OFFICE OF THE BURT COUNTY CLERK

**Minutes of the Burt County Board of Supervisors**

***October 28, 2026***

TEKAMAH NE 68061

The Burt County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Wednesday, October 28, 2026, 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 on a 1st floor courthouse bulletin board and on the County's Website. The following members were present: Ted Connealy, Gary 'Bird' Swanson, Sam Titus, Carl Pearson, Jay W. Johnson and Jeff Kutchera. Absent -Paul Richards.

The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance at 9:00 A.M. Chairman Kutchera informed the public that the Open Meeting Act was posted on the website and available in a binder in the meeting room.

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

The minutes of the 10/14/2026 Board of Supervisors and Board of Equalization meetings were approved; upon motion by Swanson, seconded by Johnson. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Connealy, Swanson, Titus, Pearson, Johnson and Kutchera. Nays- none. Absent -Richards.

The claims for October in the amount of $2,479,898.64 including $167,294.80 for payroll, were read, audited, warrant drawn, and checks generated on the respective funds on motion by Titus, seconded by Connealy. Roll Call Vote followed: Ayes – Connealy, Swanson, Titus, Pearson, Johnson and Kutchera. Nays- none. Absent -Richards. The following claims were approved:

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| 100 | ALLISON ELECTRIC INC | REPAIR | 141.79 |
| 100 | ANDY'S QUICK SHOP | FUEL | 291.78 |
| 100 | APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES LLC | SOFTWARE.CYBER.IT | 5,896.44 |
| 100 | ARBY'S BODY SHOP LLC | REPAIR | 360.00 |
| 100 | BLACK HILLS ENERGY | UTILITIES | 166.48 |
| 100 | BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 53,044.10 |
| 100 | BOMGAARS | SUPPLIES | 195.97 |
| 100 | BOMGAARS SUPPLY INC | SUPPLIES | 329.12 |
| 100 | BRANIFF SERVICE INC | FUEL/REPAIR | 2,083.14 |
| 100 | BRUMMOND DISPOSAL | TRASH SERVICE | 105.00 |
| 100 | BURT COUNTY AG SOCIETY | FAIR EXPENSE (1/2) | 37,500.00 |
| 100 | BURT COUNTY COURT | COURT COST | 102.00 |
| 100 | BURT COUNTY DISTRICT COURT | COURT COST | 72.00 |
| 100 | BURT COUNTY INDEPENDENT | PUBLISHING | 1,094.97 |
| 100 | BURT COUNTY PUBLIC POWER DIST | UTILITIES | 61.29 |
| 100 | BURT COUNTY SHERIFF | MISC EXPENSES | 491.43 |
| 100 | CANON FINANCIAL SERVICES | EQUIPMENT LEASE | 286.49 |
| 100 | CENTURY LINK | 911 | 322.96 |
| 100 | CITY OF TEKAMAH | UTILITIES | 260.92 |
| 100 | CLASSIC CLEAN CARWASH | FLEET MAINT. | 117.16 |
| 100 | CLEARFLY | PHONE | 1,454.10 |
| 100 | CUBBY'S | FUEL | 2,102.24 |
| 100 | CUMING COUNTY SHERIFF | SHERIFF FEES | 6.00 |
| 100 | DAKOTA COUNTY SHERIFF | JAIL | 1,905.35 |
| 100 | DAS STATE ACCOUNTING | SOFTWARE | 503.60 |
| 100 | DECATUR EXPRESS - KB'S MINI MART | FUEL | 1,540.08 |
| 100 | DEPT CORRECTIONAL SVCS | JAIL | 1,264.90 |
| 100 | DODGE COUNTY | PROBATION | 3,900.47 |
| 100 | DREW LAW FIRM PC LLO | ATTORNEY FEES | 6,106.25 |

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| 100 | EAKES INC | EQUIP & SUPPLIES | 1,040.43 |
| 100 | ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE | ELECTION GN26 | 7,018.66 |
| 100 | FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS GROUP LLC | INSURANCE | 22.50 |
| 100 | FIRST NATIONAL BANK NORTHEAST | FEDERAL TAXES | 12,941.63 |
| 100 | FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA | SUPPLIES | 969.80 |
| 100 | FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA | LE SCHOOL COSTS | 70.20 |
| 100 | M.J. DONOVAN ENTERPRISES, INC | SUPPLIES | 725.00 |
| 100 | HEARTLAND FIRE PROTECTION COMPANY | SUPPLIES | 187.13 |
| 100 | HEARTLAND TIRE, INC | TIRES/REPAIR | 740.00 |
| 100 | HERMANSON LAW & MEDIATION LLC | ATTORNEY FEES | 1,287.50 |
| 100 | HOLIDAY INN | TRAVEL EXPENSE | 279.90 |
| 100 | HOMETOWN LEASING | EQUIPMENT LEASE | 76.93 |
| 100 | INTOXIMETERS INC | LAW EQUIPMENT | 217.00 |
| 100 | JACK'S UNIFORMS & EQUIPMENT | UNIFORMS | 50.89 |
| 100 | JENNIFER HANSEN | TRAVEL EXPENSES | 237.88 |
| 100 | JOHNSON & MOCK, PC, LLO | ATTORNEY FEES | 537.50 |
| 100 | JOHNSON & PEKNY, L.L.C. | ATTORNEY FEES | 362.50 |
| 100 | KAREN GRASS | PRIOR SERVICE | 36.00 |
| 100 | KATHY RAY | OFFICE SUPPORT | 855.00 |
| 100 | LEAF | EQUIPMENT LEASE | 168.62 |
| 100 | MAXIMUS INC | COST ALLOCATION | 2,100.00 |
| 100 | MID-AMERICA ENTERPRISES LLC | TIRES/REPAIR | 96.49 |
| 100 | MIPS INC | SOFTWARE | 2,389.18 |
| 100 | NACO | REGISTRATION | 825.00 |
| 100 | NACO | JPH POSTCARDS | 668.36 |
| 100 | NEBRASKA EXTENSION -CEDAR COUNTY | REGISTRATION | 475.00 |
| 100 | NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 607.62 |
| 100 | NICHOLAS E. WURTH LAW OFFICE | ATTORNEY FEES | 1,137.50 |
| 100 | NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS | CHEMICALS | 3,044.51 |
| 100 | ONE OFFICE SOLUTION | SUPPLIES | 231.44 |
| 100 | OPTK NETWORKS | INTERNET | 642.99 |
| 100 | PCH PHARMACY - PENDER | JAIL MEDICAL | 80.38 |
| 100 | PELAN FUNERAL SERVICES INC | COUNTY BURIAL | 2,500.00 |
| 100 | PHYSICIANS LABORATORY PC | AUTOPSY/CORONER | 2,875.00 |
| 100 | POINT C | INSURANCE | 30,239.25 |
| 100 | POUNDS PRINTING INC | SUPPLIES | 320.00 |
| 100 | RADON DEFENSE MIDWEST/DUCT DEFENSE | RADON FAN | 757.50 |
| 100 | REGION IV INC | QTR BILLING | 3,305.50 |
| 100 | RETIREMENT PLANS DIV. OF AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 11,537.24 |
| 100 | SECRETARY OF STATE | SUPPLIES | 20.00 |
| 100 | SHARON WIMER | OFFICE SUPPORT | 150.00 |
| 100 | SIGN DEPOT | SUPPLIES | 745.00 |
| 100 | STACEY KEYS | TRAVEL/SUPPLIES | 240.38 |
| 100 | STATE OF NEBRASKA | SUPPLIES | 60.00 |
| 100 | THURSTON COUNTY SHERIFF | JAIL | 1,190.00 |
| 100 | VERIZON WIRELESS | CELL PHONE | 719.58 |
| 100 | VISION SERVICE PLAN (CT) | INSURANCE | 23.73 |
| 100 | WASHINGTON COUNTY | DIST JUDGE | 3,488.47 |
| 100 | WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF | JAIL | 3,315.00 |
| 100 | WOODS AITKEN LLP | LEGAL CONSULT | 1,548.00 |
| 300 | APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES LLC | SOFTWARE | 39.39 |
| 300 | BLACK HILLS ENERGY | UTILITIES | 51.33 |
| 300 | BLUFF AGGREGATE LLC | MATERIALS | 27,731.73 |
| 300 | BOMGAARS SUPPLY INC | SUPPLIES | 222.52 |
| 300 | MRB ENTERPRISES | REPAIR | 420.50 |
| 300 | BRANIFF SERVICE INC | FUEL | 605.37 |
| 300 | BRIAN HULL | CONCRETE | 907.50 |
| 300 | BRUMMOND COUNTRY DISPOSAL | TRASH SERVICE | 95.00 |

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| 300 | BRUMMOND DISPOSAL | TRASH SERVICE | 130.00 |
| 300 | BURT COUNTY PUBLIC POWER DIST | UTILITIES | 169.35 |
| 300 | CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL SERVICES | EQUIPMENT LEASE | 9,100.00 |
| 300 | CITY OF LYONS | UTILITIES | 234.13 |
| 300 | CITY OF OAKLAND | UTILITIES | 25.53 |
| 300 | CITY OF TEKAMAH | UTILITIES | 75.53 |
| 300 | CORNHUSKER STATE INDUSTRIES | SIGNS | 874.00 |
| 300 | DECATUR EXPRESS - KB'S MINI MART | FUEL | 789.96 |
| 300 | DVORAK LAW GROUP LLC | ATTORNEY FEES | 995.00 |
| 300 | BATTLE CREEK FARMERS COOPERATIVE | FUEL | 10,507.17 |
| 300 | FIRST NATIONAL BANK NORTHEAST | FEDERAL TAXES | 3,345.46 |
| 300 | FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA | SUPPLIES | 19.99 |
| 300 | DEERE CREDIT SERVICES INC | PARTS | 588.14 |
| 300 | MARTIN MARIETTA | MATERIALS | 31,666.99 |
| 300 | MIDWEST ENGINEERING INC | ENGINEERING | 36,489.75 |
| 300 | MIDWEST SERVICE CO | FUEL | 22,614.18 |
| 300 | NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 174.54 |
| 300 | RETIREMENT PLANS DIV. OF AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 3,050.01 |
| 300 | SCOTT'S HARDWARE | SUPPLIES | 5.18 |
| 300 | SHAMBURG AUTO SUPPLY | SUPPLIES/PARTS | 83.62 |
| 300 | STEINY'S GENERAL STORE | SUPPLIES/PARTS | 73.87 |
| 300 | TRI-STATE COMMUNICATIONS INC | RENTAL | 270.34 |
| 300 | VERIZON CONNECT FLEET USA LLC | FLEET DATA | 445.02 |
| 300 | VERIZON WIRELESS | CELL PHONE | 119.85 |
| 300 | VILLAGE OF DECATUR | UTILITIES | 180.08 |
| 300 | WESTERN PATHOLOGY CONSULTANT INC | MEDICAL, SAFETY | 250.00 |
| 1150 | MIPS INC | SOFTWARE | 225.75 |
| 2500 | WESTERN ENGINEERING CO INC | MATERIALS | 1,875,234.17 |
| 2913 | CENTURYLINK (HARDWARE WARRANTY) | 911 | 686.65 |
| 2913 | GEOCOMM, INC | 911 | 7,676.95 |
| 2913 | NORTHEAST NEBR TELEPHONE CO | 911 | 130.98 |
| 9599 | AFLAC | EMPE PD ADDL | 556.20 |
| 9599 | ALLSTATE - BENEFITS | EMPE PD ADDL | 43.70 |
| 9599 | BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 1,641.88 |
| 9599 | CREDIT MANAGEMENT SERVICES | GARNISHMENT | 584.28 |
| 9599 | FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS GROUP LLC | EMPE PD ADDL | 816.33 |
| 9599 | FIRST NATIONAL BANK NORTHEAST | FEDERAL TAXES | 29,315.51 |
| 9599 | GLOBE LIFE LIBERTY NATIONAL DIV | EMPE PD ADDL | 636.97 |
| 9599 | MADISON NATIONAL LIFE INS. CO, INC | EMPE PD ADDL | 82.96 |
| 9599 | NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT SOLUTIONS | EMPE PD ADDL | 150.00 |
| 9599 | NEBR CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CTR | GARNISHMENT | 100.00 |
| 9599 | RETIREMENT PLANS DIV. OF AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 10,011.19 |
| 9599 | STATE TAX COMMISSIONER | STATE TAXES | 6,286.36 |
| 9599 | TRUSTMARK VOLUNTARY BENEFITS | EMPE PD ADDL | 504.69 |
| 9599 | VISION SERVICE PLAN (CT) | EMPE PD ADDL | 704.02 |

**Communication:** NEXTLINK INTERNET - broadband development and connectivity updates and consumer resources to help provide more choices for internet access for Burt County! Contact info: Ebony E. Cooksey, Market Development Manager and Government Affairs Coordinator, 855-698-5465, C: 214-417-0389 website: nextlinkinternet.com  Handouts on file and available upon request.

**Board of Equalization:**

Connealy moved the Board recess at 9:20 AM for *Board of Equalization*, Pearson seconded, motions passed. The Burt County Board of Supervisors reconvened at 9:22

AM upon motion by Titus, seconded by Johnson, motions passed. See separate minutes for BOE.

**County owned building in Oakland:**
Unsafe County owned building in Oakland (PID #312808100). Johnson reported structural engineer is working on specs for demo.

**County owned property** (PID #430101400)**:**
County Clerk Sarah Freidel explained she found a small 20 ac. piece of County owned property when she went to update the County's Real Estate inventory list. The County obtained this piece in 1994 via a Sheriff's Deed (Book 69 Page 440). Upon review in gworks, it looks to be landlocked, and someone is farming a small portion of it. The board agreed there would be no reason for the County to own this property; the board asked Freidel to have County Attorney look into how/if the County could proceed with a possible sale of surplus property, etc.

***ROADS***:
Road Committee Update: C-11(456) Co.Rd. L Project is complete.

*PUBLIC COMMENT(S)*: Gregg Smith, rural Lyons – Co.Rd. L access points.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting adjourned upon motions by Pearson and Titus at 9:35 A.M.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 10, 2026 @ 9:00 A.M. *meeting date change due to holiday and meeting on 1st floor due to GN26 election canvass.

*ATTEST:* SARAH J. FREIDEL
BURT COUNTY CLERK

JEFF KUTCHERA, 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.*