

June 24, 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 3:00 PM on June 24, 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 is 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 shown hereafter 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: Co Clerk Barbara Sullivan, Sheriff Mike Robinson, Chief Deputy Sheriff Mitch Robinson, and Co Attorney Scott Vander Schaaf

2. Approve agenda

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Mike Mackie to approve the agenda for 6/24/25. Motion Carried.

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

3. Approve minutes for the June 10, 2025 meeting

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Bob Frahm that the minutes of the 6/10/25 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 correspondence, consider and place on file

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Lisa Kramer to receive correspondence from Nebraska Loess Hills and place on file. Motion Carried.

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

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

Kruger displayed photos of different roads that the department worked on cleaning up after heavy rain and then gave an update on projects and equipment.

7. Sheriff Mike Robinson: Discuss contract to provide law enforcement services between Washington County and the Village of Herman

Sheriff Robinson said that there were no changes to the agreement from last year.

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Kevin Barnhill to approve agreement with Herman Village and authorize Chairman to sign. Motion Carried.

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

8. Alex Tatum: Discuss driveway access for parcel #890089254

Mr. Tatum stated that the speed limit on the road is 45 mph with the suggested speed limit posted as 20 mph on the curve near the property. Hwy Supt Kruger stated that he has been out to measure the site distance for all possible locations of a driveway, but no location met the 500 feet of site distance as required by NIRMA, the county's liability insurance provider. Board members discussed at length and ultimately decided to refer the inquiry to the Road Committee for a possible resolution.

9. Finance Committee: End of budget year transfer of money to Planning Commission, Sheriff, Communications, and Jail budgets. PA- adopt Res 2025-5

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Kevin Barnhill to adopt Resolution 2025-5; transferring budget authority within the General Fund for budget year 2024-25. Motion Carried.

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

RESOLUTION #2025-5

WHEREAS, due to unforeseen circumstances, proposed expenditures exceed budget authority allocated for the Planning Commission, County Sheriff, Communications Center, and County Jail offices function in the General Fund Budget, and

WHEREAS, budget authority in the Building Inspector, and the County Miscellaneous budget also office functions of the General Fund Budget, is adequate to allow for a transfer to meet current fiscal year expenditures,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that an additional four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00) of budget authority is hereby allocated to the Planning Commission office function 608 from the Building Inspector office function 609, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an additional two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000.00) of budget authority is hereby allocated to the County Sheriff's office function 651 from the County Miscellaneous function 970, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an additional five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) of budget authority is hereby allocated to the Communication Center function 653 from the Miscellaneous function 970.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an additional one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000.00) of budget authority is hereby allocated to the County Jail function 671 from the Miscellaneous function 970.

Dated this 24th day of June 2025.

County Board: Jon Stewart, Lisa Kramer, Bob Frahm, Steve Dethlefs, Kevin Barnhill, Mike Macki, Steve Kruger

Attest: Barbara Sullivan, County Clerk

10. Special Designated License: Off The Rail Butchery, Julie Ann Johnson, and D & K Pub Management LLC

Motion Steve Kruger and second by Mike Mackie to authorize Chairman to sign SDL Local Recommendation Form 200 for Off The Rail Butchery, Julie Ann Johnson, and D & K Pub Management LLC. Motion Carried.

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

11. Comments from public: Mike Anderson spoke

12. Committee Reports: Finance Committee is looking at preliminary figures for next year's budget. Tech Committee discussed additional invoices for new firewall licensing and computers that Turnkey stated need to be replaced. The Region 6 board has an emergency meeting coming up to discuss issues with an agency that the governing board oversees.

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. There were no items for a closed session.

14. Motion to adjourn meeting

Motion Kevin Barnhill and second by Steve Kruger to adjourn from the Board of Supervisors meeting at 4:00 PM. Motion Carried.

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

CLAIMS:

GENERAL FUND - 100

EMPLOYEES	Payroll 6-20-25	\$	277,722.23
AMERITAS	Retirement	\$	20,308.77
BCBS-HEALTH	Health	\$	61,203.99

WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	HSA	\$	10,508.75
BCBS	Life-Dental-Vision	\$	796.73
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	\$	20,255.85
AE SUPPLY	Repairs	\$	100.00
MIKE ANDERSON	Mileage	\$	113.52
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	Service	\$	558.86
BLAIR ACE HARDWARE	Supplies	\$	243.71
BROADVOICE-LOCKBOX#913150	Service	\$	190.81
DIBYAJOTI BURLAKOTI	Mileage	\$	22.40
NICOLE CAVANAUGH	Service	\$	2,708.33
CERRIS SYSTEMS	Service	\$	285.00
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT	Filing Fee's	\$	112.00
COMFORT INN - KEARNEY	Lodging	\$	134.95
CREDIT BUREAU SERVICES	Taxes	\$	50.00
DAS STATE ACCNTING-CENTRAL FINANCE	Service	\$	472.00
WILLIAM P. DUNN	Service	\$	7,500.00
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	Supplies	\$	1,267.31
ENCOMPAS CORPORATION	Supply	\$	4,051.14
ENTERPRISE MEDIA GROUP	Media	\$	164.99
JOHNSON, PEKNY LAW	Service	\$	2,916.66
GREAT AMERICA FINANCIAL SVCS	Supplies	\$	274.23
KEVIN HARTZELL	Mileage	\$	33.67
JUVENCIO HERNANDEZ	Service	\$	700.00
HILLYARD, INC.	Supplies	\$	813.60
GREG HOEGERMAYER	Mileage	\$	192.40
HOMETOWN LEASING	Service	\$	336.40
EMMA HUNTLEY	Mileage	\$	87.50
INFOSAFE SHREDDING, INC	Service	\$	60.00
JAIL BOND FUND 3300	Transfer	\$	500,000.00
JENSEN LAWN SOLUTIONS, INC.	Service	\$	2,143.00
NICHOL JOHNSON	Reimb	\$	63.30
CHRISTI JONES	Reimb	\$	47.90
GARY LAMBRECHT	Mileage	\$	137.45
MARY LARSEN	Mileage	\$	22.40
ED LAUTRUP	Mileage	\$	112.00
JOHN MANSON	Mileage	\$	197.17
MATT MATHIESEN	Mileage	\$	129.64
JOE MCBRIDE	Mileage	\$	6.30
JANE MCNEIL	Service	\$	2,708.33
MULTI-COUNTY INFORMATION &	Service	\$	7,688.25
NEBRASKA NOTARY ASSOCIATION	Supplies	\$	163.32
NORTHEAST NEBR JUVENILE SERV INC	Service	\$	5,216.25
ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, LLC	Supplies	\$	228.83
OMAHA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	Service	\$	231.74
SUSAN PAULSEN	Mileage/Meals	\$	957.56
PITNEY BOWES INC	Postage	\$	942.63
CALVIN POULSEN	Service	\$	2,048.75
PROGRESSIVE BUSINESS TECHNOLOGIES	Supplies	\$	820.95

QUILL CORPORATION	Supplies	\$ 349.44
RELX INC DBA LEXISNEXIS	Service	\$ 348.00
ROADS DEPARTMENT FUND 200	Transfer	\$ 1,000,000.00
DEBBIE SAVILLE	Mileage	\$ 26.60
SECRETARY OF STATE	Fee's	\$ 40.00
JEFF SHANER	Mileage	\$ 12.46
US POSTAL SERVICE	Supplies/Postage	\$ 1,342.05
RYAN SULLIVAN	Mileage	\$ 13.67
DAVID TAYLOR	Mileage	\$ 99.18
THE FILTER SHOP	Supplies	\$ 39.60
CYNTHIA TIMMERMIER	Mileage	\$ 15.81
TURNKEY TECHNOLOGY, LLC	Service	\$ 28,375.69
TYLER NEBRASKA	Reimb	\$ 450.00
U.S. BANK	Supplies	\$ 6,679.99
UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA LINCOLN	Payrolls	\$ 11,946.57
VERIZON WIRELESS	Service	\$ 40.01
WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF	Cost on Fee's	\$ 219.60
WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF	Reimb	\$ 269.39
WOODHOUSE FORD INC	Maint/repairs	\$ 95.54
ROADS DEPARTMENT FUND 200		
EMPLOYEES	Payroll 6-20-25	\$ 54,905.04
AMERITAS	Retirement	\$ 3,706.16
BCBS-HEALTH	Health	\$ 14,412.21
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	HSA	\$ 1,968.75
BCBS	Life-Dental-Vision	\$ 289.37
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	\$ 4,053.95
ASPEN EQUIPMENT	Parts	\$ 5,544.64
B'S ENTERPRISE INC	Supplies	\$ 43,342.00
BLUFF AGGREGATE LLC	Gravel	\$ 25,906.47
BOMGAARS	Supplies	\$ 1,495.89
BOWSER TRANSFER LLC	Gravel	\$ 5,954.05
BRACKAN TRUCKING INC	Gravel	\$ 6,974.10
CARQUEST AUTO PARTS	Parts	\$ 56.60
CINTAS CORPORATION	Medical	\$ 117.00
DALE R JOHNSON ENT, INC.	Gravel	\$ 1,906.50
ENTERPRISE MEDIA GROUP	Media	\$ 68.50
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	Office Supplies	\$ 147.00
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	Supplies/Equip	\$ 1,693.15
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	Supplies	\$ 1,014.95
FIRST NATIONAL BANK VISA	Supplies	\$ 385.00
JOHN DEERE CREDIT, INC.	Equipment	\$ 256,939.96
KELLY RYAN EQUIPMENT COMPANY INC	Supplies	\$ 1,108.15
KNUDSEN OIL & FEED	Fuel	\$ 3,783.51
DAVID KRUGER	Mileage	\$ 385.00
LIGHT AND SIREN	Supplies	\$ 1,543.00
MARTIN MARIETTA MATERIALS	Gravel	\$ 193,689.68
MIDWEST COATINGS COMPANY, INC.	Service	\$ 230,496.30
MO VALLEY TIRES, LLC	Repairs	\$ 126.00

NIELSEN EXCAVATING	Service	\$	7,450.00
NMC EXCHANGE LLC	Equipment	\$	20,600.00
ROCKMOUNT RESEARCH & ALLOYS, INC.	Supplies	\$	154.60
SHOTWELL GLASS LLC	Service/Repairs	\$	308.51
SUMMIT FIRE PROTECTION	Supplies	\$	1,453.58
WELDON PARTS INC	Parts	\$	61.56
WOODHOUSE FORD INC	Repairs/Maint	\$	521.74
HARD SURFACE - 300			
SPEECE LEWIS ENGINEERS, INC	Engineering Fees	\$	16,222.10
EMERGENCY FUND - 600			
STALP GRAVEL COMPANY	Gravel	\$	33,583.57
REGISTER OF DEEDS- 1150			
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	Supplies	\$	117.12
INSURANCE FUND - 1275			
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	Insurance	\$	59,163.83
DRUG COURT - 2390			
TRISHA TROIA	Reimb Lodging	\$	630.00
JUVENILE SERVICES - 2506			
EMPLOYEES	Payroll 6-20-25	\$	2,310.00
AMERITAS	Retirement	\$	155.93
BCBS-HEALTH	Health	\$	486.47
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	HSA	\$	93.75
BCBS	Life-Dental-Vision	\$	13.65
WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK	FICA/MEDI	\$	175.43
OWENS EDUCATIONAL SERVICES, INC.	Service/Mileage	\$	848.00
ARPA FUND - 2580			
MAINELLI WAGNER & ASSOCIATES, INC.	Consulting	\$	24,399.80
LACTF FUND - 2585			
MARY LOFTIS	Service	\$	775.00
911 ENHANCED WIRELESS - 2913			
CENTURYLINK	Service	\$	54.98

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 June 24, 2025 Washington County Board of Supervisors.

Barbara Sullivan, Washington County Clerk
