



Burt County Board Minutes



OFFICE OF THE BURT COUNTY CLERK
Minutes of the Burt County Board of Supervisors
March 31, 2017
TEKAMAH NE 68061

The Burt County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Friday, March 31, 2017 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 Oakland Independent, 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: Cliff Morrow, David Schold, Greg Brummond, Paul Richards, Bird Swanson, Ted Connealy and Gerald Newill.

The meeting opened at 9:00 A.M. upon motion by Schold, seconded by Newill, with roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Schold, Brummond, Richards, Swanson, Connealy, Newill and Morrow. Nays-none. Chairman Morrow informed the public that the Nebraska Open Meeting Act was posted on the wall.

Upon motion by Swanson, seconded by Connealy, the agenda was approved, with roll call vote as follows: Ayes –Schold, Brummond, Richards, Swanson, Connealy, Newill and Morrow. Nays-none.

The following claims for March in the amount of \$450,302.53, including \$112,193.28 for payroll, were read, audited, warrant drawn and checks generated on the respective funds on motion by Schold, seconded by Brummond, with roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Schold, Brummond, Richards, Swanson, Connealy, Newill and Morrow. Nays – none.

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| ADAM TRIPP | ATTY FEES | 1,908.00 |
| AFLAC | INSURANCE | 883.67 |
| ALL FLAGS, ETC | FLAG SUPPLIES | 109.14 |
| AMERICAN BROADBAND CLEC | PHONE BILL | 1,379.69 |
| ANDERSON HARDWARE | TOOLS/SUPPLIES | 164.36 |
| ANDY'S QUICK SHOP | EQUIP FUEL | 308.85 |
| APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES LLC | MONTHLY FEE | 701.25 |
| AT&T | TELE SERVICE | 54.20 |
| B'S ENTERPRISES INC | SIGNS | 1,180.00 |
| BERNIE MASLOWSKY | BUILDING RENT | 2,500.00 |
| BILL J PICKELL | SERVICES | 198.59 |
| BLACK HILLS ENERGY | UTILITIES | 196.07 |
| BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 72,796.00 |
| BLUFF GRAVEL COMPANY | GRAVEL | 1,309.10 |
| BOMGAARS SUPPLY INC | SUPPLIES | 1,416.13 |
| BONINE GARAGE DOORS | REPAIR | 93.00 |
| BOYDSTON LAW OFFICE | ATTY FEES | 303.75 |
| BRADLEY D HOLTORF, ATTORNEY AT LAW | ATTY FEES | 3,026.25 |
| BRANIFF SERVICE INC | FUEL | 1,935.57 |



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| BREHMER MFG INC | SUPPLIES | 19.49 |
| BRENNEIS INSURANCE AGENCY INC | INSURANCE | 254.00 |
| BRUMMOND COUNTRY DISPOSAL | GARBAGE | 75.00 |
| BUDDIES MINI MART, LLC | FUEL | 757.05 |
| BURT COUNTY COURT | NON WAIVE FEES | 131.00 |
| BURT COUNTY DISTRICT COURT CLERK | NON WAIVE FEES | 66.00 |
| BURT COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE | SUPPLIES | 53.63 |
| BURT COUNTY PUBLIC POWER DIST | RADIO TOWER | 255.64 |
| BURT COUNTY SHERIFF | MISC EXPENSE | 198.84 |
| CASS PLUMBING & HVAC LLC | REPAIR | 1,358.37 |
| CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL SERVICES | EQUIP RENTAL | 7,000.00 |
| CECIL BRUMMOND | SUPPLY REIMBURSE | 601.76 |
| CENTRAL UNITED LIFE INS CO | LIFE INSURANCE | 10.25 |
| CENTURYLINK | TELE SERVICE | 739.99 |
| CHRISTENSEN ELECTRIC LLC | SERVICES | 910.29 |
| CITY CLERK | UTILITIES | 31.78 |
| CITY OF LYONS | UTILITIES | 248.15 |
| CITY OF TEKAMAH | UTILITIES | 201.45 |
| CLIFFORD L MORROW | CHECKING ROADS | 22.47 |
| CNA AUTO SERVICES,LLC | PARTS | 71.65 |
| CONSTELLATION NEW ENERGY GAS DIV | HEATING FUEL | 747.60 |
| COUNSEL | COPIER LEASE | 151.69 |
| CUBBY'S | FUEL | 421.95 |
| D & M REPAIR | EQUIPMENT | 730.52 |
| D & S TIRES INC | LABOR | 300.00 |
| DAS STATE ACCOUNTING | AS/400 COSTS | 185.28 |
| DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL FIN. | TELE TYPE | 350.00 |
| DAVID SCHOLD | CHECKING ROADS | 132.68 |
| DEARBORN NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE CO | LIFE INSURANCE | 26.22 |
| DECATUR EXPRESS | FUEL | 1,081.40 |
| DREW LAW FIRM PC LLO | ATTY FEES | 1,342.50 |
| ENGELHARDT COMMUNICATIONS | RADIO REPAIR | 187.00 |
| EVA MCCLUSKEY | PRIOR SERVICE | 103.86 |
| FAIRFIELD INN & SUITES BY MARRIOTT | CONT. ED | 569.85 |
| FARM & HOME PUBLISHERS LTD | 2017 PLAT BOOK | 700.00 |
| FARMERS PRIDE | FUEL | 2,976.89 |
| FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS GROUP LLC | INSURANCE | 417.50 |
| FIRST NAT'L BANK-NORTHEAST-EFPTS | FEDERAL TAXES | 35,834.26 |
| FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA | EXCEL TRAINING | 60.00 |
| FRANCES FRENCH | PRIOR SERVICE | 11.00 |
| FRED FRANKLIN | EQUIP. 2 MTHS | 1,589.96 |
| GARY SWANSON | CHECKING ROADS | 107.00 |
| GERALD E NEWILL | CHECKING ROADS | 97.37 |
| GREGORY J BRUMMOND | CHECKING ROADS | 145.52 |
| HOLMQUIST LUMBER INC | SUPPLIES | 76.87 |



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| ILA DAVIS | PRIOR SERVICE | 18.00 |
| IRRIGATION & ELECTRIC LLC | EQUIP REPAIR | 2,454.00 |
| J F AHERN CO | SPRINKLER INS | 215.00 |
| JAMES L DEVENING | TRASH REMOVAL | 100.00 |
| JAN RASMUSSEN | APPRAISAL | 16.05 |
| JAY W JOHNSON | APPRAISAL | 143.92 |
| JOHN WILSON | MILES/MEAL | 57.40 |
| JOHNSON & MOCK, PC, LLO | ATTY FEES | 420.00 |
| JONI L. RENSHAW | MILEAGE | 160.00 |
| K B'S MINI MART | FUEL | 1,084.99 |
| KATHLEEN A LAUGHLIN | GARNISHMENT | 425.00 |
| KELLI SEARS | MILEAGE | 149.80 |
| KUENY & BEGLEY | ATTY FEES | 277.50 |
| LEE VALLEY INC | EQUIP | 250.00 |
| LEON D. ANDERSON | PARTS | 15.30 |
| LEWIS, JERALD | GARNISHMENT | 274.68 |
| LYLE FARRENS | PRIOR SERVICE | 12.00 |
| MADISON COUNTY SHERIFF | JAIL | 2,050.00 |
| MARTIN MARIETTA | GRAVEL | 48,366.13 |
| MARVIN SIEBRANDT | GRAVEL | 1,018.10 |
| MARY LOFTIS | MILEAGE | 132.99 |
| MASSMUTUAL | RETIREMENT | 200.00 |
| MATHESON TRIGAS | SHOP TOOLS | 1,159.00 |
| MAYO SANITATION LLC | GARBAGE | 120.00 |
| MEMORIAL COMMUNITY HOSPITAL | DRUG TESTING | 20.00 |
| METRO COUNT USA INC | SUPPLIES | 55.00 |
| MID-AMERICAN BENEFITS INC | INSURANCE | 10,352.50 |
| MIDDLE MISSOURI VALLEY WEED MGE | MEMBER DUE | 100.00 |
| MIDWEST CONSTRUCTION RENTAL | SHOP TOOLS | 57.14 |
| MIDWEST SERVICE AND SALES CO | CULVERTS | 23,498.87 |
| MIDWEST SERVICE CO | SUPPLIES/FUEL | 6,915.06 |
| MILLS LAW OFFICE | ATTY FEES | 375.00 |
| MIPS INC | SOFTWARE | 3,127.54 |
| NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT SOLUTIONS | RETIREMENT | 1,100.00 |
| NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES SYSTEM | SERVICES | 168.00 |
| NEBR CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CTR | CHILD SUPPORT | 1,810.82 |
| NEBR WEED CONTROL ASSN | CONT. ED | 120.00 |
| NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | ELECTRICITY | 841.77 |
| NEGRON CONSULTING LLC | SP. INVESTIGATOR | 1,240.00 |
| NICHOLAS FRENCH | CDL | 57.50 |
| NMC | PARTS | 5,196.39 |
| NORTHEAST NEBR JUVENILE SERV | JAIL | 688.75 |
| NORTHEAST NEBR TELEPHONE CO | 911 PHONE | 278.51 |
| O'KEEFE ELEVATOR CO INC | ELEVATOR | 265.99 |
| O'REILLY AUTO PARTS | PARTS | 29.99 |



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| OAKLAND INDEPENDENT | PUBLISHING | 334.72 |
| OFFICE SYSTEMS COMPANY | COPIER LEASE | 114.00 |
| OFFICE WAREHOUSE | OFFICE SUPPLIES | 1,420.79 |
| OFFICENET | COPIER LEASE | 26.87 |
| PAUL RICHARDS | CHECKING ROADS | 292.11 |
| PENNY A. WARREN | MILEAGE | 247.70 |
| PLAINDEALER PUBLISHING CO | PUBLISHING | 23.95 |
| QUALITY PRINTING & OFFICE SUPP | SUPPLIES | 4,600.91 |
| RAMADA INN | CONT. ED | 140.00 |
| RASMUSSEN MECHANICAL SERV CORP | BOILER | 3,425.32 |
| RDO TRUCK CENTERS | PARTS | 409.29 |
| RETIREMENT PLANS DIV. OF AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 17,845.82 |
| RITTERBUSH & PIOTROWSKI, LLP | AUDIT | 12,200.00 |
| SAPP BROS PETROLEUM INC | FUEL | 793.89 |
| SARAH FREIDEL | MILEAGE | 75.97 |
| SAVE MORE MARKET | SUPPLIES | 373.00 |
| SEALS & SERVICE INC | PARTS/LABOR | 225.10 |
| SHAMBURG AUTO SUPPLY | SUPPLIES | 156.04 |
| SIFFRING LANDSCAPING & GARDEN | TREES | 5,750.00 |
| STALP GRAVEL CO | GRAVEL | 6,853.75 |
| STAN HOUSTON EQUIPMENT CO INC | SHOP TOOLS | 206.26 |
| STAR LEASING, LLC | COPIER LEASE | 73.16 |
| STATE TAX COMMISSIONER | STATE TAXES | 4,357.61 |
| STEINY'S GENERAL STORE | SUPPLIES | 168.25 |
| STEVEN L DEVENING | GRAVEL | 4,193.82 |
| TEAM LABORATORY CHEMICAL CORP | SUPPLIES | 505.00 |
| THE APOTHECARY SHOP | JAIL MEDICAL | 16.73 |
| THEODORE CONNEALY | CHECKING ROADS | 46.55 |
| THURSTON COUNTY SHERIFF | JAIL | 3,250.00 |
| TORY PENNY | MILEAGE | 64.20 |
| TRI-STATE COMMUNICATIONS INC | TOWER/LAND RENT | 158.50 |
| UNL PRINT & COPY SERVICES | SUPPLIES | 290.00 |
| VERIZON WIRELESS | CELL PHONE | 201.33 |
| VILLAGE OF DECATUR | UTILITIES | 83.55 |
| VISION SERVICE PLAN (CT) | INSURANCE | 433.42 |
| WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK | DEPOSIT SLIPS | 91.39 |
| WASHINGTON COUNTY COURT | COPIES | 5.50 |
| WASHINGTON NATIONAL INSURANCE CO | INSURANCE | 16.15 |
| WELDON PARTS OMAHA | PARTS | 116.84 |
| WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL SERVICE | COPIER LEASE | 60.22 |
| WESTON FARMS REPAIR LLC | LABOR | 274.75 |
| WILLIAM E KAISER | APPRAISAL | 700.00 |
| WOODHOUSE CHEVROLET BUICK | PARTS | 250.75 |



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The minutes of the last meeting were approved upon motion by Connealy, seconded by Newill, with roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Schold, Brummond, Richards, Swanson, Connealy, Newill and Morrow. Nays – none.

COMMUNICATION: Nebr. Loess Hills RC&D is sponsoring an E-Waste collection at the USDA Service Center in Tekamah on April 4th, 10-1.
NDOR Press Release for the Missouri River N-51 Bridge Repair (Decatur Bridge), anticipated dates of March 27-late October.

Chairman Morrow signed a **lot split application for:**
WAYNE HANSEN 3.80 acres located in part of the SW¹/₄ NE¹/₄ and NW¹/₄ SE¹/₄ of Section 16, Township 21 North, Range 10 East of the 6th P.M., Burt County, Nebraska.

Upon motion by Connealy, seconded by Newill, the Board approved a **special designated liquor license** for Nelson’s Food Pride at Harvest Moon Farm & Pumpkin Patch for a wedding: June 3, 2017, with roll call vote as follows: Ayes –Schold, Brummond, Richards, Swanson, Connealy, Newill and Morrow. Nays-none.

The following Resolutions was passed upon motion by Connealy, seconded by Schold, with all Ayes:

RESOLUTION #2017-05

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Burt County Board of Supervisors wishes to show its appreciation for 28½ years of selfless service to the county by County Attorney Administrative Assistant, Marilyn Andersen.

THE BOARD FURTHER RESOLVES that the county is a better place to live because of her service, and that Marilyn will truly be missed.

THE BOARD FURTHER RESOLVES to wish Marilyn Andersen well in her retirement from Burt County, and in all of her future endeavors.

PASSED by the undersigned Burt County Board of Supervisors this 31st day of March, 2017.

BURT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

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| <i>Cliff Morrow</i> | <i>Dave Schold</i> |
| <i>Greg Brummond</i> | <i>Paul Richards</i> |
| <i>Bird Swanson</i> | <i>Ted Connealy</i> |
| <i>Gerald Newill</i> | |

*Attest: Sarah J. Freidel
Burt County Clerk*

Tekamah Shed Bids: February 14, 2017 there was a fire at the Tekamah Shed, the shed was a total loss. Bids were requested for 2 different sizes:

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| 99’L x 54’W x 16’H | w/4 overhead doors 16’W x 14’H w/electric openers |
| 126’L x 54’W x 16’H | w/5 overhead doors 16’W x 14’H w/electric openers |

Bids were opened from:



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| Gingerich Structures | 99'L x 54'W x 16'H | \$120,540. |
| | 126'L x 54'W x 16'H | \$144,980. |

Hardsteel (Nico Hardeman was present)

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| 125'L x 60'W x 16'H | w/gutters & 2" insulated panels | \$143,966. |
| 125'L x 60'W x 16'H | w/gutters & 4" insulated panels | \$165,088. |
| 100'L x 60'W x 16'H | w/gutters & 2" insulated panels | \$123,806. |
| 100'L x 60'W x 16'H | w/gutters & 4" insulated panels | \$140,998. |

Morton Buildings (Curtis Sturgill was present)

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| 99'L x 54'W x 16'H | \$124,325. |
| 126'L x 54' W x 16'H | \$151,598. |
| 98'L x 60'W x 16'H | \$133,000. |
| 126'L x 60'W x 16'H | \$161,000. (w/~\$4,500 worth of concrete needed) |

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| Bierman Contracting | 104'L x 54'W x 16'H | \$149,500. |
| | 128'L x 54'W x 16'H | \$180,700. |

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| Anderson & Sons | 104'L x 58'W x 16'H | \$149,373. |
| | 128'L x 58'W x 16'H | \$181,226. |

The board discussed the building size with Dale Huffman, Roads Foreman, he said that the building was full to capacity in the winter, and the lot has room for a larger building. The board would like to see a bigger building get put up. They asked questions of Nico and Curtis. After further discussions, Schold made a motion (to keep business in the County) to accept the Hardsteel 125x60x16 building with gutters and 4" insulated panels (\$165,088), Brummond seconded the motion, roll call vote was taken as follows: Ayes – Schold, Brummond, Richards, Swanson and Morrow. Nays – Connealy and Newill. Cecil announced that insurance will pay for the current building to be torn down, site prep will begin ASAP. Because the larger building will cost more than replacement value, Nico agreed to hold over the balance until after the new fiscal year (after July 1, 2017).

Michele Quick spoke with the Board about concerns the Judge had with the facilities for the **Jury on the 3rd Floor of the Courthouse**. There are concerns of privacy and access with the current jury room; they would like the SE corner (current employee breakroom) reworked to be a new area for the Jury and for court use only. The difficulty is finding an adequate place for an employee breakroom with water; the County has several employees whom need a space for lunch, etc. because they don't live in Tekamah. An option is to move the DMV and relocate the breakroom to the first floor; Michele will have to get State DMV Office's permission to move the DMV examiners' location down the hall.

Update on the Courthouse projects. DOORS: Brummond shared an estimate from JPM Construction for New Door Jams; Richards reported that the grant is still being drafted for the doors, the second week of April there will be photos taken for the Grant. **ADA BATHROOM:** A building permit has been applied for, which will get the ADA plans approved. Discussions were held with regards to moving the existing equipment that is in the proposed location of the bathroom. Estimates for the ADA bathroom came back at \$13,235.38. **The board approved the costs and instructed Pete to move forward with**



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the project, upon motion by Connealy, seconded by Brummond, with roll call vote as follows: Ayes- Schold, Brummond, Richards, Swanson, Connealy, Newill and Morrow. Nays – none. Because of the need for more office space, Pete is going to continue to work on getting cost estimate to divide the current Veteran’s Service office into 2 separate offices by building a wall in that room.

The Board received the Burt County Audit for the year ending June 30, 2016, performed by Ritterbush & Piotrowski. Upon motion by Newill, seconded by Swanson, the Board **accepted and approved the audit**, with roll call vote: Ayes- Schold, Brummond, Richards, Swanson, Connealy, Newill and Morrow. Nays – none.

Chairman Morrow started discussions about *Health Insurance/Benefits*. There have been a few private companies contact him about the County exploring a private health insurance. They discussed their current use of NACO benefits; these services provide a lot of extras for the employees of Burt County. The NACO Insurance pool also helps to keep claims costs down. There are risk factors with self-insurance for a small group like the County. No action will be taken with private companies until the NACO Pool Rates come out in April. The board did instruct Sarah Freidel to move forward with application for the Cash-in-Lieu (Senior Options) Plan via First Concord; they want to make this an option for the offering at the new Insurance year (July 1).

Update of *Direct Deposit*: Co. Clerk, Sarah Freidel told the board that her office is working on a possible schedule for the claims, meeting dates, etc. There are timelines being explored. She would like to continue looking at it all for another month in order to try to foresee any problems before they work toward going ‘live’ with it.

Road Committee Report / Roads Business:

The Board approved **‘10 hour days’** for the Road Department. Schold made a motion, Brummond seconded for: four -10 hour days (Mon-Thurs., with an understanding that Dale will oversee what needs done and keep crews working into Fridays if need be. The schedule will run April 17 - Sept. 1 @ 6:00 AM-4:30 PM; motion was approved with roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Schold, Brummond, Richards, Connealy and Morrow. Nays- Swanson and Newill.

Gravel Allocation payment process was discussed. Confusion has come up because our policy to cover some gravel costs for each Township has some vendors feeling like they are doing too much paperwork when trying to figure out if they are to be billing Townships or the County for gravel. To eliminate the confusion, the board would like to see the Townships pay their own gravel bills directly to the vendors and then turn in their receipts to Cecil for reimbursement. Cecil will send letters to all Townships with regards to this proposed process.

Vehicles losses from the February 14, 2017 Tekamah Shed Fire were reported on: Losses were 2 pickups, 1 tool truck and a Kenworth plow truck. The County has been reimbursed from the Insurance Company for all of the lost vehicles. Two pickups and some radios have been replaced already. Cecil is still working on getting a tool truck and a plow truck.



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Bridge #1: Engineer is finalizing specs, bids will be let ASAP.

Co.Rd. RS (west of Lyons) work will start here anytime.

A skid loader was leased for a year.

Cecil updated on various State Projects happening throughout the County.

Pete & Cecil asked the board if they had a problem with the Road Crew helping Pete tear out and Prep sidewalks for new concrete on the Courthouse grounds. The board had no problem with this whenever it may be needed.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting adjourned at 12:27 P.M. until 9:00 A.M., April 11, 2017.

ATTEST: SARAH J. FREIDEL
BURT COUNTY CLERK

CLIFFORD L. MORROW, 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.