on Equipment for the Jail Kitchen. The Dishwasher & stove are on back order and that the prices may go up when received. The board advised her this was not acceptable as a bid cannot be changed once accepted.

Motioned by Trimble, second by Mayberry to cancel the sale of 309 Broughton St. Walthill NE. to Carol Rameriz Money was not received by the established deadlines given to her. Roll call aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried.



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Motioned by English second by French to readvertise the property at 309 Broughton St. Walthill NE. Lot 4 Block 6 Original Village of Walthill. Open bids at 10:00a.m on January 3rd, 2022. Roll call aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Chairman Meyer gave an update on the Opioid Litigation registration he was been working on. He was having trouble with the internet but would make sure it was submitted before the deadline.

Authorize Chairman Meyer to sign the deeds on the following properties was tabled until January 3, 2022, meeting. The fees will be more, as funds were not received by the designated date.

1. 405 Mathewson St. Lot 3 & Lot 4 less W 3', Block 28 Fourth Filing Walthill. \$1,041.60

2. 254 Main St., Lot 13, Block 3, Chase Addition Macy \$317.06

3. 211 Little St., Lots 1 & 2, Block 4, Second filing Village of Walthill \$2,730.72

4. 152 W Main St. North 90' of Lot 23 & East 30' of the North 90' of Lot 22, Block 7, Third filing Village of Walthill \$4,860.13

Authorized Chairman Glen Meyer to sign the invoice for the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska land purchases #1. Motioned by Trimble second by Price, Roll call aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Motioned by Mayberry and second by Trimble that the Holiday of December 25, 2021, be observed on December 24, 2021. The December 24th holiday as listed in handbook is not a paid holiday as the 24th does not fall within the weekend, therefore is not considered a holiday. The January 1, 2022, holiday will be recognized on December 31, 2021, as a paid holiday as defined by the County handbook. Roll call aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

No action on Setting Official's salaries. Tabled until January 3, 2022, meeting. A committee was set-up with Mark English to lead.

No Action on raises for Office deputies. Tabled until January 3, 2022.meeting.

Application of County Depository First Nebraska Bank Valley Ne. died for lack of motion.

Bids were opened at 10:15 for skid loader as follows. Agrivision Equipment Group, Murphy Tractor Equipment, Road Builders Machinery & Supply Co., Bobcat of Omaha, and Steiny's Farm Repair, no decision was made at this meeting it was tabled until January 3, 2022.

Mayberry left meeting at 10:12 a.m.

10:20 a.m. Benefit management discussed that they still had not gotten the premiums reduced, however they assured the board that by the end of January 2022 they would know for sure. Motioned by Trimble second by French to renew temporarily until February 1, 2022, at an increased rate of 75%. Roll call Aye: Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried. Mayberry absent.

Victoria Kitcheyan was here to discuss the redistricting of Supervisor Districts after much discussion no decision was made. There will be a Special meeting on December 28, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. to include the Secretary of State and a representative from GIS.



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A motioned by Trimble second by Price to approve 2022 Holidays as follows except for Arbor Day April 29, 2022, which will become a floating Holiday. The department head will be responsible for tracking the usage of this holiday which must be used with in the calendar year. The County Employee Handbook to be amended as voted on by the board. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Friday, December 31, 2021	New Year's Day
Monday, January 17,	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Monday, February 21	President's Day
Friday, April 29	Arbor Day (Floating)
Monday, May 30	Memorial Day
Monday, July 4	Independence Day (Observed)
Monday, September 5	Labor Day
Monday, October 10	All Heritage Day
Friday, November 11	Veterans Day
Thursday, November 24	Thanksgiving
Friday, November 25	
Friday, December 23	Christmas Eve (1/2 Day)
Monday, December 26	Christmas Day (Observed)

Motioned by French second by Price to adjourn at 12:00 p.m. to the next meeting with the agenda kept continually current in the County Clerk's office to be amended as necessary. Roll call aye: Roll call Aye: Trimble, Harlan, Price, English, French, Meyer. Motion carried. Mayberry absent.

Attest: _____

Patty Bessmer County Clerk

Glen Meyer Chairman