



# Thurston County Board Minutes



## THURSTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS December 5, 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 December 5th, 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, Sheriff Shelly Perez. 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 Mayberry to approve the minutes of November 21st, 2022. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, Trimble, English, Price, Harlan, French, Meyer. Motion carried.

Unfinished business: None

Committee reports: None

Public comments: Glen Meyer had three suggestions in the suggestion box being that of to see about putting Led light bulbs in help with lighting, the other suggestion was if the people smoking in the Summer & Spring could go away from the building because the smoke drifts into offices and there are employees who have respiratory issues. Lastly it was suggested to have some sort of Employee Christmas lunch for each department generalized, Courthouse to have theirs LEC center and the Roads department to have theirs when it works for them. It is too hard to get everyone all together at one time. Suggestion was for the Board to maybe provide the main entree from their own funds and the rest of lunch would be provided by staff.

Motioned by Mayberry second by Trimble to approve a \$50.00 balance in the County Clerk's fee account as request by the Auditor. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Trimble, Price, French, Harlan, Meyer. Motion carried.

Emergency manager Tom Perez reported that the last couple of weeks were short weeks with Holiday and a couple days of personal time off. Tom said that most of his time was working on the installment of new lines into the Courtroom. This week he has a LEPC meeting Thursday in Walthill.

Mat Frazey reported on that the roads staff has been busy with hauling gravel and rock, he feels that they have a pretty good stock pile built up. They worked in the shop one whole day getting V plows and snowblowers ready and changed oil in snowblower. All the wings are on the motor graders ready for winter. Mat reported that the sale of surplus properties was on November 29<sup>th</sup> and all items allowed were sold bringing in \$9,505.50. They continue to work on culverts, cleaning up brush, and trees from ditches.

Motioned by Trimble second by Price for application to be made for additional CBMP funds. With Hwy Superintendent and Roads Forman to make the decision on what structures to apply for. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Trimble, Price, French, Harlan, Meyer. Motion carried.

Tamara Parker Realty Director for the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska introduced her self to the board and spoke about some of her goals she would like to work with the county going froward. One of her top goals is to get the 911 addresses resolved. Tom Perez told Tamara he will sit down and work on this with her and anything else she may need assistance with. All the 911 work has been done by County to implement the 911 addressing. Clerk Bessmer mentioned that she



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would work with her on the addresses in any way that she can. The biggest problem is educating the people about their addresses. The board thanked her for coming.

The board reviewed the jail statics report June 2021- June 2022.

Motioned by Mayberry second by Trimble to approve Resolution #22-31 Executive of a Master Agreement with The Department of Transportation of the State of Nebraska for County Survey Services. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Trimble, Price, French, Harlan, Meyer. Motion carried. **Resolution Book page 457 #22-31.**

Resolution 22-32 was tabled until December 19, 2022 meeting.

Motioned by Trimble second by English to approve for County Clerk Patty Bessmer signature on CISA Assessment contract to be performed. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Trimble, Price, French, Harlan, Meyer. Motion carried.

Motioned by Mayberry second by Trimble to approve maintenance agreement the Cummins Sales & Service. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Trimble, Price, French, Harlan, Meyer. Motion carried.

Candace Meredith, NACO Representative provided the board with NACO updates with those being Continued Education, revamped newsletter, updated their website, MIPS is revamping some projects, one being the Budget preparation program, this will be implemented in 2023. MIPS is going to a cloud base plat form soon. Naco is strongly encouraging for all counties to hire a managed IT Service, a uniformed approach for all counties is recommended. Their recommendation is to make sure your Cyber Security is top notch to mitigate risk. Candace is on a Cyber Security committee at the global level they are working on a plan together tool kits, adding cyber security policies to handbooks and disaster recovery plans in place, educating staff & possible grant opportunities. Another project is Broadband available to rural areas.

Motioned by Mayberry second by English to approve District Court Clerk Gina Roth fee report for November 2022. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Trimble, Price, French, Harlan, Meyer. Motion carried.

Motioned by Mayberry second by Trimble to approve County Clerk Patty Bessmer fee report for November 2022. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Trimble, Price, French, Harlan, Meyer. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Swearing in date of newly Elected Official's was noted as January 5, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

Motioned by Trimble second by French to approve claims as presented. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Trimble, Price, French, Harlan, Meyer. Motion carried.

Motioned by French second by English to adjourn at 10:56 a.m. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Trimble, Price, French, Harlan, Meyer. Motion carried.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Patty Bessmer County Clerk

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Glen Meyer Chairman