

**April 9, 2013 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 8:38 a.m. on Tuesday, April 9, 2013 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 Jeff Quist declared the meeting was in session and that the meeting is being recorded. Quist made note that the Open Meetings Law is posted on the door and the north wall. Present: Chairman, Jeff Quist, County Board Members, Paul Cerio, Jerry Kruse, Mary Alice Johnson, Steve Kruger, Ernest Abariotes and Ron Hinline. Also present, County Clerk Merry Truhlsen. Motion Kruse second Johnson to approve agenda for April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013. Cerio said he didn't receive the updated agenda. Clerk said she would check on that. Vote- Aye: Kruse, Johnson, Quist, Kruger and Abariotes. Nay: Cerio and Hinline. Motion carried. It was moved by Kruger and seconded by Kruse that the rules be suspended and that the minutes of the March 26, 2013 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. Cerio questioned if the Technology Committee Report had been omitted. Board discussed this. Kruger said he may have made a comment, but there wasn't Board action. Vote- Aye: Kruse, Johnson, Quist, Kruger, Abariotes, and Hinline. Nay: Cerio. Motion carried.

It was moved by Kruger and seconded by Kruse that the regular monthly fee reports of the following officials be received and placed on file: Co Clerk \$308.25, Reg of Deeds \$31,141.75, Co Court \$17,249.81, Co Plan Dept \$10,665.00, Clk Dist Crt \$4260.55, Sheriff \$3,245.90 and Road Dept \$401.13. Vote- Aye: Cerio, Kruse, Johnson, Quist, Kruger, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: None. Motion carried. The following correspondence had been received: Lodging tax for Jan \$1,292.98 and letter from Jeri Hoffman re: cabin on leased property that was flooded. It was moved by Kruse and seconded by Kruger that the correspondence be received and placed on file. Vote- Aye: Cerio, Kruse, Johnson, Quist, Kruger, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: None. Motion carried.

At 8:45am proposals were received for the 2013 Micro-surfacing. Cheryl Parsons, Hwy Supt., read through the two proposals received: Monarch Oil Company - \$105,254.40 and Sta-Bilt Construction Company - \$88,990. Parsons verified the figures on both bids were accurate. Motion Abariotes second Johnson to award the 2013 Micro-surfacing bid to Sta-Bilt Constr. Co. for \$88,990. Vote- Aye: Cerio, Kruse, Johnson, Quist, Kruger, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Parsons next discussed purchasing a used tractor for the Road Dept. County personnel had inspected some tractors and discussed their findings at the Road Committee meeting. Road committee recommendation was to purchase a 1993 John Deere 4760 from Plains Equipment Group for \$67,000, trading in a 1977 International for a value of \$7,000 making the purchase price \$60,000. Motion Kruger second Hinline to purchase the 1993 John Deere from Plains Equipment Group, with a trade-in, for \$60,000. Vote- Aye: Kruse, Johnson, Quist, Kruger, Abariotes and Hinline. Cerio abstained. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Julie Ogden, JEO Consulting Group Inc, discussed the bids reviewed at the Road Committee meeting for the repair/rehabilitation of Bridge Project C89(457), bridge on CR 20. Ogden said 4 bids were received: Dixon Construction Co - \$112,036; Norfolk Contracting, Inc - \$135,538; MCC, LLC General Contractors - \$149,522; JMN Construction, LLC - \$149,552. Ogden discussed the bids and that the base bid includes replacement of all cap plates. Ogden said the Road Committee recommended awarding the bid to Dixon. Motion Kruger, second Hinline to accept the Dixon Construction Co. bid of \$112,036 for the repair/rehabilitation on Bridge Project C89(457). Vote- Aye: Cerio, Kruse, Johnson, Quist, Kruger, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: None. Motion carried.

At 9:00 am, one proposal was received from Sta-bilt Construction Company for 2013 armor coat projects. Parsons read through the bid for 8.2 miles of armor coat, which includes doing some work for Ft Calhoun and Herman which they will pay for. Board discussed the bid. Motion Kruger second Kruse to accept the Sta-bilt Construction Co bid in the amount of \$162,442.70 for 2013 Armor Coat Projects. Vote- Aye: Cerio, Kruse, Johnson, Quist, Kruger, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Ogden next discussed the bids for grading on the Fort Calhoun West Project RD-3840(7). 2 bids were received at the April 4<sup>th</sup> Road Committee meeting: Japp Brothers \$735,816.87, start date July 15, 2013 and Prudent Technologies, Inc \$957,377.87 start

date June 17, 2013. Ogden said the proposals were reviewed and the Road Committee recommended awarding the bid to Japp Brothers. Board discussed the project. Ogden said the costs for removing the cattle crossing culverts are included. Motion Kruger second Hine line to accept the Japp Bros bid in the amount of \$735,816.87 for grading on the Ft Calhoun West Project RD-3840(7). Vote- Aye: Cerio, Kruse, Johnson, Quist, Kruger, Abariotes and Hine line. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Ogden had information on a proposed driveway on the Kennard SE Road Project on County Road 32, that was discussed at the Road Committee meeting. Ogden said with the grading that is to be done on this project, there would be a problem with the driveway's sight distance. She had two options to improve the sight distance but said either option would require additional land purchase for the right of way. Board discussed the information. Ogden said another option for access would place the driveway near the peak of the curve providing enough sight distance and no design changes to the project. Board recommended granting access at the location at the top of the hill. Parsons thanked the Board for the clarification and said she will talk to the landowners.

Board discussed an agreement, in connection with the Ft Calhoun West grading project, to remove two cattle crossings and reimburse Gene Ohrt \$25,000. The County Attorney's office drew up the agreement. Quist had a question on the legal description as written in the agreement. Board discussed the document. Motion by Kruger to accept the agreement, have Co Atty clarify the legal description and agree to pay Ohrt's \$25,000. There was no second to the motion. Cerio moved, seconded by Abariotes, to table the agreement until the next meeting when the legal is clarified. Vote- Aye: Cerio, Johnson, Quist, Kruger, Abariotes and Hine line. Kruse absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Vicki Kuhlman, Washington County Court Clerk Magistrate, had discussed the problem of a shortage of storage space for court documents with Board members. Kuhlmann said she is required to preserve court documents for different periods of time and some, like the probate records, are never destroyed. Kuhlmann and Quist went to the Blair business, Professional Forms Inc. where they offer a secure, climate controlled area for document storage. The fee was estimated at \$35 per month and the stored records may be researched and copied on site. Board discussed the proposal. Kruger moved, seconded by Abariotes to approve the County Court office store court documents at Professional Forms, Inc. as discussed. Vote- Aye: Cerio, Kruse, Johnson, Quist, Kruger, Abariotes and Hine line. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Lt Kevin Bridges, Nebraska State Patrol, said the Patrol is committed to reducing highway traffic fatalities. Besides enforcement, the Patrol also is very active in the education arena as well. For four years they have been presenting a program called "Friday Night Lights" where they set up their Vehicle Roll-Over Simulator and their Seatbelt Convincer at high-school sporting events. The Patrol has now purchased T-shirt shooters and are asking the 5 counties in their area for money to purchase and print T-shirts to engage the crowd and deliver a safety message. Bridges had talked with the County Attorney's office about using money from the Washington County STOP program. Board discussed the request. Kruse moved, seconded by Hine line, to issue a check to the Nebraska State Patrol Foundation for \$2,000, from STOP funds, to purchase a supply of T-shirts to be distributed at the 3 high schools in Washington County. Vote- Aye: Cerio, Kruse, Johnson, Quist, Kruger, Abariotes and Hine line. Nay: None. Motion carried. Abariotes left the meeting.

Kathy Rhea and Jim Peterson were present to discuss the annual funding request for the Nebraska Loess Hills Resource Conservation and Development Council. Rhea said even though Congress de-funded the program, they are still carrying on as a volunteer board. Their primary focus is on writing grants to do recycling. Rhea spoke of past recycling events and what is being planned at present. After discussion, Kruger moved, seconded by Kruse to increase the funding for the Loess Hills RC&D from \$1,200 to \$1,500 this year. Dennis McCormick spoke in favor of the \$1500 amount. Vote- Aye: Cerio, Kruse, Johnson, Quist, Kruger and Hine line. Nay: None. Abariotes absent. Motion carried.

Fort Calhoun High School students, parents and teachers attended the meeting to hear winners of an essay contest, sponsored by Pam and Dan Daly, give a brief summary of their presentations. The theme of the essay contest was "What can the Washington County Board do to retain, attract or promote the return of young people to the county?" Shilee Erwin's winning essay was about developing a satellite center for colleges to offer classes, Meghan Hillmer spoke on a youth center, Brad Naughton talked about creating an internship and career center and Luke Ashton spoke of investing in Ft Atkinson State Historical Park and using it for education. Ft Calhoun Principal Jerry Green said the participants worked hard on their presentations and he thanked the Board for their time. Sarah Brian and Pam Daly spoke. Board visited with the group and thanked them for coming.

Clerk reported the Treasurer filed a list of the 2013 Tax Sales with the Clerk's office. On March 4<sup>th</sup>, 64 bidders (not everyone purchased something), bought 106 properties for \$387,374.01.

There was no new discussion on legislative bills. Kruger said the NRD bill to create new natural resources districts didn't make it out of committee, so it will be held over for the next session.

The next agenda item was the Finance Committee recommendation on a budget timeline and discussion on budget consultant/budget making authority. Kruger gave Board members a budget timeline the finance committee had worked on and a timeline from Pete Petersen. Board discussed having Petersen doing the budget. Pam Daly spoke about Petersen. Kruger asked the Board to look the timeline over and discuss it further at the next meeting. Quist said he was concerned about Petersen, who is already helping some counties with their budgets, having the time to do one more budget, but said a decision needs to be made. Hineline and William Burdess gave Quist statutes for the Co Atty's office to look into disputing the Clerk's payment for doing the budget.

Kruger briefly mentioned the Technology Committee is still meeting and the Jail Committee met with Prochaska regarding the law enforcement needs assessment study. When Prochaska returns the agreement for the next phase of the study Kruger asked Board members to look it over and let him know of any changes they wanted. Pam Daly spoke.

Comments from public: Dennis McCormick asked about a bill regarding a ditch, Kruger said he would check on that. William Burdess commented on the budget.

At 11:30 am motion was made by Johnson and seconded by Kruger to enter into closed session. Chairman stated the reason for the closed session was in order to protect the public interest with respect to Sheriff's Office FOP labor negotiations and litigation. Vote- Aye: Cerio, Kruse, Johnson, Quist, Kruger and Hineline. Nay: None. Abariotes absent. Motion carried. At 11:47 am, motion by Johnson and second by Kruger to end closed session. Vote- Aye: Cerio, Kruse, Johnson, Quist, Kruger and Hineline. Nay: None. Abariotes absent. Motion carried. Chairman again stated the reason for the closed session was in order to protect the public interest with respect to Sheriff's Office FOP labor negotiations and litigation. Johnson said the FOP Committee will contact legal counsel then meet with the FOP.

Claims were received and reviewed, following which it was moved by Kruger and seconded by Kruse that the following claims be allowed and Clerk ordered to issue warrants on the various funds for the same. Vote- Aye: Cerio, Kruse, Johnson, Quist, Kruger and Hineline. Nay: None. Abariotes absent. Motion carried.

**GENERAL FUND**

EMPLOYEES	Payroll 3-29-13	140,932.14
AMERITAS LIFE INS CORP	Retirement	9,669.73
WASHINGTON CO BANK	FICA	10,781.29
ABE'S TRASH SERVICE INC	Serv	158.97
ADVANCED CORRECTIONAL HEALTHCARE	Medical Serv	1,549.13
ADVANTAGE LASER PRODUCTS, INC	Supplies	290.00
ALAMAR UNIFORMS	Equip	612.45
DALE ALBRACHT	Reimb Conf Exp	591.46
ATS "THE BEEPER PEOPLE"	Serv	26.98
BLAIR TELEPHONE CO	Serv	2,033.81
BLUE DIAMOND CAR WASH	Serv	200.00
BOYDSTON LAW OFFICE LLC	Crt Appt Attny	2,028.00
CAMPBELL AMAN FUNERAL HOME	Serv	1,500.00
CITY OF BLAIR	Library Fee	25.00
CITY OF FORT CALHOUN	Patrol Lease	50.00
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT ASSOCIATION	WS Exp	207.50
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT	Filing Fee	267.00
CLYDE L ROTHFUSS	Serv	341.00
CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT COMPANY	School Exp	137.50
CONTROL SERVICES INC	Serv	4,348.50
GARY COOK	Reimb Mileage	38.42
DENNIS CORDLE	Reimb Seminar	162.55
COUNTRY TIRE INC	Serv	29.78
D & D COMMUNICATIONS	Equip Repair	99.05
DICK'S ELECTRIC CO	Supplies	20.85
DODGE COUNTY C/O FRED MYTTY	Reimb Probation	8,449.44
DOUGLAS COUNTY COURT	Cert copies	8.00
DOUGLAS COUNTY HEALTH CENTER	Coroner Costs	250.00
DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF	Serv	59.36
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	Supplies	171.57

EAST ADMAH CEMETERY ASSOC	Maint	345.00
EASTERN NEBRASKA HUMAN SERVICES AG	Encor & Aging	22,690.00
ENTERPRISE PUBLISHING CO INC	Notices & Minutes	376.51
FAIRWAY OIL COMPANY	Fuel	799.86
FIRST NATIONAL BANK VISA	Postage	2.07
FIRST NATIONAL BANK VISA	Equip	83.64
FIRST NATIONAL BANK VISA	Conf Exp	291.49
FIRST NATIONAL BANK VISA	Shipment	2.95
FIRST NATIONAL BANK VISA	Invest Exp	166.03
FIRST NATIONAL BANK VISA	Supplies	22.22
FORENSIC SERVICES DIVISION	Serv	100.00
FORNOFF & SCHUTT PC	Crt Appt Attny	90.00
GAGE COUNTY COURT	Cert copies	2.75
GALLS, LLC	Supplies	15.90
GERHOLD CONCRETE COMPANY, INC	Parking Stop	35.00
PAUL GNABASIK	Crt Appt Attny	510.00
SHURIE GRAEVE	Reimb Cell & Mileage	204.86
HARDING & SHULTZ PC LLO	FOP	572.00
HIGHTOWER REFF LAW LLC	Crt Appt Attny	582.00
RONALD E HINELINE	Reimb Mileage	28.25
MARJORIE HOIER	Reimb Mileage	42.94
PAMELA LYNN HOPKINS	Crt Appt Attny	2,634.00
IDEAL PURE WATER	Serv	42.13
INTERSTATE BATTERY SYSTEM SIOUXCITY	Supplies	91.95
JACK'S UNIFORMS & EQUIPMENT	Supplies	29.75
JEO CONSULTING GROUP, INC	Zoning Reg	62.50
KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	Copier Lease	139.06
STEPHEN J KRAVIEC PC LLO	Child Support	1,539.00
KAREN MADSEN	Supplies	21.34
MAINTENANCE ENGINEERING LTD	Supplies	257.52
MCGOUGH LAW P.C., L.L.O.	Crt Appt Attny	2,275.00
MISSOURI STATE HIGHWAY PATROL	Crash School	350.00
MULTI-COUNTY INFORMATION &	Programing	1,346.77
NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR	Unemployment	1,326.00
NEBRASKA.GOV	Cert copies	7.00
GLADYS NELSON	MHH	75.00
NO FRILLS / BAG N SAVE	Supplies	29.89
OFFICE DEPOT INC, CHICAGO IL	Supplies	246.75
OFFICE NET	Supplies & Copiers	1,172.24
OFFICE WAREHOUSE	Supplies	419.52
OLSEN LAW OFFICES PC LLO	Crt Appt Attny	1,650.00
OLSON & STEWART CONSTRUCTION	March Snow	450.00
OMAHA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	Serv	5,463.48
PAY-LESS OFFICE PRODUCTS INC	Supplies	591.04
PCS MOBILE	Equip	107.00
PERSONALIZED COMPUTER SERVICES	Serv	512.50
GREGORY A PIVOVAR	Crt Appt Attny	663.00
POCKET PRESS INC	Supplies	419.76
POSTMASTER	Extension Supplies	460.00
CALVIN POULSEN	GIS Serv	1,312.50
POUNDS PRINTING INC	Supplies	418.00
RANKIN COUNTY SHERIFF DEPT	Serv	35.00
REYZLIK ACE HARDWARE	Supplies	244.51
JESS ROBINSON	Electrical Inspector	1,311.00
KRIS ROBINSON	Reimb Mileage	80.80
SAPP BROS PETROLEUM, INC	Fuel	159.62
M SCOTT VANDER SCHAAF	Crt Appt Attny	240.00
SHELL FLEET PLUS	Fuel	8,023.61

SHOTWELL GLASS LLC	Serv	200.00
SIDNER, SVOBODA,SCHILKE,THOMSEN	Crt Appt Attny	1,839.00
PAMELA SMITH	CPR Class	80.00
SMITTY'S AUTO SERVICE INC	Serv	2,252.97
STAMP FULFILLMENT SERVICES	Envelopes & Postage	533.60
STANKUS PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES PC	Expert Testimony	400.00
STATE OF NEBRASKA AS CENTRAL SERV	Telecom	1,280.01
TELESYSTEMS LLC	Serv	118.75
THE CLEANER CO	Supplies	212.79
THE SIGN DEPOT LLC	Supplies	49.28
UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE	Postage Meter	50.00
UNIV OF NE EXTENSION IANR	Supplies	5.85
UNIV OF NE UNL-SREC	Computer & Software	2,155.89
UNIV OF NE IS COMMUNICATIONS CENTER	Serv	49.28
VERIZON WIRELESS	Serv	46.54
VILLAGE OF ARLINGTON	April Lease	69.50
WALKERS UNIFORM RENTAL	Serv	32.00
WASHCO FEED & SUPPLY	Dog Food	39.99
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	Acct Fees	109.16
WASHINGTON COUNTY COURT	Court Costs	862.75
WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF	Reimb Petty Cash	156.91
TANNA WIRTZ	Reimb Mileage	268.38
<b>ROAD FUND</b>		
EMPLOYEES	Payroll 3-29-13	46,577.33
AMERITAS LIFE INS CORP	Retirement	3,143.99
WASHINGTON CO BANK	FICA	3,563.16
AA WHEEL & TRUCK SUPPLY INC	Parts	51.98
ABE'S TRASH SERVICE INC	Serv	55.00
BI-STATE MOTOR PARTS INC	Parts	1,191.50
BLAIR SUPERFOODS	Supplies	52.45
BLAIR TELEPHONE CO	Serv	76.99
BRAKKAN TRUCKING INC	Equip Rental	985.41
CARQUEST AUTO PARTS	Parts	304.69
CIVIL SOLUTIONS LLC	Engineering	562.50
CNH/TITAN ACCESS ACCOUNT	Parts	102.17
CORNHUSKER INTERNATIONAL TRUCKS,INC	Parts	475.99
COUNTRY TIRE INC	Tires	17.00
CULLIGAN OF OMAHA	Serv	98.00
FAIRWAY OIL COMPANY	Fuel	106.00
FASTENAL COMPANY	Supplies	182.10
JARED FRANZLUEBBERS	Reimb Permit	50.00
GETZSCHMAN HEATING LLC	Furnace Repair	733.00
HAGERBAUMER BROS INC	Equip Rental	280.74
HI-LINE INC	Supplies	109.95
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	Grader Pymt	3,153.36
KELLY RYAN EQUIPMENT COMPANY INC	Parts	554.79
KENNARD TRANSFER	Equip Rental	4,232.31
RONALD KERSTETTER	Equip Rental	3,491.46
MATHESON TRIGAS DBA LINWELD	Welding Supplies	247.58
NEBR ASSOC OF COUNTY ENGINEERS	WS Reg	95.00
NEBRASKA IOWA SUPPLY COMPANY	Fuel	6,336.35
NEBRASKA SALT & GRAIN COMPANY	Ice Chemicals	1,559.61
NORTHERN TRUCK EQUIPMENT CORP	Adjust Truck	883.00
OLSON & STEWART CONSTRUCTION	Equip Rental	83.34
OMAHA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	Serv	627.11
OMAHA TRUCK CENTER INC	NewTruck	138,441.00
OMAHA TRUCK CENTER INC	Parts	339.46
POUNDS PRINTING INC	Supplies	52.00

POWERPLAN	Parts	1,134.11
REYZLIK ACE HARDWARE	Parts	117.35
RIVER CITY RECYCLING	Recycle Tired	733.00
SE SMITH & SONS	Lumber	107.91
SNAP - ON TOOLS JUSTIN K MCGUINN	Tool	38.25
STALP GRAVEL COMPANY	Gravell & Rental	5,047.94
STERN OIL CO INC	Oil	2,040.60
THE CURE, INC	Supplies	99.71
UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE	Postage Meter	300.00
VERIZON WIRELESS	Serv	116.84
WALKERS UNIFORM RENTAL	Serv	210.28
WICK'S STERLING TRUCKS, INC	Parts	398.12
WOODHOUSE FORD INC	Repair	89.95
<b>HARD-SURFACING FUND</b>		
BRYCE ANDREASEN	ROW	4,950.00
JEO CONSULTING GROUP, INC	Engineering	4,580.00
ROGER & DONNA NELSON	ROW	3,168.00
RONALD J & PATRICIA J SHORT	ROW	775.00
DENNIS R WILKINS	ROW	6,136.00
<b>911 ENHANCED SERVICE FUND</b>		
BLAIR TELEPHONE CO	Serv	221.55
<b>HWY SAFETY FUND</b>		
FIRST NATIONAL BANK VISA	Plane Ticket CrashCrs	278.30
<b>E911 FUND</b>		
BLAIR TELEPHONE CO	Serv	221.55
INTERGRAPH CORPORATION SGI DIVISION	1/2 Proj Costs RMS	9,900.00
MOTOROLA	Maint	3,986.13

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, it was moved by Kruger and seconded by Hineline that the meeting be adjourned until the next regular Board meeting date, April 23, 2013. All members present voted aye. Chairman declared meeting adjourned.

Attest:  
Merry M. Truhlsen  
Washington County Clerk

Jeff Quist, 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 April 9, 2013 meeting of the Washington County Board of Supervisors.

Merry M. Truhlsen, Washington County Clerk