

December 8, 2020 Minutes
Washington County Board of Supervisors
Blair Public Library
2233 Civic Dr
Blair, NE 68008

The Washington County Board of Supervisors of Washington County, Nebraska, met in regular session at 3:06 PM on December 8, 2020 in the Conference room at the Public Library 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 back wall.

1. Meeting called to order and roll call

Present: Chairman Steve Dethlefs, Board Members Steve Kruger, Jay Anderson, Kevin Barnhill, Bob Frahm, Lisa Kramer, Jordan Rishel. Also present County Clerk Barbara Sullivan, Sheriff Mike Robinson, and County Attorney Scott Vander Schaaf.

2. Approve agenda

Motion Lisa Kramer and second by Jordan Rishel approve agenda for December 8, 2020. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Aye, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Rishel: Aye

3. Approve minutes for the November 24, 2020 meeting

Motion Jay Anderson and second by Kevin Barnhill approve the minutes for November 24, 2020. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Aye, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Rishel: Aye

4. Approve Claims

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Kevin Barnhill that the claims at the end of these minutes be allowed and the Clerk ordered to issue warrants on the various funds for the same. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Aye, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Rishel: Aye

5. Accept Monthly Fee Reports:

Co Clk \$194, Reg of Deeds \$83,266, Co Crt \$10,835 Co Plan \$9,679 Clk Dist Crt \$3,101 Co Sheriff \$10,894 Road Dept \$19,248 & November Treasurer's statement: Collections are \$824,676 Disbursements 3,947,429 Inheritance Fund Balance \$487,428, Ending Balance \$10,255,876.

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Jordan Rishel the regular monthly fee reports of the officials be received and placed on file. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Aye, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Rishel: Aye

6. Accept correspondence, consider and place on file

There was no correspondence

7. Jared Schleifer, Weitz Construction, gave a brief update on Justice Center project

8. Bill Hansel, Hwy Supt, gave a Road Dept update not limited to projects, equipment and personnel

8.1. Accept and approve bids for finance of 2 motor graders

Hansel opened the following 3 bids for financing: **1.** Two Rivers Bank, 2.58% interest for a total of \$386,462. **2.** US Bank, 1.42% interest for a total of \$374,317. **3.** Washington County Bank, 2.35% interest for a total of \$384,039.

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Kevin Barnhill approve financing for 2 motor graders with US Bank for total financing amount of \$374,317.40. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Aye, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Rishel: Aye

8.2. Adopt Resolution 2020-30; Washington County Bridge Buy-Back Program

Hansel stated the purpose of the Resolution is to notify the State of completion of project in accordance to the terms of the project agreement.

Motion Lisa Kramer and second by Bob Frahm to adopt RES 2020-30. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Aye, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Rishel: Aye

RESOLUTION CERTIFYING PROPER COMPLETION OF PROJECT

Washington County
Resolution No. 2020-30

WHEREAS, Washington County and State entered into an agreement entitled “County Bridge Matching Program Agreement”, for the structure numbers C008902010, C008912040, and C008902403 the Project, Program Agreement number BL1919 signed by State on the 25th day of February, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Washington County has now completed the construction of the Project that was identified in the Program Agreement; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution is to formally notify State of the proper completion of the Project according to the terms of the Program Agreement.

Be It Resolved: by the Board of Supervisors of Washington County:

- (1) The Project, for Structure No. C00890210, C008912040, and C008902403 have been properly constructed by County and its contractor, in accordance with the terms of the Program Agreement.
- (2) The bridge was constructed in strict compliance with
 - (a) the plans and specifications including any State-approved change orders,
 - (b) all applicable design standards, and
 - (c) the conditions and requirements of the Program Agreement.
- (3) County understands that it is the owner of the bridge, and that it is solely responsible for the design, inspection, construction, reconstruction, repair, and operation of the bridge and roadway and is responsible for meeting any environmental or other post- construction permit or legal commitments applicable to the project
- (4) The project costs were fair, reasonable and necessary for the proper construction of the project.

NDOT Project Number: STWD-CBWP (3)
NDOT Project Number: 00974B
NDOT LPA Control Number: 00974B(t)
NDOT Project Name: County Bridge Match Program

Adopted this 8th day of December, 2020 at Blair, Nebraska
The Board of Supervisors of Washington County

8.3. Motion to un-table: Linda Ingram-Jasa, Jasa Transit Inc: Discuss addition of a Jake Braking or "Engine Braking Prohibited" sign on Industrial Park Drive Rd. D/PA

Hansel and Co Atty Vander Schaaf spoke at length with board members about enforcement and citations as well as future requests for similar sign placements.

Motion Jay Anderson and second by Kevin Barnhill to adopt Res 2020-31; Placement of Engine Braking Signs on Industrial Park Dr. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Aye, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Rishel: Aye

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY SUPERVISORS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, NEBRASKA

IN THE MATTER OF PLACEMENT OF)	RESOLUTION NO.2020-31
ENGINE BRAKING SIGNS ON INDUSTRIAL)	
PARKDRIVE)	

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Supervisors desires to adopt regulations regarding engine braking and prohibiting engine braking signs on Industrial Park Drive located in Washington County ("County") subject to the jurisdiction of the Board;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 60-680(x), any local authority with respect to highways and county roads under its jurisdiction and with the reasonable exercise of police powers may adopt other traffic regulations not prohibited by state law or contrary to state law;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 60-680(v), any local authority with respect to highways and county roads under its jurisdiction and within the reasonable exercise of the police power may adopt and enforce a resolution prohibiting the use of engine brakes on the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways that has a grade of less than five degrees within its jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, the Board is a local authority pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 60-628;

WHEREAS, Neb. Rev. Stat. § 60-6,121 provides that the County shall place and maintain such traffic control devices upon highways and county roads within its jurisdiction to carry out the provisions of the Nebraska Rules of the Road or to regulate, warn, or guide traffic;

WHEREAS, Neb. Rev. Stat. § 60-670 provides that Traffic control devices include any sign, signal, marking, or other device not inconsistent with the Nebraska Rules of the Road placed or erected by authority of the County for the purposes of regulating, warning, or guiding traffic;

WHEREAS, the Washington County Roads Superintendent, has control, government, and supervision of all the public roads and bridges in the County under the general supervision and control of the County Board of Supervisors ("Board") pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 39-1507;

WHEREAS, the Board believes that it is in the best interests of the citizens of the County to prohibit engine braking as posted on the South and North sides of Industrial Park Drive a public road which is within the jurisdiction of the County; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 60-678, any person who violates regulations adopted by a local authority shall be guilty of a Class III misdemeanor;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board that Resolution No. 2020-31 be adopted, and that all other Resolutions not in conflict with the terms of this Resolution shall remain in full force and effect.

DATED this 8th day of December, 2020.

BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, NEBRASKA

9. 2020 County Hwy Superintendent certification

Co Clk Sullivan stated that the Nebr Dept of Transportation requires board action certifying the appointment of the County Highway Superintendent each calendar year for the issuance of County's Annual Incentive Payment. Certification for CY 2021 will take place in January's meeting.

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Jay Anderson to certify William Hansel as Hwy Superintendent for 2020. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Aye, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Rishel: Aye

10. Michael Rooks: Gateway Development update

Rooks stated the Housing Study being done for Washington Co should be completed in March, however preliminary reports from the study show vacancy rates at about 2% for rentals and available homes for purchase. Gateway has also been working with developers in the county for development of urban living and senior living apartments as well as new home construction. Rooks also stated that the economic activity that will generate from the projects that have closed in the last year will be roughly \$73 million annually. Gateway has more site visits scheduled in the county.

11. Dan Douglas, Emergency Manager:

11.1. Douglas discussed the Planning Department's temporary closure due to COVID exposure last week.

11.2. Washington County Courthouse Infectious Disease Protocol-D/PA

Douglas discussed COVID response measures and passed out a Washington Co Courthouse Infectious Disease Protocol plan for board approval. Atty Vander Schaaf and Sheriff Robinson also gave feedback on proposed plan.

Motion Jay Anderson and second by Lisa Kramer to enact the Washington County Courthouse Infectious Disease Protocol to be reviewed by EM committee on a weekly basis. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Aye, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Rishel: Aye

11.3. Douglas gave a brief update on Emergency Management and stated that the county should be getting some funds reimbursed from the Cares Act for hours that Sheriff's office personnel worked during courthouse closure in the spring. Douglas has also been working with rest homes and long-term care facilities to get PPE items distributed.

12. Lucas Williamson, MAXIMUS Consulting Services Inc, submitted a 3 year proposal for the County's Indirect Cost Allocation Plan, at a cost of current rate of \$5,200 per year. PA- Authorize Chairman to sign agreement with MAXIMUS
Motion Jay Anderson and second by Jordan Rishel to table signing of agreement with MAXIMUS until board is furnished with more information. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Aye, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Rishel: Aye

13. Closed Session: for the purpose of discussing attorney client privilege information regarding current, potential, imminent threat of litigation and contract negotiations involving Washington County
Those present were 7 board members, Co Atty Vander Schaaf and Sheriff Mike Robinson. There was no action in open session.

Motion Lisa Kramer and second by Jay Anderson to go into closed session at 4:22 p.m. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Aye, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Rishel: Aye

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Jay Anderson to come out of closed session at 4:40 p.m. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Aye, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Rishel: Aye

14. Comments from public : Mike Anderson spoke

15. Board gave brief Committee Reports

16. Motion to adjourn meeting

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Steve Kruger to adjourn the meeting at 4:41 PM. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Aye, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Rishel: Aye

CLAIMS:

GENERAL FUND

EMPLOYEES	Payroll 11/27/20	212,111.39
AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	Retirement	14,718.80
UNITED HEALTHCARE INS CO	Ins	50,259.09
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	15,450.17
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	Ins	10,275.00
ABE'S TRASH SERVICE INC	Serv	189.00
AMERICAN DATA TECHNOLOGY	Serv	1,019.00
BISHOP BUSINESS	Copier Lease	148.33
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	Serv	877.82
BLAIR ACE HARDWARE	Supplies	51.54
BLAIR TELEPHONE CO	Serv	1,003.96
CITY OF BLAIR	Serv/Library Fees	6,565.63
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT	Filing Fees	321.00
CONTINENTAL RESEARCH CORPORATION	Supplies	848.03
DODGE COUNTY SHERIFF	Fees	6.50
DOUGLAS COUNTY COURT	Fees	2.50
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	Supplies	222.01
ENTERPRISE MEDIA GROUP	Printing/Notices	422.20
KEVIN FLEMING	Reimb/Supplies	10.81
IDEAL PURE WATER	Serv	39.09
INDOFF INCORPORATED	Supplies	394.56
MCCHESENEY FAMILY LAW GROUP	Court Appt Atty	1,671.30
MCKESSON MEDICAL - SURGICAL	Supplies	41.47

MEMORIAL COMMUNITY HOSPITAL &	Inmate Care	1,864.00
MMC MECHANICAL CONTRACTORS, INC.	Serv	451.00
MULTI-COUNTY INFORMATION &	Serv	1,313.42
NEBRASKA ASSOC OF COUNTY OFFICIALS	Dues	2,612.91
NEBRASKA NOTARY ASSOCIATION	Serv	616.00
NEBRASKA SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION	Dues	240.00
NEBRASKA STATE BAR ASSOCIATION	Dues	240.00
NEBRASKA STATE FIRE MARSHAL	Inspections	192.00
O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC	Supplies	51.24
OFFICE DEPOT	Supplies	192.01
OFFICE NET	Supplies	1,158.84
OFFICE WAREHOUSE	Supplies	266.46
OMAHA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	Serv	6,605.75
OUR SPECIALTEA	Food Services	1,870.00
U.S. POSTAL SERVICE	Box Rentals	242.00
CALVIN POULSEN	GIS Serv	1,400.00
KRIS ROBINSON	Mileage	815.35
SMITTY'S AUTO SERVICE INC	Serv/Repairs	4,357.26
SPARTAN STORES, LLC	Food Services	607.57
DAS STATE ACCNTING-CENTRAL FINANCE	Serv	1,280.01
STATE OF NEBR, DEPT OF CORRECT SERV	Safekeeping	2,099.15
THE WASHTUB	Serv	694.98
ADAM R TRIPP	Court Appt Atty	522.50
TURNKEY TECHNOLOGY, LLC	Serv	6,738.87
U.S. BANK	Serv	364.00
ULTRA CAR WASH	Serv	400.00
US BANK EQUIPMENT FINANCE	Copier Lease	208.03
VERIZON WIRELESS	Serv	83.96
VERIZON WIRELESS	Serv	49.14
VERIZON WIRELESS	Serv	51.16
WALKERS UNIFORM RENTAL	Serv	13.50
WASHINGTON COUNTY COURT	Court Costs	546.00
WEX BANK	Fuel	5,881.33
WOODBURY COUNTY COURTHOUSE	Fees	40.50
WOODHOUSE FORD INC	Repairs	163.81
NICHOLAS E. WURTH	Court Appt Atty	2,821.50
ROAD FUND		
EMPLOYEES	Payroll 11/27/20	48,220.96
AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	Retirement	3,254.88
UNITED HEALTHCARE INS CO	Ins	12,334.98
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	3,515.89
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	Ins	2,531.25
ABE'S TRASH SERVICE INC	Serv	68.00
B'S ENTERPRISE INC	Culvert	5,076.00
BI-STATE MOTOR PARTS INC	Parts/Supplies	80.28
BLAIR TELEPHONE CO	Serv	57.99
CAPPEL AUTO SUPPLY, INC.	Supplies	91.97
CARQUEST AUTO PARTS	Parts/Supplies	268.03
CEDAR VALLEY CORP, LLC	Serv	1,200.00

CULLIGAN OF OMAHA	Serv	41.50
FASTENAL COMPANY	Supplies	40.46
GENERAL FIRE & SAFETY EQUIP CO	Serv/Supplies	1,037.25
WILLIAM HANSEL	Reimb	54.00
HARMS OIL COMPANY - OMAHA	Fuel	8,971.78
HUFF TIRE, INC.	Tires/Repairs	2,102.20
INLAND TRUCK PARTS AND SERVICE	Parts/Labor	1,440.83
KELLY RYAN EQUIPMENT COMPANY INC	Parts	160.91
MATHESON TRIGAS DBA LINWELD	Supplies	105.30
NMC EXCHANGE LLC	Parts/Equip Rental	3,688.91
OFFICE NET	Supplies	292.96
OMAHA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	Serv	554.29
U.S. POSTAL SERVICE	Box Rental	150.00
POWERPLAN	Parts	3,230.75
SAPP BROS, INC	Fuel	5,399.27
SHOTWELL GLASS LLC	Repairs	110.00
THERMO KING CHRISTENSEN	Supplies	329.40
VERIZON WIRELESS	Serv	153.48
WALKERS UNIFORM RENTAL	Serv	334.25
WYNGATE PROPERTIES LLC	Easement	307.12
ROAD BRIDGE IMPROV DIST		
BOKF, NA-CORPORATE TRUST SERVICES	Bond Pmnt	23,917.51
REGISTER OF DEEDS		
MULTI-COUNTY INFORMATION &	Serv	516.76
OFFICE NET	Supplies	18.34
JUVENILE SERVICES GRANT		
EMPLOYEES	Payroll 11/27/20	1,923.00
AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	Retirement	129.80
UNITED HEALTHCARE INS CO	Ins	483.63
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	145.15
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	Ins	93.75
ADVENT FINANCIAL SYSTEMS LLC	Regist	150.00
SARAH PIERSON	Reimb	65.41
UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE	Postage	6.60
911 ENHANCED WIRELESS		
CENTURYLINK	Serv	544.59
JAIL CAPITAL PROJECT FUND		
PROCHASKA & ASSOCIATES INC	Justice Center	148.22
SIGNWORKS	Justice Center	3,975.00
THE WEITZ COMPANY, INC	Justice Center	399,813.00
E-911 FUND		
CENTURYLINK	Serv	256.27

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 December 8, 2020 Washington County Board of Supervisors.

Barbara Sullivan, Washington County Clerk
