

**June 22, 2021 Minutes**  
**Washington County Board of Supervisors**  
**Supervisor's Room Courthouse**  
**1555 Colfax Street**  
**Blair, NE 68008**

The Washington County Board of Supervisors of Washington County, Nebraska, met in regular session at 3:06 PM on June 22, 2021 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 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 door and the west wall.

1. Meeting called to order

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

2. Approve agenda

Motion Jordan Rishel and second by Jay Anderson approve agenda for 6/22/21. Motion Carried.

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

3. Approve minutes for the June 8, 2021 meeting

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Bob Frahm that the rules be suspended and that the minutes of the 6/8/21 meeting be approved but not read at this meeting for the purpose that all Board members were furnished a copy of said minutes prior to this meeting. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Aye, Kramer: Absent, 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 Clerk ordered to issue warrants on the various funds for the same. Motion Carried.

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

5. Accept correspondence, consider and place on file: There was no correspondence

6. Jared Schleifer, Weitz Construction: Justice Center construction update

No one was present to give Justice Center update

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

7.1. Discuss contract agreement for maintenance of Township roads. D/PA-to approve Township agreements

Hansel distributed a Township Yearly Report for 2020-21 detailing costs for maintaining township roads and said that the new contract would not have any change from last year's contract with a cost per mile set at \$1,475

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Jay Anderson to approve Township maintenance agreements. Motion Carried.

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

7.2. Accept and approve Change Order for Speece Lewis for Project C89 (611)

Hansel stated that the change order is for work being done on Co Rd 20 and most of the underrun is for crushed rock.

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Jordan Rishel to approve Change Order from Speece Lewis for the amount of \$1,329.99. Motion Carried.

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

8. Chris Shewchuk, Planning and Zoning Administrator--Public hearing on the following items:

8.1. CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT--Stephen and Pamela O'Connor are requesting approval to extend their CUP for an accessory building prior to the primary structure on property zoned A-1. The property is Tax Lot 45 in Section 17, Township 19 North, Range 11 East of the 6th P.M. The location is 16157 US Highway 75, Blair. (D/PA)

Shewchuk went through CUP request then Chairman Dethlefs opened a public hearing. There were no public comments.

Motion Jay Anderson and second by Kevin Barnhill to concur with the Planning Commission's recommendation of approval for a CUP extension for Stephen and Pamela O'Connor for a one-year term. Motion Carried.

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

8.2. CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT—Scott Nun, NE-IA Agronomics, LLC, for TBR, Inc and Terry Rasmussen, is requesting approval of a Conditional Use Permit to allow for the utilization of processed sludge cake as a fertilizer substitute on property zoned A-1. The property is the Southwest Quarter of Section 9, Township 19 North, Range 9 East of the 6th P.M. General location is the northeast corner of County Roads 3 and 10, Hooper. (D/PA)

Shewchuk went through request then the Chairman opened a public hearing. Applicant Scott Nunn, NE-IA Agronomics, and Mike Andreasen spoke.

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Bob Frahm to concur with the Planning Commission's recommendation of approval of a CUP for sludge cake application, with a one-year review period. Motion Carried.

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

8.3. TEXT AMENDMENT--Suzanne Gates, Novozymes Blair, Inc., is requesting to amend the Washington County Zoning Regulations by adding stockpiling of Calcium Oxide (NovoGro) as a Conditional Use in the A-1 Zoning District. (D/PA) Shewchuk discussed request then Chairman opened a public hearing. Applicant Suzanne Gates, Novozymes Blair Inc, spoke.

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Jay Anderson to concur with the Planning Commission's recommendation to amend the Washington County Zoning Regulations by adding stockpiling of Calcium Oxide (NovoGro) as a conditional use in the A-1 Zoning District. Motion Carried.

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

8.4. CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT—Maria and Jeff Bledsoe, owners of Skinny Bones Pumpkin Patch, are requesting approval of a Conditional Use Permit for an Event Venue on property zoned A-1. The property is Tax Lots 31 and 32 in Section 24, Township 17 North, Range 11 East of the 6th P.M. The location is 3935 State Highway 133, Blair. (D/PA)

Shewchuk went through request and provided emails from citizens expressing opposition to the CUP for Skinny Bones. Applicants Jeff and Maria Bledsoe spoke then Chairman opened a public hearing. John Orr spoke in support of CUP.

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Steve Kruger to concur with the Planning Commission's recommendation of approval to a Conditional Use Permit for an Event Center for a five-year term with a one-year review period with the condition that all events terminate by midnight. Motion Carried.

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

9. Adopt Res 2021-17; End of Budget year transfer of money to Sheriff's Office. PA- Adopt Res 2021-17

Sheriff Mike Robinson stated that a vehicle was purchased out of Sheriff's (651) dept that should have been taken out of Corrections dept (671) budget line

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Bob Frahm to adopt Res 2021-17; Transferring \$32,000 from Corrections budget line to Sheriff's Office. Motion Carried.

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

### **RESOLUTION #2021 - 17**

**WHEREAS**, due to unforeseen circumstances, proposed expenditures exceed budget authority allocated for the County Sheriff's office function in the General Fund Budget, and

**WHEREAS**, budget authority in the County Jail budget, also office function of the General Fund Budget, is adequate to allow for a transfer to meet current fiscal year expenditures,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that an additional thirty-two thousand dollars (\$32,000.00) of budget authority is hereby allocated to the County Sheriff's office function 651 from the Jail office function 671.

Dated this 21<sup>th</sup> day of June 2021.

County Board: Jordan Rishel, Bob Frahm, Steve Dethlefs, Kevin Barnhill, Jay Anderson, Steve Kruger

Attest: Barbara Sullivan, County Clerk

10. Adopt Res 2021-18; Transferring \$10,000 to Juvenile Services Grant Fund 2506 from General Fund 100 until reimbursement is received from State Probation

Atty Scott Vander Schaaf stated that there were some reimbursable items spent out of the Juvenile Service Grant Fund that had to be resubmitted to the State, however those funds will not be receipted into the county in time to cover upcoming expenses. Once money is received from State Probation it will be transferred back to the General Fund

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Jordan Rishel to adopt Res 2021-18; Transferring \$10,000 from General Fund to Juvenile Services Grant Fund. Motion Carried.

**RESOLUTION 2021 - 18**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, NEBRASKA:**

**WHEREAS**, the Washington County Board of Supervisors agree that funds in the amount of \$10,000 should be transferred from the Washington County General Fund #100 to the Juvenile Services Grant Fund #2506 until reimbursement is received from State Probation. Additionally, these monies are to be repaid to the Washington County General Fund #100 when reimbursement is received.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the County Treasurer is hereby directed to transfer funds in the amount of \$10,000 from the Washington County General Fund #100 to the Juvenile Services Grant Fund #2506 until reimbursement is received from State Probation. Additionally, Treasurer is directed to repay \$10,000 to the Washington County General Fund when reimbursement is received.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 22<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2021.**

ATTEST: Barbara Sullivan  
County Clerk

Steve Dethlefs, Chairman  
Washington Board of Supervisors

11. Comments from public : John Orr stated that Gov Ricketts will be attending the Justice Center Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
12. Board members briefly discussed Committee Reports
13. Closed session: For the purpose of discussing attorney client privileged information regarding current, potential, imminent threat of litigation, and contract negotiations involving Washington County. D/PA  
Motion Steve Kruger and second by Kevin Barnhill to go into closed session at 4:20 p.m. Motion Carried.  
Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Aye, Kramer: Absent, Kruger: Aye, Rishel: Aye  
Those present were 6 board members, Co Attorney Scott Vander Schaaf, Sheriff Mike Robins on and Planning Administrator Chris Shewchuk  
Motion Steve Dethlefs and second by Steve Kruger to come out of closed session at 5:09 p.m. Motion Carried.  
Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Aye, Kramer: Absent, Kruger: Aye, Rishel: Aye
14. Motion to adjourn meeting  
Motion Steve Kruger and second by Jordan Rishel to adjourn the Board of Supervisors meeting at 5:10 p.m. Motion Carried.  
Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Aye, Kramer: Absent, Kruger: Aye, Rishel: Aye

**CLAIMS:**

**GENERAL FUND**

EMPLOYEES	Payroll 6/11/2021	231,248.17
AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	Retirement	15,578.81
UNITED HEALTHCARE INS CO	Ins	50,957.69
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	16,855.30
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	Ins	10,106.02
ADVANCED CORRECTIONAL HEALTHCARE	Inmate Care	2,686.94
ALL MAKES OFFICE EQUIPMENT CO	Copier Lease	874.17
MIKE ANDERSON	Mileage	56.10
BLAIR ACE HARDWARE	Supplies	59.34
MICKAYLA BLENDER	Reimb	147.19
BOLD OFFICE SOLUTIONS, LLC	Serv	627.25
BOMGAARS	Supplies	301.56
CAPSTONE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH	Serv	600.00
NICOLE CAVANAUGH	Public Defender	1,875.00
CITY OF BLAIR	Serv	1,046.92

CITY OF FORT CALHOUN	Unit Lease	50.00
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT	Filing Fees	144.00
CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT COMPANY	Food Serv	169.61
DAS STATE ACCNTING-CENTRAL FINANCE	Serv	166.88
DODGE COUNTY SHERIFF	Fees	7.21
DORNAN, TROIA, HOWARD	Court Appt Atty	7,751.60
DREW LAW FIRM PC LLO	Court Appt Atty	2,593.50
DULTMEIER SALES	Supplies/Repairs	161.30
WILLIAM P. DUNN	Public Defender	6,250.00
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	Supplies	52.84
ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING	Supplies	738.92
EMBROIDERY CONNECTION	Serv	88.00
ENTERPRISE MEDIA GROUP	Printing/Notices	424.80
FAIRWAY OIL COMPANY	Fuel	185.75
FASTENAL COMPANY	Supplies	122.92
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OMAHA	Fuel/Supplies	2,432.61
CARRIE FLYNN	Reimb/Supplies	65.99
FORT CALHOUN WOMANS'S CLUB	Funding	1,100.00
GOVERNMENTAL LAW, LLC	Atty Fees	3,248.95
GREAT PLAINS UNIFORMS LLC	Supplies	65.00
JENNIFER HANSEN	Reimb/Supplies	35.47
KEVIN HARTZELL	Mileage	39.73
BRADY JOHN HOEKSTRA	Public Defender	2,500.00
MARJORIE HOIER	Mileage	450.40
HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS - YORK	Lodging	315.38
IDEAL PURE WATER	Serv	176.94
JILL A REEVES-JAZZ PUBLICATIONS	Serv	2,210.00
JOHNSON & MOCK ATTORNEYS AT LAW	Court Appt Atty	4,895.78
KONICA MINOLTA PREMIER FINANCE	Copier Lease	199.48
GARY LAMBRECHT	Mileage	113.05
ED LAUTRUP	Reimb/Supplies	215.03
LOCTEK	Supplies	188.99
MATT MATHIESEN	Mileage	106.24
MCKESSON MEDICAL - SURGICAL	Inmate Care	580.95
JANE MCNEIL	Public Defender	1,875.00
MEBULBS	Supplies	791.42
NE DEPT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	Serv	23.75
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	Regional Center	276.00
NE WEED MANAGEMENT AREA COALITION	Dues	100.00
NEBRASKA LAW ENFORCEMENT	Training	175.00
NEBRASKA NOTARY ASSOCIATION	Fees	154.00
STEVE NEUVERTH	Mileage	100.14
OFFICE DEPOT	Supplies	842.80
OFFICE DEPOT	Supplies	903.84
OFFICE DEPOT	Supplies	81.89
OFFICE DEPOT	Supplies	103.29
OFFICE NET	Supplies	598.60
OFFICE WAREHOUSE	Supplies	755.12
OMAHA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	Serv	682.26

OUACHITA PARISH COUNTY	Fees	60.00
JEAN M BECKMAN - OUR SPECIALTEA	Food Serv	3,822.00
PFI	Storage	40.00
PHILLIPS 66 - CONOCO - 76	Fuel	2,060.54
PHYSICIANS LABORATORY PC	Serv	272.00
POSITIVE CONCEPTS/ATPI	Supplies	183.74
CALVIN POULSEN	GIS Serv	1,562.50
POUNDS PRINTING INC	Supplies	147.00
QUILL CORPORATION	Supplies	141.97
TERRY RASMUSSEN	Mileage	106.97
RILEY ENTERPRISES	Serv	491.00
RITTERBUSH & PIOTROWSKI, L.L.P.	Serv	18,100.00
RONALD ROSS - CONSTABLE	Fees	30.00
CRAIG SCHLACHTER	Fees	250.00
CHRIS SHEWCHUK	Mileage	262.08
SID DILLON CHEV-OLDS-PONT, INC	Repairs	2,418.00
SPECIFIED DESIGN CONSULTANTS, INC.	Supplies	14,928.64
STAMP FULFILLMENT SERVICES	Supplies	665.65
STAPLES BUSINESS CREDIT	Supplies	675.17
BARB SULLIVAN	Mileage	131.04
TAYLOR OIL CO	Fuel	48.40
TOTAL FIRE & SECURITY, INC.	Inspections	110.00
TURNKEY TECHNOLOGY, LLC	Supplies	449.95
U.S. BANK	Supplies	32.10
U.S. BANK	Supplies	585.20
US BANK EQUIPMENT FINANCE	Copier Lease	169.57
VERIZON CONNECT NWF, INC.	Serv	64.76
VERIZON WIRELESS	Serv	40.09
VERIZON WIRELESS	Serv	159.41
VERIZON WIRELESS	Serv	910.83
VILLAGE OF ARLINGTON	Unit Lease	50.00
WATCH GUARD VIDEO	Supplies	513.60
WEX BANK	Fuel	253.90
DOUG WOLFE	Mileage	38.53
<b>ROAD FUND</b>		
EMPLOYEES	Payroll 6/11/2021	45,018.00
AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	Retirement	3,038.68
UNITED HEALTHCARE INS CO	Ins	11,285.93
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	3,289.45
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	Ins	2,250.00
BADER'S HIGHWAY & STREET MAINT, INC	Serv	10,990.00
BOMGAARS	Supplies/Parts	221.99
BRAKKAN TRUCKING INC	Gravel	1,450.68
CARQUEST AUTO PARTS	Parts	15.60
COUNTRY TIRE INC	Serv/Repairs	682.78
ECONO LODGE INN & SUITES	Lodging	267.00
FASTENAL COMPANY	Supplies	371.66
FILTER CARE OF NEBRASKA	Serv	34.90
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	Supplies	224.13

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NORETTA GLUP	Supplies	979.50
GUS CONSTRUCTION CO	Serv	71,085.39
GWORKS	Serv	428.40
WILLIAM HANSEL	Cell Reimb	43.00
HI-LINE INC	Parts	160.27
INLAND TRUCK PARTS AND SERVICE	Parts	471.19
DALE R JOHNSON ENT, INC.	Gravel	1,608.54
KENNARD TRANSFER	Gravel	6,763.60
LYMAN-RICHEY SAND & GRAVEL COMPANY	Gravel	173,030.00
MARTIN MARIETTA MATERIALS	Rock	22,171.79
ME COLLINS CONTRACTING CO INC	Serv	224,360.16
MIDWEST EXCAVATING SERVICES, LLC	Serv	180,260.33
MIDWEST FENCE COMPANY	Repairs	2,475.00
OFFICE NET	Supplies	261.96
SCHAEFFER MFG. CO.	Fuel	499.64
SHOTWELL GLASS LLC	Parts/Labor	450.00
SPEECE LEWIS ENGINEERS, INC	Serv	18,326.56
STALP GRAVEL COMPANY	Gravel	13,345.85
TRUCK CENTER COMPANIES	Parts	3,043.43
TWO RIVERS BANK	Grader Pmnt	153,418.61
U.S. BANCORP GOVERNMENT LEASING	Dump Truck	131,834.66
U.S. BANCORP GOVMNT LEASING/FINANCE	Dump Trucks	265,221.92
U.S. BANK EQUIPMENT FINANCE	Grader Pmnt	31,172.12
UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE	Postage	1,050.00
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	Grader Pmnt	92,811.61
WESTERN ENGINEERING COMPANY INC	Serv	652,742.89
WOODHOUSE FORD INC	Parts	326.86
<b>DRUG COURT</b>		
CAPITAL ONE	Supplies	117.89
<b>JUVENILE SERVICES GRANT</b>		
EMPLOYEES	Payroll 6/11/2021	1,923.00
AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	Retirement	129.80
UNITED HEALTHCARE INS CO	Ins	463.62
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	147.03
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	Ins	181.13
<b>HIGHWAY SAFETY FUND</b>		
EMPLOYEES	Payroll 6/11/2021	3,083.10
AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	Retirement	238.95
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	235.85
<b>JAIL CAPITAL PROJECT FUND</b>		
CONTROL SERVICES INC	Justice Center	2,097.75
CORNHUSKER STATE INDUSTRIES	Justice Center	31,811.00
MILLARD SPRINKLER	Justice Center	2,900.00

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 June 22, 2021 Washington County Board of Supervisors.

Barbara Sullivan, Washington County Clerk

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