

**December 23, 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 3:06 PM on December 23, 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.

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: Jon Stewart and Kevin Barnhill. Also present: Co Clerk Barbara Sullivan, Chief Deputy Sheriff Mitch Robinson, and Co Attorney Scott Vander Schaaf

2. Approve agenda

Chairman Dethlefs stated that agenda item #8 has been removed and there are no items for a closed session. Motion Jay Anderson and second by Lisa Kramer to approve the agenda for 12/23/24. Motion Carried.

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

3. Approve minutes for the December 10, 2024 meeting

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Bob Frahm that the rules be suspended and the minutes of the 12/10/24 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: Absent, Dethlefs: Aye, Frahm: Aye, Kramer: Aye, Kruger: Aye, Stewart: Absent

4. Approve Claims

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

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

5. Accept correspondence, consider and place on file

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Lisa Kramer to receive correspondence from the State of Nebraska Board of Engineers & Architects & Blair City and place on file. Motion Carried.

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

6. Chris Shewchuk, Planning and Zoning Administrator--Approval of Planning and Zoning Department opening new checking account at RVR Bank, with Chris Shewchuk, Lori Diefenbaugh, and Teresa McBride as authorized signers. D/PA

Shewchuk stated that they currently use US Bank, but the bank is closing their branch. The checking account is used to hold deposits on permit fees.

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Jay Anderson to approve of the Planning and Zoning Department opening a new checking account at RVR Bank, with Chris Shewchuk, Lori Diefenbaugh, and Teresa McBride as authorized signers. Motion Carried.

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

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

7.1. Discuss the obligation of ARPA funds. D/PA

Kruger distributed a list of future projects with approximate costs that are to be paid with the remaining ARPA funds. The remaining ARPA Fund balance is \$1,085,303 including interest.

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Lisa Kramer to receive and place on file. Motion Carried.

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

8. Jeff Boggess, Access Systems: Discuss lease options for courthouse printers. D/PA.

9. Chief Deputy Sheriff Mitch Robinson: Discuss Food Contract Agreement for Jail. D/PA

Chief Deputy Robinson asked the board to table until the next meeting as he is waiting for more information from Summit Food Service.

Motion Jay Anderson and second by Bob Frahm to table until Jan 14 meeting. Motion Carried.

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

10. Appointment of Arron Hoden to complete the term for the Register of Deeds position, appointment term 1/1/2025 to 12/31/2026. D/PA

Motion Jay Anderson and second by Lisa Kramer to appoint Arron Hoden to complete the term for the Register of Deeds position, appointment term from 1/1/2025 to 12/31/2026.. Motion Carried.

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

11. Building & Grounds: Discuss mowing & snow removal contract. D/PA

Supervisor Frahm stated that Jensen Lawn Service was the only company that gave a quote for services.

Motion Bob Frahm and second by Jay Anderson to approve contract with Jensen Lawn Service for snow removal and mowing. Motion Carried.

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

12. Designate notice of public meetings to be published in the Enterprise & Pilot Tribune, the county website (www.washingtoncountyne.gov), and for emergency situations, will post at the courthouse

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Lisa Kramer to designate notice of public meetings to be published in the Enterprise, Pilot Tribune, the county website, and in emergency situations, will post at the courthouse. Motion Carried.

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

13. Comments from public: None

14. Committee Reports: No committee reports were given. Chairman Dethlefs and board members thanked Supervisor Jay Anderson for 12 years of dedication and service to Washington County.

15. 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

16. Motion to adjourn meeting

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Jay Anderson to adjourn from the Board of Supervisors meeting at 3:31 p.m. Motion Carried.

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

**CLAIMS:**

**GENERAL FUND**

EMPLOYEES	Payroll 12-20-24	\$ 277,528.28
AMERITAS	Retirement	\$ 20,628.29
BCBS	Life-Dental-Vision	\$ 793.19
BCBS-HEALTH	Health Insurance	\$ 60,307.12
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	\$ 20,290.09
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	H.S.A.	\$ 9,661.25
AAA GARAGE DOOR INC	Repairs	\$ 1,202.84
AIRGAS USA, LLC	Medical	\$ 21.20
ALL MAKES OFFICE EQUIPMENT CO	Service	\$ 74.40
ROBIN ANDREASEN	Mileage	\$ 269.20
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	Service	\$ 3,034.39
BLAIR ACE HARDWARE	Supplies	\$ 50.33
CASS COUNTY SHERIFF OFFICE	Fees	\$ 39.00

NICOLE CAVANAUGH	Service	\$	2,708.33
CERRIS SYSTEMS	Repairs	\$	725.00
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT	Fees	\$	76.00
COUNTRY TIRE INC	Maintenance	\$	260.22
CREDIT BUREAU SERVICES, INC.	Tax	\$	223.79
CUBBYS CORPORATE OFFICE	Fuel	\$	99.04
DAS STATE ACCNTING-CENTRAL FINANCE	Fees	\$	472.00
JACK DEIN	Uniform Allowance	\$	214.00
DOUGLAS COUNTY COURT	Fees	\$	1.00
DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF	Fees	\$	86.50
DREW LAW FIRM PC LLO	Fees	\$	2,968.90
WILLIAM P. DUNN	Service	\$	7,500.00
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	Supplies	\$	332.15
ELECTRONIC CONTRACTING COMPANY, INC	Maintenance	\$	275.63
ENTERPRISE MEDIA GROUP	Media	\$	222.26
FASTWYRE BROADBAND	Service	\$	311.96
FUCHS WORKS LLC-AUSTIN FUCHS	Maintenance	\$	700.00
JOHNSON, PEKNY LAW	Service	\$	2,916.66
GOVERNMENT FORMS AND SUPPLIES	Supplies	\$	238.63
GREAT AMERICA FINANCIAL SVCS	Service	\$	221.60
WALTER GROVES III	Uniform Allowance	\$	27.95
HALL COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	Fees	\$	20.10
HARRIS COMPUTER SYSTEMS	Service	\$	2,890.41
HILLYARD, INC.	Supplies	\$	258.58
HIRCHERT-OLSEN AUTO SERVICE INC.	Maintenance	\$	1,141.65
HTBS CREDIT	Service	\$	237.98
ARRON HODEN	Mileage	\$	277.58
HOMETOWN LEASING	Service	\$	113.56
INFOSAFE SHREDDING, INC	Service	\$	60.00
INTERSTATE POWER SYSTEMS INC	Service/Maintenance	\$	3,740.11
JAY JENSEN	Fuel Reimbursement	\$	46.76
JENSEN LAWN SOLUTIONS, INC.	Service	\$	1,475.00
JENSEN TIRE & AUTO	Maintenance	\$	1,283.28
NICHOL JOHNSON	Mileage	\$	25.66
MICHAEL ALBRECHT	JURY 1 DAY	\$	35.00
BENOIT LINDSAY	JURY 1 DAY	\$	41.70
TAMI BENTLEY	JURY 2 DAY	\$	70.00
LAURA BUNTAIN	JURY 1 DAY	\$	35.00
JAMES CAIN	JURY 1 DAY	\$	35.00
DONNA A CALLAGHAN	JURY 2 DAYS	\$	70.00
PAMELA CAMDEN	JURY 2 DAY	\$	70.00
KELLI J CHRISTIANSEN	JURY 1 DAY	\$	35.00
JEREMY R COBURN	JURY 1 DAY	\$	35.00
LEE COLGROVE	JURY 1 DAY	\$	35.00
GERALD W CONRADSON	JURY 1 DAY	\$	48.40
BRAD DOWLING	JURY 1 DAY	\$	55.10
KIMBERLEY DROBNY	JURY 1 DAY	\$	48.40
SHEILA M DUNKLAU	JURY 2 DAY	\$	107.52
WYNN E FANGMEIER	JURY 2 DAYS	\$	70.00
KARLA S GREGORY	JURY 1 DAY	\$	35.00

MICHAEL S HALLBERG	JURY 1 DAY	\$	48.40
JANET HILL	JURY 2 DAYS	\$	70.00
KATIE J HOVER	JURY 1 DAY	\$	44.38
ZACHARY E HOWE	1 DAY JURY	\$	35.00
DONALD L HUMPHREY JR	JURY 1 DAY	\$	35.00
RYAN E IWANSKY	JURY 2 DAY	\$	70.00
TERRY L JACOBS	JURY 1 DAY	\$	47.73
TAMMI J JAPP	JURY 1 DAY	\$	48.40
CINDY KERSTETTER	JURY 1 DAY	\$	47.06
SALLY KIES	JURY 1 DAY	\$	48.40
BETH LARSON	JURY 2 DAY	\$	70.00
CHARLENE R MCBREEN	JURY 2 DAY	\$	70.00
KATHLEEN A MEYER	JURY 1 DAY	\$	45.72
LARRY W MIDGET	JURY 2 DAY	\$	70.00
JENNIFER D MOFFATT	1 DAY JURY	\$	35.00
MERRY K MUHSMAN	JURY 2 DAYS	\$	131.64
JOHN W PETERSEN	JURY 1 DAY	\$	35.00
DAVID P RAGAN	JURY 1 DAY	\$	35.00
JESSICA A RILEY	JURY 2 DAY	\$	83.40
ANTHONY ROEHR L	JURY 1 DAY	\$	51.08
JUSTIN B SCHOENING	1 DAY JURY	\$	35.00
GENE S SCRIVNER II	JURY 1 DAY	\$	51.08
JOHN L SHEETS	JURY 1 DAY	\$	35.00
THERESA J STANGL	JURY 1 DAY	\$	47.06
AUBREY K STREET	JURY 2 DAY	\$	70.00
ANNE M THOMAS	JURY 1 DAY	\$	47.73
SOPHIE E THOMAS	JURY 1 DAY	\$	51.08
KIRTI K TRIVEDI	1 JURY DAY	\$	45.72
THOMAS P ULRICH	1 DAY JURY	\$	35.00
CINDY WOOD	1 DAY JURY	\$	35.00
WAYLON J WRIGHT	2 DAY JURY	\$	70.00
LAQUINTA INNS & SUITES	Lodging	\$	249.90
MARY LOFTIS	SHIP	\$	775.00
LONG'S OK TIRE STORES	Repairs	\$	25.00
JANE MCNEIL	Service	\$	2,708.33
MEMORIAL COMMUNITY HOSPITAL	Medical	\$	297.00
MMC MECHANICAL CONTRACTORS, INC.	Repairs	\$	1,764.85
MULTI-COUNTY INFORMATION &	Service	\$	656.23
MY CENTRAL SUPPLY	Supplies	\$	140.17
NACO	Conference	\$	160.00
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	Service	\$	90.00
NEBRASKA EXT IN LANCASTER COUNTY	Fee	\$	5.00
NEBRASKA WEED CONTROL ASSOC	Dues	\$	275.00
O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC	Supplies	\$	145.66
ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, LLC	Supplies	\$	203.25
OFFICE WAREHOUSE	Supplies	\$	251.40
OMAHA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	Service	\$	195.16
SUSAN PAULSEN	Mileage	\$	293.34
PFI	Service	\$	60.00
PHILLIPS 66 - CONOCO - 76	Fuel	\$	2,015.78

PHOENIX SUPPLY	Inmates	\$	894.77
PITNEY BOWES INC	Service	\$	942.63
CALVIN POULSEN	Service	\$	1,870.00
POUNDS PRINTING INC	Supplies	\$	1,381.66
PROGRESSIVE BUSINESS TECHNOLOGIES	Supplies	\$	269.95
RADIO ACCOUNTING SERVICE	Media	\$	725.00
WENDY REXROAD	Supplies	\$	72.19
DOUGLAS RONCEK	Fees	\$	60.00
LINDSEY SCHISSEL	Mileage	\$	303.50
SECRETARY OF STATE	Subscriptions	\$	40.00
SHEEPDOG MICROPHONES	Equipment	\$	2,235.50
CHRIS SHEWCHUK	Mileage	\$	171.59
SID DILLON CHEV-OLDS-PONT, INC	Repairs/Maintenance	\$	684.62
BARB SULLIVAN	Mileage	\$	234.50
THE FILTER SHOP	Maintenance	\$	237.60
THE SIGN DEPOT LLC	Service	\$	95.00
TOTAL FIRE & SECURITY, INC.	Service	\$	400.00
TURNKEY TECHNOLOGY, LLC	Equipment	\$	1,851.00
VAN ZANDT COUNTY SHERIFF	Fees	\$	100.00
VERIZON CONNECT NWF, INC.	Service	\$	32.38
VERIZON WIRELESS	Service	\$	40.01
VERIZON WIRELESS	Service	\$	1,647.80
WASHINGTON COUNTY TREASURER	Drainage Taxes	\$	5,666.08
WOODHOUSE FORD INC	Maintenance	\$	123.68
<b>ROADS FUND</b>			
EMPLOYEES	Payroll 12-20-24	\$	62,584.70
AMERITAS	Retirement	\$	4,224.50
BCBS	Life-Dental-Vision	\$	330.32
BCBS-HEALTH	Health Insurance	\$	14,886.68
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	\$	4,609.53
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	H.S.A.	\$	1,875.00
AMERICAN TEXTILE MILLS	Supplies	\$	345.50
BLAIR ACE HARDWARE	Supplies	\$	63.93
BUDDIES RENTALS	Service	\$	300.00
CALHOUN OIL COMPANY	Fuel	\$	7,957.84
CARQUEST AUTO PARTS	Parts/Supplies	\$	367.47
CINTAS CORPORATION	Medical	\$	117.00
DMC WEAR PARTS	Equipment	\$	11,313.36
FASTWYRE BROADBAND	Service	\$	34.98
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	Supplies	\$	21.39
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	Supplies	\$	37.61
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	Supplies	\$	204.75
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS INC	Service	\$	135.95
KELLY RYAN EQUIPMENT COMPANY INC	Parts/Supplies	\$	1,459.31
KNUDSEN OIL & FEED	Fuel	\$	4,291.06
MO VALLEY TIRES, LLC	Repairs	\$	47.00
NSG LOGISTICS, LLC	Salt/Chemicals	\$	4,266.77
OMAHA SLINGS INC	Supplies	\$	1,408.13
SEALS AND SERVICE	Parts/Supplies	\$	318.00
SID DILLON CHEV-OLDS-PONT, INC	Parts/Supplies	\$	396.66

**EMERGENCY FUND RELIEF**

BRACKAN TRUCKING INC	Rock/Gravel	\$	2,130.40
DALE R JOHNSON ENT, INC.	Rock/Gravel	\$	5,175.03

**JUVENILE SERVICES**

EMPLOYEES	Payroll 12-20-24	\$	2,310.00
AMERITAS	Retirement	\$	155.93
BCBS	Life-Dental-Vision	\$	13.65
BCBS-HEALTH	Health Insurance	\$	486.47
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	\$	175.43
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	H.S.A.	\$	93.75

**ARPA**

B'S ENTERPRISE INC	Culvert	\$	3,720.00
SPEECE LEWIS ENGINEERS, INC	Engineering	\$	795.00

**911 ENHANCED WIRELESS**

FASTWYRE BROADBAND	Service	\$	421.80
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS INC	Service	\$	106.00

**911 SYSTEM FUND**

HEADSETTERS	Supplies	\$	28.94
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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 23, 2024 Washington County Board of Supervisors.

Barbara Sullivan, Washington County Clerk

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