

October 26, 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 3:04 p.m. on October 26, 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, Lisa Kramer, Bob Frahm, Kevin Barnhill, Jay Anderson and Steve Kruger. Also present: Co Clerk Barbara Sullivan, Sheriff Mike Robinson and Co Atty Scott Vander Schaaf

2. Approve agenda

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Jordan Rishel approve agenda for 10/26/21. Motion Carried.

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

3. Approve minutes for the Oct 12, 2021 meeting

Motion Jay Anderson and second by Kevin Barnhill that the rules be suspended and the minutes of the 10/12/21 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: Abstain (Without Conflict), Kruger: Aye, Rishel: Aye

4. Approve Claims

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Kevin Barnhill that the claims at the end of the 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 correspondence, consider and place on file

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Kevin Barnhill to receive and place on file correspondence from 1) NE Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice and 2) Notice of Public Hearing from City of Blair. Motion Carried.

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

6. Bill Hansel, Hwy Supt: Road Dept update not limited to projects, equipment and personnel

Several residents were present and spoke about gravel road conditions after several inches of rain fell over the weekend and had concerns about drainage and maintenance. Hansel discussed policies and procedures and asked citizens to communicate any road issues directly with the Road Dept.

7. Janelle Taylor, Gateway Project Manager Coordinator: Gateway Development update

Mike Rooks, Director of Washington County Economic Development, stated that the greater Omaha area had a potential capital investment of about \$6 billion for the 2020 year. Through August 2021 the metro area already had about \$9 billion of potential capital investment. Rooks went on to say that 3 projects were announced this year for Washington County totaling \$368 million that would create about 115 jobs. Six other projects are in the negotiation phase and another 14 in the pipeline. Rooks said that they may want to meet with the county board in the near future to discuss potential uses of ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funds.

8. Weitz Construction: Request for reimbursement of additional costs associated with continuing construction during the COVID-19 pandemic. D/PA- approve request utilizing ARPA funds.

Jared Schliefer and Brian Mahlendorf of Weitz Construction discussed the request for additional funds and stated delays, and additional costs incurred during construction were a direct result of the pandemic. Weitz had a list of items to be considered for reimbursement from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds as part of the American Rescue Plan Act totaling \$502,703. Co Atty Vander Schaaf stated that the items listed meet the criteria under the ARPA. Chairman Dethlefs discussed a proposal from Lutz & Company, PC that would provide consulting and compliance procedures with regard to the SLFRF. Lutz is a preferred vendor of the Neb Association of County Officials.

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Jay Anderson to hire Lutz to review the Weitz request and future ARPA funds requests not to exceed \$2,000 to come out of the ARPA Fund. Motion Carried.

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

9. Approve the 2020 Redistricting boundaries and adopt Resolution 2021-31; Setting the Washington County Supervisor Districts. D/PA

Board discussed the 3 options that were drawn from MAPA. Mike Anderson and Darrel Boesiger spoke.

Motion Jay Anderson and second by Lisa Kramer to approve redistricting boundaries scenario #3 for the new Supervisor Districts. Motion Carried.

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

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Kevin Barnhill to adopt Resolution 2021-31; Setting the Washington County Supervisor Districts. Motion Carried.

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

RESOLUTION 2021-31

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

WHEREAS: It appears that the population has become unequal among the several Supervisor Districts;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. 23-269 (Reissue 1977) that Washington County, Nebraska, Supervisor Districts be established as follows: Attached hereto and marked Exhibit A and by this reference made a part hereof are each Supervisor District including the number of each District and a map of the area covered by said District.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 26TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2021

The Board of Supervisors of Washington County: Steve Dethlefs, Lisa Kramer, Bob Frahm, Jordan Rishel, Jay Anderson, Steven Kruger, Kevin Barnhill

Attest: Barbara Sullivan, County Clerk

10. Special Designated License: Dondar, Inc. dba Dale's House of Bottles, reception at Two Rivers Building on 11/13/21

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Jordan Rishel to authorize Chairman to sign SDL Local Recommendation Form for Dondar, Inc. dba Dale's House of Bottles. Motion Carried.

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

11. Comments from public:

Mike Anderson spoke.

12. Committee Reports:

Road Committee discussed Rolling Acres SID. Tech Committee is looking at options for website design and have also looked at other NE county sites for ideas. Insurance Committee is in the process of getting renewal and self-funding quotes.

13. Closed session: In order to protect the public interest with respect to discussion regarding personnel. D/PA

Present were 7 board members, Co Atty Scott Vander Schaaf, and Co Clk Barbara Sullivan

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Steve Kruger to go into closed session at 5:01 p.m. Motion Carried.

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

Those present were 7 board members, Co Clk Barbara Sullivan and Co Atty Scott Vander Schaaf

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Kevin Barnhill to come out of closed session at 5:28 p.m. Motion Carried.

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

In open session: Motion Bob Frahm and second by Jay Anderson to authorize Clerk to adjust Building and Grounds Supervisor's salary as directed by the committee. Motion Carried.

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

14. 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 Kevin Barnhill and second by Bob Frahm to go into closed session at 5:30 p.m. Motion Carried.

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

Those present were 7 board members and Co Atty Vander Schaaf

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Jordan Rishel to come out of closed session at 5:52 p.m. Motion Carried.

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

In open session: Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Jay Anderson to allow Chairman to sign a legal service agreement with Governmental Law, LLC. Motion Carried.

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

15. Motion to adjourn meeting

Motion Lisa Kramer and second by Kevin Barnhill to adjourn from the Board of Supervisors meeting at 5:54 p.m. Motion Carried.

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

CLAIMS:

GENERAL FUND

EMPLOYEES	Payroll 10/15/2021	238,418.83
AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	Retirement	16,707.02
UNITED HEALTHCARE INS CO	Ins	53,546.48
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	17,382.04
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	Ins	10,313.95
ALL MAKES OFFICE EQUIPMENT CO	Copier Lease	243.46
LORI BENSEN	Mileage	184.80
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	Serv	3,636.07
BLAIR ACE HARDWARE	Supplies	78.13
BOMGAARS	Supplies	31.57
THOMAS BRANTLEY	Training	253.02
BURT COUNTY SHERIFFS OFFICE	Fees	18.50
NICOLE CAVANAUGH	Public Defender	1,875.00
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT	Fees	179.00
COMFORT INN - KEARNEY	Lodging	2,478.90
COMMERCIAL LIGHTING COMPANY	Supplies	2,387.47
CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT COMPANY	Meals	169.61
DORNAN, TROIA, HOWARD	Court Appt Atty	3,225.00
DOUGLAS COUNTY COURT	Fees	3.25
DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF	Fees	100.11
DREW LAW FIRM PC LLO	Court Appt Atty	390.00
WILLIAM P. DUNN	Public Defender	6,250.00
EASTERN NEBRASKA HUMAN SERVICES AG	Encor/Enoa	22,689.00
EGAN SUPPLY COMPANY	Supplies	1,076.42
ENTERPRISE MEDIA GROUP	Notices	204.75
FAIRWAY OIL COMPANY	Fuel	91.05
FARO TECHNOLOGIES, INC.	Serv	1,966.12
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	Fuel/Supplies	336.67
FORENSIC SERVICES DIVISION	Serv	25.00
GALLS, LLC	Supplies	54.58
GOLDSTAR PRODUCTS INC	Supplies	3,113.99
BRENT J GROVE	Mileage	78.40
HIRCHERT-OLSEN AUTO SERVICE INC.	Repairs/Serv	914.43
HTBS CREDIT	Supplies	204.49
BRADY JOHN HOEKSTRA	Public Defender	2,500.00
MARJORIE HOIER	Mileage	50.40
HOLIDAY INN - KEARNEY	Lodging	284.85
IDEAL PURE WATER	Serv	77.64
INTERN'L ASSOC FOR IDENTIFICATION	Dues	80.00
JONES AUTOMOTIVE, INC	Repairs	345.37
AMBER DEAN	Mileage	11.20

KENNETH JACOBS	Court Appt Atty	674.50
KONICA MINOLTA PREMIER FINANCE	Copier Lease	199.48
ED LAUTRUP	Meeting Reimb	346.76
LOGOS PLUS	Supplies	267.00
DEB LUPARDUS	Fuel Reimb	25.00
MAXIMUS, INC	Serv	2,600.00
JANE MCNEIL	Public Defender	1,875.00
MEMORIAL COMMUNITY HOSPITAL & MENARDS - FREMONT	Serv	60.00
MMC MECHANICAL CONTRACTORS, INC.	Supplies	465.39
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	Serv/Parts	823.20
NEBRASKA NOTARY ASSOCIATION	Regional Center	237.00
NEBRASKA PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRO LAB	Serv	156.18
GLADYS NELSON	Supplies	105.00
O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC	Serv	86.50
OFFICE DEPOT	Supplies	7.31
OFFICE NET	Supplies	88.31
OFFICE WAREHOUSE	Supplies	291.46
OMAHA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	Supplies	379.56
ERIK PETERSEN	Serv	184.68
PFI	Mileage	185.24
PHILLIPS 66 - CONOCO - 76	Storage	40.00
PHYSICIANS LABORATORY PC	Fuel	3,712.24
POUNDS PRINTING INC	Serv	2,050.00
POWER TECH	Supplies	796.00
RILEY ENTERPRISES	Maintenance	1,347.33
KRIS ROBINSON	Serv	200.00
ROCHESTER MIDLAND CORPORATION	Registration	205.00
DEBBIE SAVILLE	Serv	350.00
SECRETARY OF STATE'S OFFICE	Mileage	28.00
SHIPLEY CEMETERY HISTORICAL ASSN	Serv	25.00
SID DILLON CHEV-OLDS-PONT, INC	Cemetery Maint	575.00
THE EMBLEM AUTHORITY	Serv	52.93
THE SIGN DEPOT LLC	Supplies	374.00
TOTAL FIRE & SECURITY, INC.	Serv	565.32
US BANK EQUIPMENT FINANCE	Inspections	165.00
VERIZON CONNECT NWF, INC.	Copier Lease	88.29
VERIZON WIRELESS	Serv	64.76
VERIZON WIRELESS	Serv	40.01
VERIZON WIRELESS	Serv	869.26
WALKERS UNIFORM RENTAL	Serv	37.82
WASHINGTON COUNTY COURT	Fees	71.75
WEX BANK	Fuel	274.97
MICHAEL J. WINCHESTER	Mileage	215.04
WOODHOUSE FORD INC	Repairs/Serv	179.28
88 TACTICEL	Fees	400.00
ROAD FUND		
EMPLOYEES	Payroll 10/15/2021	49,404.80
AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	Retirement	3,334.78
UNITED HEALTHCARE INS CO	Ins	12,253.17

WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	3,654.43
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	Ins	2,511.80
B'S ENTERPRISE INC	Supplies	24,860.00
BOMGAARS	Parts/Supplies	697.51
BRAKKAN TRUCKING INC	Gravel	1,768.65
ENTERPRISE MEDIA GROUP	Notices	29.71
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	Supplies	73.07
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	Supplies	239.35
HI-LINE INC	Parts	156.07
MEMORIAL COMMUNITY HOSPITAL &	Serv	80.00
NORTHWEST PROVISIONS-BILLY RHEA III	Gravel	1,215.32
SPEECE LEWIS ENGINEERS, INC	Serv	12,600.55
THE SIGN DEPOT LLC	Supplies	42.65
WALKERS UNIFORM RENTAL	Serv	362.36
JUVENILE SERVICES GRANT		
EMPLOYEES	Payroll 10/15/2021	1,923.00
AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	Retirement	129.80
UNITED HEALTHCARE INS CO	Ins	483.62
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	147.03
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	Ins	93.75
911 ENHANCED WIRELESS		
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS INC	Serv	75.95
JAIL CAPITAL PROJECT FUND		
THRASHER, INC.	Justice Center	4,309.63
THE WEITZ COMPANY, INC	Justice Center	6,880.00
E-911 FUND		
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS INC	Serv	37.41
VERTIV SERVICES, INC.	Serv	1,785.00

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 October 26, 2021 Washington County Board of Supervisors.

Barbara Sullivan, Washington County Clerk
