

**February 11, 2025 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 February 11, 2025 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, Mike Mackie, and Steve Kruger. Also present: Clerk of District Court Susie Paulsen, Chief Deputy Mitch Robinson, Co Clerk Barbara Sullivan, and Co Attorney Scott Vander Schaaf

2. Approve agenda

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Bob Frahm to approve the agenda for 2/11/25. Motion Carried.

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

3. Approve minutes for the January 28, 2025 meeting

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Lisa Kramer that the rules be suspended and the minutes of the 1/28/25 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.

Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Aye, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Mackie: 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.

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

5. Accept Monthly Fee Reports: Co Clk \$349, Reg of Deeds \$26,778, Co Crt \$27,551, Clk Dist Crt \$1,081, Co Sheriff \$1,716, Planning & Zoning \$7,369, Road Dept \$2,500 & January Treasurer's statement: Collections \$1,421,102, Disbursements \$2,059,331, Inheritance Tax Balance \$861,368, Ending Balance \$10,731,966

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Kevin Barnhill to receive and place on file monthly fee reports. Motion Carried.

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

6. Accept correspondence, consider and place on file: None

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

7.1. Accept & approve Agreement for Co Rd 15 Rehabilitation from Hwy 30 to Douglas Countyline

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Steve Kruger to approve agreement with Speece Lewis for Co Rd 15 Rehabilitation, Hwy 30- Douglas Countyline and authorize Chairman to sign. Motion Carried.

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

7.2. Accept & approve Agreement for Observation & Construction for C89 (689), Co Rd 32

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Kevin Barnhill to approve Agreement for Observation & Construction for C89 (689). Motion Carried.

Barnhill: Aye, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Nay, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Mackie: Aye, Stewart: Aye

7.3. Accept & approve Agreement for C89 (01510) Co Rd 15, between Hwy 91 & Co Rd 20, to add bridge approach

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Steve Kruger to approve Agreement for C89 (01510), Co Rd 15 bridge approach and authorize Chairman to sign. Motion Carried.

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

7.4. Accept & approve Agreement for C89 (10905) Co Rd 9, Co Rd 28-30, to add bridge approach  
Motion Lisa Kramer and second by Kevin Barnhill to approve Agreement for C89 (10905) to add bridge approach.  
Motion Carried.

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

7.5. Accept & approve Agreement for C89 (1105P) Co Rd P11, Hwy 30 - Co Rd 36, to repair south abutment  
Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Mike Mackie to approve Agreement to repair south abutment for C89 (01105P), Co Rd P11. Motion Carried.

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

8. Susie Paulsen, Clerk of Dist Court: Discuss LB216, which seeks to move Clerk of Dist Court office to State control. D/PA

Clerk of the District Court Susie Paulsen stated that the proposed bill would give the state control of the District Court offices. The state would take over salary and benefits, but the county would still be responsible for space and operating expenses. This would include having the county provide space to accommodate both County and District Courts, space that does not currently exist. Paulsen went on to say that the county would lose quarterly reimbursements along with 10% bond fees, and court costs. Co Attorney Vander Schaaf also stated his opposition to the proposed bill.

Motion Lisa Kramer and second by Bob Frahm to approve letter to the Nebraska Judiciary Committee from the Board of Supervisors opposing LB216. Motion Carried.

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

9. Jeffrey Boggess, Access Systems: Discuss proposal for consolidating courthouse printer leases and services. D/PA  
Jeffrey Boggess and Denton Christine distributed packets to board members that summarized options for consolidating printer equipment and services for county offices. The Finance Committee had met with Boggess & Christine prior to the meeting to discuss cost savings. Supervisor Kramer asked to have the Tech Committee meet to discuss it as she would like Turnkey to be involved.

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Steve Dethlefs to table and refer to the Tech Committee. Motion Carried.

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

10. Sheriff Mike Robinson: Jail Revenue update

Chief Deputy Mitch Robinson stated that the Jail Revenue for the month of January was \$83,315.

10.1. Approve Food Service Agreement. Tabled from 1/28/25

John Vlamis, Summit Vice President of Operations, stated that the initial request for a CPI adjustment was made back in April 2023 but was pushed back to November 2023. At that same time, the county requested a menu change to increase the caloric count, so the price was adjusted for that request. The current request for a price adjustment reflects the CPI for April 2025.

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Jon Stewart to un-table approval of Food Service Agreement. Motion Carried.

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

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Steve Kruger to approve Food Service Agreement with Summit Food Service.  
Motion Carried.

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

11. Special Designated Liquor License for Whis's End Zone Lounge (3) and Julie Ann Johnson

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Steve Kruger to authorize Chairman to sign SDL Local Recommendation Form 200 for Whis's End Zone Lounge and Julie Ann Johnson. Motion Carried.

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

12. Comments from public: None

13. Committee Reports: Building and Grounds Committee discussed specifications for roof repair bids.

14. 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- No items for closed session

15. Motion to adjourn meeting

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Lisa Kramer to adjourn from the Board of Supervisors meeting at 4:18 p.m. Motion Carried.

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

CLAIMS:

**GENERAL FUND**

EMPLOYEES	Payroll 1-31-25	\$ 289,413.58
AMERITAS	Retirement	\$ 21,553.59
BCBS	Life-Dental-Vision	\$ 794.54
BCBS-HEALTH	Health	\$ 57,215.19
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	\$ 21,261.91
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	H.S.A	\$ 9,810.00
AAA GARAGE DOOR INC	Repairs	\$ 418.00
ABE'S TRASH SERVICE INC	Service	\$ 380.00
ADVANCED CORRECTIONAL HEALTHCARE	Medical	\$ 25,583.68
ALL COPY PRODUCTS INC	Service	\$ 595.48
BISHOP BUSINESS	Service	\$ 95.45
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	Service	\$ 3,918.10
BLAIR ACE HARDWARE	Service	\$ 104.99
BURBACH TAMARA S - TRANSCRIPT	Service	\$ 29.05
CASEYS BUSINESS-SHERRIFF	Fuel	\$ 8,197.58
CERRIS SYSTEMS	Repairs	\$ 10,927.20
CHEF AMORE LLC	Service	\$ 340.00
CITY OF BLAIR	Fees	\$ 1,161.23
CLARK PEST & TERMITE CONTROL	Service	\$ 140.00
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT FILING FEES	Fees	\$ 287.00
CONSTELLATION ENGERY	Service	\$ 625.53
COUNTRY TIRE SERVICE CENTER BLAIR	Maint/Repairs	\$ 225.62
COX BUSINESS	Service	\$ 3,764.67
CUBBYS CORPORATE OFFICE	Fuel	\$ 39.05
DAS STATE ACCNTING-CENTRAL FINANCE	Service	\$ 1,536.00
DELUXE	Supplies	\$ 755.33
DES MOINES STAMP MFG CO INC	Supplies	\$ 41.00
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	Supplies	\$ 1,047.94
ELECTRONIC CONTRACTING COMPANY, INC	Repairs	\$ 183.75
ENTERPRISE MEDIA GROUP	Media	\$ 302.43
FAIRWAY OIL COMPANY	Fuel	\$ 35.50
FASTWYRE BROADBAND	Service	\$ 311.96
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - ANDERSON CODY	Subscription/fee	\$ 90.00
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - BEBENSEE	Subscription	\$ 45.00
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - BECKMAN	Subscript/uniform	\$ 271.79
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - BOLTON	Indeed/Supplies	\$ 1,015.48
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - CORNS	Fuel	\$ 90.73
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - GROVE	Supplies	\$ 221.36
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - GROVES III	Fuel	\$ 364.46
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - HOWELL	Fuel	\$ 93.98
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - JUDKNS ALEX	Supplies/Member	\$ 1,587.43
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - JUDKNS ASHLEY	Supplies/Uniform	\$ 312.24
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - MAINTENANCE	Supplies	\$ 435.06
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - MIKE ROBINSON	Member/Supplies	\$ 316.66

FIRST NATIONAL BANK - MITCH ROBINSN	Allowance/maint	\$	184.09
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - SHANE THALLAS	Subscription	\$	15.00
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - SMITH ANNIE	Supplies	\$	703.34
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - VACHA	Postage/Main	\$	48.85
FIRST NATIONAL BANK - VOLENEC	Supplies	\$	14.94
GREAT PLAINS UNIFORMS LLC	Uniform allow	\$	3,066.98
HARRIS COMPUTER SYSTEMS	Service	\$	4,500.00
HILLYARD, INC DBA-HILLYARD DESMOINES	Supplies	\$	504.18
HOMETOWN LEASING	Service	\$	359.09
IDEAL PURE WATER	Service	\$	270.99
LUXA JORDAN	Mileage Reimb	\$	126.00
MANSON JOHN	Mileage Reimb	\$	804.30
MAPA	Service	\$	1,650.00
MENARDS - FREMONT	Repairs	\$	708.91
MORGAN JAMES	Uniform allow	\$	312.42
MORLEY CEMETERY	Service	\$	400.00
MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS CREDIT COMPANY	Software	\$	4,994.04
MULTI-CO INFO PROGR SERV	Service/Supplies	\$	15,609.45
MY CENTRAL SUPPLY	Supplies	\$	1,049.14
NACO	Dist Meeting	\$	60.00
NASCO FORT ATKINSON	Supplies	\$	46.15
NEBR ASSOC OF CO CLERKS/ROD	Dues	\$	100.00
NEBRASKA.GOV	Fees	\$	1.00
O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC	Supplies	\$	58.77
OMAHA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	Service	\$	9,579.90
PHILLIPS 66 - CONOCO - 76	Fuel	\$	3,779.88
POSTMASTER, BLAIR	Postage	\$	56.00
REXROAD WENDY	Office Supplies	\$	20.31
SAVILLE, DEBBIE	Supply reimb	\$	116.81
SHOTWELL GLASS LLC	Repairs	\$	415.89
SID DILLON CHEV-OLDS-PONT, INC	Repairs/Maint	\$	438.97
SMITTY'S AUTO SERVICE INC	Maint/Repairs	\$	1,537.01
SPARTAN STORES, LLC	Supplies	\$	19.16
STAMP FULFILLMENT SERVICES	Supplies	\$	1,272.10
SULLIVAN BARB	Reimbursement	\$	17.94
SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE, LLC	Service	\$	22,912.01
THOMAS & THOMAS COURT REPORTERS	Fees	\$	468.57
THOMAS CREATIVE APPAREL, INC.	Supply	\$	522.90
TNT CLEANING SERVICE	Service	\$	7,260.00
TURNKEY TECHNOLOGY, LLC	Service	\$	9,388.89
TYLER TECHNOLOGIES, INC.	Software	\$	449.00
US BANK EQUIPMENT FINANCE	Service	\$	1,171.66
VERIZON WIRELESS CO ATTORNEY'S	Service	\$	53.72
VERIZON WIRELESS CO PLANNING	Service	\$	42.94
VERIZON WIRELESS WEED	Service	\$	63.00
WASHINGTON COUNTY - PLANNING	Service	\$	272.69
WASHINGTON COUNTY COURT	Fees	\$	455.00
WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF COST FEE	Fees	\$	149.50
WOODHOUSE FORD INC	Repairs	\$	2,058.50
ZELLE HUMAN RESOURCE SOLUTIONS	Service	\$	6,500.00

88 TACTICEL	Uniform allow	\$	295.32
<b>ROADS</b>			
EMPLOYEES	Payroll 1-31-25	\$	61,626.40
AMERITAS	Retirement	\$	4,159.82
BCBS	Life-Dental-Vision	\$	330.32
BCBS-HEALTH	Health	\$	14,582.31
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	\$	4,537.23
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	H.S.A	\$	1,968.75
ABE'S TRASH SERVICE INC	Service	\$	110.00
ALL AMERICAN MOWER SALES	Equipment	\$	7,500.00
BADGER BODY EQUIPMENT COMPANY	Parts	\$	5,274.00
BI-STATE MOTOR PARTS INC	Parts/Supplies	\$	1,749.06
CAPPEL AUTO SUPPLY, INC. - NAPA	Parts/Supplies	\$	1,594.25
CINTAS CORPORATION	Medical	\$	117.00
CROWNE PLAZA KEARNEY	Lodging	\$	619.80
DMC WEAR PARTS	Parts	\$	2,214.98
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	Office Supplies	\$	251.01
FASTWYRE BROADBAND	Service	\$	2.50
FIRST WIRELESS, INC	Service	\$	164.16
GRAINGER	Parts	\$	495.79
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS INC	Service	\$	191.95
HOTSY EQUIPMENT COMPANY INC	Shop Supplies	\$	1,150.00
JENSEN JAY	Reimbursement	\$	71.48
JOHN DEERE CREDIT, INC.	Parts	\$	2,557.08
KELLY RYAN EQUIPMENT COMPANY INC	Parts	\$	280.44
KRUGER DAVID	Mileage Reimb	\$	273.00
LASCO INC	Equipment Parts	\$	1,285.19
MATHESON TRIGAS DBA LINWELD	Supplies	\$	318.75
MEDICAL ENTERPRISES, INC	Medical	\$	108.00
MENARDS - ELKHORN	Supplies	\$	39.96
MO VALLEY TIRES, LLC	Supplies	\$	103.00
NMC EXCHANGE LLC	Supplies	\$	8,016.36
O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC	Parts/Supplies	\$	77.38
OMAHA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	Service	\$	921.24
POWERPLAN	Service	\$	2,703.79
SAPP BROS, INC	Fuel	\$	3,786.73
SEALS AND SERVICE	Part	\$	432.00
SID DILLON CHEV-OLDS-PONT, INC	Parts	\$	63.14
SMITH NICK	Mile Reimb	\$	273.00
VERIZON WIRELESS ROADS	Service	\$	1,384.49
WISE HEAVY EQUIPMENT LLC	Equipment	\$	275.92
YANT EQUIPMENT COMPANY	Parts	\$	240.00
<b>REGISTER OF DEEDS</b>			
MULTI-CO INFO PROGR SERV	Service	\$	543.64
<b>INSURANCE FUND</b>			
HM LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	Insurance	\$	48,657.61
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK-BCBS WIRE	Insurance-Advanc	\$	134,983.19
<b>STOP PROGRAM FUND</b>			
CITY OF BLAIR	Service	\$	20,000.00
<b>JUVENILE SERVICES</b>			

EMPLOYEES	Payroll 1-31-25	\$	2,310.00
AMERITAS	Retirement	\$	155.93
BCBS	Life-Dental-Vision	\$	13.65
BCBS-HEALTH	Health	\$	486.47
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	\$	175.43
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	H.S.A	\$	93.75
VERIZON WIRELESS CO ATTORNEY'S	Service		
<b>911 ENHANCED WIRELESS</b>			
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS INC	Service	\$	106.00
POULSEN,CALVIN	Service	\$	632.50
<b>E-911 SYSTEM FUND</b>			
MOTOROLA	Service	\$	6,401.77

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 February 11, 2025 Washington County Board of Supervisors.

Barbara Sullivan, Washington County Clerk

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