

THURSTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDING
June 3rd, 2024

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 June 3rd, 2024. Present were Georgia Mayberry, Mark English, Jim Mueller, James Price, and Davin French. Absent: Arnie Harlan, Glen Meyer. Also, present were Patty Bessmer County Clerk, Emergency Manager Tom Perez, Matt May, County Attorney Tammy Maul Bodlak, Sheriff Russ Briggs, Julie Nilges Jail 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. 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 Co-Chairman Mark English at 9:00 a.m. Co-Chairman English 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 of Allegiance was recited.

Motioned by Mayberry seconded by English to approve the minutes of May 20th, 2024, meeting. Roll call aye: French, Mueller, Price, Mayberry, English. Absent: Harlan and Meyer Motion carried.

Fund balances were reviewed.

Public Comments: None

Committee Reports: None

Unfinished Business:

1. Rosalie Shop: the tin is being installed on the roof and the contractor will be there to start coating the roof this week.
2. Blyburg Rd 911 address no update.
3. 911 signs: still working on getting that set up there has not been any progress the last two weeks due to vacation, weather, and other things.
4. Alert sense: the overages Tom has been talking with them on a new contract and it should be done by the next meeting.

Motioned by Price seconded by French to approve Contract with Crown Correctional Telephone to upgrade the software. Roll call aye: French, Mueller, Price, Mayberry, English. Absent: Harlan and Meyer Motion carried.

Motioned by Mueller seconded by French to approve the contract with the BIA to house prisoners. Roll call aye: French, Mueller, Price, Mayberry, English. Absent: Harlan and Meyer Motion carried.

Sheriff Russ Briggs discuss wages and what needs to be done to try and retain employees. He just wanted the Board to be aware of the issues and that there will need to be a solution. No action was taken.

Motioned by Mayberry seconded by Price to approve the purchase of body cameras, 7 of them and 6 video systems for the cars in the amount of \$38,559.00 and \$34,772.00 to install all this equipment. This is a 5-year contract. This is with the approval of County Attorney reviewing of contract. This will be paid out of ARPA funds. Roll call aye: French, Mueller, Price, Mayberry, English. Absent: Harlan and Meyer Motion carried.

Motioned by Mayberry seconded by Mueller to approve the renewal of NIRMA Insurance for 24-25 in the amount of \$139, 513.00. This is a decrease of \$29,386.00 or 17.40 percent. Roll call aye: French, Mueller, Price, Mayberry, English. Absent: Harlan and Meyer Motion carried.

Motioned by Mayberry seconded by Mueller to approve County Clerk Patty Bessmer signature on the Blue Cross Blue Shield subgroup application. Roll call aye: French, Mueller, Price, Mayberry, English. Absent: Harlan and Meyer Motion carried.

Motioned by Mayberry seconded French to approve Resolution # 24-12 to transfer \$15,000.00 from the General Funds to 911 Funds. Roll call aye: French, Mueller, Price, Mayberry, English. Absent: Harlan and Meyer Motion carried. [See Resolution book page 523](#)

Motioned by Mayberry second by French to approve Resolution #24-13 to transfer \$90,000.00 from General Fund to Roads Fund. Roll call aye: French, Mueller, Price, Mayberry, English. Absent: Harlan and Meyer Motion carried. [See Resolution book page 524](#)

Tom Perez Emergency Manager reported that he has been busy with weather, signs, grants, and contract with the alert sense. He will get a list together of the updates on 911 addressing and get it sent out to everyone.

Mat Frazey Road Supervisor was not in attendance.

Correspondence: None

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

Motioned by French seconded by Mayberry to adjourn at 9:33 a.m. Roll call aye: French, Mueller, Price, Mayberry, English. Absent: Harlan and Meyer Motion carried.

Attest:

Patty Bessmer County Clerk

Chairman Glen Meyer