

**July 25, 2023 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 PM on July 25, 2023 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 Jon Stewart, Lisa Kramer, Bob Frahm, Kevin Barnhill, Jay Anderson, and Steve Kruger. Also present: Co Clerk Barbara Sullivan, Sheriff Mike Robinson, Chief Deputy Sheriff Mitch Robinson, and Co Attorney Scott Vander Schaaf

2. Approve agenda

Motion Jay Anderson and second by Lisa Kramer to approve the agenda for July 25, 2023. Motion Carried.

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

3. Approve minutes for the July 11, 2023 meeting

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Kevin Barnhill that the rules be suspended and the minutes of the 7/11/23 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: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Abstain (Without Conflict), Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Stewart: Aye

4. Approve Claims

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Kevin Barnhill that the claims be approved, 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, Stewart: Aye

5. Accept correspondence, consider, and place on file

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Bob Frahm to receive correspondence from OPPD and place on file. Motion Carried.

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

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

Kruger said that the Road Dept has been working on cleaning up old Seaberson waste land in Ft Calhoun, incorporating Base Stabilizer on Co Rd 29 north of Dutch Hall Rd, and had new guard rail installed on Co Rd P35 & 37. Kruger also stated that OMNI has milled off the old asphalt for Ft Calhoun West project and Heimes is looking to start work this week.

6.1. Discuss site distance issue on Co Rd P37, between P26 & Co Rd 28. D/PA

Kruger stated that there are 3 sold lots where the driveway access to the county road does not have the required 500 ft of site distance as per county regulations. The board discussed options at length and County Attorney Vander Schaaf said that it would take more than just board action to grant a variance. The board decided not to take any action and have the Hwy Supt deny the request.

7. Chris Shewchuk, Planning and Zoning Administrator--Public hearings on the following items:

7.1. Conditional Use Permit--Donald Welchert, for Chad and Jamie Nelson, is requesting approval of a Conditional Use Permit to temporarily allow two single-family residences during construction on property zoned A-1. The property is

legally described as Tax Lot 8 located in Section 7, Township 19 North, Range 11 East of the 6th P.M. Location is 17389 County Road 25, Herman. (D/PA)

Shewchuk went through the request and stated that the Planning Commission voted 6-0 to recommend approval of the CUP. Applicant Welchert spoke then the Chairman opened a public hearing. There were no public comments.

Motion Jay Anderson and second by Kevin Barnhill to approve the request of Donald Welchert for a CUP to temporarily allow two single-family residences on Tax Lot 8 in Section 7-19-11, for a two-year term. Motion Carried.

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

7.2. Conditional Use Permit Modification--Ross and Danielle Ridenoure are requesting approval of a Conditional Use Permit Modification to expand the days of operation for a previously approved Event Venue. The property is legally described as Tax Lot 14 in Section 31, Township 19 North, Range 11 East of the 6th P.M. Location is 16512 County Road 18, Blair. (D/PA)

Shewchuk discussed the request and said that the Planning Commission voted 5-1 with one absent, to recommend approval of expanding the time frame for event use. Applicant Danielle Ridenoure was present and addressed the board, then the Chairman opened a public hearing. There were no public comments.

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Bob Frahm to approve the request of Ross and Danielle Ridenoure for a CUP Modification to expand the days of operation for their Event Venue annually to May 1 through December 1. Motion Carried.

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

8. Special Designated License: 1316 Jones LLC, receptions at Big Red Barn on Aug 3 & 4

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Steve Kruger to authorize Chairman to sign SDL Local Recommendation Form 200 for 1316 Jones LLC. Motion Carried.

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

9. Discuss purchase of a vehicle for Assessor's office using ARPA funds. D/PA

10. Finance Committee: Discuss 2023-2024 County Budget

Kruger discussed General Fund budget requests that have been submitted thus far from offices.

11. Comments from public

Mike Anderson spoke.

12. Committee Reports

The Building & Grounds Committee worked on a new job description for Maintenance Supervisor to be placed in the advertisement. Roads Committee discussed budget items and ARPA funded projects. Six Pack met to discuss land classifications and matrix items.

13. Motion to adjourn meeting

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Lisa Kramer to adjourn from the Board of Supervisors meeting at 4:12 p.m. Motion Carried.

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

**CLAIMS:**

**GENERAL FUND**

EMPLOYEES	Payroll 7/21/2023	243,285.88
AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	Retirement	16,714.49
PRINCIPAL	Life-Dental-Vision	803.76
WASHINGTON COUNTY-INSUANCE FUND	Health Ins.	52,464.60
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	17,833.75
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	H.S.A.	9,411.52
AIRGAS USA, LLC	Inmate Care	18.93
ALL COPY PRODUCTS INC	Copier Lease	176.99
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	Serv	1,808.67
BOMGAARS	Supplies	9.99
TAMARA S BURBACH	Transcript	67.50
TAMMI BURBACH	Reimb Supplies	55.36

NICOLE CAVANAUGH	Public Defender	2,291.66
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT	Filing Fees	216.00
COUNTRY TIRE INC	Repairs	1,136.21
DAS STATE ACCNTING-CENTRAL FINANCE	Serv	166.88
DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF	Fees	32.37
WILLIAM P. DUNN	Public Defender	6,666.66
MEGAN EAGLETON	Reimb	109.77
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	Supplies	158.94
EASTERN NEBRASKA HUMAN SERVICES AG	Encor/Aging	22,689.00
ENTERPRISE MEDIA GROUP	Printing/Notices	225.00
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	Fuel/Supplies	600.49
GREAT AMERICA FINANCIAL SVCS	Copier Lease	242.85
HILLYARD, INC.	Supplies	407.82
HIRCHERT-OLSEN AUTO SERVICE INC.	Serv	14,294.18
BRADY JOHN HOEKSTRA	Public Defender	2,500.00
MARJORIE HOIER	Mileage	52.50
HOMETOWN LEASING	Copier Lease	113.56
HUNTEL COMMUNICATIONS INC	Serv	226.80
IDEAL PURE WATER	Serv	299.93
INFOSAFE SHREDDING, INC	Serv	30.00
INTERSTATE POWER SYSTEMS INC	Generator Maint	1,587.18
JENSEN LAWN SOLUTIONS, INC.	Lawn Care	650.00
CARYN E ANDERSON	Juror Fees	35.00
BONNIE L ARP	Juror Fees	41.55
ALVIA F BECK	Juror Fees	35.00
GERALD S BELLUCHI	Juror Fees	42.86
BARBARA J BLAZINA	Juror Fees	41.55
KYLE A BOLTE	Juror Fees	175.00
CHERYL M CURTIS	Juror Fees	175.00
RUSSELL A DALL	Juror Fees	61.20
JOSHUA G DAVIS	Juror Fees	35.00
CORY J DILLON	Juror Fees	50.72
ALEXIA C FURMAN	Juror Fees	35.00
MARY B GILLESPIE	Juror Fees	35.00
MICHAEL G GOODMAN	Juror Fees	54.65
LOGAN T GREER	Juror Fees	35.00
GREGORY A HAGER	Juror Fees	247.05
ROCHELLE C HANSEN	Juror Fees	48.10
JILL A HOLBROOK-RETZLAFF	Juror Fees	41.55
SCOTT R HOPKINS	Juror Fees	240.50
PHILLIP T HORN	Juror Fees	48.10
TRACY L JACKSON	Juror Fees	175.00
CALEN W JOHNSON	Juror Fees	35.00
STEPHEN F JONES	Juror Fees	175.00
KATY R KERN	Juror Fees	175.00
HEATH L KLOSTER	Juror Fees	35.00
RHONDA S KLUG	Juror Fees	175.00
JEAN M KUCIREK	Juror Fees	35.00

JESSE L LONG	Juror Fees	175.00
RANA C MCKENZIE	Juror Fees	54.65
RITA M MCMANIGAL	Juror Fees	35.00
KEITH R MISKIE	Juror Fees	45.48
GAIL D MOOTER	Juror Fees	44.17
MATTHEW J MORRIS	Juror Fees	35.00
ROBBIE L MUNSON	Juror Fees	35.00
WAYNE R NELSEN	Juror Fees	54.65
JOSHUA A NICHOLSON	Juror Fees	266.70
CORTNEY L NIELSEN	Juror Fees	35.00
BARBARA J ORTMEIER	Juror Fees	35.00
HEIDI L PENSYL	Juror Fees	48.10
BURKE C PETERSEN	Juror Fees	48.10
STAR M PRUDHOME	Juror Fees	48.10
LAURA E RUWE	Juror Fees	54.65
WYATT O SCHROEDER	Juror Fees	253.60
GENENIEN K SMITH	Juror Fees	35.00
JEFFREY A SMITH	Juror Fees	175.00
MEGAN L STARZYK	Juror Fees	35.00
PARKER D STERNBERG	Juror Fees	35.00
JOSEPHINE J STODDARD	Juror Fees	61.20
SEBASTYEN R TAYLOR	Juror Fees	273.25
ASHLEY D THOMPSON	Juror Fees	83.10
COLE G THOMPSON	Juror Fees	35.00
MARK J UPHOFF	Juror Fees	44.17
BRIDGET R WAYMAN	Juror Fees	44.17
FRASER M WRIGHT	Juror Fees	35.00
JEFFREY S ZUREK	Juror Fees	35.00
LONG'S OK TIRE STORES	Repairs	17.50
MAPA	Serv	5,112.00
JANE MCNEIL	Public Defender	2,291.66
MEMORIAL COMMUNITY HOSPITAL	Serv	516.00
MY CENTRAL SUPPLY	Supplies	292.82
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	Regional Center	180.00
NORTHEAST NEBR JUVENILE SERV INC	Juvenile Serv	9,539.75
OFFICE WAREHOUSE	Supplies	500.80
OMAHA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	Serv	987.18
PHILLIPS 66 - CONOCO - 76	Fuel	1,378.60
PITNEY BOWES INC	Serv	942.63
PIZZA HUT	Juror Meals	68.26
CALVIN POULSEN	GIS Serv	1,952.50
POUNDS PRINTING INC	Supplies	75.00
PROGRESSIVE BUSINESS TECHNOLOGIES	Supplies	609.75
RADIO ACCOUNTING SERVICE	Advertising	675.00
RADIOLOGY CONSULTANTS PC	Inmate Care	7.75
WENDY REXROAD	Reimb Supplies	150.92
RITTERBUSH & PIOTROWSKI, L.L.P.	Audit	16,300.00
RMR COURT REPORTING	Serv	150.00

ROCHESTER MIDLAND CORPORATION	Serv	385.00
SECRETARY OF STATE	Supplies	40.00
SECRETARY OF STATE NOTARY DIVISION	Fees	30.00
SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE, LLC	Food Serv	23,011.85
TURNKEY TECHNOLOGY, LLC	Serv	114.80
VERIZON CONNECT NWF, INC.	Serv	64.76
VERIZON	Serv	42.76
VERIZON WIRELESS	Serv	956.24
WALKERS UNIFORM RENTAL	Serv	15.72
WEX BANK	Fuel	555.08
WOODHOUSE FORD INC	Serv/Repairs	743.94
<b>ROAD FUND</b>		
EMPLOYEES	Payroll 7/21/2023	46,506.10
AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	Retirement	3,139.18
PRINCIPAL	Life-Dental-Vision	289.93
WASHINGTON COUNTY-INSUANCE FUND	Health Ins.	10,431.46
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	3,396.67
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	H.S.A.	2,156.25
BARCO MUNICIPAL PRODUCTS INC	Supplies	875.76
BOMGAARS	Supplies	869.39
BRAKKAN TRUCKING INC	Rock	139.90
CARQUEST AUTO PARTS	Parts	36.97
CITY OF BLAIR	Serv	69.25
FASTENAL COMPANY	Supplies	306.56
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	Supplies/Lodging	1,376.96
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	Meetings	212.52
HI-LINE INC	Parts	329.35
DALE R JOHNSON ENT, INC.	Gravel	6,960.69
KELLY RYAN EQUIPMENT COMPANY INC	Parts/Labor	739.80
KNUDSEN OIL & FEED	Fuel	7,343.53
MEDICAL ENTERPRISES, INC	Serv	140.00
MEMORIAL COMMUNITY HOSPITAL	Serv	95.00
NORTHERN TRUCK EQUIPMENT CORP	Parts	258.84
OP CONSTRUCTION COMPANY	Serv	11,989.00
SECRETARY OF STATE NOTARY DIVISION	Fees	30.00
SPEECE LEWIS ENGINEERS, INC	Serv	1,868.32
THE SIGN DEPOT LLC	Supplies	58.00
TRUCK CENTER COMPANIES	Parts	687.28
WALKERS UNIFORM RENTAL	Serv	607.11
BERT S WISE-WISE HEAVY EQUIPT LLC	Parts	993.56
WOODHOUSE FORD INC	Parts	80.59
<b>COUNTY VISITOR'S PROMO FUND</b>		
BLAIR AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	Advertising	6,666.60
BLAIR CELEBRATIONS	Advertising	2,500.00
WASHINGTON COUNTY AG SOCIETY	Advertising	5,000.00
WASHINGTON COUNTY HISTORICAL	Advertising	5,275.00
<b>INSURANCE FUND</b>		
AUXIANT	Fees	142,480.07

PARETO HEALTH	Fees	238.00
UNITED STATES TREASURY	Fees	462.00
<b>DRUG COURT</b>		
TRISHA TROIA	Reimb/Lodging	574.64
<b>JUVENILE SERVICES GRANT</b>		
EMPLOYEES	Payroll 7/21/2023	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
OWENS EDUCATIONAL SERVICES, INC.	Serv	598.09
<b>COVID ARPA</b>		
MIDWEST FENCE COMPANY	Serv	17,500.00
SPEECE LEWIS ENGINEERS, INC	Serv	4,836.02
<b>911 ENHANCED WIRELESS</b>		
CENTURYLINK	Serv	101.92
CENTURYLINK	Serv	15,970.92
FASTWYRE BROADBAND	Serv	419.30
CALVIN POULSEN	GIS Serv	605.00
<b>E-911 FUND</b>		
WATCHDOG ELECTRONICS LLC	Serv	2,799.94

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 July 25, 2023 Washington County Board of Supervisors.

Barbara Sullivan, Washington County Clerk

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