

OFFICE OF THE BURT COUNTY CLERK
Minutes of the Burt County Board of Supervisors
August 13, 2025
TEKAMAH NE 68061

The Burt County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Wednesday, August 13, 2025 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 Burt County Independent (8-7-2025), 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, Jeff Kutchera, Sam Titus, Carl Pearson, Jay W. Johnson and Paul Richards. Not Present - Ted Connealy.

The meeting opened at 9:00 A.M. with the pledge of Allegiance. Vice-Chairman Richards informed the public that the Open Meeting Act is posted on the wall.

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

The minutes of the 7/25/2025 Board of Equalization and 7/28/2025 Board of Supervisors meetings were approved; motion by Swanson, seconded by Pearson. By Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Swanson, Kutchera, Titus, Pearson, Johnson and Richards. Nays – none. Absent – Connealy.

Approval of July Reports: The County Clerk Report of Fees, the County Court Report of Fines, the District Court Fee Report, Planning and Zoning Report, Fund Balances, and the following Miscellaneous Receipts in the amount of \$406,718.92 were all approved upon motion by Pearson, seconded by Johnson. By Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Swanson, Kutchera, Titus, Pearson, Johnson and Richards. Nays – none. Absent- Connealy.

ZONING PERMITS	20,185.00
STATE GRANT - SHERIFF	2,838.00
TAX SALE REDEMPTION (COUNTY SHARE)	110.00
CO CLERK-FILING & RECORDING FEES	4,477.00
CO CLERK-DOC STAMPS (COUNTY SHARE)	3,577.14
CO CLERK-MISC FEES	93.00
DISTRICT COURT-FILING FEES	200.00
DISTRICT COURT - COURT COST REFUNDS	51.00
DISTRICT COURT-MISC FEES & REVENUE	1.00
DISTRICT COURT - FEES & COSTS	178.48
DISTRICT COURT - PASSPORTS	781.40
DISTRICT COURT - PROBLEM SOLVING COURT/DRUG	50.00
CO SHERIFF-SERVICE FEES	1,307.00
CO SHERIFF-MILEAGE & COSTS	1,685.45
TITLE INSPECTIONS	370.00
GUN PERMITS	15.00
INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS	3,844.09
HIGHWAY/STREET ALLOCATION	131,199.85
MOTOR VEHICLE FEES	25,340.76
TWP REIMBURSE - Pershing TWP	14,565.15
TWP REIMBURSE - Quinnebaugh TWP	9,160.00
REIMBURSE - Pelican Point & Summit Lake	7,618.70
TWP REIMBURSE - Arizona TWP	37,108.39
TWP REIMBURSE - Decatur TWP	15,228.43
SALE OF SCRAP IRON	469.30
PHOTOCOPIES	8.00
LODGING TAX	696.94

ROD -PRESERVATION & MODERNIZATION	654.00
STOP	200.00
INHERITANCE TAX- Brenden D. Murray	3,442.02
PLAT BOOKS	0.00
COUNTY 911	1,222.07
E-911 (WIRELESS)	0.00
COUNTY COURT FINES-REGULAR	6,010.00
STATE FINES TO SCHOOLS	1,000.00
COUNTY COURT BOND FORFEITURES	221.00
DECATURE FIRE - GENERAL	15.21
OAKLAND FIRE -GENERAL	21.49
LYONS FIRE - GENERAL	278.81
DECATUR FIRE BOND	6.80
LYONS FIRE BOND	58.54
TAX SALE REDEMPTION & ADMIN FEES	9,267.30
HOMESTEAD ALLOCATION	103,138.06
IN LIEU (OPPD)	24.54

OFFICE UPDATES (2): (1) Building & Grounds – Bruce Nathan
(2) Zoning – Ann Chytka

COMMUNICATION (2): 1) District Six Probation FY24-25 Recap & FY25-26 Budget.
2) Oakland City – Hearing Notices for determination of Blighted & Substandard Area.

Lot Split: signed by Vice-Chairman Richards
JAY LINDSTROM - 5 ac. pt. NE⁴NW⁴ of Sec. 20, TWP 21N, Rge. 9E. of 6th P.M., Burt Co., NE

Closed Session:

Upon motion by Kutchera, seconded by Johnson, the Board went into *Closed Session* with Co. Attorney Edmond Talbot at 9:11 A.M. to *discuss litigations*, with roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Swanson, Kutchera, Titus, Pearson, Johnson and Richards. Nays –none. Absent – Connealy. Also present during closed session were Zoning Administrator, Ann Chytka and Board Secretary, Sarah Freidel. Upon motion by Pearson, seconded by Kutchera, the Board went back into Regular Session at 9:38 A.M., with roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Swanson, Kutchera, Titus, Pearson, Johnson and Richards. Nays –none. Absent – Connealy. No action was taken during closed session.

NACO (Nebraska Assoc. of Counties) Updates:

Candace Meredith, Deputy Director provided updates from State Association.

Burt County Ag Society: *Dale Miller & Henry Unwin, representatives speaking*

A financial report was presented from the 2025 Burt County Fair. The Ag Society requested \$100,000 from the County for their operating budget for 2026, and a one-time \$25,000 extra pledge for ADA restroom and/or parking projects within the Burt County fairgrounds. No budget decisions were made by the County board at this time; they will discuss further during their budget decisions.

Inventories FY 2025-2026:

Vice-Chair Richards signed the oath certifying the collection of inventories from all Burt County Officers. Inventory statements of all County real & personal property are updated annually and on file per §23-347; and available in the County Clerk's office.

ROADS: *Ann Chytka, Highway Superintendent:* No action; Chytka provided updates. The public hearing for One & Six Year project planning will be Aug. 28th.

Tornado Sirens:

Jason Redding-Geu, Emergency Manager reported to the board that the tornado siren at Harbor 671 is malfunctioning. This led him to look into the inventory of all sirens within the County; he reports they are all quite old. He has a siren company he is going to work with to help him investigate the possibility of Grants for repair(s) and/or replacement of siren(s) within Burt County.

Board of Equalization: none.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Alex Chandler, representative from Beeline Solar project – stated on July 17, 2025 landowners and the solar company filed a complaint in District Court against the Tekamah Joint Airport Zoning Board. He wanted to make it clear that the complaint is not filed against the County.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting adjourned at 10:54 A.M. upon motions by Johnson and Titus.
Next meeting: August 28, 2025 at 9:00 A.M.

ATTEST: SARAH J. FREIDEL
BURT COUNTY CLERK

PAUL RICHARDS, VICE-CHAIRMAN
BURT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

These minutes are not the official record and may be corrected. A copy of the approved official minutes is available to the public at the Clerk’s Office.