



Burt County Board Minutes



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Minutes of the Burt County Board of Supervisors
May 30, 2017
TEKAMAH NE 68061

The Burt County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, May 30, 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.

The agenda was 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.

The following claims for May in the amount of \$677,359.73 including \$112,420.16 for payroll, were read, audited, warrant drawn and checks generated on the respective funds on motion by Schold, seconded by Newill, with roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Schold, Brummond, Richard, Swanson, Connealy, Newill and Morrow. Nays – none. \$150,000.00 is a Transfer from General to Road.

A.M. ANDERSON ABSTRACT CO	TITLE SEARCH	200.00
A&R CONSTRUCTION	CO RD SURFACE	58,482.57
AFLAC	INSURANCE	883.67
ALLISON ELECTRIC	RESTROOM	1,837.17
AMERICAN BROADBAND CLEC	PHONE/INTERNET	1,312.70
ANDERSON & ANDERSON	ATTY FEES	487.50
ANDERSON HARDWARE	TOOLS/SUPPLIES	142.00
ANDY'S QUICK SHOP	FUEL	415.19
APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES LLC	TECH SUPPORT	701.25
AT&T	TELE SERVICE	54.51
B & B TECHNOLOGIES INC	EQUIP SUPPLIES	22.37
BELL CREEK TOWNSHIP	GRAVEL	14,935.89
BILL J PICKELL	TIRE REPAIR	145.71
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	HEATING BILL	118.84
BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	72,294.44
BLUFF GRAVEL COMPANY	GRAVEL	15,026.45
BOMGAARS SUPPLY INC	SUPPLIES	1,311.39



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BOYDSTON LAW OFFICE LLC	ATTY FEES	1,177.50
BRANIFF SERVICE INC	FUEL	907.51
BREHMER MFG INC	STEEL PRODUCTS	1,643.71
BRUMMOND COUNTRY DISPOSAL	GARBAGE	75.00
BUDDIES MINI MART, LLC	FUEL	1,714.49
BURT COUNTY COURT	NON WAIVE FEES	346.00
BURT COUNTY DISTRICT COURT CLERK	NON WAIVE FEES	72.00
BURT COUNTY PUBLIC POWER DIST	ELECTRIC	403.66
BURT COUNTY SHERIFF	SHERIFF SERV	330.95
BURT COUNTY TREASURER	VENDOR TAXES	386.84
BURT CO TREASURER	TRANSFER	150,000.00
C & J AUTO SERVICE	TIRE REPAIR	34.00
CASS PLUMBING & HVAC LLC	RESTROOM	11,679.19
CECIL BRUMMOND	PARTS/MILEAGE	394.87
CENTRAL UNITED LIFE INS CO	INSURANCE	10.25
CENTURYLINK	TELE SERVICE	790.56
CITY CLERK	WATER	25.45
CITY OF LYONS	UTILITIES	140.64
CITY OF TEKAMAH	UTILITY	143.23
CNA AUTO SERVICES,LLC	PARTS/LABOR	510.95
COMPLETE SECURITY & INVESTIGATIONS	COURT -SRVC FEES	75.00
CONSTELLATION NEW ENERGY GAS DIV	HEATING	165.60
COUNSEL	COPIES/LEASE	2,520.28
CUBBY'S	FUEL	467.88
D & M REPAIR	TIRE REPAIR	18.58
DALE HUFFMAN	PARTS	26.50
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING	AS/400 COSTS	185.28
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL FIN.	TELETYPE	350.00
DAVID SCHOLD	CHECKING ROADS	94.70
DEARBORN NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE CO	LIFE INSURANCE	21.85
DECATUR EXPRESS	FUEL	1,879.69
DELMAR ANDERSON	PRIOR SERVICE	92.32
DOUGLAS COUNTY TREASURER	AUTOPSY LABS	250.00
EADIE GIBBS	OFFICE SUPPORT	12.00
ENGELHARDT COMMUNICATIONS	RADIO REPAIR	100.00
FAIRFIELD INN & SUITES BY MARRIOTT	NACO CLASS	104.95
FEILING CABINETRY & CONSTRUCTION	RESTROOM	1,542.98
FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS GROUP LLC	INSURANCE	417.50
FIRST NAT'L BANK-NORTHEAST-EFPTS	FEDERAL TAXES	36,236.86
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA	FILE CABINET	100.00
FRANCES FRENCH	PRIOR SERVICE	11.00
FRED FRANKLIN	APRIL/MAY	1,589.96
GARY SWANSON	CHECKING ROADS	51.36
GATZMEYER'S WELDING & REPAIR	WELDING SUPPLY	56.45
GEOCOMM, INC	GIS MAINT SERV	3,212.00



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GERALD E NEWILL	CHECKING ROADS	98.98
GLUP PIPE SALES	CULVERTS	884.00
GREGORY J BRUMMOND	CHECKING ROADS	69.55
HEARTLAND FIRE PROTECTION COMPANY	FIRE EXTINGUISHERS	249.00
IDAHO CENTRAL CREDIT UNION	COURT DOCUMENT	50.00
ILA DAVIS	PRIOR SERVICE	18.00
JAMES L DEVENING	TRASH REMOVAL	100.00
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	PARTS	305.66
JOHNSON & MOCK, PC, LLO	ATTY FEES	6,155.23
JONI L. RENSHAW	MILEAGE	219.35
K B'S MINI MART	FUEL	643.93
KATHLEEN A LAUGHLIN	GARNISHMENT	425.00
KELLY HENRY TURNER LAW OFFICE	ATTY FEES	2,332.50
KUENY & BEGLEY	ATTY FEES	660.00
LEGACY CLEANING & RESTORATION	CLEANING- FIRE	6,424.00
LEVI MOORE	CDL	70.00
LEWIS, JERALD	GARNISHMENT	274.68
LOGAN TOWNSHIP	GRAVEL	16,726.47
LORENSEN LUMBER & GRAIN LLC	CONCRETE	2,240.00
LYONS MIRROR-SUN	SUBSCRIPTION	66.00
MADISON COUNTY SHERIFF	JAIL	2,450.00
MARTIN MARIETTA	GRAVEL	49,042.33
MARY LOFTIS	MILEAGE/MEALS	222.30
MASSMUTUAL	INSURANCE	200.00
MAXIMUS INC	COST ALLOCATION	2,100.00
METROCOUNT USA INC	PARTS	111.00
MHC KENWORTH -OMAHA	PARTS	231.23
MICHELE QUICK	NACO/MILEAGE	192.60
MID-AMERICAN BENEFITS INC	INSURANCE	345.00
MILLS LAW OFFICE	ATTY FEES	768.75
MIPS INC	MIPS	3,127.54
MOBILE BINDERS	RECORDING BOOK	178.60
NACEB TREASURER	NACEB DUES	100.00
NACO	BOARD HANDBOOK	128.00
NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT SOLUTIONS	RETIREMENT	850.00
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES SYSTEM	LODGING	90.00
NE NEBR ECONOMIC DEV DIST	FY 2018 FEES	885.00
NEBR CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CTR	CHILD SUPPORT	2,380.82
NEBR CO ASSESSORS ASSN	2018 DUES	50.00
NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS	BRIDGE INSPECT	4,397.90
NEBRASKA PLANNING & ZONING ASSOC	REG DUES	40.00
NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	ELECTRICITY	475.07
NEWMAN TRAFFIC SIGNS	SIGNS	889.18
NMC	PARTS	1,338.95
NORTHEAST NEBR TELEPHONE CO	TELE SERVICE	278.67



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O'KEEFE ELEVATOR CO INC	ELEVATOR INSPECT	265.99
O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	PARTS	96.17
OAKLAND INDEPENDENT	SUBSCRIPTION/PUBLISH	839.76
OFFICE WAREHOUSE	OFFICE SUPPLIES	364.35
PATRICK R RUNGE	ATTY FEES	630.00
PAUL RICHARDS	CHECKING ROADS	76.51
PELAN FUNERAL SERVICES INC	TRANSPORT	645.00
PENDER HOSPITAL	MEDICAL JAIL	677.35
PENNY A. WARREN	MEAL/MILES	171.16
PLAINDEALER PUBLISHING CO	PUBLISHING	338.00
QUALITY PRINTING & OFFICE SUPP	SUPPLIES	1,887.05
RAMADA INN	CONFERENCE	237.00
RANDY L RAGER	PRIOR SERVICE	69.24
REDFIELD & CO	JV FOLDERS	299.90
RETIREMENT PLANS DIV. OF AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	17,789.89
SAPP BROS PETROLEUM INC	FUEL	1,466.01
SARAH FREIDEL	MILEAGE/MEETING	81.32
SAVE MORE MARKET	SUPPLIES	117.01
SCOTTS BLUFF COUNTY SHERIFF	SERVE SUMMONS	9.40
SHAMBURG AUTO SUPPLY	PARTS	867.98
STALP GRAVEL CO	GRAVEL	13,177.11
STAR LEASING, LLC	PRINTER LEASE	73.16
STATE TAX COMMISSIONER	STATE TAXES	4,430.39
STEINY'S GENERAL STORE	SEED/TOOLS	355.39
SUMMIT TOWNSHIP	GRAVEL	14,125.66
TERRY G PICKELL	RESTROOM/CARPET	2,243.17
TERRY'S FLOOR COVERING	CARPET	1,353.66
THE APOTHECARY SHOP	MEDICAL JAIL	11.69
THEODORE CONNEALY	CHECKING ROADS	46.55
THURSTON COUNTY SHERIFF	JAIL	1,150.00
TRI-STATE COMMUNICATIONS INC	TOWER/LAND RENT	158.50
UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA	COMPUTER	1,840.04
VANWALL EQUIPMENT	MOWER	251.73
VERIZON WIRELESS	TELE SERVICE	196.03
VILLAGE OF DECATUR	UTILITIES	73.07
VISION SERVICE PLAN (CT)	VISION INS	461.00
WASHINGTON NATIONAL INSURANCE CO	INSURANCE	16.15
WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL SERVICE	COPIER LEASE	60.22
WESTON FARMS REPAIR LLC	PARTS/LABOR	360.48

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



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Noted and placed on file: A letter from Maximus describing the summary of reimbursement payments from the State as a result of the indirect cost plan the County pays Maximus to prepare on their behalf.

Newill moved the Board recess at 10:05 AM for *Board of Equalization*, Schold seconded, with roll call vote as follows: Ayes –Schold, Brummond, Richards, Swanson, Connealy, Newill and Morrow. Nays – none. The Burt County Board of Supervisors reconvened at 10:19 AM upon motion by Schold, seconded by Newill, with roll call vote as follows: Ayes –Schold, Brummond, Richards, Swanson, Connealy, Newill and Morrow. Nays – none.

On motion by Brummond, seconded by Connealy, the Board voted to **accept Fred Mytty's proposal to do the County's budget for 2017-2018** in the amount of \$3,400.00 plus mileage, with roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Schold, Brummond, Richards, Swanson, Connealy, Newill and Morrow. Nays – none.

Courthouse Updates: 1st Floor ADA bathroom work is complete. Next fiscal year's budget will include more allocations to continue with the Courthouse projects; the board will discuss with Mytty Consulting for building fund –vs- line item budgeting for those purposes.

Upon motion by Schold, seconded by Connealy, the Board approved the following **special designated liquor licenses:** (1) for Silver Hills Vineyards & Winery, Tekamah, for a wedding rehearsal dinner: Sept. 8, 2017; and (1) for Burt County Ag Society @ Burt County Fair Grounds, Oakland, for the County Fair week: August 3-8, 2017; all approved with roll call vote as follows: Ayes –Schold, Brummond, Richards, Swanson, Connealy, Newill and Morrow. Nays-none.

Patty Plugge, a member of the **Burt County Visitors Committee presented an application** from Tekamah Chamber of Commerce requesting \$500.00 for Tekamah 4th of July Celebration. She reported that the Visitors Committee recommended their approval for this request. Upon motion by Newill, seconded by Schold, the Board approved the application and the release of \$500.00 from the Visitors Promotion Fund for said application, with roll call vote as follows: Ayes –Schold, Brummond, Richards, Swanson, Connealy, Newill and Morrow. Nays-none.

For purpose of 2017-2018 budget preparations, the Board instructed County Clerk Sarah Freidel to **direct the County Officials to include** the possibility of a cost of living raise **up to 2.5% in the last six months of their 2017-2018 budgets.** Upon motion by Brummond, seconded by Richards, roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Schold, Brummond, Richards, Swanson, Connealy and Morrow. Nays – Newill.

An open conference was held with Co.Atty Barron about the bidding process recommendations set out by the County Board handbook; Barron found that the handbook did not agree with § 23-3109. He advised bidding procedures as such:
under \$5,000 = no bids



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\$5,000-\$20,000 = must attempt to collect 3 ‘informal’ bids
over \$20,000 = formal bidding process w/notices, etc.

The Insurance Committee recommended to the Board add a Cash in Lieu offering to the Burt County benefit package. This will allow employees with group insurance available elsewhere to explore options and take the plan that works best for them. The board agreed that the offering would be a good addition to the Benefits Package. Dustin Will and Dan Duren with Benefits Management presented insurance options for future Benefits Packages; their package could offer more diversity, offering the employees multiple plans to choose from. The board is interested in looking into the possibility of offering different plans, but agreed that it would require more time to responsibly investigate the options. Dennis Maggart and Judd Allen were present from NACO to answer questions about the NACO package offerings and brought literature that reflected the NACO pool rates were more favorable than groups outside of the NACO Pool. Because insurance renewals are due now for July 1, 2017 renewals, the Board agreed to re-new with NACO’s BCBS insurance package and take more time to investigate possible future changes for the County’s Benefits Package. The Board decided to enroll with the following **health and dental insurance benefits and offerings.**

- Health Ins with Blue Cross Blue Shield NACO (PPO \$2500 deductible)
- Dental Ins with Blue Cross Blue Shield NACO (option 3)
- HRA plan with Mid-American Benefits; paying deductible of \$2,000 (single) \$4,000(max/family) (6 mth.) Option for Section 125 plan with First Concord
- (6 mth.) Option for Cash-in-Lieu plan with First Concord; paying \$400 (single), \$800 (family)
- Option for Vision Insurance with VSP

Motion by Brummond, seconded by Schold, with roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Morrow, Schold, Brummond, M.Connealy, Rogers, T.Connealy and Newill. Nays – none. The approved Program Offerings will be available to County Employees as their benefit options as of the July 1, 2017 renewal/effective date. The Board did make it clear that throughout the coming insurance year, they will continue to explore other packages and are open to changes if more favorable options are found elsewhere.

Roads: The probationary period has ended for Cecil Brummond, Highway Supt., and he successfully passed the exam to become licensed; wages will be discussed by the road committee.

Bids for the office construction in the Tekamah Shed were reviewed:

Feiling Cabinetry & Construction	\$6,295.00
Boden Construction, LLC	\$10,800.00

upon motion by Connealy, seconded by Brummond, the board accepted the bid from Feiling Cabinetry & Construction, with roll call vote as follows: Ayes- Schold, Brummond, Richards, Swanson, Connealy, Newill and Morrow. Nays –none.

Bids for electrical wiring in the Tekamah Shed were reviewed:

Christensen Electric, LLC	\$17,975.00
Alison Electric Inc	\$34,874.71

upon motion by Schold, seconded by Swanson, the board accepted the bid from



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Christensen Electric LLC, with roll call vote as follows: Ayes- Schold, Brummond, Richards, Swanson, Connealy, Newill and Morrow. Nays –none.

Swanson made a motion to go into *Closed Session* for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual to discuss job performance, Newill seconded the motion with roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Morrow, Schold, Brummond, Richards, Swanson, T.Connealy and Newill. Nays – none.

Chairman Morrow declared at 12:23 P.M. the board went into closed session for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual to discuss job performance. Newill made a motion to come out of Closed Session, Brummond seconded, with roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Morrow, Schold, Brummond, Richards, Swanson, T.Connealy and Newill. Nays – none.

Chairman Morrow declared the public meeting back in regular session at 12:35 P.M. No action was taken during closed session.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting adjourned at 12:36 P.M. until 9:00 A.M., June 13, 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.