

THURSTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS
February 13, 2023

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 February 13th, 2023. Present were Glen Meyer, Georgia Mayberry, Jim Mueller, James Price, Davin French, Arnie Harlan. Absent Mark English. Also present were Patty Bessmer County Clerk, Tom Perez Emergency Manager, Mat Frazey Road Supervisor, Sheriff Russ Briggs, and Deputy Sheriff Chace Morgan. 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 back to order by Chairman 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.

Motioned by Mueller second by Mayberry to approve minutes from the January 30th, 2023 Roll call Aye: French. Mueller, Price, Harlan, Mayberry. Absent: English. Motioned carried.

Pledge Allegiance was recited.

Balance fund was reviewed.

Unfinished business: Meyer informed the board that the Auditor Becky George had contacted him and we would no longer need the single audit that was previously voted on due to we had not spent over the \$750,000.00 of Federal Funds in the fiscal year of 2022. There fore no single audit was required. Meyer also informed the Board that we had received a couple more Opioid settlements in the amount of \$503.29 first year payment from Janzen and the second-year payment in the amount of \$1092.31 a total of \$1,595.60. There is also a distributor which is a separate settlement of two payments of \$1690.25. There are five additional settlements as we have received notice of that and to sign off as the designated signee on the Opioids settlements, Glen has been working with law firms that are part of these settlements. There are settlement agreements with Teva, Allergens, CVS, Walgreens and Walmart. There is no dollar amount associated with them yet, but there are five additional settlements yet that we can expect to see in the future.

Committee report: None

Public comments: None

Tom Perez Emergency Manager reported he went and worked at the Connect the Dots held at the Pender Community Center and talked with the students from the surrounding areas. This is his second year of working with this program. Tom had to go over some stuff as far as making sure we communicate with the other offices in the court house correctly with different departments. Tom stated that he had been working on his usual stuff.

Glen Meyer had also attended the Connect the Dots and was very impressed with the conduct of the kids. They were very well behaved.

Mat Frazey Road Supervisor reported that they are hauling rock from Fort Calhoun. The road crew have been blading in the mornings while the ground is still frozen by afternoon it is too muddy to. In the afternoons they are hauling rock and gravel.

A motion by Mayberry second by French to approve the claims with change of taxes to be removed from Frazey's bill and Fastwyre bill. Roll call aye: Mayberry, Mueller, Price, French, Harlan, Meyer. Absent: English. Motion carried.

9:15 a.m. bids were opened for Law Enforcement Trucks.

After opening bids for the Law Enforcement vehicles, a motioned was made by Mayberry second by Price to accept the bid from Sid Dillion Fremont for the 2023 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 4WD Crew Cab

147' LT pickup in the amount of \$52,4445.00 which is available for delivery this week. Roll call aye: Mayberry, Mueller, Price, French, Harlan, Meyer. Absent: English. Motion carried.

Motioned by Mueller second by French to approve Resolution #23-05 to transfer \$206,680.00 from ARPA Funds to Roads Fund for motor grader. Roll call Aye: Mueller, Price, French, Harlan, Meyer Mayberry was out of the room at time of roll call. Absent: English. Motion carried. [See Resolution Book #23-05 page 474](#)

Motion by Price second by Harlan to approve Resolution #23-06 County Bridge matching Program agreement completion #C0087000505P and C008701905. Roll call Aye: Mueller, Price, French, Harlan, Meyer. Mayberry was out of the room at time of roll call. Absent: English. Motion carried. [See Resolution Book #23-06 page 475](#)

Motioned by Price second by Harlan to approve Chairman Glen Meyer signature on the National Classification Map. Roll call Aye: Mueller, Price, French, Harlan, Meyer. Mayberry was out of the room at time of roll call. Absent: English. Motion carried

Motioned by Price second by Mayberry to approve the additional cost of \$15,183.00 to put underlayment down and labor in the required areas as needed. Roll call aye: Mayberry, Mueller, Price, French, Harlan, Meyer. Absent: English. Motion carried.

Discussion was held with Sheriff Russ Briggs and Deputy Chace Morgan; they would like to open an account for donations for a K9 program going forward. The funds from the Miscellaneous account would be transferred to this account after it is established. They would like to do fund raisers to raise the funds for this program. There is a handler on staff at this time. The board took no action on this.

Sheriff Briggs appeared before the board to discuss his budget. No action was taken.

Motioned by French second by Price to approve the renewal of Alert Sense contract for a three-year renewal in the amount of \$14,871.00 to be paid out of the ARPA funds. Roll call aye: Mayberry, Mueller, Price, French, Harlan, Meyer. Absent: English. Motion carried.

Motioned by Mayberry second by French to approve District Court Clerk Gina Roth fee report for January 2023. Roll call aye: Mayberry, Mueller, Price, French, Harlan, Meyer. Absent: English. Motion carried.

Motioned by Mayberry second by French to approve County Clerk Fee Report for January 2023. Roll call aye: Mayberry, Mueller, Price, French, Harlan, Meyer. Absent: English. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on Winnebago Township that no more application had been received. No action was taken.

Discussion was held on Lower Elkhorn Natural Resource Applications on two programs. French will look into these and report back to the board at the next meeting. No action taken.

Motioned by French second by Mayberry to go into Executive session to discuss litigations at 10:14 a.m. Roll call aye: Mayberry, Mueller, Price, French, Harlan, Meyer. Absent: English. Motion carried.

Motioned by French second by Mayberry to come out of Executive session at 10:18 a.m. Roll call aye: Mayberry, Mueller, Price, French, Harlan, Meyer. Absent: English. Motion carried.

Motioned by French second by Mueller to adjourn at 10:19 a.m. Roll call aye: Mayberry, Mueller, Price, French, Harlan, Meyer. Absent: English. Motion carried.

Attest: _____
Patty Bessmer County Clerk

Chairman Glen Meyer