



Burt County Board Minutes



OFFICE OF THE BURT COUNTY CLERK
Minutes of the Burt County Board of Supervisors
December 27, 2019
TEKAMAH NE 68061

The Burt County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Friday, December 27, 2019 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 Lyons Mirror-Sun, 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, Gary Swanson, Carl Pearson, Ted Connealy and David Schold. Absent- Paul Richards and Dale Webster.

The meeting opened at 9:00 A.M. upon motion by Connealy, seconded by Pearson, with roll call as follows: Ayes – Morrow, Swanson, Pearson, Connealy and Schold. Absent – Richards and Webster. Chairman Schold informed the public that the 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 – Morrow, Swanson, Pearson, Connealy and Schold. Nays-none. Absent – Richards and Webster.

Upon motion by Connealy, seconded by Morrow, the Board went into *Closed Session* with Co. Attorney Frank Barron at 9:06 A.M. to *discuss pending litigations brought against the County and Personnel*, with roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Morrow, Swanson, Pearson, Connealy and Schold. Nays-none. Absent – Richards and Webster. Upon motion by Connealy, seconded by Swanson, the Board returned to Regular Session at 9:40 A.M., with roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Morrow, Swanson, Pearson, Connealy and Schold. Nays-none. Absent – Richards and Webster. No action was taken during closed session.

The following claims for December in the amount of \$ 425,567.79, including \$129,212.46 for payroll, were read, audited, warrant drawn and checks generated on the respective funds on motion by Morrow, seconded by Connealy, with roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Morrow, Swanson, Pearson, Connealy and Schold. Nays-none. Absent – Richards and Webster. \$30,000.00 of this total reflects a transfer from the General Fund to the Road Fund.

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| FIRST NATIONAL BANK NORTHEAST | FICA | 26,893.67 |
| RETIREMENT PLANS DIV. OF AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 13,079.75 |
| STATE TAX COMMISSIONER | STATE TAXES | 3,738.71 |
| AMERICAN BROADBAND CLEC | UTILITIES | 1,300.62 |
| ANDY'S QUICK SHOP | FUEL | 196.40 |
| ANTONIO LESLIE | CERT. SCHOOL | 50.00 |
| APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES LLC | TECH SERVICES | 1,450.82 |



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| BILL J PICKELL | TIRES/REPAIR | 84.96 |
| BLACK HILLS ENERGY | UTILITIES | 179.82 |
| BOMGAARS - COURTHOUSE | SUPPLIES | 21.99 |
| BRANIFF SERVICE INC | FUEL/SERVICE | 379.67 |
| BRUMMOND DISPOSAL | GARBAGE | 100.00 |
| BURT COUNTY ATTORNEY | COURT COSTS | 118.20 |
| BURT COUNTY COURT | NON WAIVE FEES | 153.00 |
| BURT COUNTY PUBLIC POWER DIST | UTILITIES | 93.68 |
| BURT COUNTY SHERIFF | PERS SERVICES | 451.63 |
| BURT COUNTY TREASURER | FUNDS TRANSFER | 30,000.00 |
| CENTURY LINK | UTILITIES | 323.04 |
| CHARLEY CULL | PLANNING BD | 18.56 |
| CITY OF TEKAMAH | UTILITIES | 63.60 |
| CLAYTON OLSEN | PLANNING BD | 14.50 |
| CLIFFORD L MORROW | CHECKING ROADS | 38.28 |
| COMFORT INN | MEETING | 2,199.00 |
| COMPLETE SECURITY & INVESTIGATIONS | COURT COSTS | 250.00 |
| CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT CO. | SERVICES | 308.45 |
| CONSTELLATION NEW ENERGY GAS DIV | UTILITIES | 250.41 |
| COUNSEL | COPIER | 187.10 |
| CUBBY'S | FUEL | 710.52 |
| D'MOORE PIZZA | LB1184 LUNCH | 82.46 |
| DALE WEBSTER | CHECKING ROADS | 93.38 |
| DAS STATE ACCOUNTING | TELE TYPE | 350.00 |
| DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL FIN. | AS/400 | 185.28 |
| DATASPEC INC | SERVICES | 449.00 |
| DAVID SCHOLD | CHECKING ROADS | 37.12 |
| DAVID SIX | MILE/REIMBURSE | 18.56 |
| DECATUR EXPRESS | FUEL | 55.10 |
| DES MOINES STAMP MFG. COMPANY | SUPPLY | 138.55 |
| DON JOHNSON | PLANNING BD | 17.40 |
| ESOBAR INTERPRETING, LLC | COURT COSTS | 75.00 |
| ESRI | DUES | 400.00 |
| FAIRFIELD INN & SUITES BY MARRIOTT | MEETING | 100.95 |
| FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS GROUP LLC | ADMIN FEE | 315.00 |
| FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA | JANITOR EQUIP | 449.99 |
| FORNOFF & SCHUTT | ATTY FEES | 2,602.50 |
| FRANCES FRENCH | PRIOR SERVICE | 11.00 |
| GARY SWANSON | CHECKING ROADS | 66.12 |
| GREAT AMERICAN FINANCIAL SVCS | COPIER | 159.40 |
| GWORKS | SOFTWARE | 16,000.00 |
| HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS | MEETING | 389.85 |
| HOPKINS LAW OFFICE, LLC | ATTY FEES | 967.50 |
| ILA DAVIS | PRIOR SERVICE | 18.00 |
| JAY HOVENDICK | PLANNING BD | 11.60 |



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| JENNIFER HITTLE | MILEAGE | 39.02 |
| JENNIFER WALKINGSTICK | ATTY FEES | 456.00 |
| JOHN WILSON | MILEAGE | 18.56 |
| JOHNSON & MOCK, PC, LLO | ATTY FEES | 2,221.00 |
| JONES AUTOMOTIVE INC | SUPPLY/SERVICE | 5,066.17 |
| MESSINGER -PLD | PUBLISHING | 165.64 |
| LOFFLER | SUPPLY | 392.61 |
| LYONS MIRROR-SUN | 2020 | 40.00 |
| MARY LOFTIS | TRAVEL EXPENSE | 244.49 |
| MAXIMUS INC | COST ALLOCATION | 2,100.00 |
| MICHELE QUICK | MILE/MEETING | 344.04 |
| MID-AMERICAN BENEFITS INC | INSURANCE | 255.00 |
| MIDWEST RADAR & EQUIPMENT | SUPPLY | 200.00 |
| MILLS LAW OFFICE | ATTY FEES | 1,971.25 |
| MIPS INC | SOFTWARE | 3,018.17 |
| MOBILE BINDERS | RECORD SUPPLY | 298.66 |
| NACO | DUES | 2,353.70 |
| NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES SYSTEM | LODGING | 90.00 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | TAX REIMBURSE | 39.55 |
| NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 540.63 |
| NICHOLE WUESTERWALD | MILEAGE | 39.02 |
| NORTHEAST NEBR JUVENILE SERV | JAIL | 1,921.25 |
| O'KEEFE ELEVATOR CO INC | MAINTENANCE | 293.51 |
| ENTERPRISE MEDIA GROUP | PUBLISHING | 237.60 |
| OFFICE WAREHOUSE | SUPPLY | 89.98 |
| OFFICENET | SUPPLY | 389.46 |
| PAUL RICHARDS | CHECKING ROADS | 37.12 |
| PENNY A. WARREN | MILE/MEETING | 349.62 |
| QUALITY PRINTING & OFFICE SUPP | SUPPLIES | 1,038.89 |
| REGION 4 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SYS | QTRLY | 5,615.42 |
| ROBIN OLSON | MILE/MEETING | 250.56 |
| RODNEY BROMM | PLANNING BD | 4.64 |
| SARAH FREIDEL | MILE/MEETING | 261.95 |
| SAVE MORE MARKET | SUPPLIES | 39.65 |
| SCOTT RONNFELDT | PLANNING BD | 14.50 |
| STAR LEASING, LLC | COPIER | 219.48 |
| TERRY GOSCH | PLANNING BD | 39.02 |
| THE APOTHECARY SHOP | JAIL MEDICAL | 166.60 |
| THEODORE CONNEALY | CHECKING ROADS | 47.56 |
| THURSTON COUNTY SHERIFF | JAIL | 8,300.00 |
| TONY MOSEMAN | PLANNING BD | 24.36 |
| TORY PENNY | TRAVEL EXPENSE | 42.08 |
| VANGUARD APPRAISALS INC | SOFTWARE | 2,000.00 |
| VERIZON WIRELESS | SERVICES | 120.26 |
| VISION SERVICE PLAN (CT) | VISION INS | 360.16 |



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| WALLY LYDICK | PLANNING BD | 7.54 |
| WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK | BC SHERIFF | 142.32 |
| WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL SERVICE | COPIER | 60.22 |
| ANN CHYTKA | MILE/MEETING | 423.53 |
| ARBY'S BODY SHOP LLC | LABOR/REPAIR | 215.00 |
| BLACK HILLS ENERGY | UTILITIES | 142.39 |
| BOMGAARS SUPPLY INC- ROAD | SUPPLIES | 518.95 |
| BRANIFF SERVICE INC | FUEL/PARTS/LAB | 1,069.51 |
| BREHMER MFG INC | PIPES/FITTINGS | 1,011.05 |
| BRETT LANGLEY | CDL | 59.50 |
| BRUMMOND COUNTRY DISPOSAL | GARBAGE | 140.00 |
| BRUMMOND DISPOSAL | GARBAGE | 40.00 |
| BUDDIES MINI MART, LLC | FUEL | 179.09 |
| BURT COUNTY PUBLIC POWER DIST | UTILITIES | 132.49 |
| CENTURY LINK | UTILITIES | 300.53 |
| CITY CLERK | UTILITIES | 5.28 |
| CITY OF LYONS | UTILITIES | 209.26 |
| CITY OF TEKAMAH | UTILITIES | 43.13 |
| COMFORT INN | MEETING | 549.75 |
| CORNHUSKER STATE INDUSTRIES | SIGNS | 564.00 |
| CUMING COUNTY INDUSTRIES | PARTS/LABOR | 1,286.35 |
| DALE HUFFMAN | FUEL | 34.73 |
| DECATUR EXPRESS | FUEL | 925.86 |
| DONALD M NEARY | PRIOR SERVICE | 24.00 |
| FARMERS PRIDE | FUEL | 2,085.10 |
| FILTER CARE OF NEBRASKA, INC. | FILTERS | 31.35 |
| GATZMEYER'S WELDING & REPAIR | FILL TANK | 56.75 |
| GINI, LLC | FUEL | 62.46 |
| GREGORY J BRUMMOND | RENTAL/SERVICE | 13,206.00 |
| GWORCS | ANNUAL FEE | 420.00 |
| HOLMQUIST LUMBER INC | LUMBER/CONCRETE | 22.20 |
| JK SCHOLD TRUCKING LLC | ROAD MAINT | 2,640.00 |
| K B'S MINI MART | FUEL | 115.02 |
| MARTIN MARIETTA | GRAVEL/BORROW | 3,005.36 |
| MHC KENWORTH-OMAHA | PARTS | 348.21 |
| MIDWEST SERVICE AND SALES CO | SUPPLIES | 14,778.25 |
| MIDWEST SERVICE CO | FUEL | 9,820.06 |
| NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 378.50 |
| NORTHEAST NEBR TELEPHONE CO | PHONE SERVICE | 97.39 |
| OFFICENET | SUPPLIES | 261.43 |
| OLSON PLUMBING & HEATING | LYONS SHED | 395.33 |
| RDO TRUCK CENTERS | PARTS | 665.43 |
| SAPP BROS PETROLEUM INC | FUEL | 2,107.44 |
| SCOTT'S HARDWARE | SUPPLIES | 30.00 |
| SHAMBURG AUTO SUPPLY | PARTS/SUPPLIES | 196.84 |



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| STALP GRAVEL CO | GRAVEL/DE-ICER | 6,072.02 |
| STEINY'S GENERAL STORE | PARTS/SUPPLIES | 40.55 |
| TOM KELLOGG | CLEARING SNOW | 178.29 |
| TRI-STATE COMMUNICATIONS INC | TOWER RENTAL | 158.50 |
| VERIZON CONNECT | SERVICE/FLEET | 456.97 |
| VERIZON WIRELESS | PHONE SERVICE | 87.26 |
| VILLAGE OF DECATUR | UTILITIES | 98.01 |
| WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK | FEES | 3,490.00 |
| WASTE CONNECTIONS | GARBAGE | 92.00 |
| WELDON PARTS OMAHA | LED LIGHT BAR | 215.00 |
| WPCI | TESTING POOL | 28.25 |
| CENTURY LINK | 911 | 31.34 |
| GEOCOMM, INC | 911 | 53.62 |
| NORTHEAST NEBR TELEPHONE CO | 911 | 18.93 |
| CENTURY LINK | E911 | 192.50 |
| GEOCOMM, INC | E911 | 329.38 |
| NORTHEAST NEBR TELEPHONE CO | E911 | 116.28 |
| AFLAC | EMPE PD ADDL | 517.40 |
| BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 39,653.66 |
| DEARBORN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY | EMPE PD ADDL | 2.62 |
| LIBERTY NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE | EMPE PD ADDL | 315.15 |
| MANHATTAN LIFE ASSURANCE CO OF AMER | EMPE PD ADDL | 10.25 |
| MASSMUTUAL | EMPE PD ADDL | 200.00 |
| NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT SOLUTIONS | EMPE PD ADDL | 900.00 |
| WASHINGTON NATIONAL INSURANCE CO | EMPE PD ADDL | 16.15 |
| AFLAC | EMPE PD ADDL | 139.49 |
| BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 16,632.40 |
| COLONIAL LIFE AND ACCIDENT INS CO | EMPE PD ADDL | 57.79 |
| FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS GROUP LLC | EMPE PD ADDL | 50.00 |
| FIRST NATIONAL BANK NORTHEAST | FEDERAL TAXES | 11,500.44 |
| LIBERTY NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE | EMPE PD ADDL | 305.64 |
| NEBR CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CTR | CHILD SUPPORT | 730.00 |
| NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE | LEVY PROCEDURE | 250.00 |
| RETIREMENT PLANS DIV. OF AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 5,340.77 |
| STATE TAX COMMISSIONER | STATE TAXES | 1,706.36 |
| VISION SERVICE PLAN (CT) | VISION INS | 153.39 |

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

At 10:00 A.M. Chairman Schold opened the public hearing regarding a Solar Farm. Matt Robinette, Bluestem Energy (Omaha, NE) explained their plans to build a 7 acre Solar



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Generation and Storage Facility at 24-22-9, in SW 1/4 (Hundahl property). Randy Olson (neighbor of property) asked questions, but stated he had no concerns; Larry & Sandra Hansen (neighbors of property) expressed no concerns. Pearson confirmed that decommissioning was discussed and agreed upon between the landowner and Bluestem. David Six, Zoning Administrator confirmed that the Zoning Board held a public hearing for this matter and gave their approval. The Chairman declared the public hearing closed at 10:21 A.M., and the Board went back into regular session. Motion was made by Morrow to approve a **Conditional Use Permit for Bluestem Energy** for a 7 acre Solar Facility to be built at 24-22-9, Burt County, NE, Swanson seconded the motion, motion passed with roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Morrow, Swanson, Pearson, Connealy and Schold. Nays-none. Absent – Richards and Webster.

At 10:23 A.M. Chairman Schold opened the public hearing regarding an updated version of **Burt County Comprehensive Plan 2019-2029**. David Six, Zoning Administrator explained the document: the comprehensive plan has nothing to do with zoning regulations, it offers County info (i.e. housing study, info about villages/cities within the County) for the public to review in order to help them make decisions of whether to bring their business here, to move here, etc. It was previously completed in 1999, so this is just an updated version. The comp plan is needed per state requirements. Six confirmed that the Zoning Board held a public hearing for this matter and gave their approval of the updated version. Chairman Schold declared the public hearing closed at 10:28 A.M., and the Board went back into regular session. Motion was made by Connealy to accept the updated version of Burt County Comprehensive Plan, Pearson seconded the motion, motion passed with roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Morrow, Swanson, Pearson, Connealy and Schold. Nays-none. Absent – Richards and Webster.

Resolution 2019-23 was passed upon motions by Morrow and Swanson, with roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Morrow, Swanson, Pearson, Connealy and Schold. Nays-none. Absent – Richards and Webster. **RESOLUTION #2019-23**

In Honor Of:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Burt County Board of Supervisors wishes to show its appreciation for 41+ years of selfless service to the County by Carla Hart. Carla spent her years working for the Sheriff's department doing office administration and heading up the County's 911 Dispatch center.

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

THE BOARD FURTHER RESOLVES to wish Carla Hart well in her retirement from Burt County and in all her future endeavors.

PASSED by the undersigned Burt County Board of Supervisors this 27th day of December, 2019.

BURT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Cliff Morrow

Dave Schold

Carl Pearson

Paul Richards

Gary Bird Swanson

Ted Connealy

Dale Webster

Attest: Sarah J. Freidel

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Robert Pickell, Burt County Sheriff turned in a letter of resignation to the Board. He has served Burt County for 31 years and is planning to retire effective December 31, 2019. Sheriff Pickell recommended the appointment of Sheriff's Deputy Eric Nick. Upon motions by Morrow and Connealy, the Board accepted the letter of resignation 'with great regret', roll call vote followed: Ayes – Morrow, Swanson, Pearson, Connealy and Schold. Nays-none. Absent – Richards and Webster.

Resolution 2019-24 was passed upon motions by Connealy and Pearson, with roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Morrow, Swanson, Pearson, Connealy and Schold. Nays-none. Absent – Richards and Webster. **RESOLUTION #2019-24**
Interim Appointment

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Burt County Board of Supervisors appoint Eric Nick as interim County Sheriff due to the retirement of Robert Pickell. This appointment will become effective January 1, 2020 and last until a permanent appointment is made.

Approved this 27th day of December, 2019 at Tekamah, Nebraska.

Attest: *Sarah J. Freidel*
Burt County Clerk

Dave Schold
Chairman, Burt County Board of Supervisors

Extension Board Nominees were reviewed and motion was made by Swanson, seconded by Connealy, to accept the nominees and appoint the members, with roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Morrow, Swanson, Pearson, Connealy and Schold. Nays-none. Absent – Richards and Webster. The following were **appointed to the Burt County Extension Board for 2020:** *Kassie Jensen* to replace Kyle Brink

Lena Beckner to replace Rosa Schmidt

Scott Olson reappointed for his 2nd Term

Jordan Johnson reappointed for his 2nd Term

ROADS:

- *County Road L, 'Oakland Northwest' (FEMA project):* Chairman Schold signed a contract with Constructors, Inc. that was approved at the November 12, 2019 meeting.

- *Township Road Maintenance Contracts:* Ann Chytka, Highway Superintendent reported that she sent the letters to all of the townships; she plans to have them all collected for review at the January 14, 2020 meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting adjourned at 10:52 A.M. upon motions by Connealy and Morrow.
Next meeting: January 14, 2020 at 9:00 A.M.



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ATTEST: SARAH J. FREIDEL
BURT COUNTY CLERK

DAVID SCHOLD, CHAIRMAN
BURT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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