

**June 8, 2010 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, June 8, 2010 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 Hinehline. Also present, County Clerk Merry Truhlsen.

Wilcox stated a correction needed to be made in the May 25 minutes on Resolution 2010-22. It was moved by Hinehline and seconded by Abariotes that the rules be suspended and that the minutes of the May 25, 2010 meeting be approved with a correction made to Resolution 2010-22, 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: Wilcox, Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Johnson, Abariotes and Hinehline. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Hinehline and seconded by Quist that the regular Monthly Fee Reports of the following Officials be received and placed on file: Co Clerk \$383.50, Reg of Deeds \$26,746.00, Co Court \$18,369.81, Co Plan Dept \$6,515.00, Clk Dist Crt \$1,793.35, Sheriff \$3,342.24, and Road Dept \$16,343.11. Vote- Aye: Wilcox, Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Johnson, Abariotes and Hinehline. Nay: None. Motion carried.

No correspondence had been received.

Doug Cook asked the Board to appoint 3 members to the Planning and Zoning subcommittee of six. Chairman Wilcox appointed Linda Thomsen, Jeff Quist and Kent Clausen.

Cheryl Parsons, Road Superintendent, advertised the sale of a used 1991 Chevy Corsica car. Clerk received 8 bids. Bids ranged in price from \$358 to \$1005. Motion by Clausen and second by Quist to accept the bid from Troy Mencke for \$1,005.91. Vote- Aye: Wilcox, Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Johnson, Abariotes and Hinehline. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Julie Ogden, JEO Consulting Services, handed out information on the intersection redesign of County Road 39 & CR28. At the last Road Committee meeting, Ogden said initially when they talked about this intersection they estimated about 8' of fill, but when they started laying in the vertical alignment they found in order to increase the speed limit to 35 or 45 mph, the amount of fill needed increased to 20' to 25', which would significantly increase the cost and is significantly different than what was initially discussed. Another option the Board could look at would be placing a higher culvert in, down stream, which would bring the flow line up and allow the ditch to partially silt in. This would make the ditch more shallow by the road, which the whole point of the redesign was safety, due to the sharp drop off by the road. Motion by Hinehline second by Abariotes to refer this project back to the Road Committee. Vote- Aye: Wilcox, Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Johnson, Abariotes and Hinehline. Nay: None. Motion carried. JEO promised the County money back if they got the survey done before the leaves popped out, which they did. Ogden asked the Board to amend the agreement for the study and preliminary design of CR 39 & 28 Project #C89(515) in order to give the county a refund. Motion by Abariotes and second by Hinehline to amend agreement reducing the engineering fees in the amount

of \$2,620.00. Vote- Aye: Wilcox, Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Johnson, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Proposals were received for a new trench drain system for the county road department building. Two bids were received: Henton Trenching \$35,605.00 and Tom's Well Service \$44,100.00. Parsons and Bob Smith discussed items included in this bid: 12' heavy duty grates, build a sand/oil separator outside the building, construct a catch basin and replace 10'x100' floor drains. The present drain is failing and the floor is caving in. Hinline made a motion to award bid to Henton Trenching. Motion died for lack of a second. Motion by Quist and second by Thomsen to refer this bid to the Road Committee. Vote- Aye: Wilcox, Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Johnson, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Clerk had received 5 proposals for the bridge replacement project C89-02605 (240) on County Road 26, north of Arlington. Darren Brown, with Schemmer, read the following bids: Commercial Construction \$259,518.69; JMN Construction \$355,184.10; Dixon Construction \$245,123.90; Hawkins Construction \$242,59.16; MCC \$293,655.10. Jim Gregory from Hawkins Construction stated their starting date would depend on when the inverted T beams were available. Motion by Thomsen and second by Clausen to award bid to Hawkins Construction, in the amount of \$242,590.16, for bridge replacement project C89-02605 (240), contingent on verification of figures by Brown. Vote- Aye: Wilcox, Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Johnson, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Ogden discussed the engineering study for a stop sign at the intersection of County Road 39 and 28, and stated she feels the stop sign is in the correct place. Parsons said this was discussed at the Road Committee meeting and read a letter from Tim Baxter, Road Safety & Loss Prevention Specialist with NIRMA. In the letter Baxter commented the stop sign was installed through the appropriate process of an engineer study and Board resolution. If this sign were to be removed and an accident occurs the County could be liable because the engineering study said the stop sign was installed as per the study. Chairman stated he had talked to the County Attorney's office and they agreed if the engineers' recommended stop sign is removed, the county would be liable. William Burdess stated he thinks the stop sign creates a traffic hazard and makes the intersection more dangerous. Motion by Clausen and second by Quist to leave the stop sign as is and review in one year. Vote- Aye: Wilcox, Clausen, Quist, Johnson, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: Thomsen. Motion carried.

Ogden had discussed a drainage study for both the Thone and McBride bridges, in the northern part of the County, with the Road Committee. These bridges are on the list to be replaced. The study would be done to verify that the bridges could be replaced by box culverts and give the Board an idea of what these projects would cost. The cost for the study would be \$19,950. If the County waited until December when the crops are out and the leaves are off the trees, Ogden would deduct \$3,900 from the cost. Motion by Quist and second by Clausen to approve a drainage study be done of the Thone and McBride bridges by JEO in December. Vote- Aye: Wilcox, Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Johnson, and Abariotes. Nay: Hinline. Motion carried.

The next agenda item was an agreement with JEO for the Arlington north bridge C89-02403. Ogden stated the agreement was not ready at this time. No action was taken.

Darren Brown came back to the Board and verified the Hawkins Construction figure of \$242,590.16 for bridge replacement project C89-02605 was correct.

Roger Gilliland, Courthouse Maintenance had requested the Board consider purchasing a new carpet cleaning machine. Emily Mahnk, Egan Supply and Mark Phillips, with Advance were present. Board discussed the AquaClean 18 FLX at a price of \$2,841.95 and asked about the price of a multi-surface adapter to clean hard surface floors also. Gilliland said they would get the price of an adapter. Motion by Clausen and second by Quist to table until a price is received for hard surface floor cleaner. Vote- Aye: Wilcox, Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Johnson, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Sheriff Deputy Robert Bellamy brought an addendum to extend the existing agreement between the County of Washington and the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #36, which terminates on June 30<sup>th</sup>. Motion by Quist and second by Clausen to approve the FOP contract extension. Vote- Aye: Wilcox, Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Johnson, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Sheriff Mike Robinson brought a renewal of the Village of Herman's contract with Washington County to provide law enforcement services. Motion by Clausen and second by Thomsen to approve the law enforcement contract with the Village of Herman. Vote- Aye: Wilcox, Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Johnson, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Phillips reported the cost of a hardsurface adapter was \$642. Motion by Quist and second by Clausen to authorize the purchase of a carpet cleaning machine with the hardsurface adapter for a total price of \$3,483.95. Vote- Aye: Wilcox, Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Johnson, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Rebecca Versch, Extension Agent, and Steve Tonn had requested bids for a new van for the Extension Office as their present van is needing repairs. Clerk stated she had not received any bids. This will be placed on the June 22 meeting agenda.

Paula Hazelwood, with Gateway Development discussed a Resolution authorizing Community Development Block Grant Revolving Loan Funds be used for a Process Operations Training Facility at 1844 Washington Street, Blair. Hazelwood stated they have been working on this for six years. The Facility would meet the training needs of the businesses on the Blair Biorefinery Campus, the Ft Calhoun Nuclear Power Station, water/waste water employees and any other business in Washington County that utilizes the process controls skill set. Metropolitan Community College has worked closely with these businesses to develop the curriculum for a Process Operations Technology Degree. The money in the County's CDBG Revolving Loan Fund came from the federal government and has been loaned out to area businesses but is slated to be returned to the State as no new loans have been made in the past two years. Gateway met with the Nebr Dept of Economic Development representatives to work out the details of \$120,000 in the Rev Loan Fund going towards this project. Action on a resolution and a public hearing on this will be June 22, 2010 at 11:00 a.m.

Hazelwood next discussed the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act of 2009 which created a new category of bonds, Recovery Zone Bonds. Hazelwood requested the Chairman appoint a committee to work with her to determine if the County would want to authorize this bonding for a business in the county. Chairman appointed Abariotes, Johnson and Dep Co Atty Talbot, with Quist as an alternate, to the committee.

At 11:53 a.m. the Board convened as Board of Equalization, see separate minutes. Board adjourned from BOE at 12:02 pm and reconvened in regular session. The Board then recessed for lunch.

Senator Scott Lautenbaugh discussed the redistricting of the Nebraska Legislative Districts which happens every 10 years. New district lines will be drawn in 2011 based on the 2010 Census figures. Lautenbaugh and the Board agreed the present districts, which were drawn in 2001, were not beneficial to Washington County as we went from one legislative district to three districts. Lautenbaugh discussed the advantages and disadvantages of 3 representatives as opposed to 1. Jon Stewart stated there may be advantages to having more representatives. Lautenbaugh also discussed the similarities Washington County has to the surrounding Counties and the fact our County isn't big enough to have it's own district. Clerk had prepared a letter requesting the legislature consider putting the county into one legislative district as we were prior to 2001. Motion by Hinline and second by Quist to authorize Chairman to sign a letter to Senators. Vote- Aye: Wilcox, Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Johnson, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Chairman discussed a letter of support to Goldenrod Hills, Home Preservation Grant Review Committee, for the Weatherization Program which allows them to rehabilitate homes for low income families and the elderly.

Motion by Clausen and second by Thomsen to authorize Chairman to sign letter of support for Goldenrod Hills weatherization program. Vote- Aye: Wilcox, Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Johnson, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: None. Motion carried.

MAPA had submitted their annual Revolving Loan Fund Administrative Agreement. Motion by Quist and second by Clausen to authorize Chairman to sign annual agreement. Vote- Aye: Wilcox, Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Johnson, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Jon Stewart spoke about the need for a light at Highway 75 and North 28<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

Claims were received and reviewed, following which it was moved by Quist 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: Wilcox, Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Johnson, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: None. Motion carried.

**GENERAL FUND**

EMPLOYEES	Payroll	135,881.74
AMERITAS LIFE INS CORP	Retirement	9,239.25
FORT DEARBORN LIFE INS	Ins	31.12
FORT DEARBORN LIFE INS	Ins	240.37
UNITED HEALTHCARE INS CO	Ins	37,410.09
WASHINGTON CO BANK	FICA	9,592.89
WASHINGTON CO BANK	Ins	7,221.50
ABE'S TRASH SERVICE INC	Serv	158.97
ADVANCED CORRECTIONAL HEALTHCARE	Supplies	1,995.77
ATS "THE BEEPER PEOPLE"	Serv	242.83
B-GREEN LAWN SERVICE	Serv	589.60
BLAIR BOOK & SUPPLY CO	Supplies	826.17
BLAIR TELEPHONE CO	Serv	1,726.71
CENTEC CAST METAL PRODUCTS	Markers	595.48
LAW OFFICE OF ERIC R CHANDLER	Crt Appt Attny	960.00
CITY OF BLAIR	Library & Canine	125.00
CITY OF FORT CALHOUN	Lease	50.00
CJ'S TREE SERVICE	Serv	700.00
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT	Filing Fees	268.00
CONTROL SERVICES INC	Serv	11.75
COUNSEL OFFICE & DOCUMENT	Coiper	188.07
SARAH DEEMER	Reimb Postage	3.55
DOUGLAS COUNTY COURT	Copies	2.50
ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	Supplies	9,847.74
ELECTRIC FIXTURE & SUPPLY CO	Supplies	62.40
ENTERPRISE PUBLISHING CO INC	Notice & Min	531.71
FAIRWAY OIL COMPANY	Fuel	238.88
FIRST NATIONAL BANK VISA	Transport	92.60
FIRST NATIONAL BANK VISA	Parts	44.70
FIRST NATIONAL BANK VISA	Training Exp	16.02
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - VISA	Training Exp	114.99
FIRST NATIONAL BANK VISA	Training Exp	350.00
FIRST NATIONAL BANK VISA	Equip	176.86
FIRST NATIONAL BANK VISA	Training Exp	76.43
FIRST NATIONAL BANK VISA	Equip	407.64
FIRST NATIONAL BANK VISA	Serv	79.00
GREAT PLAINS CHEMICAL COMPANY SOUTH	Testing	540.00
HALL LAW OFFICES, PC LLO	Crt Appt Attny	732.00
HAMPTON INN KEARNEY	Training Exp	209.85
HARDING & SHULTZ PC LLO	Crt Appt Attny	4,023.74

J.F. AHERN CO	Repair	403.00
JONES' - RAY'S TOWING SERVICE	Towing Exp	225.00
STEPHEN J KRAVIEC PC LLO	Child Support Enf	1,481.95
CAROL KUHR	Reimb Mileage	14.75
LAWRENCE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	Serv	34.62
M SCOTT VANDER SCHAAF	Reimb Mileage	197.00
GAYLE E MAINE	Reimb Mileage	250.14
MARSHALL & SWIFT	Handbook	323.20
MCGOUGH LAW P.C., L.L.O.	Crt Appt Attny	1,806.00
MILLS LAW OFFICE	Crt Appt Attny	810.00
MULTI-COUNTY INFORMATION &	Programs	1,215.08
NEBRASKA ASSOC OF COUNTY OFFICIALS	Dues	2,049.60
NEBRASKA COUNTY ATTORNEY ASSOC	Training Exp	400.00
NEBRASKA CRIME COMMISSION	Supplies	37.50
NEBRASKA LAW ENFORCEMENT TRNG CNTR	Training Exp	362.00
NEBRASKA NOTARY ASSOC	Notary	151.25
NEBRASKA PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRO LAB	Serv	84.00
OFFICE DEPOT CREDIT PLAN	Supplies	123.09
OFFICE DEPOT INC, CHICAGO IL	Supplies	397.70
OFFICE EQUIPMENT FINANCE SERVICES	Copier	179.71
OFFICE NET	Supplies	883.79
OFFICE SYSTEMS COMPANY	Copier	504.00
OFFICE WAREHOUSE	Supplies	520.88
OMAHA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	Serv	4,507.32
PAMIDA INC	Supplies	21.98
PAPIO-MISSOURI RIVER NRD	Co Share	2,000.00
PERSONALIZED COMPUTER SERVICES	Serv	1,469.00
POSTMASTER	Ext Stamps	950.00
CALVIN POULSEN	GIS Serv	2,131.50
POUNDS PRINTING INC	Supplies	235.00
REYZLIK ACE HARDWARE	Supplies	40.30
KRIS ROBINSON	Reimb Mileage	831.50
SE SMITH & SONS	Supplies	36.07
J. JOSEPH SENA, PC LLO	Crt Appt Attny	342.00
SHELL FLEET PLUS	Fuel	6,293.23
SIDNER, SVOBODA,SCHILKE,THOMSEN	Crt Appt Attny	522.00
SMITTY'S AUTO SERVICE INC	Serv	415.63
STATE OF NEBRASKA	Telecom	1,280.01
STATE OF NEBR, DEPT OF CORRECT SERV	Safekeeping	1,148.68
THE CLEANER CO	Supplies	354.34
THOMAS & THOMAS COURT REPORTERS	Serv	116.65
STEVE TONN	Reimb Mileage	91.00
TOWER PLASTICS MFG INC	Supplies	900.00
MERRY TRUHLSEN	Reimb Mileage	244.90
LAW OFFICES OF KELLY HENRY TURNER	Crt Appt Attny	1,362.00
UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE	Postage Elec/clk	2,184.00
UNL EXTENSION IN SAUNDERS COUNTY	Reimb Mileage	27.72
VERIZON WIRELESS	Serv	228.60
VILLAGE OF ARLINGTON	Lease	69.50
WASHINGTON COUNTY COURT	Crt Costs	849.00
WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF	Cost on Fees	558.64
<b>ROAD FUND</b>		
EMPLOYEES	Payroll	36,056.51
AMERITAS LIFE INS CORP	Retirement	2,452.88
FORT DEARBORN LIFE INS	Ins	22.26
FORT DEARBORN LIFE INS	Ins	51.87

UNITED HEALTHCARE INS CO	Ins	8,526.44
WASHINGTON CO BANK	FICA	2,543.03
WASHINGTON CO BANK	Ins	1,840.00
ABE'S TRASH SERVICE INC	Serv	55.00
ALLTEL	Serv	136.01
B'S ENTERPRISE INC	Signs	2,375.00
BI-STATE MOTOR PARTS INC	Parts	322.19
BLAIR BOOK & SUPPLY CO	Supplies	193.83
BLAIR SUPERFOODS	Supplies	34.49
BLAIR TELEPHONE CO	Serv	66.95
CALHOUN OIL COMPANY	Fuel	6,247.27
CJ'S TREE SERVICE	Serv	350.00
CMA TRUCKING	Equip Rental	1,386.27
CORNHUSKER INTERNATIONAL TRUCKS,INC	Parts	459.02
COUNTRY TIRE SERVICE CENTER	Tires	9,393.16
DEEP ROCK WATER COMPANY	Serv	54.61
FASTENAL COMPANY	Supplies	6.32
HAGERBAUMER BROS INC	Equip Rental	1,446.10
HI-LINE ELECTRICAL & MECHANICAL	Supplies	335.01
KELLY RYAN EQUIPMENT COMPANY INC	Parts	38.70
KENNARD TRANSFER	Rental Equip	1,872.41
RONALD KERSTETTER	Rental Equip	963.14
LYMAN-RICHEY SAND & GRAVEL COMPANY	Gravel	33,784.92
MAX I WALKER	Serv	193.00
MIDWEST SERVICE & SALES CO	Culverts	10,398.93
NEBRASKA IOWA SUPPLY COMPANY	Fuel	1,774.02
OMAHA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	Serv	371.21
OMAHA TRUCK CENTER INC	Parts	234.90
POWERPLAN	Parts	41.70
SE SMITH & SONS	Lumber	6.07
STALP GRAVEL COMPANY	Gravel	20,438.16
THE CURE, INC	Supplies	18.99
WASHCO FEED & SUPPLY	Erosion Cntrl	814.93
WASHINGTON COUNTY HEATING & AC INC	Bldg Repair	223.00
<b>HI-WAY SAFETY FUND</b>		
EMPLOYEES	Payroll	11,332.13
AMERITAS LIFE INS CORP	Retirement	836.30
WASHINGTON CO BANK	FICA	866.94
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY COMM PROJ</b>		
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA	Fees	2,250.00
<b>COURTHOUSE ANNEX BOND</b>		
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK WIRE	Interest Pymt	15,551.25
<b>COUNTY BUILDING</b>		
COMMUNICATION SERVICES INC	Phone System	1,937.04
<b>WEED FUND</b>		
EMPLOYEES	Payroll	1,598.40
AMERITAS LIFE INS CORP	Retirement	107.89
FORT DEARBORN LIFE INS	Ins	1.97
FORT DEARBORN LIFE INS	Ins	2.60
UNITED HEALTHCARE INS CO	Ins	35.88
WASHINGTON CO BANK	FICA	121.12
BLAIR SUPERFOODS	Supplies	9.10
FAIRWAY OIL COMPANY	Fuel	404.55
KNUDSEN OIL & FEED	Supplies	1,073.80
MAX I WALKER	Serv	55.00
<b>E 911 FUND</b>		

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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, June 22, 2010. Vote- Aye: Wilcox, Thomsen, Clausen, Quist, Johnson, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: None. Motion carried. 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 June 8, 2010 meeting of the Washington County Board of Supervisors.

Merry M. Truhlsen, Washington County Clerk