

**December 27, 2022 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 3:05 PM on December 27, 2022 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 Lisa Kramer, Bob Frahm, Jay Anderson, and Steve Kruger. Absent: Jordan Rishel and Kevin Barnhill. Also present: Co Clerk Barbara Sullivan, Sheriff Mike Robinson, and Co Attorney Scott Vander Schaaf

2. Approve agenda

Motion Bob Frahm and second by Steve Kruger to approve the agenda for 12/27/22. Motion Carried.

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

3. Approve minutes for the December 13, 2022 meeting

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Bob Frahm that the rules be suspended and the minutes of the 12/13/22 meeting be approved but not read for the purpose that all board members were furnished a copy of said minutes prior to this meeting. Motion Carried.

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

4. Approve Claims

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Lisa Kramer that the claims be approved, and the Clerk ordered to issue warrant on the various funds for the same. Motion Carried.

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

5. Accept correspondence, consider, and place on file- NONE

6. Road Dept update not limited to projects, equipment, and personnel

Road Committee member Jay Anderson gave an update and stated that the Road Dept had very few calls from the public regarding snow removal and/or ice treatment. Anderson also discussed various projects that were worked on in 2022 such as asphalt overlays & repairs, armor coat, and stripping. The total cost of work performed in 2022 was \$2,298,186. The public can now access the gWorks tab from the county website to get up-to-date information on road projects and links to report issues.

6.1. Accept & approve Change Order Increase for project C89 (617) and C89 (02805)

The increase is due to extra dirt that needed to be added as well as silt fencing and seeding.

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Jay Anderson to approve Change Order Increase for project C89 (617) C89 (02805) in the amount of \$2,255. Motion Carried.

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

7. Discuss compensation fees for Forman/s at the Road Dept for additional responsibilities. D/PA

Kruger asked the board to consider compensating Road Dept employees who are given extra responsibilities while the position of Hwy Supt is vacant, as was done in other offices during similar situations. Kruger said he wanted to keep the public informed and asked that the Road Comm make a recommendation at the next meeting.

8. Discuss hiring of a new Road Superintendent. D/PA

Kruger shared with the public the progress of hiring a Hwy Supt. Anderson stated the current job description is under review and they are working on getting it updated. The position will be posted in a about 2 weeks.

9. Ron Hinline, Township # 2: Discuss Road Superintendent position

Hinline discussed at length his opposition to the board's action to terminate the Highway Supt at the 12/13/22 meeting and asked the board to rescind the motion.

10. Special Designated License: 1) Nelson's Food Pride, Farmer's Meal, 1/26/23. 2) Nelson's Food Pride, Farmer's Meal, 2/24/23

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Lisa Kramer to authorize Chairman to sign SDL Local Recommendation Form 200 for Nelson's Food Pride for events on 1/20/22 & 2/24/22. Motion Carried.

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

11. Comments from public: Dennis McCormack, Mike Anderson, John Orr, and Ben Stangl spoke.

12. Committee Reports: Chris Shewchuk stated that a joint public meeting with the Planning Commission and County Board has been scheduled for January 19th, 6-9 p.m. at the Blair Library for the purpose of discussing the Washington Co Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Regulations. Shewchuk said that the meeting is for discussion and public comment only, no action will be taken. Building & Grounds Comm met with the Building Inspector to discuss potential changes that would streamline the processes between that office and the Surveyor's office. Kramer discussed the Opioid Settlement funds that the country will receive and reallocate to Region 6 Behavioral Health. Kruger discussed the potential increase in fees for use of the Madison Co Juvenile Detention Center.

13. Closed session: For the purpose of discussing attorney client privileged information, 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 Bob Frahm to go into closed session at 4:02 p.m. Motion Carried.

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

Those present in closed session were 5 board members and Co Attorney Vander Schaaf.

Motion Lisa Kramer and second by Steve Kruger to come out of closed session at 4:16 p.m. Motion Carried.

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

No action in open session.

14. Motion to adjourn meeting

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Lisa Kramer to adjourn from the Board of Supervisors meeting at 4:19 p.m.

Motion Carried.

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

CLAIMS:

**GENERAL FUND**

EMPLOYEES	Payroll 12/23/22	240,660.64
AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	Retirement	16,793.50
PRINCIPAL	Life-Dental-Vision	912.90
WASHINGTON COUNTY-INSURANCE FUND	Health Ins.	52,672.64
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	17,678.02
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	H.S.A.	9,556.25
AIRGAS USA, LLC	Inmate Care	8.67
ALL COPY PRODUCTS INC	Copier Lease	144.28
ROBIN ANDREASEN	Mileage/Meeting	274.49
AT-SCENE LLC	Supplies/Serv	2,265.00
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	Serv	4,244.11
BLAIR ACE HARDWARE	Supplies	53.68
TAMMI BURBACH	Reimb/Supplies	13.90
NICOLE CAVANAUGH	Public Defender	2,291.66

CITY OF BLAIR	Library Fees	275.00
CITY OF FORT CALHOUN	Unit Lease	50.00
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT	Filing Fees	108.00
CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT COMPANY	Training	123.65
CREDIT BUREAU SERVICES, INC.	Serv	260.05
CROWNE PLAZA KEARNEY	Lodging	259.90
DAS STATE ACCNTING-CENTRAL FINANCE	Serv	166.88
DODGE COUNTY SHERIFF	Fees	26.62
DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF	Fees	111.65
DRAIN MD LLC	Serv	1,256.25
WILLIAM P. DUNN	Public Defender	6,666.66
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	Supplies	43.38
FAMILY DENTAL CENTERS PC	Inmate Care	483.00
FARM & HOME PUBLISHERS LTD	Plat Books	250.00
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	Fuel/Serv	610.97
FIRST WIRELESS, INC	Supplies	245.70
GREAT AMERICA FINANCIAL SVCS	Copier Lease	208.35
GREAT PLAINS UNIFORMS LLC	Supplies	29.97
HILLYARD, INC.	Supplies	1,200.30
HIRCHERT-OLSEN AUTO SERVICE INC.	Serv	217.88
BRADY JOHN HOEKSTRA	Public Defender	2,500.00
HOMETOWN LEASING	Copier Lease	113.56
IDEAL PURE WATER	Serv	21.85
INFOSAFE SHREDDING, INC	Serv	120.00
JAEGER LAW OFFICE PC LLO	Court Appt Atty	399.00
GARRETT L. BATENHORST	Juror Fees	35.00
KELLEN C BIODROWSKI	Juror Fees	53.75
CHASE T BREITHAUPT	Juror Fees	37.50
DESIREE A BURNS	Juror Fees	45.00
COLTON R CAREY	Juror Fees	47.50
GREGORY L CHRISTIANSEN	Juror Fees	87.50
MONTANA L COTTLE	Juror Fees	125.00
JOANN L DUNCAN	Juror Fees	53.75
CARL A FALK	Juror Fees	107.50
MANDI L FORRESTER	Juror Fees	62.50
TABITHA C HANZLIK	Juror Fees	35.00
CAMILLE N HAVENRIDGE	Juror Fees	35.00
DAVID L HUSTON	Juror Fees	45.00
KATI D JOHNSON	Juror Fees	35.00
SCOTT E JOHNSON	Juror Fees	45.00
DOUGLAS L KASPAR	Juror Fees	46.25
JASON W KRAMP	Juror Fees	87.50
THERESA R LEHMER	Juror Fees	47.50
SARA L LIERMAN	Juror Fees	70.00
DEBRA M MELLEMA	Juror Fees	107.50
PAUL E MEYER	Juror Fees	50.00
JUDY K MINK	Juror Fees	90.00
GREG J MORRISON	Juror Fees	107.50

NICHOLAS E MULLER	Juror Fees	47.50
NICHOLAS J NACHTIGALL	Juror Fees	90.00
STEVEN M NELSON	Juror Fees	47.50
BREANN A OHRT	Juror Fees	53.75
JACOB R PAVLIK	Juror Fees	53.75
MARK A RHOADES	Juror Fees	38.75
OTTO J SCHAEFER 3RD	Juror Fees	47.50
CARLEY G SCHWARTING	Juror Fees	95.00
TIMOTHY D SNELL	Juror Fees	41.25
CHRISTOPHER M STESSMAN	Juror Fees	87.50
ROBERT L TEAGER	Juror Fees	41.88
STEVEN L THOMPSON	Juror Fees	43.75
DANICE K WALKENHORST	Juror Fees	53.75
RHONDA R WALKER	Juror Fees	35.00
ASHLEY R WEEKS	Juror Fees	45.00
BARBARA A WELCHERT	Juror Fees	90.00
KATHERINE I WHEELER	Juror Fees	45.00
CHESTER W WIESE JR	Juror Fees	35.00
KARLA S WILLIS	Juror Fees	97.50
KONICA MINOLTA PREMIER FINANCE	Copier Lease	199.48
MARY LOFTIS	Services	604.00
JANE MCNEIL	Public Defender	2,291.66
STEVEN MENCKE	Mileage	112.50
MORLEY CEMETERY	Cemetery Maint	300.00
MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS	Repairs	615.00
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	Regional Center	180.00
NEBRASKA NOTARY ASSOCIATION	Serv	154.00
JOSHUA NELSON	Fuel Reimb	20.00
OFFICE WAREHOUSE	Supplies	461.07
OMAHA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	Serv	159.06
SUSAN PAULSEN	Mileage/Meeting	397.53
PFI	Storage	40.00
PHILLIPS 66 - CONOCO - 76	Fuel	1,692.49
CALVIN POULSEN	GIS Serv	1,525.00
QUILL CORPORATION	Supplies	222.01
ROCHESTER MIDLAND CORPORATION	Serv	385.00
SCHINDLER ELEVATOR CORPORATION	Repairs	511.69
SE SMITH & SONS	Supplies	145.03
SHIPLEY CEMETERY HISTORICAL ASSN	Cemetery Maint	575.00
SHOTWELL GLASS LLC	Serv	311.93
ADAM SIPPLE	Public Defender	8,333.33
STAMP FULFILLMENT SERVICES	Supplies	1,041.00
STANEK FIRE PROTECTION	Serv	195.00
BARB SULLIVAN	Mileage	246.25
SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE, LLC	Food Serv	7,880.08
SUPERIOR GREEN, INC.	Serv	150.00
VERIZON	Serv	42.79
VERIZON WIRELESS	Serv	956.28

VILLAGE OF ARLINGTON	Unit Lease	50.00
WALKERS UNIFORM RENTAL	Serv	17.47
WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF	Petty Cash	179.78
WEX BANK	Fuel	230.66
WOODHOUSE FORD INC	Serv/Repairs	1,805.63
<b>ROAD FUND</b>		
EMPLOYEES	Payroll 12/23/22	53,067.70
AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	Retirement	3,582.09
PRINCIPAL	Life-Dental-Vision	331.24
WASHINGTON COUNTY-INSURANCE FUND	Health Ins.	11,829.64
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	3,883.24
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	H.S.A.	2,422.48
CULLIGAN OF OMAHA	Serv	8.00
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	Supplies	62.74
NORETTA GLUP	Supplies	262.00
MEDICAL ENTERPRISES, INC	Supplies	35.00
MO VALLEY TIRES, LLC	Supplies	5,595.92
SCHAEFFER MFG. CO.	Fuel	921.60
SPEECE LEWIS ENGINEERS, INC	Serv	3,420.00
WALKERS UNIFORM RENTAL	Serv	613.78
<b>INSURANCE FUND</b>		
AUXIANT	Insurance	150,039.98
PARETO HEALTH	Insurance	238.00
<b>JUVENILE SERVICES FUND</b>		
EMPLOYEES	Payroll 12/23/22	2,221.50
AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	Retirement	149.95
PRINCIPAL	Life-Dental-Vision	13.77
WASHINGTON COUNTY-INSURANCE FUND	Health Ins.	466.06
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	169.77
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	H.S.A.	93.75
<b>COVID AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUND</b>		
VOGTSCAPES, INC.	Serv	117,798.25
<b>INHERITANCE TAX FUND</b>		
ESTATE OF GERALD MILES	Fees	16.05
<b>911 ENHANCED WIRELESS</b>		
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS INC	Serv	75.26
<b>E-911 FUND</b>		
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS INC	Serv	30.74

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 27, 2022 Washington County Board of Supervisors.

Barbara Sullivan, Washington County Clerk

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