

THURSTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDING
August 28, 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 August 28th, 2023. Present were Glen Meyer, Georgia Mayberry, James Price, Davin French, Arnie Harlan. Absent Jim Mueller and Mark English. Also present were Patty Bessmer County Clerk, Sheriff Russ Briggs, Deputy Chace Morgan, County Attorney Tammy Maul Bodlak, Emergency Manager Tom Perez, Road Supervisor Mat Frazey, Gina Roth, Robin Christiansen, Susie Schrieber, Shelly Copple Deputy County Clerk, Michaela Welsh, Mark Heckenliable, Jennifer Hansen, and Paul Randall. 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. The availability of the agenda was communicated in advance 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.

Motion by French by Mueller to approve minutes from the August 14th, 2023. Roll Call Aye: Mayberry, Price, French, Meyer. Abstain: Harlan. Absent: Mueller, English. Motion carried.

Pledge Allegiance was recited.

Balance fund was reviewed.

Public Comments: None

Unfinished Business: None

Motioned by Mayberry seconded by Price to advertise for Law Enforcement pickup truck. Roll Call Aye: Mayberry, Price, French, Harlan, Meyer. Absent: Mueller, English. Motion carried.

The Board discussed any Office that would be closed due to training needs or for any other reason needs to have it approved by the Board and must be advertised in the Pender Times, Winnebago News and Macy Post office to let the public know in advanced.

Discussion was held on First aid kits for the Roads department and Law Enforcement to be paid out of ARPA funds, the Board said there are grants out there for these types of items and that those options need to be investigated and if not, they should come out of each department's budgets.

Motioned by Mayberry second by French to approve 2023 inventories of all departments as presented except for Emergency Manager's until clarification on title and vin number is provided for the RV. Roll Call Aye: Mayberry, Price, French, Harlan, Meyer. Absent: Mueller, English. Motion carried.

Emergency Manager Tom Perez reported he has been busy with mapping for Winnebago. Tom has also been working on hazardous mitigation with Lower Elkhorn NRD & Middle Missouri NRD on the water shed project. Tom had attended quarterly meetings with EMC which is through NEMA. Tom presented a sheet to the Board in reference to which he had received on his salary and what he had received was not the final number on the EMP grant as far as salary goes, he was asked for more receipts to turn in last week. Tom said he had been working with Sheriff Russell Briggs and Communications on maps for the fire districts and 911 system. Tom also said he was starting to get calls in reference to the 4420 disaster Flood 2019, we should receive a good amount Funds on this matter.

Mat Frazey Road Supervisor reported that his department has been busy cleaning ditches, fixed some scours along the roads and worked on culverts. The roads crew has been blading, no gravel for stockpile has been hauled due lack to availability for the last 3 weeks. Mat informed the board that he had purchased a new sprayer with a 300-gallon tank. Mat talked to the Board about purchasing a pickup for the roads department.

Motioned by French second by Mayberry to advertise for informal bids for a pickup truck for the roads department. Roll Call Aye: Mayberry, Price, French, Harlan, Meyer. Absent: Mueller, English. Motion carried.

Motioned by Harlan seconded by French to go into Executive session to discuss litigations at 9:30 a.m. Roll Call Aye: Mayberry, Price, French, Harlan, Meyer. Absent: Mueller, English. Motion carried.

Motioned by Mayberry seconded by French to come out of Executive session at 10:07 a.m. Roll Call Aye: Mayberry, Price, French, Meyer. Abstain. Abstain: Harlan. Absent: Mueller, English. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on phones in the offices to see if there were answering services available and if forwarding calls to another number was available. Tom said this is available, but no one had asked him about it. It was also discussed about the cordless phones not being installed yet for the Treasurer office.

Motioned by Price, seconded by Mayberry to approve the Visitors Promo grant application for Post 60 Market. Roll Call Aye: Mayberry, Price, French, Harlan, Meyer. Absent: Mueller, English. Motion carried.

The 911 addressing process was discussed, and this is what was decided will be done going forward. When Road signs are missing that information needs to be given to Tom Perez Emergency manager and he will pass the information on to the sign department. The process of getting a new address outside of city limits will go through the Emergency Manager and that will give that to the Signs Department. Missing signs will also go through the Emergency Manager, and he will order the signs and the list and signs will be given to the Signs Department. The cost of an additional sign other than primary residence is that of the person requesting that 911 sign. An example of this would be the grain bin sight. A lost or damaged sign will be the expense of the landowner.

AED grant was tabled, and Tom was asked to talk with other departments to see if they would possibly need anything of this nature before submitting the grant.

Budgets were gone over by each department head and Elected official.

No Correspondence to discuss.

Harlan left meeting at 11:33 a.m.

Motioned by French seconded by Mayberry to approve claims as presented. Roll Call Aye: Mayberry, Price, French, Meyer. Absent: Mueller, English. Harlan. Motion carried.

Motioned by French second by Price to adjourn at 12:38 p.m. Roll Call Aye: Mayberry, Price, French, Meyer. Absent: Mueller, English., Harlan. Motion carried.

Attest: _____

Patty Bessmer County Clerk

Glen Meyer Chairman