

**THURSTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDING  
May 22, 2023**

A regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Thurston County, Nebraska was held at the regular meeting place of the board room in Thurston County, Nebraska Courthouse in Pender, Nebraska on May 22, 2023. Present were Glen Meyer, Georgia Mayberry, Mark English, Jim Mueller, Davin French. Absent were Price and Harlan. Also present were Patty Bessmer County Clerk, Tom Perez Emergency Manager, Sheriff Russ Briggs, Chase Morgan Deputy Sheriff, County Attorney Tammy Maul Bodlak, Mat Frazey Road Supervisor. 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 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 English second by French to approve minutes from the May 8th, 2023. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, French, Meyer. Absent: Price, Harlan. Motion carried.

Pledge Allegiance was recited.

Balance fund was reviewed.

Committee Reports: English had spoken with dispatch supervisor Laura Novak, she had hired a couple more dispatchers and they are undergoing training, they did some tests on testing pagers. She informed him and everything was going well. Mark then discussed that the Board really needs to seriously consider county wide EMS. This would be lengthy process so we really need to start getting serious about it. I would like to start talking with all the other Fire agencies at the next LEPC meeting and he feels the board should put a committee together for this. Meyer asked him to be the lead on this and that French and possibly Price to be a part of that too. This can be decided next month.

Meyer reported he had attended the NE Nebraska Public Health meeting. Discussion was had on the municipal year coming up and that the budget would roughly be \$12 million again this year. There was a \$2 million dollar carryover this year. It is a drawn down system even though there is a budget.

Public comments: None

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

Motioned by Mayberry second by Mueller to approve Sheriff Russ Briggs fee report for March 2023. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, French, Meyer. Absent: Price, Harlan. Motion carried.

Motioned by Mayberry second by English to approve the grant application for Emerson Betterment Committee in the amount of \$579.00 for advertising for the Tri County Days. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, French, Meyer. Absent: Price, Harlan. Motion carried.

Emergency manager Tom Perez reported he had been busy with the recent storm, getting ready for the Cattleman's Ball and for the Wayne America Fly in this upcoming week. He will be taking some time off this week and next week so he doesn't get no over time the next couple of weeks.

Road Supervisor Mat Frazey reported he has been busy with blading hauling gravel, working on culverts and will be working on the bridge east of Pender. They are going to replace the stringers on the bridge in the next week. Mat informed the Board that the truck was back in the shop for repairs again.

Discussion was held on purchasing technology improvements for Roads, Bridge, and Clerk's office out of the ARPA funds. The Board informed them these need to be taken out of their budgets.

Discussion was held on pay out of vacation carryover this policy was set last year and is allowed. No action was taken.

Motioned by Mayberry second by Mueller to approve Resolution #23-14 to transfer \$60,000.00 from Inheritance Fund to General Fund "Communication" (to reimburse the Motorola bill that was paid on December 19 2022). Roll call Aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, French, Meyer. Absent: Price, Harlan. Motion carried. See Resolution book page 483

Motion by Mayberry second by English to approve Resolution #23-15 to transfer \$2,000.00 from Inheritance Fund to Courthouse Building Fund. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, French, Meyer. Absent: Price, Harlan. Motion carried. See Resolution book page 484

Motioned by Mayberry second by Mueller to purchase a laptop for \$915.00 and subscription for software services for the Courtroom out of the ARPA Funds. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, French, Meyer. Absent: Price, Harlan. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on ARPA Expenditure Policy. No action was taken.

Motioned by Mayberry second by Mueller for Tammy Maul Bodlak to rehire/ appoint Terri Lamplot as Deputy County Attorney and to Deputize Amy Miller. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, French, Meyer. Absent: Price, Harlan. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on Handbook Policies no action taken.

Motioned by French second by Mueller to approve claims with the removal of taxes on the AT&T bill. Mayberry stated that a detailed receipt is needed for all credit card charges. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, French, Meyer. Absent: Price, Harlan. Motion carried.

Motioned by French second by Mueller to adjourn @ 10:16 a.m. Roll call Aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, French, Meyer. Absent: Price, Harlan. Motion carried.

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

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Chairman Glen Meyer