

**THURSTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDING**  
**September 22<sup>nd</sup> 2025**

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 September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025. Present were Davin French, Georgia Mayberry, Mark English, Mueller, James Price, Robb Roeber, and Ben Walker. Also, present County Clerk Patty Bessmer, County Attorney Tammy Maul Bodlak, Emergency Manager Tom Perez, Sheriff Russ Briggs, Road Supervisor Mat Frazey, Bullette Beaudette, Seth Sackmann, Ryan Poots. Notice of the meeting was given to all members of the Board of Supervisors and a copy of their acknowledgement of their notice and receipt of the notice on 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 shown hereafter were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Davin French, at 9:00 a.m. French stated that the open meeting laws will be followed during this meeting and are posted in the back of the boardroom for anyone that would like to review them.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motioned by English seconded by Mueller to approve the minutes of September 8<sup>th</sup> 2025. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, Price, Roeber, Walker, French. Motioned carried.

Fund Balance no discussion.

Unfinished Business: English stated that there still had not been anything done on Hwy 94. He has left a voice mail with Kevin with NEDOT and sent him another email. He has not heard anything back from him yet. There was an accident last week cause by the sharp drop off, thankfully no one was hurt. Mark said he would keep on this and report back.

Robb Roeber reported that the jail committee had gone down and did the quarterly inspection of the jail.

French informed the board that the finance committee had met several times the past two weeks working on the budget.

Public Comments: None

English also informed the Board that he and Tom Perez, and Tammy Maul being part of the Safety Committee had met with Chad Engle with NIRMA two weeks ago.

Mr. Seth Sackmann Superintendent with the Walthill Public School appeared before the board to discuss purchasing a piece of property that the County owns which is located near the location of which the new Walthill school will be built. The board informed him that there was a process that the county will need to go through.

No action was taken on the Kinney easement. Tabled until next meeting.

Ryan Poots Representative with Eagleview gave a presentation on his programs that all departments would be able to utilize. Board is going to continue evaluate.

Motioned by Price seconded by Roeber to keep fees for ROW Easements the same. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, Price, Roeber, Walker, French. Motioned carried.

Mat Frazey Road Supervisor reported the road department has been hauling gravel, and blading when possible. Motor grader 772, Rick Fendrick runs this machine at Murphy Tractor getting a new wiring harness, the warranty is out, but Murphy Tractor is doing it at a discount price. Mat informed the board that are only two motor graders under warrant (Chester's 160, and 772GP in Thurston). Other blades average from 9000 to 6000 hours. Another, blade is just under 6000. He wanted the board to be aware of it. The roads crews have been working on culverts and shredded some brush last week too.

Tom Perez, Emergency Manager reported he was up at the Ponca Expo a couple of times over the weekend.

Motioned by Mayberry seconded by Mueller, to approve liquor license for Heise Holdings LLC for October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025, location at Kai Family Barn. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, Price, Roeber, Walker, French. Motioned carried.

Motioned by Rober seconded by Mueller, to approve liquor license for Heise Holdings LLC for October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025, location at Kai Family Barn. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, Price, Roeber, Walker, French. Motioned carried.

Motioned by Mayberry seconded by Roeber to approve Gina Roth District Court Clerk fee report for August 2025 in the amount of \$583.00. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, Price, Roeber, Walker, French. Motioned carried.

Motioned by Mayberry seconded by English to approve the 1% lid increase for 25-26 Levy. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, Price, Roeber, Walker, French. Motioned carried.

Motioned by Mayberry seconded by Roeber to have Budget hearing is set for September 29, 2025 at 9:00am. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, Price, Roeber, Walker, French. Motioned carried.

Motioned by Mayberry seconded by Mueller to approve the grant application for the Pender Betterment Group in the amount of \$1,000.00 out of the Promotional Improvement Funds. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, Price, Roeber, Walker, French. Motioned carried.

Correspondent: Department of Health and Human Services, the LB 376, basically stating the county doesn't have to furnish them a place. The board has to decide by November 1, 2025

Motioned by Price seconded by Mueller to approve claims as presented. The roads department raises need be approved by the roads committee. Roll Call aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, Price, Roeber, Walker, French. Motioned carried.

Motioned by Mayberry seconded by Walker to adjourn at 10:17 a.m. Roll Call aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, Price, Roeber, Walker, French. Motioned carried.

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Shelly Copple Deputy County Clerk

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Davin French chairman