



Thurston County Board Minutes



THURSTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS November 21, 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 November 21st, 2022. Present were Glen Meyer, Georgia Mayberry, Dan Trimble, James Price, Arnie Harlan, Mark English, Davin French. Also present were Patty Bessmer Thurston County Clerk, Mat Frazey Thurston County Roads Supervisor, Tom Perez Emergency Manager, Tammy Maul Bodlak County Attorney, Dan Alexander Highway Superintendent, Tim Schaffer jail employee and Jennifer Hansen and Sydney Williams. 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 9:00 a.m. Chairman Meyer stated that the open meeting laws will be followed during this meeting and are posted in the back of the board room for anyone that would like to review them. Motion by Trimble, seconded by French to approve the minutes of November 7th, 2022. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, English, Price, Harlan, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Unfinished business: Tim Schaffer spoke to the board about possibly adding to the benefit packing for employees. It would be through NPERS and would be no cost to the County. It is a deferred compensation plan. This would be up to each staff member to decide if this is something they want to participate in.

Committee Reports: Dan Trimble reported that he had a meeting by phone with NorthStar Region 4 Behavior Health meeting. Some things need to be done by a certain time. Nothing that really concerned us at this time.

Mark English reported they had a safety meeting after the last meeting and discussed the ADA compliance adjustments that needed to be completed by the rest of committee and Tammy Maul Bodlak will send it in when completed.

Glen Meyer had attended Northeast Region 4 Behavior Health meeting.

Jennifer Hansen Director of Extension office appeared before the board to introduce her new staff member Sydney Williams. The board welcomed her to Thurston County.

Tom Perez Emergency manager reported he had received a letter and the grant check for the panic buttons that were installed. He had been busy with the courtroom with the updates that are going on in there. He has heard back on the SAMS number as it is to be activated this week. Tom said he has had calls from the Post Offices now from Winnebago, Walthill, and Macy as they want to work on the 911 addressing, trying to get their dates together so all can meet. Tom informed the board that the phone lines to the courtroom and the speed for the internet is fixed. The speed will be increasing in the next couple of days. He stated that himself and Tammy Maul Bodlak made the decision to bring our own switch in. Basically, what that means is the connection point is where the monitor is, so if the computer goes bad then it is our responsibility. By doing this it was going to save a substantial amount of money.

Mat Frazey Road supervisor reported he had a full crew this week as several employees were out on vacation the last couple of weeks. Wings have all been put on the motor graders. They have been busy hauling gravel & rock. They have also been working on replacing some planks on a bridge. The Kenworth truck is in need of repairs.

Dan Alexander Highway Superintendent was here to give updates. Project 01905 is complete and will be getting hours from Mat and get this submitted for reimbursement. NACO meeting is coming up in December and NACO is working on getting a team together to look for a grant writer to help get more funding for counties. Dan talked to the board about a safety presentation that will be coming up in Dakota County and thought it would be a good thing to be a part of, he will



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keep Mat and the board informed on dates and times for this. Dan also talked about future projects. Applications are due December 9, 2022 projects. There are two that Dan thought that they should try for 22025 & 22635.

Motioned by Mayberry second by Price to pay Shelly Cople \$1000.00 for her work on the 22-23 budget. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, English, Price, Harlan, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Motioned by Price second by French to approve the Improvement Fund grant to Frazey's Food & Fuel in the amount of \$1000.00. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, English, Price, Harlan, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on replacing the carpet in the hall way down by the Elevator on third floor to not do it at this time.

The board was informed by Becky George CPA from KRP CPA firm that a separate single audit would have to be done due to the threshold being over the \$750,000.00. This is Federal mandated. The amount for this to be completed will be an additional \$5000.00. No action taken at this time.

Motioned by Mayberry second by French to approve Sheriff Perez fee report for the months of August, September, and October 2022. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, English, Price, Harlan, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Motioned by Mayberry second by Trimble to approve Russ Briggs the newly elected Sheriff to obtain a county credit card and Sheriff Perez would like her credit card cancelled. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, English, Price, Harlan, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Motioned by Trimble second by Mayberry to pull the claim for Motorola in the amount of \$60,642.26 as it is not to be paid out of Inheritance. This will have to be resubmitted next meeting to be paid out of General. A resolution to transfer will need to be done to correct this. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, English, Price, Harlan, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Motioned by Trimble second by Mayberry to approve claims with the exception of Motorola to be removed and not paid this meeting. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, English, Price, Harlan, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Motioned by French second by Trimble to go into Executive session at 10:12 a.m. to discuss possible litigations. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, English, Price, Harlan, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Motioned by Mayberry second by French to come out of Executive session at 10:28 a.m. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, English, Price, Harlan, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Motioned by French second by Mayberry to adjourn at 10:28 a.m. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, English, Price, Harlan, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Attest: _____
Patty Bessmer, County Clerk

Glen Meyer, Chairman



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