

**THURSTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDING  
November 6, 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 November 6, 2023. Present were Glen Meyer, Georgia Mayberry, Mark English, James Price, Davin French, Arnie Harlan. Absent: Jim Mueller. Also present were Patty Bessmer County Clerk, Sheriff Russ Briggs, County Attorney Tammy Maul Bodlak, Emergency Manager Tom Perez, Road Supervisor Mat Frazey, Doug Morgan, Bullet Beaudette, and Matt May. 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.

Pledge Allegiance was recited.

Balance fund was reviewed.

Motioned by English second by French to approve the minutes of October 23, 2023, meeting. Roll call aye: French, English, Mayberry, Harlan, Meyer. Absent: Harlan. Abstain: Price.

Committee reports: French reported that the Jail committee had done the quarterly inspection of the Jail. All was going well. The humidity issues seem to have been resolved. It was much better through out the summer is what the staff reported the Committee.

Public Comments: None

Mark English reported on the information he had received from the Assessor Susie Schrieber. Mark also was inquiring about the status of the project on Hwy 77. English asked who he would contact on that project to get the status update to relay the information to his constituents. Mat Frazey would get him the contact information.

Motioned by Mayberry second by Harlan to approve the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska water main project along K Ave. with the wording as it stands on the ROW application. No vote was held due to not all requirements were completed.

Motioned by Mayberry second by Harland to rescind their motion to approve the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska's ROW application due to not all requirements had been received at this time.

Discussion on ROW permit from Morgan Feed yard was discussed. No action taken. All requirements were not received at this time.

Motioned by Mayberry second by Harlan to have County Surveyor Nick Seery conduct a survey on the section lines to determine ROW on K Avenue by Morgan Feed Yard. Roll call aye: French, English, Price, Mayberry, Harlan, Meyer. Absent: Mueller. Motion carried.

Handbook discussion was tabled as County Clerk Bessmer had not forwarded to all Board members.

Motioned by English second by French to approve County Attorney Tammy Maul Bodlak signature on Thomson/Reuters Renew contract. Roll call aye: French, English, Price, Mayberry, Harlan, Meyer. Absent Mueller. Motion carried.

Motioned by French second by English to go into Executive Session at 9:39 a.m. to discuss *Litigations*. Roll call aye: French, English, Price, Mayberry, Harlan, Meyer. Absent Mueller. Motion carried.

Motioned by French second by English to come out of Executive Session at 9:54 a.m. to discuss *Litigation*. Roll call aye: French, English, Price, Mayberry, Harlan, Meyer. Absent Mueller. Motion carried.

Motioned by Mayberry second by English to accept a payment from the Village of Pender due to error on the Utility bill in the amount of \$13, 214.38. This will be paid one half of the amount now and the remaining half as credit to be used until funds are expended. The refund is to be refunded back into the Building and Grounds Budget of this department. Roll call aye: French, English, Price, Mayberry, Harlan, Meyer. Absent Mueller. Motion carried.

Motioned by Mayberry second by English to approve County Clerk Patty Bessmer fee report for October 2023. Roll call aye: French, English, Price, Mayberry, Harlan, Meyer. Absent Mueller. Motion carried.

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

Discussion on Cooney's bill no action was taken.

Motioned by Mayberry second by English to grant the permission on the Greenfield's variance they are requesting. Roll call aye: French, English, Price, Mayberry, Harlan, Meyer. Absent Mueller. Motion carried.

Motioned by Mayberry second by English to approve Resolution #23-30 Amendment and Addendum to NIRMA Intergovernmental/Interlocal Agreement. Roll call aye: French, English, Price, Mayberry, Harlan, Meyer. Absent: Mueller. Motion carried. [See Resolution Book page 504.](#)

Motioned by Mayberry second by English to approve Resolution #23-31 to transfer \$90,000.00 form General Fund to Roads Fund. Roll call aye: French, English, Price, Mayberry, Harlan, Meyer. Absent: Mueller. Motion carried. [See Resolution Book page 505.](#)

Motioned by Mayberry second by English to approve Chairman Glen Meyer's signature on HRA 2848 form from Mid America for Thurston County VEBA Health Savings Trust. Roll call aye: French, English, Price, Mayberry, Harlan, Meyer. Absent: Mueller. Motion carried.

Tom Perez Emergency manager reported that last week he received word that several agencies in Thurston County had received new radios through a radio grant, Pender, Thurston, Walthill, and Winnebago all received the radios. This will be nice as they will be on the state's system and will be able to communicate back and forth. Tom had a meeting with the Emergency manager at the Pender Hospital, she had reached out to him to see if he could help her with a few things to get started on Tom had been working on Gworks and getting address squared away. Price had asked Tom if the Gworks maps were all up to date and whose responsibility it is to address if there is not a 911 address for. Tom stated that they must send it to him and then he researches it and then he sends it down to Gworks. Price mentioned that there are houses already up and don't have addresses, Tom said he had just received that two weeks ago and they have been addressed now. Mayberry asked Tom if the Statues on the Ho Chunk Village Subdivision 1.0 and the playground have been addressed yet, as the Insurance Company is asking for them. Tom replied he had not but would work on that. Matt May stated that the playground has been addressed.

Mat Frazey Road Supervisor reported they have been busy blading and hauling gravel, working on culverts and bridges. They have been waiting on some pipes for repairs. The roads crew is still short handed with workers. Mat informed the Board that a bridge on G Ave. just West of Hyw 77 has been closed due to failed inspection. There are a couple more bridges in the County that may be closed soon. This will need to be addressed shortly.

Motioned by Mayberry seconded by English to return to normal sick policy as stated in the handbook. Covid is no longer a pandemic. Roll call aye: French, English, Price, Mayberry, Harlan, Meyer. Absent: Mueller. Motion carried.

Discussion concerning Winnebago North Professional Penalty enforcement for the Winnebago North Project. This was tabled.

Discussion on the Professional Construction Service contract for Winnebago North. This was tabled.

Motioned by French second by English to approve claims as presented except for a name on a claim to be corrected. Roll call aye: French, English, Price, Mayberry, Harlan, Meyer. Absent: Mueller. Motion carried.

No correspondence to discuss.

Motioned by French second by English to adjourn at 10:53 a.m. Roll call aye: French, English, Price, Mayberry, Harlan, Meyer. Absent: Mueller. Motion carried.

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

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Chairman Glen Meyer