

January 9, 2024 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 3:00 PM on January 9, 2024 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.

Co Clerk Sullivan declared the reorganizational meeting for 2024 was in session and that the meeting is being recorded. Sullivan made note that the Open Meetings Law is posted on the door and the west wall.

1. Meeting called to order and roll call

Present: Board members Jon Stewart, Lisa Kramer, Bob Frahm, Steve Dethlefs, Kevin Barnhill, Jay Anderson, and Steve Kruger. Also present: Co Clerk Barbara Sullivan, Chief Deputy Sheriff Mitch Robinson, and Co Attorney Scott Vander Schaaf

2. Election of Chairman

The Clerk requested nominations for Board Chairperson. Kevin Barnhill nominated Steve Dethlefs. There were no other nominations.

Motion Bob Frahm and second by Kevin Barnhill that the nominations cease and cast a unanimous ballot for Steve Dethlefs as Chairman. Motion Carried.

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

3. Election of Vice Chairman

Clerk requested nominations for Vice Chairperson. Jay Anderson nominated Bob Frahm. There were no other nominations.

Motion Lisa Kramer and second by Jay Anderson that the nomination cease and cast a unanimous ballot for Bob Frahm as Vice Chairman. Motion Carried.

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

4. Chairman Dethlefs presided over the meeting and declared a recess from the Board of Supervisors and enter into the Board of Equalization. Meeting reconvened at 3:05 p.m.

5. Approve agenda

Co Attorney Vander Schaaf stated there was no need for a closed session.

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Jay Anderson to approve the agenda for 1/9/24. Motion Carried.

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

6. Approve minutes for the December 26, 2023 meeting

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Bob Frahm that the rules be suspended and the minutes of the 12/26/23 meeting be approved but not read for the purpose that all board members were furnished a copy of said minutes prior to the meeting. Motion Carried.

Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Aye, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Stewart: Abstain (Without Conflict)

7. 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

8. Accept Monthly Fee Reports: Co Clk \$197, Reg of Deeds \$32,138, Co Crt \$17,873, Clk Dist Crt \$2,486, Co Sheriff \$2,467, Planning & Zoning \$9,511, Road Dept \$221,422 & December Treasurer's statement: Collections \$2,838,098, Disbursements \$1,953,177, Inheritance Tax Balance \$1,349,406, Ending Balance \$14,362,474

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Kevin Barnhill to receive office fee reports and place on file. Motion Carried.
Anderson: Aye, Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Aye, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Stewart: Aye

9. Accept correspondence, consider, and place on file- None

10. Motion to designate WCB, RVR Bank, Union Bank & Trust, NPAIT, and NE CLASS as depositories for county funds for 2024

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Kevin Barnhill to designate WCB, RVR Bank, Union Bank & Trust, NPAIT, & NE CLASS as depositories for 2024. Motion Carried.

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

11. Authorize Co Treasurer to deposit 2024 funds in any of the designated depositories

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Kevin Barnhill to authorize the Treasurer to deposit 2024 funds in any of the designated depositories. Motion Carried.

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

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

Kruger discussed snow removal efforts from the previous evening's storm and touched on ongoing projects.

13. Adopt Resolution 2024-1; Construction Engineering Agreement between Speece Lewis and Washington County for project ER-3840 (13), Ft Calhoun

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Lisa Kramer to adopt Res 2024-1; authorizing Chairman to sign Construction Engineering Services Supplemental Agreement No 1 between Washington Co and Speece Lewis. Motion Carried.

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

RESOLUTION 2024-1

CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT- BK2295

SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 1

Whereas: Washington County and Speece Lewis Engineers, Inc. have previously executed a Construction Engineering Services Agreement for a transportation project for which the Local Public Agency (LPA) would like to obtain Federal funds; and

Whereas: Washington County understands that it must continue to strictly follow all Federal, State, and local laws, rules, regulations, policies, and guidelines applicable to the funding of this Federal-aid project; and

Whereas: Washington County and Speece Lewis Engineers, Inc. wish to enter into a Supplemental Construction Engineering Services Agreement, setting out modifications and/or additional duties and/or funding responsibilities for the Federal-aid project.

Be It Resolved: by the Board of Supervisors of Washington County, Nebraska that:

Steve Dethlefs, Chair of the Washington County Board of Supervisors, is hereby authorized to sign the attached Construction Engineering Supplemental Agreement No. 1 between Washington County and Speece Lewis Engineers, Inc.

Washington County is committed to providing local funds for the project as required by the Project Program Agreement and any Supplemental Project Agreements.

NDOT Project Number: ER-3840 (13)
NDOT Control Number: 22831
NDOT Project Description: In Fort Calhoun

Adopted this 29th day of December, 2023 at Blair Nebraska.

Steve Dethlefs	Steve Kruger
Kevin Barnhill	Bob Frahm
Jay Anderson	Lisa Kramer
Jon Stewart	

14. Sheriff Mike Robinson: Jail revenue update

Captain Steve Bolton stated December brought in \$82,807 in jail revenue and answered questions from board members.

14.1. Approve Interlocal Agreement for membership in the III Corp Drug Task Force- D/PA

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Steve Kruger to authorize Chairman to sign Interlocal Agreement. Motion Carried.

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

15. Andrea McChesney Drug Court Attorney fee application- D/PA

Co Attorney Vander Schaaf stated that it had been over 90 days between when services were rendered and when the claim was submitted for payment, thus the reason for the request for approval from board. Vander Schaaf said that Judge Sampson approved it before he retired.

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Kevin Barnhill to approve the claim for Andrea McChesney in the amount of \$6,402.75. Motion Carried.

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

16. Appoint County Highway Superintendent for 2024 as required in order to qualify for annual incentive payment

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Jay Anderson to appoint David Kruger as County Highway Superintendent for 2024. Motion Carried.

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

17. Receive Washington County Treasurer's Semi-Annual Statement and place on file

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Kevin Barnhill to receive and place on file the Washington County Treasurer's Semi-Annual Statement. Motion Carried.

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

18. Change first board meeting date in May 2024 to Monday, May 13 and change second board meeting date in December 2024 to Monday, Dec 23

Clerk Sullivan stated the request for changes is due to meetings falling on Primary Election Day and Christmas Eve. Motion Lisa Kramer and second by Steve Kruger to change board meeting dates as presented by the Co Clerk. Motion Carried.

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

19. Comments from public: Mike Anderson spoke

20. Committee Reports: The Road Committee is working on 1 & 6 Year Plan as well as notifications for private lanes. Building & Grounds will meet with the Sheriff and Maintenance Supervisor next week.

21. 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. There was no closed session.

22. Motion to adjourn meeting

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Lisa Kramer to adjourn the Board of Supervisors meeting at 3:45 p.m. Motion Carried.

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

CLAIMS:

GENERAL FUND

EMPLOYEES	Payroll 1/5/2024	276,632.42
AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE	Retirement	20,190.92
PRINCIPAL	Life-Dental-Vision	861.80
WASHINGTON COUNTY-INSURANCE FUND	Health Ins.	57,506.86
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	20,226.23
WASHINGTON COUTNY BANK	H.S.A.	8,956.25
ABE'S TRASH SERVICE INC	Serv	385.00
BRIDGET ABRAHAM	Mileage	53.84

ALBIREO ENERGY LLC	Serv	482.00
ROBIN ANDREASEN	Reimb/Class	247.93
AT&T	Serv	1,608.50
BLAIR ACE HARDWARE	Supplies/Parts	99.81
BLAIR AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	Dues	250.00
BLUE 360 MEDIA, LLC	Supplies	189.90
TAMARA S BURBACH	Serv	945.59
CAMPBELL AMAN FUNERAL HOME	Serv	600.00
CITY OF BLAIR	Serv	1,576.02
LAYNE CLARK-CLARK PEST CONTROL	Serv	140.00
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT	Fees	181.00
CONSTELLATION ENERGY	Serv	194.04
COX BUSINESS	Serv	3,572.67
CUBBYS CORPORATE OFFICE	Fuel	36.27
DICK'S ELECTRIC CO	Serv	721.68
DODGE COUNTY CLERK	Probation	11,411.23
DOUGLAS COUNTY COURT	Fees	1.00
E T TOWING	Serv	120.00
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	Supplies	1,607.06
ELECTRONIC CONTRACTING COMPANY, INC	Repairs	2,034.33
ENTERPRISE MEDIA GROUP	Printing/Notices	633.74
FAIRWAY OIL COMPANY	Fuel	107.10
FAMILY DENTAL CENTER OF BLAIR	Inmate Care	841.00
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA	Fees	247.50
FIRST NATIONAL BANK VISA	Supplies	414.27
FIRST NATIONAL BANK VISA	Serv/Supplies	446.71
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	Fuel/Supplies	129.01
FIRST NATIONAL BANK VISA	Supplies	98.00
FIRST NATIONAL BANK VISA	Supplies	15.14
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OMAHA	Parts/Repairs	514.93
FIRST NATIONAL BANK VISA	Fees	256.67
FIRST NATIONAL BANK VISA	Postage/Supplies	16.15
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA	Supplies	25.59
FUCHS WORKS LLC	Serv	700.00
GARCIA CLINICAL LABORATORY	Inmate Care	30.00
HILLYARD, INC.	Supplies	1,506.09
HIRCHERT-OLSEN AUTO SERVICE INC.	Serv	177.66
HTBS CREDIT	Supplies	218.04
MARJORIE HOIER	Mileage	307.85
HOLIDAY INN - KEARNEY	Lodging	1,079.55
HOMETOWN LEASING	Copier Lease	174.82
INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL	Supplies	69.00
JENSEN LAWN SOLUTIONS, INC.	Serv	3,915.00
STEVEN KRUGER	Mileage	255.45
JOHN MANSON	Mileage/Reimb	994.39
MCCHESENEY FAMILY LAW GROUP	Court Fees	6,402.75
MENARDS - FREMONT	Supplies	663.52
MULTI-COUNTY INFORMATION &	Serv	4,589.80

MY CENTRAL SUPPLY	Supplies	1,315.41
NACO	Registration	150.00
NEBRASKA NOTARY ASSOCIATION	Fees	322.00
GLADYS NELSON	Serv	15.00
NACO PLANNING & ZONING	Dues	40.00
O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC	Supplies	176.46
OFFICE DEPOT	Supplies	48.47
OFFICE DEPOT	Supplies	79.98
OFFICE WAREHOUSE	Supplies	294.24
OMAHA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	Serv	8,002.29
PIP MARKETING	Supplies	596.48
CALVIN POULSEN	GIS Serv	1,937.50
POUNDS PRINTING INC	Supplies	361.50
PROGRESSIVE BUSINESS TECHNOLOGIES	Supplies	115.50
REGION 6, BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE	Serv	15,931.25
ROBINSON ELECTRIC	Inspections	2,700.00
CHRIS SHEWCHUK	Mileage	344.33
SMITTY'S AUTO SERVICE INC	Serv/Repairs	3,759.15
SPARQ DATA SOLUTIONS, INC.	Subscription	4,100.00
SPARTAN STORES, LLC	Supplies	40.23
DAS STATE ACCNTING-CENTRAL FINANCE	Serv	1,536.00
TAMI M. NIELSEN-DBA TNT CLEANING SV	Serv	7,260.00
TURNKEY TECHNOLOGY, LLC	Serv	9,013.40
UNIV OF NE LINCOLN	HotSpot	270.12
US BANK EQUIPMENT FINANCE	Copier Lease	256.63
VERIZON WIRELESS	Serv	42.87
VERIZON WIRELESS	Serv	53.64
VERIZON WIRELESS	Serv	62.93
WAKEFIELD TOWING & RECOVERY	Serv	300.00
WALKERS UNIFORM RENTAL	Serv	35.61
WASHINGTON COUNTY COURT	Court Costs	869.00
WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF	Cost on Fees	477.30
WEX BANK	Fuel	7,712.81
ROAD FUND		
EMPLOYEES	Payroll 1/5/2024	54,421.74
AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE	Retirement	3,673.51
PRINCIPAL	Life-Dental-Vision	350.10
WASHINGTON COUNTY-INSURANCE FUND	Health Ins.	13,861.25
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	3,908.81
WASHINGTON COUTNY BANK	H.S.A.	2,437.50
ABE'S TRASH SERVICE INC	Serv	104.00
B'S ENTERPRISE INC	Culverts	9,480.00
BI-STATE MOTOR PARTS INC	Parts/Fuel	1,486.33
BLAIR ACE HARDWARE	Supplies/Parts	21.97
BOMGAARS	Parts/Supplies	810.21
CALHOUN OIL COMPANY	Fuel	6,119.32
CAPPEL AUTO SUPPLY, INC.	Parts	17.49
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	Supplies	179.53

EJS SUPPLY	Parts	2,972.44
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS INC	Serv	135.95
KELLY RYAN EQUIPMENT COMPANY INC	Supplies	53.75
DAVID KRUGER	Mileage/Meals	258.28
MATHESON TRIGAS DBA LINWELD	Supplies	208.62
MO VALLEY TIRES, LLC	Tires	7,003.42
NEBRASKA IOWA SUPPLY COMPANY	Fuel	17,024.73
NMC EXCHANGE LLC	Parts/Supplies	4,457.56
OMAHA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	Serv	648.63
POWERPLAN	Parts/Rental	5,797.06
SAPP BROS, INC	Fuel	3,443.62
SE SMITH & SONS	Supplies	21.16
SHOTWELL GLASS LLC	Parts/Serv	875.19
SID DILLON CHEV-OLDS-PONT, INC	Parts/Labor	1,430.23
TY'S OUTDOOR POWER & SERVICE	Parts	225.15
VERIZON WIRELESS	Serv	691.84
WALKERS UNIFORM RENTAL	Serv	851.02
BERT S WISE-WISE HEAVY EQUIPT LLC	Parts	326.59
EMERGENCY FLOOD RELIEF FUND		
BRAKKAN TRUCKING INC	Gravel/Rock	3,967.40
MARTIN MARIETTA MATERIALS	Rock	34,424.62
RUNNIN' ROOSTER	Gravel/Rock	136.25
REGISTER OF DEEDS		
BRIDGET ABRAHAM	Reimb/Supplies	6.23
MULTI-COUNTY INFORMATION &	Serv	541.64
INSURANCE FUND		
AUXIANT	Fees	164,949.29
JUVENILE SERVICES GRANT		
EMPLOYEES	Payroll 1/5/2024	2,310.00
AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE	Retirement	155.93
PRINCIPAL	Life-Dental-Vision	14.59
WASHINGTON COUNTY-INSURANCE FUND	Health Ins.	509.97
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	175.86
WASHINGTON COUTNY BANK	H.S.A.	93.75
VERIZON	Serv	42.87
COVID ARPA FUND		
SPEECE LEWIS ENGINEERS, INC	Serv	14,677.50
911 ENHANCED WIRELESS		
CENTURYLINK	Serv	54.52
CALVIN POULSEN	GIS Serv	1,815.00
HIGHWAY SAFETY FUND		
EMPLOYEES	Payroll 1/5/2024	2,443.90
AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE	Retirement	213.84
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	186.97
E-911 FUND		
MOTOROLA	Serv	6,192.31

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 January 9, 2024 Washington County Board of Supervisors.

Barbara Sullivan, Washington County Clerk
