

THURSTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDING
November 3rd, 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 November 3rd, 2025. Present were Davin French, Mark English, James Price, Robb Roeber, Ben Walker, Georgia Mayberry and Jim Mueller. Also, present County Clerk Steven Schneider, County Attorney Tammy Maul Bodlak, Emergency Manager Tom Perez, and Sheriff Russ Briggs. 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 Mayberry seconded by Walker to approve the minutes of October 20, 2025. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Walker and French. Abstained: Price, Roeber, Mueller. Motioned carried.

Fund Balance was discussed.

Unfinished business: James Price discussed an email on Friday October 31, 2025 the Winnebago Tribe would like to have a meeting to discuss Access Road and the future of D Ave. looking for a letter of support from the county.

Committee Reports: None

Public comments: None

Discussion was held regarding an Auditor for the County, it was tabled, searching for other companies to bid on the opportunity.

Motion by Roeber, seconded Mayberry to approve Chairman Davin French, County Clerk Steven Schneider, and Deputy County Clerk Shelly Copple on signature cards at Frontier Bank and to remove Glen Meyer and Patty Bessmer on the Thurston County imprest account. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, Price, Roeber, Walker, and French. Motion carried.

Motioned by Mayberry seconded by Price to approve Chairman Davin French, County Clerk Steven Schneider, on signature cards at Frontier Bank and to remove Glen Meyer and Patty Bessmer on the Thurston County Clerks account. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, Price, Roeber, Walker, and French. Motion carried.

County Sheriff Russell Briggs, County Clerk Steven Schneider, on signature cards at Frontier Bank and to remove Glen Meyer and Patty Bessmer on the Thurston County Clerks Sheriff Fee Account- Tabled

County Sheriff Russell Briggs, County Clerk Steven Schneider, Micaela Welsh, Julie Nilges and Austin Holloway on signature cards at Frontier Bank and to remove Glen Meyer, Patty Bessmer and Gabriel Parker Diaz on the Thurston County Clerks Sheriff Inmate Account- Tabled

Motion by Mueller, seconded by Roeber to approve Chairman Davin French, County Clerk Steven Schneider and Deputy County Clerk Shelly Copple to be signers on the buy down account at Charter West Bank to remove Patty Bessmer

Motioned by Mayberry, seconded by Roeber to approve County Clerk Steven Schneider credit card, so we can cancel Patty Bessmer card. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, Price, Roeber, Walker, and French. Motion carried.

Motioned by Moeller, seconded by Price to approve Paul Randall, Tom Perez and Mat Frazey raises. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, Price, Roeber, Walker, and French. Motion carried.

Mat Frazey Road Supervisor was unavailable, a short report was given by Chairman French, crews have been out blading, 310 bridge concrete has been poured. No movement on BIA contracts due to the federal government shutdown.

Motioned by Mayberry seconded by Roeber to approve Resolution #25-27 Year End Certification of County Highway Superintendent 2025 Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, Price, Roeber, Walker, and French. Motion carried. **Resolution: 25-27 page 582**

Tom Perez Emergency Manager reported that he had been working on 911 addressing and addresses for the boxes for fiber instillation company. Lots of GPS work matching location to address. Tom has also been contacting the schools to start getting the school bus routes and other stuff for this winter, this is to coordinate with the roads to ensure the priority routes for snow removal. Also working on updating ID's, just finished the sheriff's office stuff and going through the county ones right now.

Motioned by English seconded by Price to approve County Attorney signature on DHHS/ Thurston County amendment one agreement. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, Price, Roeber, Walker, and French. Motion carried.

Motion by English seconded by Price to approve advertisement for bids for 2 new police vehicles (truck & SUV) Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, Price, Roeber, Walker, and French. Motion carried.

Motion by English seconded by Moeller to approve Russ Briggs Sheriff's fee report August 2025 in the amount of \$21,394.89 and September 2025 \$31,367.49. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, Price, Roeber, Walker, and French. Motion carried.

Motion by Price seconded by Roeber to approve County Clerk's fee report for October 2025 in the amount of \$3,511.52. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, Price, Roeber, Walker, and French. Motion carried.

Review Correspondence. A discussion was held about possible power issues at the Courthouse and Welfare building in Pender on November 5, 2025, no action was taken.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Motioned by Price seconded by Roeber to call Board of Equalization order at 9:30 a.m. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, Price, Roeber, Walker, and French. Motion carried.

Motioned by French seconded by Roeber to deny Homestead exemption for Paul & Denise Thomsen. As exemption was not timely filed. Roll call aye: English, Mueller, Price, Roeber, Walker, French and Mayberry. Motion carried.

Motion by French seconded by Roeber to adjourn Board of Equalization @ 9:32 am. English, Mueller, Price, Roeber, Walker, French and Mayberry. Motion carried.

Motioned by Mayberry seconded by Mueller to approve claims with one adjustment, the AT&T bill needs to be broken down with interlocal. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, Price, Roeber, Walker, and French. Motion carried.

Motioned by Mayberry seconded by Walker to adjourn at 9:35 a.m. Roll call aye: Mayberry, English, Mueller, Price, Roeber, Walker, and French. Motion carried.

Steven Schneider County Clerk

Davin French Chairman