

August 11, 2009 Minutes
Washington County Board of Supervisors
Supervisor's Room Courthouse
Blair, Nebraska 68008

The Washington County Board of Supervisors of Washington County, Nebraska, met in regular session at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, August 11, 2009 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 acknowledgment 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 to the members. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Chairman, Duane Wilcox declared the meeting was in session and that the meeting is being recorded. Chairman made note that the Open Meetings Law is posted on the door and the north wall. Present: Chairman, Duane Wilcox, County Board Members, Linda Thomsen, Kent Clausen, Jeff Quist, Mary Alice Johnson, Ernest Abariotes and Ronald Hinline. Also present, County Clerk Merry Truhlsen.

It was moved by Quist and seconded by Hinline that the rules be suspended and that the minutes of the July 28th meeting be approved but not read at this meeting for the reason that all Board Members were furnished a copy of said minutes prior to the meeting. Vote- Aye: Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Wilcox, Johnson, Abariotes and Hinline. Nays: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Quist and seconded by Clausen that the regular Monthly Fee Reports of the following Officials be received and placed on file: Co Clerk \$12,121.75, Reg of Deeds \$19,562.50, Co Court \$21,212.64, Co Plan Dept- June \$4,100 /July \$11,131.00, Clk Dist Crt \$1,533.75, Sheriff \$3,188.92, Road Dept \$557.21 and Weed Dept \$50.00. Vote- Aye: Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Wilcox, Johnson, Abariotes and Hinline. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The following correspondence had been received: Information on Region 5/6 Emergency Management class Aug 18 at Dana, Jail Standards Board will conduct annual inspection and sign up sheet for NE Nebr Assoc of Co Officials Fall Workshop Sept 18. It was moved by Thomsen and seconded by Abariotes that the correspondence be received and placed on file. Vote- Aye: Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Wilcox, Johnson, Abariotes and Hinline. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Road Supt Parsons was attending school and was not at the Board meeting. Hinline had requested Parsons look into raising the speed limit on CR 41. Parsons had a traffic study done. Clerk read the traffic study. Chairman took public comments: Donna Pechnik, Denise Nay, Taraisa Groves, Sue Barger and Jeff Santee were present to request the Board keep the speed limit at 35 mph and spoke of the dangers of speed on the narrow road with the closeness of houses to road, presence of people walking and children playing and a blind intersection. Motion Abariotes second Thomsen to receive traffic study and place on file. Vote- Aye: Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Wilcox, Johnson, Abariotes and Hinline. Nays: None. Motion carried. Clerk read speed limit resolution. Motion Hinline second Abariotes to not adopt Resolution changing the speed limit and leave speed limit at 35 mph. Vote- Aye: Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Wilcox, Johnson, Abariotes and Hinline. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Road Supt Parsons had discussed the need to make concrete repairs on the Marshall Nursery Road and the Herman-Scribner Road and wanted the Board's authorization to advertise for such. Motion Thomsen second Clausen to authorize Road Supt to advertise for concrete repairs. Vote- Aye: Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Wilcox, Johnson, Abariotes and Hinline. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Abariotes discussed the Memorandum of Support for the I-80 Corridor. Chairman had Dep Co Atty Talbot on speaker phone. Talbot recommended not signing at this time as the Board didn't have enough information on the Memorandum. Motion Hineline second Quist to table action for MOS. Vote- Aye: Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Wilcox, Johnson, Abariotes and Hineline. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Sheriff's Department, Ben Scherer, Tom Lamb and Phil Brazelton were present to have Board sign award documents for a Homeland Security Grant. This grant application has been a long process. Dave Points, retired Omaha Police Lieutenant, did the writing of the grant. Washington County has been awarded, through the Buffer Zone Protection Plan, a grant which will cover the purchase price and the equipping of a mobile command post. Lamb gave Board the preliminary drawings from MBF Industries. The government recognized Washington County as needing a response unit due to the nuclear power plant. Board discussed the mobile unit the Sheriff's Office has at this time. Lamb said what they have now is a 1984 donated ambulance from the Ft Calhoun Fire Dept with a radio. Johnson discussed maintenance fees on the new unit and Chairman asked if there were additional fees the County would have to pay. Scherer stated costs will be covered by the grant. Lamb stated there is a funds disbursement workshop in Lincoln Aug 18 that Clerk, Chairman, Sheriff and Project Manager will attend. Motion Clausen second Quist to approve application for Homeland Security Grant and authorize Chairman and Clerk to sign after the Co Atty's Office reviews it. Vote- Aye: Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Wilcox, Johnson and Abariotes. Nay: Hineline. Motion carried.

Marjorie Hoier, Co Treasurer had received the list of 2008-2009 Distress Warrant List from the Sheriff's Office showing collections and reason for non-collections and submitted this to the Board. Motion Hineline second Clausen to receive and place on file. Vote- Aye: Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Wilcox, Johnson, Abariotes and Hineline. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 11:30 the Board convened as Board of Equalization, see separate minutes. Board adjourned from BOE at 11:34 and reconvened in regular session.

Gary Pavel, CPA who prepares the County's budget, was present to discuss the Resolution for the 1% increase to the County Budget Limit. Clerk read the Resolution. Pavel stated when you think of the County Budget, you usually think of the various funds and their revenues (receipts), expenditures and cash reserves. Another part of the budget is the lid computation pages, and this is what the 1% increase pertains to. The lid is based on what is called restricted funds. These restricted funds are made up of property tax, motor vehicle tax, insurance premium tax, highway allocation and incentive payments, motor vehicle fees, state prisoner reimbursements, state aid etc, it's basically calculated on your state payments and property tax. This makes up the restricted funds. Now each year in the lid there are calculations used in which you can back out of your restricted funds any property tax that's used for capital improvements, bonded indebtedness payments and various other minor items. When you take the total of the restricted funds and subtract allowable items, you come up with the total of the restricted funds. Then you take last year's restricted funds and adjust what was projected as capitol improvements and what was actually spent and subtract out the capital improvements for the current year. Also you are allowed to add into that, your unused restricted funds authority (this amount is shown on the budget summary published in the paper). There is an automatic 2½% increase on your calculations of your restricted funds for the lid purposes, but you are also allowed an additional 1% increase and that is what the resolution is pertaining to. You compare this year's restricted funds amount to last years, and as long as you are under the amount used the previous year, you are OK. One of the reasons the State allows an extra 1% is because there are years the highway allocation money or state aid either jumps up or drops and this will help to offset fluctuations which the County Board has no control over. Pavel stated this is a confusing and complicated process. Johnson stated she wanted something in writing on what the purpose of this 1% is. Pavel read a paragraph from the budget instructions but it just stated an additional 1% increase is allowable by resolution as long as 75% of Board approves this. Pavel further stated as you go through the revenues and expenditures deciding what to cut etc, and you come down to your final property tax figure needed to support the budget, that 1% is not going to increase or decrease that amount, this is used in the following year's lid computation form. Johnson and Hineline discussed this. Motion Clausen second Quist to adopt the 1% Budget Limit Resolution.

Vote- Aye: Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Wilcox and Abariotes. Nay: Johnson and Hinline. Motion did not pass. Pam Daly and Dennis McCormick made a comment.

Public Comments: Pam Daly discussed problems she sees with the enforcement of the signage zoning laws, accused Doug Cook of working for the developers and submitted a hand out for the record. Cook stated the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on signage in subdivisions at their Sept meeting and make a recommendation to the Board. Cook objected to Daly's accusations. Chairman asked Daly if this would be considered a personnel matter, Daly affirmed it was, Chairman stated this needed to be discussed in an executive session and told Clerk to schedule an Executive Session on Aug 25th. Dennis McCormick and Melanie Petersen also commented on signs.

Claims were received and reviewed, following which it was moved by Abariotes and seconded by Clausen that the following claims be allowed and Clerk ordered to issue warrants on the various funds for the same. Vote- Aye: Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Wilcox, Johnson, Abariotes and Hinline. Nays: None. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND

EMPLOYEES	Payroll	134,234.63
AMERITAS LIFE INS CORP	Retirement	9,331.29
FORT DEARBORN LIFE INS	Ins	28.82
FORT DEARBORN LIFE INS	Ins	236.86
UNITED HEALTHCARE INS	Ins	34,565.77
WASHINGTON CO BANK	FICA	9,460.56
WASHINGTON CO BANK	Ins	5,930.50
A & D TECHNICAL SUPPLY CO INC	Supplies	1,321.40
AAMCO TRANSMISSIONS	Serv	1,500.00
ABE'S TRASH SERVICE INC	Serv	158.97
ADVANTAGE LAWN CARE	Serv	220.00
ALLTEL	Serv	47.01
PAM ASHLEY	Reimb Mileage	61.05
ATS "THE BEEPER PEOPLE"	Serv	242.83
BEST CARE EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROG	Serv	2,632.50
BISHOP BUSINESS EQ CO	Serv	740.00
BLAIR BOOK & SUPPLY CO	Supplies	255.17
BLAIR PRESCHOOL	Equip	50.00
BLAIR TELEPHONE CO	Serv	1,701.88
ROBERT E BOWEN, M.D., P.C.	Serv	900.00
BOYDSTON LAW OFFICE LLC	Crt Appt Attny	1,428.00
BURT COUNTY SHERIFFS OFFICE	Serv	19.50
CAMPBELL AMAN FUNERAL HOME	Serv	600.00
CITY OF BLAIR	Water	620.53
CITY OF FORT CALHOUN	Lease	50.00
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT	Filing Fees	197.00
CLYDE'S REPAIR	Serv	76.00
COMANCHE COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT	Serv	50.00
CONSTELLATION ENERGY	Serv	311.34
CONTROL SERVICES INC	Serv	395.00
COUNSEL OFFICE & DOCUMENT	Serv	127.39
COUNTRY ESTATES TRAILER COURT	80% Franchise Fee	997.56
COUNTY ASSESSORS' ASSOCIATION OF NE	Dues	100.00
CREIGHTON MEDICAL LABORATORIES	Serv	287.00
DES MOINES STAMP MFG CO INC	Supplies	68.12
DODGE COUNTY SHERIFF	Serv	7.16
DOUGLAS COUNTY COURT	Serv	9.25
DOUGLAS COUNTY HEALTH CENTER	Serv	500.00
DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF	Serv	36.58

ENTERPRISE PUBLISHING CO INC	Notice & Minutes	972.55
FAIRWAY OIL COMPANY	Fuel	245.83
FIREGUARD INC	Serv	159.85
FIRST NATIONAL BANK VISA	Serv	63.00
FIRST NATIONAL BANK VISA	Program	79.00
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA	Filing Fees	10.50
FORNOFF & SCHUTT PC	Crt Appt Attny	1,548.00
FREMONT LOCK & KEY LLC	Serv	737.13
GALLS INCORPORATED	Equip	974.90
SHURIE GRAEVE	Reimb Supplies	35.95
HALL LAW OFFICES, PC LLO	Crt Appt Attny	258.00
JACK'S UNIFORMS & EQUIPMENT	Supplies	38.94
LAW OFFICE OF BRENDAN M KELLY, P.C.	Crt Appt Attny	604.20
STEPHEN J KRAVIEC PC LLO	Child Sup Enf	1,446.26
LAKE ARROWHEAD INC	80% Franchise Fee	1,583.14
STEVE LANDON	Reimb Mileage	405.35
LEMLEY TRAILER COURT	80% Franchise Fee	119.89
GAYLE E MAINE	Reimb Mileage	144.10
MCGOUGH LAW P.C., L.L.O.	Crt Appt Attny	1,386.00
STEVEN MENCKE	Reimb Mileage	111.96
MIPS INC	Program	1,001.08
NACO	Workshop	180.00
NEBRASKA FURNITURE MART	Judges Chair	670.49
OFFICE DEPOT CREDIT PLAN	Supplies	54.69
OFFICE EQUIPMENT FINANCE SERVICES	Lease	183.46
OFFICE NET	Supplies	1,059.54
OFFICE WAREHOUSE	Supplies	237.60
OMAHA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	Serv	6,606.26
OMAHA WORLD HERALD	Yr Subscript	143.00
ORTMEIER'S TV & APPLIANCE INC	Equip	67.96
PAMIDA INC	Supplies	16.99
PERSONALIZED COMPUTER SERVICES	Serv	2,845.80
PLUMBING WORKS INC	Serv	717.50
CALVIN POULSEN	Serv	1,428.00
QUILL CORPORATION	Supplies	70.64
REYZLIK ACE HARDWARE	Supplies	196.55
KRIS ROBINSON	Reimb Mileage	818.40
SE SMITH & SONS	Supplies	29.67
SEC OF STATE JOHN A GALE	Election	10.00
SHELL FLEET PLUS	Fuel	5,001.04
SID DILLON CHEV-OLDS-PONT, INC	Serv	266.13
SIDNER, SVOBODA,SCHILKE,THOMSEN	Crt Appt Attny	444.00
SMITTY'S AUTO SERVICE INC	Serv	1,450.54
STATE OF NEBR, AS CENTRAL FINANCE	Program	1,280.01
SUDS PREMIER CAR WASH	Serv	120.80
THE CLEANER CO	Supplies	880.72
ANN THERKELSEN	Reimb Meal	8.69
STEVE TONN	Reimb Mileage	11.00
ULTRA CAR WASH	Serv	200.00
ULTRAMAX	Supplies	464.00
US CELLULAR	Serv	80.00
PAUL J VAUGHAN	Crt Appt Attny	1,002.00
VERIZON WIRELESS	Serv	228.15
VICTORY MARINE LLC	Deductable	250.00
VILLAGE OF ARLINGTON	Lease	69.50
WASHINGTON COUNTY COURT	Serv	6.50

WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF	Cost on Fees	115.22
WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF	Reimb Petty Cash	123.04
WOODHOUSE FORD INC	Serv	454.22
ROAD FUND		
EMPLOYEES	Payroll	36,207.54
AMERITAS LIFE INS CORP	Retirement	2,353.54
FORT DEARBORN LIFE INS	Ins	26.89
FORT DEARBORN LIFE INS	Ins	56.29
UNITED HEALTHCARE INS	Ins	7,948.57
WASHINGTON CO BANK	FICA	2,740.81
WASHINGTON CO BANK	Ins	1,567.50
ABE'S TRASH SERVICE INC	Serv	55.00
ALLTEL	Serv	130.78
ANDY'S MOW TOWN INC	Serv	123.97
B'S ENTERPRISE INC	Culverts	2,467.68
BI-STATE MOTOR PARTS INC	Parts	239.48
BLAIR BOOK & SUPPLY CO	Supplies	167.46
BLAIR TELEPHONE CO	Serv	67.95
CMA TRUCKING	Equip	811.83
COUNTRY TIRE SERVICE CENTER	Tires	132.67
DEEP ROCK WATER COMPANY	Water	56.70
E & A CONSULTING GROUP, INC	Serv	2,716.50
FASTENAL COMPANY	Supplies	9.93
HAGERBAUMER BROS INC	Equip	4,459.54
HOTSY EQUIPMENT COMPANY INC	Parts	279.07
KENNARD TRUCKING	Equip Rental	938.94
RONALD KERSTETTER	Equip Rental	4,058.14
MAX I WALKER	Serv	159.06
MIDWEST STRIPING INC	Serv	2,898.00
MO VALLEY IMPLEMENT INC	Parts	104.45
NEBRASKA IOWA SUPPLY COMPANY	Fuel	4,072.95
NORFOLK CONTRACTING INC	Bridge Repair	95,801.40
OMAHA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	Serv	403.08
PAMIDA INC	Supplies	25.98
POUNDS PRINTING INC	Supplies	12.00
POWERPLAN	Parts	644.25
REYZLIK ACE HARDWARE	Supplies	52.87
SAPP BROS PETROLEUM, INC	Fuel	2,142.30
STALP GRAVEL COMPANY	Gravel	10,192.63
WASHCO FEED & SUPPLY	Supplies	65.00
COUNTY BUILDING FUND 4050		
CARNES PAINT & DECORATING	Paint	225.70
BOB GLODEN	Serv	935.00
MEL L JOHNSON CONSTRUCTION	Serv	5,000.00
ROGERS AUTOMATED ENTRANCES INC	Automated Door	1,750.00
WEED FUND		
EMPLOYEES	Payroll	1,552.00
AMERITAS LIFE INS CORP	Retirement	104.76
FORT DEARBORN LIFE INS	Ins	1.97
FORT DEARBORN LIFE INS	Ins	2.60
UNITED HEALTHCARE INS	Ins	33.22
WASHINGTON CO BANK	FICA	118.58
BLAIR BOOK & SUPPLY CO	Supplies	3.99
COUNTRY TIRE SERVICE CENTER	Tires	333.56
MAX I WALKER	Serv	34.00
JOHN L MURPHY	Mowing	260.00

E 911 FUND

AEROFLEX WICHITA INC	Serv	2,400.00
BLAIR TELEPHONE CO	Serv	832.71
CARMICHAEL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	Serv	4,671.00
PERSONALIZED COMPUTER SERVICES	Serv	4,780.00
Q WEST	Serv	751.13

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, it was moved by Quist and seconded by Clausen that the meeting be adjourned until the next regular Board meeting date, Aug 25, 2009. Vote- Aye: Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Wilcox, Johnson, Abariotes and Hinline. Nays: None. Chairman declared meeting adjourned.

Attest:
Merry M Truhlsen
Washington County Clerk

Duane Wilcox, Chairman
Washington County Board of Supervisors

I, Merry M Truhlsen, County Clerk, in and for Washington County, Blair, Nebraska, do hereby certify that the foregoing proceedings took place during the Aug 11th meeting of the Washington County Board of Supervisors

Merry M Truhlsen
Washington County Clerk