

OFFICE OF THE BURT COUNTY CLERK
Minutes of the Burt County Board of Supervisors
November 27, 2024
 TEKAMAH NE 68061

The Burt County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Wednesday, November 27, 2024 in the Boardroom of the Burt County Courthouse in Tekamah, Nebraska, pursuant to adjournment of their last meeting. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by Publication in the Plaindealer (11-19-2024), upon a 1st floor bulletin board within the courthouse and on the County's Website. A copy of the proof of publication is on file in the office of the County Clerk. The following members were present: Gary 'Bird' Swanson, Paul Richards, Carl Pearson, Sam Titus, David Schold and Ted Connealy. Absent – Jeff Kutchera. Titus had to leave at 10:15 a.m.

The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance at 9:00 A.M. Chairman Connealy informed the public that the Open Meeting Act was posted.

The agenda was approved; upon motion by Titus, seconded by Pearson. By Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Swanson, Richards, Pearson, Titus, Schold and Connealy. Nays – none. Absent – Kutchera.

The minutes of the November 13, 2024 Board of Supervisors and Board of Equalization meetings were approved; upon motion by Richards, seconded by Schold. By Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Swanson, Richards, Pearson, Titus, Schold and Connealy. Nays – none. Absent – Kutchera.

The claims for November in the amount of \$791,426.47, including \$164,886.67 for payroll, were read, audited, warrant drawn, and checks generated on the respective funds on motion by Pearson, seconded by Richards. By Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Swanson, Richards, Pearson, Titus, Schold and Connealy. Nays – none. Absent – Kutchera. The following claims were approved:

ANDY'S QUICK SHOP	FUEL	182.34
APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES	TECH/SECURITY/PHONE	8,681.54
ASHLEY WIMER	MILEAGE	99.56
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	UTILITIES	213.54
BOMGAARS -COURTHOUSE	SUPPLIES	80.41
BRANIFF SERVICE INC	FUEL	4,684.74
BRUMMOND DISPOSAL	GARBAGE	225.00
BURT COUNTY COURT	COURT FEES	49.00
BURT COUNTY DISTRICT COURT	COURT FEES	38.00
BURT COUNTY PUBLIC POWER DIST	UTILITIES	206.88
BURT COUNTY SHERIFF	SERVICE FEES	484.84
CENTURY LINK	911	322.96
CHARLEY CULL	MILEAGE	144.72
CHRISTINE A DREGALLA	JAIL MEDICAL	149.00
CITY OF TEKAMAH	UTILITIES	425.00
CLASSIC CLEAN CARWASH	MISC FLEET	120.78
CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT CO.	SUPPLIES	167.95
CPI TELECOM	PHONES	643.50
CUBBY'S	FUEL	1,496.33
CVSOAN - TOM REIMERS TREASURER	ANNUAL DUES	100.00
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL FIN.	SOFTWARE	411.60
DAS STATE ACCTG -CENTRAL FINANCE	SOFTWARE	258.75
DEAN CARLSON	MILEAGE	22.11
DECATUR EXPRESS-KB'S MINI MART	FUEL	1,107.34
DEREK WARNER	SUPPLIES	31.30
DON JOHNSON	MILEAGE	164.15
DOUGLAS CO DEPT OF CORRECTIONS	JAIL	1,560.00

DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF	SERVICE FEES	12.90
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	407.12
ELECTION WORKER	ELECTION	10,930.93
EMILY HEDLUND	MILEAGE	309.54
ERIN LYTLE	MILEAGE	113.08
FASTWYRE BROADBAND	PHONE/INTERNET	1,409.73
FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS GROUP LLC	ADMIN FEE	841.65
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA	SUPPLIES	362.44
GARY SWANSON	CHECKING ROADS	57.62
GRAFIX SHOPPE	AUTO	516.00
GREAT AMERICA FINANCIAL SVCS	COPIER	247.63
HERMANSON LAW & MEDIATION LLC	ATTY FEES	2,574.50
HOMETOWN LEASING	COPIER	191.13
JACK'S UNIFORMS & EQUIPMENT	EQUIPMENT	221.74
JAY HOVENDICK	MILEAGE	107.20
JEANNETTE BLANC	MILEAGE	52.26
JEFF KUTCHERA	CHECKING ROADS	92.46
JILL SPENNER	MILEAGE	10.72
JOHNSON & MOCK, PC, LLO	ATTY FEES	731.50
JOHNSON & PEKNY, L.L.C.	ATTY FEES	522.50
JORDAN LUXA	SUPPLIES	22.73
KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL	AUTO	35,425.00
KATHY RAY	OFFICE SUPPORT	500.50
KATIE HART	MILEAGE	99.16
KRAVIEC MAURSTAD LAW,P.C.,L.L.O.	CHILD SUPPORT ATTY	2,031.39
LANCASTER COUNTY SHERIFF	SHERIFF FEES	28.20
LEANN MCGUIRE	SUPPLIES	34.36
LEE AGRI-MEDIA	PUBLISHING	1,349.82
MARINA DUARTE DE VAL	MILEAGE	54.84
MID AMERICA ENTERPRISES LLC	EQUIPMENT	86.74
MID-AMERICAN BENEFITS INC	INSURANCE	40,248.00
MIDWEST SPECIAL SERVICES INC	MEALS-CONVENTION	251.60
MIPS INC	SOFTWARE	1,999.13
MIPS INC - COUNTY COURT	SOFTWARE	68.00
NACO MEMBERSHIP DUES	DUES	5,694.84
NEBR HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES SYSTEM	SERVICES/LODGING	93.00
NEBR LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING	LAW ENFORCE SCHOOL	75.00
NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	626.42
NEBRASKA SHERIFF'S ASSOC	DUES	470.00
NORTHEAST NEBR JUVENILE SERV	JAIL	4,275.00
OAKLAND INDEPENDENT/LYONS MIRROR	PUBLISHING	23.62
ONE OFFICE SOLUTION	SUPPLIES	327.58
PAUL RICHARDS	CHECKING ROADS	178.22
PENNY A. WARREN	DUES	50.00
PHYSICIANS LABORATORY PC	AUTOPSY	2,750.00
POUNDS PRINTING INC	PRINTING	10.59
ROBIN OLSON	MILEAGE	259.65
RODNEY BROMM	MILEAGE	35.64
ROGER POND	MILEAGE	211.05
RR DONNELLEY	SUPPLIES	80.46
SARAH FREIDEL	MILEAGE	58.20
SAVE MORE MARKET	SUPPLIES	47.63
SCOTT BURGETT	TRAINING	270.00
SCOTT RONNFELDT	MILEAGE	236.38
SECURITY SHREDDING SERVICES	SERVICES	80.00
SHARON WIMER	OFFICE SUPPORT	50.00
SIGN DEPOT	AUTO	255.00
STACEY KEYS	MILEAGE	187.60

THE APOTHECARY SHOP	JAIL	279.41
THEODORE CONNEALY	CHECKING ROADS	28.14
THURSTON COUNTY SHERIFF	JAIL	6,300.00
TK ELEVATOR CORPORATION	SUPPLIES	318.97
TRI-STATE COMMUNICATIONS INC	RADIO	4,561.50
TYLER WEITZENKAMP	MILEAGE	72.36
UNL-HASKELL AG LAB	WORKSHOP	125.00
US POSTAL SERVICE (NEOPOST POSTAGE)	POSTAGE	10,000.00
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL PHONES	881.23
VISUAL EDGE IT,INC	SUPPLIES	572.69
WALLY LYDICK	MILEAGE	49.04
WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF	JAIL	1,625.00
WOODS AITKEN LLP	LEGAL CONSULT	3,998.00
A A WHEEL & TRUCK SUPPLY INC	ROAD EQUIP REPAIR	935.56
BARCO MUNICIPAL PRODUCTS INC	FREIGHT	2,717.33
BLACKSTRAP	CHEMICAL	9,927.90
BLUFF AGGREGATE LLC	GRAVEL & BORROW	2,185.96
BOMGAARS SUPPLY INC - ROAD	SUPPLIES	1,496.79
BRUMMOND COUNTRY DISPOSAL	GARBAGE	90.00
BUDDIES MINI MART, LLC	FUEL	590.99
CHRISTENSEN ELECTRIC LLC	REPAIRS	570.54
CITY OF LYONS	UTILITIES	139.38
CITY OF OAKLAND	UTILITIES	23.16
CNA AUTO SERVICES,LLC	REPAIRS	20.40
FARMERS PRIDE	FUEL	2,391.79
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA ROADS	SUPPLIES	936.34
GLUP PIPE SALES	CULVERTS	1,749.80
HIGHWAY SIGNING, INC	PAVEMENT MARKING	55,491.00
MAINELLI, WAGNER & ASSOCIATES INC	ENGINEERING	33,177.39
MARTIN MARIETTA	GRAVEL & BORROW	7,847.26
MIDWEST SERVICE AND SALES CO	FUEL	1,215.00
MIDWEST SERVICE CO	FUEL	3,379.95
NELSON AND ROCK CONTRACTING INC	BRIDGE/HWY BUYBACK	162,067.30
NMC	REPAIRS	3,749.03
RDO TRUCK CENTERS, LLC	REPAIRS	3,449.56
SCHMADER LANDFILL LLC	GARBAGE	47.25
SCOTT'S HARDWARE	PARTS	479.30
SHAMBURG AUTO SUPPLY	PARTS	401.84
SPENCER QUARRIES, INC	GRAVEL & BORROW	1,689.61
TRUCK CENTER COMPANIES	PARTS	41.91
VERIZON CONNECT FLEET USA LLC	DATA PROCESSING	909.94
VILLAGE OF DECATUR	UTILITIES	169.55
CLAY GIBBS	DEMO GRANT	5,645.00
STUDIO SHEETS	RENO GRANT	13,361.50
CENTURYLINK (HARDWARE WARRANTY)	911	707.20
GEOCOMM, INC	911	4,918.52
NORTHEAST NEBR TELEPHONE CO	911	129.17
AFLAC	EMPE PD ADDL	371.01
ALLSTATE	EMPE PD ADDL	42.01
BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	54,745.64
FIRST NAT'L BANK-NORTHEAST-EFPTS	FEDERAL TAXES	45,837.74
GLOBE LIFE LIBERTY NATIONAL DIV	EMPE PD ADDL	589.08
MADISON NATIONAL LIFE INS. CO, INC	EMPE PD ADDL	28.20
NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT SOLUTIONS	EMPE PD ADDL	150.00
RETIREMENT PLANS DIV. OF AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	24,145.82
STATE TAX COMMISSIONER	STATE TAXES	7,147.66
VISION SERVICE PLAN (CT)	EMPE PD ADDL	758.74
COLONIAL LIFE AND ACCIDENT INS CO	EMPE PD ADDL	57.79

CREDIT MANAGEMENT SERVICES	GARNISHMENT	42.21
NEBR CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CTR	GARNISHMENT	830.00

Note: New internet provider (OPTK) and a new phone system (Zultys phones administered by Applied Connective Technologies) went live on November 22, 2024 in the Courthouse.

Communication: Lodging Tax permitholders listing from 2024; the board reviewed and discussed recommending that the visitors committee review the permitholders.

ROADS: *Ann Chytka, Highway Superintendent*

YEAR-END CERTIFICATION OF COUNTY HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT FOR 2024

Upon motion by Titus, seconded by Schold, the Board voted to sign Resolution 2024-18, Approved By Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Swanson, Richards, Pearson, Titus Schold and Connealy. Nays – none. Absent- Kutchera.

Resolution 2024-18

Signing of the Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent 2024

Whereas: State of Nebraska Statutes, sections 39-2302, and 39-2501 through 39-2505 details the requirements that must be met in order for a county to qualify for an annual Incentive Payment; and

Whereas: The State of Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) requires that each county must annually certify (by December 31st each year) the appointment(s) of the County Highway Superintendent(s) to the NDOT using the Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent form; and

Whereas: The NDOT requires that such certification shall also include a copy of the documentation of the county highway superintendent's appointment; i.e. meeting minutes showing the appointment of the County Highway Superintendent by their name as it appears on their License (if applicable), their License Number (if applicable), and Class of License (if applicable), the type of appointment, i.e., employed or under contract (consultant, or interlocal agreement with another county and/or incorporated municipality), and the beginning date of the appointment; and

Whereas: The NDOT also requires that such Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent form shall be signed by the County Board Chairperson and shall include a copy of a resolution of the County Board authorizing the signing of the Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent form by the County Board Chairperson.

Be it resolved that the County Board Chairperson of Burt County is hereby authorized to sign the attached Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent form(s).

Adopted this 27th day of November 2024 at Tekamah, Nebraska.

County Board Members: - Jeff Kutchera (Absent) -Gary Swanson -Paul Richards
 -Carl Pearson -Sam Titus -Ted Connealy -David Schold
 -Attest: Sarah J. Freidel, Burt County Clerk

ROAD MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT(S) – PERSHING TWP & DECATUR TWP: Township agrees to pay Burt County the rate of \$160.00 per hour for regular maintenance and snow removal; Chairman Connealy signed the agreements upon motion by Schold, seconded by Swanson. Approved By Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Swanson, Richards, Pearson, Titus, Schold and Connealy. Nays – none. Absent – Kutchera.

ROAD REQUEST FROM DECATUR TWP: Ryan Ferguson, Decatur TWP board member, requested opening Co.Rd. 30 to the North to intersect onto Co.Rd. XY. He explained the intersection of Co.Rd. 30 and Hwy. 51 is dangerous and if the requested route could be done, that could divert traffic around to the North then East on to Hwy. 75 thereby avoiding the dangerous intersection on Hwy 51. Chytka, Hwy Supt., reported that County Attorney Talbot told her the northern part of Co.Rd. 30 that runs through section 27 Township 24 range 10E formally known as Public Road #341 is considered 'abandoned' as it has not been in use for 10+ yrs., she also confirmed that this is a Township road. The County Board suggested Decatur TWP get further instructions from County Attorney Talbot since the road is considered as 'abandoned' status.

Legal Newspaper for 2025

According to the rotation that has been in place for some time, the *Lyons Mirror-Sun* will be the main paper used in 2025 for legal publications.

2025 Holidays

Resolution #2024-17 was approved upon motion by Schold, seconded by Richards. Motion passed By Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Swanson, Richards, Pearson, Titus, Schold and Connealy. Nays – none. Absent – Kutchera.

January 1	New Year’s Day	WED
January 20	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	MON
February 17	President’s Day	MON
May 26	Memorial Day	MON
June 19	Juneteenth	THURS
July 4	Independence Day	FRI
September 1	Labor Day	MON
October 13	Columbus Day	MON
November 11	Veterans Day	TUES
November 27	Thanksgiving	THURS
November 28	Friday following Thanksgiving	FRI
December 24	Christmas Eve	WED
December 25	Christmas	THURS

2025 Board meeting dates:

Two meetings will be held every month, the first meeting of the month being on the 2nd Wednesday, and the second meeting of the month will be on the 28th of the month (28th may be moved up to the previous business day if it falls on a weekend.) Claims and payroll will be paid at the second meeting of the month. Holidays and Board meeting dates will be published on the Burt County Website.

Board of Equalization:

Schold moved the Board recess at 10:08 AM for *Board of Equalization*, Richards seconded, motion passed Ayes-6, Absent- Kutchera. The Burt County Board of Supervisors reconvened at 10:21 AM upon motion by Schold, seconded by Richards, Ayes -5, Absent – Kutchera and Titus. See separate minutes for BOE.

PUBLIC COMMENT: *none.*

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting adjourned upon motions by Pearson and Kutchera at 11:03 P.M.

Next Meeting(s):

Dec. 2, 2024 - SP. MTG. @ 7 p.m. in Burt Co Courtroom

Dec. 11, 2024 Regular meeting @ 9:00 A.M.

ATTEST: SARAH J. FREIDEL
BURT COUNTY CLERK

TED CONNEALY, CHAIRMAN
BURT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

