

November 12, 2024 Minutes
Washington County Board of Supervisors
Supervisor's Room Courthouse
1555 Colfax Street
Blair, NE 68008

The Washington County Board of Supervisors of Washington County, Nebraska, met in regular session at 3:07 PM on November 12, 2024 in the Supervisor's meeting room at the Courthouse in Blair, Nebraska. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Pilot-Tribune. A copy of the proof of publication is on file in the office of the County Clerk. Notice of the meeting was given to the members and a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda are on record at the office of the County Clerk. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice of the members. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Chairman Steve Dethlefs declared the meeting was in session and that the meeting is being recorded. Dethlefs made note that the Open Meetings Law is posted on the door and the west wall.

1. Meeting called to order

Present: Chairman Steve Dethlefs, board members Jon Stewart, Lisa Kramer, Kevin Barnhill, Jay Anderson, and Steve Kruger. Absent: Bob Frahm. Also present: Sheriff Mike Robinson, Assessor Robin Andreasen, Treasurer Marj Hoier, Co Clerk Barbara Sullivan, and Attorney Tom Brantley

2. Approve agenda

Motion Lisa Kramer and second by Jay Anderson to approve the agenda for 11/12/24. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Stewart: Aye

3. Approve minutes for the October 22 & 30, 2024 meetings

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Lisa Kramer that the rules be suspended and the minutes of the October 22 & 30, 2024 meetings be approved but not read for the purpose that all board members were furnished a copy of said minutes prior to the meeting. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Stewart: Aye

4. Approve Claims

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Kevin Barnhill that the claims be approved and the Clerk ordered to issue warrants on the various funds for the same. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Stewart: Aye

5. Accept Monthly Fee Reports: Co Clk \$292, Reg of Deeds \$69,634, Co Crt \$23,795, Clk Dist Crt \$978, Co Sheriff \$7,700, Planning & Zoning \$13,952, Road Dept \$9,653 & October Treasurer's statement: Collections \$1,275,064, Disbursements: \$1,884,390, Inheritance Tax Balance: \$767,014, Ending Balance: \$11,616,676

Motion Jay Anderson and second by Steve Kruger to receive the monthly fee reports and place on file. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Stewart: Aye

6. Accept correspondence, consider and place on file

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Steve Kruger to receive correspondence from US Bank and the City of Blair and place on file. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Stewart: Aye

7. Dave Kruger, Hwy Supt: Road Dept update not limited to projects, equipment, and personnel

7.1. Accept & approve Change Order for project C89 (533) to a decreased amount

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Kevin Barnhill to accept Change Order from Speece Lewis for a decreased amount of \$7,193.72 for project C89 (533). Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Stewart: Aye

8. Chris Shewchuk, Planning and Zoning Administrator--Discussion of BluePrince Permitting Software and updating to a Cloud-based program.

Shewchuk stated that about a year ago he spoke to the board about moving the permitting software to a cloud-based program and at that time there were concerns about security and the amount of storage available. Shewchuk said he has

been working with Turnkey since that discussion, and they are confident that the program is secure. The amount of storage available through CityView would be 250 gigs. Currently, the Planning office is only using about 25 gigs. Shewchuk said he would have a contract for review before the next meeting.

9. John Wyvill: Cox Communications update

John Wyvill and Government Account Manager Nate Rhodes discussed services that are available to government municipalities and answered questions.

10. Sheriff Mike Robinson: Jail Revenue update

Sheriff Robinson stated that \$90,769 was collected in the month of October. Currently, to date revenue is \$374,218.

11. Interim appointment of Sheriff Mike Robinson as Washington County Emergency Manager and set the salary of the appointed position at \$26,000/ year. PA

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Steve Kruger to appoint Sheriff Mike Robinson as interim Emergency Manager for Washington Co and set salary at \$26,000 per year, retroactive to October 21, 2024. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Stewart: Aye

12. Insurance Committee: Discuss ancillary benefits for Washington County employees. D/PA

Board compared current dental, life, and vision plans with the proposed plans through the NACO pool. Judd Nelson, NACO, was present and answered questions about the benefit plans and rates. Board member Kramer asked if there should have been a separate agenda item to set the funding level for the medical plan. Attorney Tom Brantley stated that since it was a time sensitive issue it could be added to the agenda as an emergency item.

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Jay Anderson to accept ancillary coverage (dental, vision, life insurance) through NACO. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Stewart: Aye

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Kevin Barnhill to add Emergency Item 'approve funding medical to either 105% or 110% of expected costs' to the agenda. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Stewart: Aye

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Kevin Barnhill to fund medical at 110% of expected cost. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Stewart: Aye

13. Blair Optimists: request approval for a memorial "Buddy Bench" for Jordan Rishel to be placed at courthouse. Tabled from 10/22/24

Deputy Brian Beckman passed out a sample of what the plaque would look like as per the request of the board from last meeting and discussed the location of where the bench would be placed. The board discussed getting a policy in place for items such as this going forward.

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Jay Anderson to un-table request for "Buddy Bench" for Jordan Rishel. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Stewart: Aye

Motion Jay Anderson and second by Jon Stewart to approve placing a 'Buddy Bench' honoring Jordan Rishel in front of courthouse. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Nay, Stewart: Aye

14. Receive and place on file letter from Treasurer Marj Hoier stating 95 Distress Warrants had been turned over to the Sheriff for collection

Motion Jay Anderson and second by Kevin Barnhill to receive letter from Treasurer stating 95 Distress Warrants, amounting to \$74,172.70, has been turned over to the Sheriff for collection. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Stewart: Aye

15. Special Designated License: Julie Ann Johnson, Prime Rib Dinner at Rybin Building on 1/17/25

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Lisa Kramer to authorize Chairman to sign SDL Local Recommendation Form 200 for Julie Ann Johnson. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Stewart: Aye

16. Comments from public: Mike Anderson spoke.

17. Committee Reports: None

18. Closed session: for the purpose of discussing attorney client privileged information, attorney client privileged information regarding current, potential, imminent threat of litigation, and contract negotiations involving Washington County. D/PA. There were no items for a closed session.

19. Motion to adjourn meeting

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Lisa Kramer to adjourn from the Board of Supervisors meeting at 4:02 P.M. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Stewart: Aye

CLAIMS:

GENERAL FUND	Meeting Date 11/12/2024	
EMPLOYEES	Payroll 10/25/2024	\$ 303,003.81
AMERITAS	Retirement	\$ 22,478.84
PRINCIPLE	Life-Dental-Vision	\$ 849.92
WASHINGTON COUNTY -INSURANCE FUND	Health Insurance	\$ 57,790.94
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	\$ 22,377.85
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	H.S.A	\$ 9,088.10
EMPLOYEES	Payroll 11/8/2024	\$ 302,896.27
AMERITAS	Retirement	\$ 22,307.21
AMERITAS	Make-Up Retirement	\$ 959.20
PRINCIPLE	Life-Dental-Vision	\$ 849.43
WASHINGTON COUNTY -INSURANCE FUND	Health Insurance	\$ 58,789.42
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	\$ 22,251.28
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	H.S.A	\$ 9,520.96
ABE'S TRASH SERVICE INC	Service	\$ 380.00
ADVANCED CORRECTIONAL HEALTHCARE	Medical	\$ 30,883.56
AE SUPPLY	Repairs	\$ 1,000.00
ALEXANDER TWILA	Reimb Office Supply	\$ 13.38
ALL COPY PRODUCTS INC	Service	\$ 823.51
ALL MAKES OFFICE EQUIPMENT CO	Service	\$ 58.91
ANDERSON CODY	Uniform Allowance	\$ 250.81
ANDREWS, AVIS R	Service	\$ 342.00
APPLIED CONCEPTS	Equipment	\$ 2,150.00
ARLINGTON PUBLIC LIBRARY	Donation	\$ 1,200.00
BART MOORE SUBCONTRACTING INC	Concrete	\$ 36,600.00
BISHOP BUSINESS	Service	\$ 95.45
BLAIR ACE HARDWARE	Supplies	\$ 91.93
BOB BARKER CO INC	Supplies	\$ 184.92
CAMPBELL AMAN FUNERAL HOME	Service	\$ 300.00
CAREY JESSE	Uniform Allowance	\$ 361.81
CASEYS BUSINESS-SHERRIFF	Fuel	\$ 1,370.34
CERRIS SYSTEMS	Maintenance	\$ 2,872.50
CITY OF BLAIR	Service	\$ 1,726.44
CLARK PEST & TERMITE CONTROL	Service	\$ 205.00
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT FILING FEES	Fees	\$ 110.00
COMFORT INN - KEARNEY	Lodging	\$ 572.19
COUNTRY TIRE SERVICE CENTER BLAIR	Maintenance	\$ 86.44
COX BUSINESS	Service	\$ 3,765.87
CROWNE PLAZA KEARNEY	Lodging	\$ 247.90
CUBBYS CORPORATE OFFICE	Fuel	\$ 5,463.20
DAS STATE INTERAGENCE #6506	Fees	\$ 1,536.00

DEIN JACK	Uniform Allowance	\$	57.76
DICK'S ELECTRIC CO INC	Repairs	\$	1,312.52
EAGLETON MEGAN	Mileage	\$	35.10
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	Supplies/Service	\$	1,306.52
ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE INC	Election	\$	2,130.43
ENTERPRISE MEDIA GROUP	Media	\$	1,460.16
FAIRWAY OIL COMPANY	Fuel	\$	132.75
FAMILY DENTAL CENTER OF BLAIR	Dental	\$	410.00
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - ANDERSON CODY	Fuel/Maintenance	\$	243.11
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - BECKMAN	Fuel/Repairs/Supplies	\$	550.58
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - BOLTON	Fuel/Supplies/Indeed	\$	2,479.25
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - CORNS	Fuel/Supplies	\$	1,033.53
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - GROVE	Lodging	\$	234.00
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - GROVES III	Supplies/Postage	\$	686.65
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - JUDKNS ALEX	Supplies	\$	133.00
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - JUDKNS ASHLEY	Fuel	\$	122.04
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - KEAS	Supplies	\$	794.00
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - LUNDGREN	Fuel	\$	224.52
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - MAINTENANCE	Supplies	\$	462.21
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - MIKE ROBINSON	Meals/Maint/Supplies	\$	507.99
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - MITCH ROBINSN	Equipment	\$	2,151.64
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - SHANE THALLAS	Uniform Allow/maint	\$	270.50
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - VACHA	Uniform Allow/supplies	\$	420.43
FIRST NATIONAL BANK- WELLS	Meals	\$	11.33
FIRST WIRELESS, INC	Equipment	\$	403.57
FLYNN, CARRIE	Reimb/Office supply	\$	22.98
GLOBAL EQUIPMENT COMPANY	Supplies	\$	98.51
GREAT PLAINS UNIFORMS LLC	Uniform Allowance	\$	1,112.44
HD AUTO CREATIONS	Deductible	\$	1,000.00
HILLYARD	Supplies	\$	1,925.48
HIRCHERT-OLSEN AUTO SERVICE INC.	Maintenance	\$	292.42
HOMETOWN LEASING	Service	\$	135.17
IDEAL PURE WATER	Service	\$	202.90
JENSEN LAWN SOLUTIONS, INC.	Service	\$	2,143.00
JENSEN TIRE & AUTO	Maintenance	\$	696.00
JOHNSON & PEKNY, LLC	Fees	\$	1,527.37
JOHNSON SUSAN	Mileage	\$	95.67
KEATTS CADDON	Uniform Allowance	\$	515.15
LIL JONESY'S LINES	Service	\$	635.00
LOGOS PLUS	Uniform	\$	89.88
LUXA JORDAN	Mileage/Fuel	\$	118.40
MANSON JOHN	Mileage	\$	1,072.67
MCGINN KELSIE	Mileage	\$	24.19
MEMORIAL COMMUNITY HOSPITAL	Medical	\$	1,877.70
MILLER, ROBIN	Election Help	\$	2,763.00
MULTI-CO INFO PROGR SERV	Service	\$	4,661.40
MURTAUGH ANGEL	Fuel/Meals	\$	82.75
MY CENTRAL SUPPLY	Supplies	\$	499.90
NACO	Yearly Dues	\$	3,252.06
NEBRASKA ASSN OF COUNTY TREASURERS	Supply	\$	360.00

NEBRASKA LAW ENFORCEMENT TRNG CNTR	Lodging	\$	75.00
NEBRASKA SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION	Dues	\$	580.00
O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC	Supplies	\$	95.96
ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, LLC	Supplies	\$	149.59
OFFICE DEPOT - DALLAS, TX	Supplies	\$	151.96
OFFICE WAREHOUSE	Supplies	\$	263.41
OLSEN, RENEE	Mileage	\$	203.68
OMAHA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	Service	\$	8,511.83
ONE OFFICE SOLUTIONS	Supplies	\$	25.07
PAULSEN,SUSAN	Mileage/Meals	\$	290.78
PHILLIPS 66 - CONOCO - 76	Fuel	\$	3,220.66
POSTMASTER, BLAIR	Box Fees	\$	188.00
POULSEN,CALVIN	Service	\$	2,915.00
POUNDS PRINTING INC	Supplies	\$	620.00
QUILL CORPORATION	Supplies	\$	328.98
REDFIELD & COMPANY INC	Supplies	\$	465.33
RICE SYDNEY	Mileage	\$	115.28
RVR BANK	Patrol Unit Payments	\$	5,870.61
SAVILLE, DEBBIE	Supplies	\$	38.59
SID DILLON CHEV-OLDS-PONT, INC	Repairs/Maint	\$	3,974.26
SMITH, ANNIE	Mileage	\$	32.16
SMITTY'S AUTO SERVICE INC	Maint/Repairs	\$	217.72
STERICYCLE, INC.	Medical	\$	155.16
STEWART, JOY	Mileage	\$	1.34
SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE, LLC	Service	\$	27,460.87
TNT CLEANING SERVICE	Service	\$	7,865.00
TOTAL FIRE & SECURITY, INC.	Repairs/Maint	\$	1,441.20
TRIPP, ADAM R LAW OFFICE	Service	\$	674.50
TURNKEY TECHNOLOGY, LLC	Service	\$	9,407.84
US BANK EQUIPMENT FINANCE	Service	\$	261.25
VELOCITY SYSTEMS	Supply	\$	776.00
VERIZON WIRELESS CO PLANNING	Service	\$	42.94
VERIZON WIRELESS ROADS	Service	\$	63.00
VERIZON WIRELESS - CORONER	Service	\$	53.71
WAKEFIELD TOWING & RECOVERY	Service	\$	835.00
WALKERS UNIFORM RENTAL	Service	\$	32.36
WASHINGTON COUNTY COURT	Fees	\$	369.00
WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF	Reimb/Supplies	\$	284.49
WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF COST FEE	Cost of Fees	\$	96.50
WOODHOUSE FORD INC	Maint/Repairs	\$	279.74
ZELLE HUMAN RESOURCE SOLUTIONS	Service	\$	6,500.00
ROADS FUND			
EMPLOYEES	Payroll 10/252024	\$	59,784.00
AMERITAS	Retirement	\$	4,035.45
PRINCIPLE	Life-Dental-Vision	\$	322.50
WASHINGTON COUNTY -INSURANCE FUND	Health Insurance	\$	12,415.40
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	\$	4,371.54
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	H.S.A	\$	2,062.50
EMPLOYEES	Payroll 11/8/2024	\$	60,761.36
AMERITAS	Retirement	\$	4,101.43

PRINCIPLE	Life-Dental-Vision	\$	323.26
WASHINGTON COUNTY -INSURANCE FUND	Health Insurance	\$	14,392.52
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	\$	4,435.81
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	H.S.A	\$	1,968.75
ABE'S TRASH SERVICE INC	Service	\$	110.00
BI-STATE MOTOR PARTS INC	Parts	\$	1,619.35
BLAIR ACE HARDWARE	Supplies	\$	144.54
BOMGAARS	Supplies	\$	567.41
BUDDIES RENTALS	Service	\$	150.00
CINTAS CORPORATION	Supplies	\$	85.18
COUNTRY TIRE SERVICE CENTER BLAIR	Equipment	\$	36.71
CROWNE PLAZA KEARNEY	Lodging	\$	247.90
DMC WEAR PARTS	Equipment	\$	12,726.32
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	Supplies	\$	380.58
FILTER CARE OF NEBRASKA	Supplies	\$	24.70
FROST SOLUTIONS	Subscriptions	\$	12,000.00
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS INC	Service	\$	135.95
HEARTLAND TIRES & TREADS INC	Tires	\$	9,037.44
HOTSY EQUIPMENT COMPANY INC	Maintenance	\$	502.50
KIMBALL MIDWEST	Parts	\$	265.76
LOGAN CONTRACTORS SUPPLY INC	Equipment	\$	550.00
MATHESON TRIGAS DBA LINWELD	Supplies	\$	269.45
MEDICAL ENTERPRISES, INC	Medical	\$	111.25
MENARDS - FREMONT	Supplies	\$	111.67
MENARDS LINCOLN SOUTH	Supplies	\$	219.99
MO VALLEY TIRES, LLC	Tires/Repairs	\$	2,132.52
MURPHY TRACTOR & EQUIP CO, INC.	Rental/Service	\$	11,720.00
NEBRASKA IOWA SUPPLY COMPANY	Fuel	\$	14,984.03
NMC EXCHANGE LLC	Parts/Maintenance	\$	8,926.23
NOREGON SYSTEMS, LLC	Service	\$	2,199.00
NORTHERN TRUCK EQUIPMENT CORP	Maintenance	\$	4,020.00
OMAHA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	Service	\$	703.26
POWERPLAN	Parts	\$	2,571.85
RDO TRUCK CENTER CO	Parts	\$	1,217.74
SAFETY-KLEEN	Service	\$	644.29
SAPP BROS, INC	Fuel	\$	3,790.22
SE SMITH & SONS	Maintenance	\$	20.78
VERIZON WIRELESS ROADS	Service	\$	692.12
WALKERS UNIFORM RENTAL	Service	\$	703.73
WOODHOUSE FORD INC	Parts	\$	4.22
EMERGENCY FLOOD RELIEF			
BLUFF AGGREGATE LLC	Gravel/Rock	\$	4,218.64
BOWSER TRANSFER LLC	Gravel/Rock	\$	1,074.15
BRAKKAN TRUCKING INC	Gravel/Rock	\$	5,251.95
MARTIN MARIETTA MATERIALS	Gravel/Rock	\$	27,157.16
STALP GRAVEL COMPANY	Gravel/Rock	\$	1,517.05
REGISTER OF DEEDS			
ABRAHAM BRIDGET	Reimb Office Supply	\$	33.99
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	Service	\$	95.63
MULTI-CO INFO PROGR SERV	Service	\$	543.64

DRUG COURT

VISA	Clean Up Project	\$	50.47
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JUVENILE SERVICES

EMPLOYEES	Payroll 10/25/2024	\$	2,310.00
AMERITAS	Retirement	\$	155.93
PRINCIPLE	Life-Dental-Vision	\$	14.59
WASHINGTON COUNTY -INSURANCE FUND	Health Insurance	\$	509.97
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	\$	176.54
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	H.S.A	\$	93.75
EMPLOYEES	Payroll 11/8/2024	\$	2,310.00
AMERITAS	Retirement	\$	155.93
PRINCIPLE	Life-Dental-Vision	\$	14.59
WASHINGTON COUNTY -INSURANCE FUND	Health Insurance	\$	509.97
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	\$	175.86
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	H.S.A	\$	93.75
VERIZON JUVENILE SERVICES	Service	\$	42.94

COVID AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN

SPEECE LEWIS ENGINEERS, INC	Service	\$	99,683.13
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E-911 SYSTEM FUND

B'S ENTERPRISE INC	Service	\$	630.00
MOTOROLA	Service	\$	6,401.77

Attest: Barbara Sullivan
Washington County Clerk

Steve Dethlefs, Chairman
Washington County Board of Supervisors

I, Barbara Sullivan, County Clerk, in and for Washington County, Blair, Nebraska, do hereby certify that the foregoing proceedings took place during the November 12, 2024 Washington County Board of Supervisors.

Barbara Sullivan, Washington County Clerk
