



# Thurston County Board Minutes



## THURSTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS June 6, 2022

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 June 6, 2022. Present were Glen Meyer, Georgia Mayberry, Mark English, Davin French. Absent were Dan Trimble, Arnie Harlan, James Price, Also present were Patty Bessmer Thurston County Clerk, Tammy Maul Bodlak Thurston County Attorney, Tom Perez Thurston County Emergency Manager & Mat Frazey Thurston County Roads Supervisor, Shelly Perez Thurston County Sheriff, Gina Roth District Court Clerk, Robin Christiansen County Treasure, Kathy Webster, Tina Brader, Julie Nilges, Wyatt Martian, Austin Peatrowsky, Tyler Poehlman, Tim Schaffer, Alexander Deleon, Derek Herron, Hannah Boyd and Kim Schultz with Nebraska Department of Health were also present at the meeting. 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 9:03 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 French to approve the minutes of May 23, 2022, meeting as presented. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, English, French, Meyer. Absent Dan Trimble, Arnie Harlan, James Price. Motioned carried.

Unfinished business: Robin Christiansen has concerns on the security camera not working. Tom informed her that he has not received 3 bids on this and is waiting on that, how ever he also stated that 2 of the companies he reached out to are not bidding any jobs at this time. The Treasurer's office had an incident last week and would like to know when this will all be implemented. They did a test on the panic button afterwards and Tom said it took less then 3 minutes for the Dispatch to receive that notice. Robin requested that all staff have a panic button at their desk. Tom said he would make that a priority this week to move forward on this. Robin then discussed purchasing pepper spray for them to have to protect themselves if necessary. It does not state anywhere in the handbook that she could not do that.

Public Comments: None

Motioned by Mayberry second by French to Amend the County Holidays set for 2022 to add Juneteenth June 20<sup>th</sup> and change the date of Board meeting to June 21, 2022. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, English, French, Meyer. Absent Dan Trimble, Arnie Harlan, James Price. Motioned carried.

Hiring someone to do the Budget was discussed and table until June 21, 2022 meeting.

Motioned by Mayberry Second by English to approve Resolution #22-10 to terminate their reimbursement arrangement (HRA) plan with Matrix/TASC effective July 31, 2022.

Motioned by French second by Mayberry to fund the new Mid America HRA fund in the amount of \$36,000.00. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, English, French, Meyer. Dan Trimble, Arnie Harlan, James Price, Absent. Motioned carried.

After much discussion the Handbook committee will continue to work on the handbook, with Shelly Perez asking Tim Schaffer, Julie Nilges, and Russ Briggs to also be a part of this committee. If any employee had questions or concerns to write them down, give to the committee to review and discuss at the next meeting.



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Motioned by English second by Mayberry going forward that the COVID pay for County Employees with a positive test not to exceed 10 days, with aggregated days included, regardless of hours worked. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, English, French, Meyer. Absent Dan Trimble, Arnie Harlan, James Price. Motioned carried.

Emergency manager Tom Perez introduced his intern for the summer, Hannah Boyd, she will be working with him, Matt May and Chad Fuller. Tom took her and showed her around the County last week. He has been busy with several projects and finishing up some too.

Road supervisor Mat Frazey informed the board that the road crew have been blading, hauling gravel and have completed the two EWP projects.

Motioned by Mayberry second by English to correct the miss read dollar amounts on the Sheriff's new vehicles at the April 25<sup>th</sup> 2022 meeting with that being \$51,380.00 and \$52,825.00 as the correct amounts. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, English, French, Meyer. Absent Dan Trimble, Arnie Harlan, James Price. Motioned carried.

Motioned made by Mayberry second by French to approve State Shop Print as the vendor for the printing of post cards in regards to LB644. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, English, French, Meyer. Absent Dan Trimble, Arnie Harlan, James Price. Motioned carried.

Motioned by Mayberry second by English to approve the renewal of Nirma Insurance in the amount of \$137,569.00 annual contribution. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, English, French, Meyer. Absent Dan Trimble, Arnie Harlan, James Price. Motioned carried.

Julie Rother from Department of Health was here to discuss with the board the possibility of receiving some of the ARPA funds from the County. No action was taken.

Motioned by Mayberry second by French to approve claims with changes as discussed. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, English, French, Meyer. Absent Dan Trimble, Arnie Harlan, James Price. Motioned carried.

11:07 a.m. Shelly Perez requested to go into executive session to discuss personnel. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, English, French, Meyer. Absent Dan Trimble, Arnie Harlan, James Price. Motioned carried.

Motioned by English second by French to come out of executive session at 11:22 a.m. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, English, French, Meyer. Absent Dan Trimble, Arnie Harlan, James Price. Motioned carried.

The handbook committee will meet again at 8:30 a.m. June 15<sup>th</sup> 2022 in the Board room.

Motioned by French second by English to adjourn at 11: 38 a.m. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, English, French, Meyer. Absent Dan Trimble, Arnie Harlan, James Price. Motioned carried.

Attest:

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Patty Bessmer, County Clerk

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Glen Meyer, Chairman



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