

**December 27, 2011 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 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, December 27, 2011 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.

Chairperson, Mary Alice Johnson declared the meeting was in session and that the meeting was being recorded. Chairperson made note that the Open Meetings Law was posted on the door and the north wall. Present: Chairperson, Mary Alice Johnson, County Board Members, Kent Clausen, Jerry Kruse, Jeff Quist, Steven Kruger, Ernest Abariotes and Ron Hine. Also present, County Clerk Merry Truhlsen and Deputy County Attorney Ed Talbot. Chairperson Johnson said there was no Board of Equalization today.

Motion Kruse second Clausen to approve the agenda for December 27, 2011. Vote- Aye: Clausen, Kruse, Quist, Johnson, Kruger, Abariotes and Hine. Nay: None. Motion carried. Minutes from the Dec 13th meeting were corrected (as shown in italics) to delete a sentence and add the Board's vote. Delete: *The Flood Emergency Subcommittee met and recommended not participating in the buyout program.* Board discussed the liability involved in the buyout program. Kruger moved, seconded by Hine to not participate in the County buyout program. Add the vote: *Vote- Aye: Clausen, Kruse, Quist, Johnson, Kruger, Abariotes and Hine. Nay: None. Motion carried.* It was moved by Kruger and seconded by Quist that the rules be suspended and that the minutes of the December 13, 2011 meeting be approved, with aforementioned corrections, 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: Clausen, Kruse, Quist, Johnson, Kruger, Abariotes and Hine. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The following correspondence had been received: Dept. of Rev. Lodging Tax remitted for Oct \$1,638.40, a letter from Darrell Logeman regarding negotiations with the FOP, the County received a recommitment dividend from NIRMA in the amount of \$1,344, and two departments received funds from the NIRMA ASSIST program. Road Dept will receive up to \$793.68 to help purchase a rolling ladder, welding helmet, first aid kits, face shields, bench grinder and safety glasses. The Extension Office will receive up to \$500 toward purchasing an AED and related equipment. Motion Abariotes and second Clausen to receive correspondence and place on file. Vote- Aye: Clausen, Kruse, Quist, Johnson, Kruger, Abariotes and Hine. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Jesse Gonzalez, Building Maintenance Superintendent, gave an update on the problem of water leaking into the offices. After inspecting the area, it was determined the metal flashing on two peaks of the Courthouse is separating and the water is coming in there. McKinnis Roofing said they could fix the flashing for \$800 per peak. Gonzalez told the Board after this is fixed, there are four areas that will need the tuckpointing repaired. Gonzalez also said he had DryHero – Disaster Restoration Systems Inc, come test for mold in the offices affected by water damage and that no mold was detected.

Cheryl Parsons, Road Superintendent, went over the traffic sign retroreflectivity policy given to Board members. NIRMA drafted this policy, assisted by County Road Supts, to help counties be in compliance with the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) federal guidelines for signs. Parsons stated they are meeting the requirements in the program which call for keeping a sign inventory, performing yearly inspections of signs, conducting retroreflectivity inspections and regularly maintaining signs. Board discussed the policy and asked that the Dep Co Atty read through this final copy. Motion Kruse second Clausen to adopt the Traffic Sign Retroreflectivity Maintenance Program – Calendar Year 2012, pending the Dep Co Atty's approval. Vote- Aye: Clausen, Kruse, Quist, Johnson, Kruger, Abariotes and Hine. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Parsons gave a flood update and said they are through with the flood repairs for now, but still have repairs to the armor coat and asphalt, which will be done at a later date. In other road matters, Parsons said she was meeting JEO this afternoon to check the completion of the bridge on CR 20. Board discussed various road projects.

John Christensen told the Board he owns a house that received flood damage east of Ft Calhoun and would like to get a building permit to repair the house. Chairperson had Barb Brazelton, from the Planning and Zoning Dept come to the meeting. Christensen handed the Board a copy of the Substantial Damage Estimator report he received from the County. Christensen

disputed the findings on the SDE which said the structure was 87.2% damaged. Christensen got an estimate for \$13,860, from N&H Builders, to make repairs to the home, which would be less than 50% damage. Talbot asked Brazelton if she knew specifics about the appeal process with FEMA. Brazelton said FEMA would come and reevaluate the SDE that Doug Cook and Don Boswell did. Clausen stated he did not want to see the land being bought by a government entity and taken off the tax rolls. Brazelton said this property is in the floodway on the current FEMA maps and as previously discussed, property in the floodway is not eligible for a building permit. Board discussed issuing conditional building permits to people who may be affected by the Jan 6th date. Robbin Jeffrey spoke.

Clerk read Resolution 2011-52 which would adopt the new FEMA flood maps. Karen Jensen and John Christensen spoke. Board generally agreed they do not like the new flood maps but as Hinehine pointed out failing to adopt this would have far reaching consequences. Hinehine moved, seconded by Abariotes to adopt Resolution 2011-52. Vote- Aye: Quist, Johnson, Kruger, Abariotes and Hinehine. Nay: Clausen and Kruse. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION # 2011 - 52

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY (FIS) AND FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAPS (FIRM) AS PREPARED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY'S FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) EFFECTIVE JANUARY 6, 2012.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Regional Office has prepared a new Flood Insurance Study (FIS) and Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) for Washington County Nebraska effective January 6, 2012,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE WASHINGTON COUNTY, NEBRASKA BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

That Washington County, Nebraska hereby adopts the Flood Insurance Study (FIS) and Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) as prepared by FEMA to be effective January 6, 2012.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 27 day of December, 2011.

WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BY
Mary Alice Johnson, Chairperson

Attest:
Merry Truhlsen, County Clerk

Deputy Co Atty Talbot had reviewed Resolution 2009-55 which was discussed at the Dec 13th meeting and wanted to clarify first of all, that even though this Resolution was signed by 2 Board members no longer on the Board this doesn't in any way affect the validity of the resolution. Talbot read through the resolution saying it states elected officials shall receive an annual salary increase and increases shall be based on the consumer price index, midwest region. Pam Daly, Robbin Jeffrey, Dennis McCormick, William Burdess and Merry Truhlsen spoke. Board discussed the Resolution and the CPI.

Veterans Service Officer, Dennis Cordle, had a memorandum of understanding for VetrSpec for the Board's approval. VetrSpec is a web based application the Nebr Dept of Veteran Affairs has purchased and is using for veteran claims management. Cordle said this will be a valuable tool for correspondence and for processing claims. Clausen moved, seconded by Abariotes to approve the MOU for VetrSpec at an annual cost of \$399.00. Vote- Aye: Clausen, Kruse, Quist, Johnson, Kruger, Abariotes and Hinehine. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Tom Lamb, Sheriff's Office, told the Board their department received two items from the Planning, Exercise & Training (PET)/Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) group. These items were purchased with left over money in PET/UASI budgets. From 2008 grant money, platform robot camera was purchased, at a value of \$29,089, and from 2009 grant money, one time use chemical suits for officers responding to hazardous incidents were purchased, at a cost of \$5,290.50. Lamb discussed the uses for the robot and the chemical suits. While the City of Omaha distributed this equipment to the County at no cost, Lamb had agreements regarding this property for the Board to sign. Motion Quist second Clausen to authorize Chairman sign the Property Transfer Agreements for the Regional PET/UASI Program. Vote- Aye: Clausen, Kruse, Quist, Johnson, Kruger, Abariotes and Hinehine. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Board gave a brief review of the following committees: ENHSA, Papio NRD, Region 5/6 Emergency Management, MAPA, Gateway Development, NE Nebraska Juvenile Detention, County Visitor's Promotion, Public Health District Advisory Board and I-80 Corridor.

At 10:13, motion was made by Clausen and seconded by Quist to enter into closed session. Vote- Aye: Clausen, Kruse, Quist, Johnson, Kruger, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: None. Motion carried. Chairman stated the reason for the closed session was to protect the public interest with respect to discussion regarding threatened litigation in rock quarry accident. At 10:18 A.M., motion by Hinline and second by Quist to end closed session. Vote- Aye: Clausen, Kruse, Quist, Johnson, Kruger, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: None. Motion carried. Chairman again stated the reason for the closed session was to protect the public interest with respect to discussion regarding threatened litigation in rock quarry accident. No action was taken.

Motion by Clausen second by Hinline to go back to the earlier flood update agenda item and amend it. Vote- Aye: Clausen, Kruse, Quist, Johnson, Kruger, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: None. Motion carried. Kruger moved, seconded by Clausen that as a part of the flood update, Washington County's policy is to approve and issue building permits on a conditional basis to people in the flood area before Jan 6 to preserve their appeal process for those affected properties, but the conditional building permits would be issued pending further evidence and review of loss. Vote- Aye: Clausen, Kruse, Quist, Johnson, Kruger, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: None. Motion carried. Board discussed issuing conditional building permits.

There were no comments from the public. Claims were received and reviewed, following which it was moved by Kruger and seconded by Hinline that the following claims be allowed and Clerk ordered to issue warrants on the various funds for the same. Vote- Aye: Clausen, Kruse, Quist, Johnson, Kruger, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: None. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND

EMPLOYEES	Paryoll 12-23-11	136,677.11
AMERITAS LIFE INS CORP	Retirement	9,440.73
UNITED HEALTHCARE INS CO	Ins	43,396.11
WASHINGTON CO BANK	FICA	9,808.15
WASHINGTON CO BANK	Ins	53,313.80
A & D TECHNICAL SUPPLY CO INC	Supplies	28.90
ADVANCED CORRECTIONAL HEALTHCARE	Serv	2,098.62
B-GREEN LAWN SERVICE	Nov Serv	568.80
PATRICK G BAXTER	Crt Appt Attny	528.00
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	Serv	127.82
BLOOMFIELD PRINTING	Supplies	225.00
BOMGAARS	Supplies	15.39
BOYDSTON LAW OFFICE LLC	Crt Appt Attny	2,805.00
CARQUEST AUTO PARTS STORES	Supplies	79.52
LAW OFFICE OF ERIC R CHANDLER	Crt Appt Attny	2,076.00
CITY OF BLAIR	Serv	572.17
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT	Filing Fees	172.00
CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT COMPANY	Training Exp	203.00
CONSTELLATION ENERGY	Serv	1,635.99
CONTROL SERVICES INC	Serv	4,267.50
DENNIS CORDLE	Reimb Mileage	397.35
D & D COMMUNICATIONS	Serv	76.00
DELL FINANCIAL SERVICES	Supplies	199.98
DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES	Cert Copy	3.00
DODGE COUNTY C/O FRED MYTTY	Probation Costs	9,236.93
DOUGLAS COUNTY COURT	Cert Copy	10.25
DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF	Serv	6.59
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	Supplies	17.72
ENTERPRISE PUBLISHING CO INC	Notices	149.31
FORNOFF & SCHUTT PC	Crt Appt Attny	2,490.00
GALLS, AN ARAMARK COMPANY	Serv	268.43
GREAT PLAINS CHEMICAL COMPANY SOUTH	Sept-Dec	560.00
HANSEN AGENCY INC	Notary	70.00
HOLIDAY INN - KEARNEY	Convention Exp	269.85
PAMELA LYNN HOPKINS	Crt Appt Attny	414.00
IDEAL PURE WATER	Serv	9.63

J.F. AHERN CO	Serv	1,088.00
JETTER'S PLUMBING INC	Serv	415.04
JOHNSON & MOCK, ATTORNEYS AT LAW	Crt Appt Attny	5,911.25
VALERIE KOICHEVAR	Transcript	105.00
STEPHEN J KRAVIEC PC LLO	Child Support Enf	1,500.00
KUENY & BEGLEY LAW OFFICES	Crt Appt Attny	1,482.00
LANCASTER COUNTY COURT	Cert Copy	4.00
MATTHEW BENDER & CO INC	Supplies	5.02
MEMORIAL COMMUNITY HOSPITAL & STEVEN MENCKE	Serv	161.30
	Reimb Mileage	242.54
MULTI-COUNTY INFORMATION & N.A.D.A. APPRAISAL GUIDES	Supplies	209.50
NAPE	Title Book	172.00
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	Membership	15.00
NEBRASKA PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRO LAB	Serv	90.00
NEBRASKA WEED CONTROL ASSOC	Serv	84.00
NEXTEL	Dues	85.00
NSBA	Serv	39.85
OFFICE DEPOT CREDIT PLAN	Assoc Dues	335.00
OFFICE NET	Supplies	582.77
OFFICE WAREHOUSE	Supplies	152.49
OMAHA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	Supplies	273.09
OMB'S EXPRESS POLICE SUPPLY	Serv	236.28
PAMIDA INC	Equip	1,655.86
SUSAN PAULSEN	Supplies	43.54
PENGAD INC	Reimb Mileage	258.02
PERSONALIZED COMPUTER SERVICES	Supplies	200.23
PHILLIPS 66 - CONOCO - 76	Serv	685.45
POSTMASTER	Fuel	878.23
CALVIN POULSEN	Treas DMV Dec	570.44
POUNDS PRINTING INC	GIS Serv	1,249.50
QUALITY PRINTING & OFFICE SUPPLIES	Supplies	60.00
QUILL CORPORATION	Supplies	31.99
SUSAN REFF LAW PC LLO	Supplies	515.97
REPCO MARKETING INC	Crt Appt Attny	2,004.00
ROHRIG ANIMAL HOSPITAL	Equip	39.75
PATRICK R RUNGE	Supplies	91.39
SARPY COUNTY SHERIFF	Crt Appt Attny	1,212.00
SIDNER, SVOBODA,SCHILKE,THOMSEN	Serv	21.55
STATE OF NEBRASKA	Crt Appt Attny	2,844.00
REGISTER LAW OFFICE	Network	98.25
SUBURBAN ACCENTS, INC	Crt Appt Attny	1,080.00
TELRITE CORPORATION	Letter Units	1,734.00
THE CLEANER CO	Serv	379.15
TOWN & COUNTRY PEST CONTROL INC	Supplies	794.02
ADAM R TRIPP	Serv	76.00
MERRY TRUHLSEN	Crt Appt Attny	306.00
LAW OFFICES OF KELLY HENRY TURNER	Reimb Mileage	222.00
ULINE SHIPPING SUPPLY	Crt Appt Attny	333.00
ULTRA CAR WASH	Supplies	71.27
UNIV OF NE EXTENSION IANR	Serv	400.00
VERIZON WIRELESS	Supplies	115.46
VERIZON WIRELESS	Serv	73.67
VERIZON WIRELESS	Serv	43.03
VERIZON WIRELESS	Serv	83.03
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	Serv	79.88
WASHINGTON COUNTY COURT	Supplies	79.88
WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF	Transcript	207.03
WATCH GUARD VIDEO	Serv	54.90
	Supplies	92.00

WEST PAYMENT CENTER	Supscript	162.50
ROAD FUND		
EMPLOYEES	Payroll 12-23-11	39,268.82
AMERITAS LIFE INS CORP	Retirement	2,650.67
UNITED HEALTHCARE INS CO	Ins	10,087.68
WASHINGTON CO BANK	FICA	2,819.37
WASHINGTON CO BANK	Ins	14,046.00
B'S ENTERPRISE INC	Blades	2,520.00
BESTCHEM	Supplies	270.42
BOMGAARS	Parts	546.58
BRAKKAN TRUCKING	Equip Rental	1,429.73
CALHOUN OIL COMPANY	Fuel	3,169.03
CIVIL SOLUTIONS LLC	Survey	1,200.00
CMA TRUCKING INC	Equip Rental	1,054.41
FELSBURG HOLT & ULLEVIG	Serv	202.97
HOTSY EQUIPMENT COMPANY INC	Parts	85.53
JEO CONSULTING GROUP, INC	Engineering	6,891.50
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	Pynt	3,153.36
KELLY RYAN EQUIPMENT COMPANY INC	Parts	455.17
KNUDSEN OIL & FEED	Fuel	3,098.72
MEDICAL ENTERPRISES, INC	Testing	92.00
MEMORIAL COMMUNITY HOSPITAL &	Testing	99.00
MENARDS - FREMONT	Supplies	67.96
METAL CULVERTS INC	Culverts	3,263.40
MIDWEST SERVICE & SALES CO	Steel Piling	1,867.50
NEBRASKA IOWA SUPPLY COMPANY	Fuel	8,449.48
NEBRASKA SALT & GRAIN COMPANY	Ice Control	4,580.75
NMC EXCHANGE LLC	Grader Blades	8,146.76
OFFICE NET	Supplies	315.69
PALFLEET TRUCK EQUIPMENT	Equip	388.00
PAMIDA INC	Supplies	45.33
CHERYL K PARSONS	Reimb Mileage	111.00
POUNDS PRINTING INC	Supplies	121.00
SAFETY-KLEEN	Recycle	506.45
SAPP BROS, INC	Fuel	3,350.40
STA-BILT CONSTRUCTION CO	Patching	650.00
STERN OIL CO INC	Oil	2,980.44
WHITMER WELDING SUPPLIES INC	Welding Supplies	215.12
HARD-SURFACING FUND		
FELSBURG HOLT & ULLEVIG	NEPA W Culvert	2,946.28
ENHANCED WIRELESS SERV FUND		
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS INC	Serv	56.68
E 911 FUND		
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS INC	Serv	56.69

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, it was moved by Kruger and seconded by Clausen that the meeting be adjourned until the next regular Board meeting date, Tuesday, Jan 10, 2011. All members present voted aye, Chairperson declared meeting adjourned.

Attest: Merry M. Truhlsen
Washington County Clerk

Mary Alice Johnson, Chairperson
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 Dec 27, 2011 meeting of the Washington County Board of Supervisors.

Merry M. Truhlsen
Washington County Clerk