



Burt County Board Minutes



OFFICE OF THE BURT COUNTY CLERK
Minutes of the Burt County Board of Supervisors
January 28, 2022
TEKAMAH NE 68061

The Burt County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Friday, January 28, 2022 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 (1-20-2022), 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, Carl Pearson, Dale Webster, Ted Connealy and David Schold. Absent - Paul Richards and District 1.

The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance at 9:00 A.M. Chairman Schold informed the public that the Open Meeting Act was posted.

The agenda was approved; upon motion by Webster, seconded by Connealy. By roll call vote: Ayes – Swanson, Pearson, Webster, Connealy and Schold. Nays – none. Absent – Richards and District 1.

The minutes of the 1/11/2022 Board of Supervisors meeting were approved; upon motion by Swanson, seconded by Pearson. By roll call vote: Ayes - Swanson, Pearson, Webster, Connealy and Schold. Nays – none. Absent – Richards and District 1.

The claims for December in the amount of \$1,000,846.88 including \$152,199.70 for payroll, were read, audited, warrant drawn and checks generated on the respective funds on motion by Webster, seconded by Connealy. By roll call vote: Ayes - Swanson, Pearson, Webster, Connealy and Schold. Nays – none. Absent- Richards and District 1. The following claims were approved:

AMERICAN BROADBAND CLEC	PHONE/INTERNET	1,537.98
ANDY'S QUICK SHOP	FUEL	93.26
APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES LLC	TECH SERVICES	3,732.83
ASSOCIATED PSYCHOLOGISTS/COUNSELORS	WITNESS FEES	3,770.00
AUDRA CONNEALY	MILEAGE	43.87
AUDREY UNWIN	MILEAGE	67.20
BILL METHOD	MILEAGE	58.24
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	UTILITIES	624.45
BLUE TO GOLD LLC	SUPPLY	379.00
BOMGAARS -COURTHOUSE	SUPPLIES	109.24
BRANIFF SERVICE INC	FUEL	2,585.74
BRUCE NATHAN	MILEAGE	39.07
BRUMMOND DISPOSAL	GARBAGE	225.00
BURT COUNTY AG SOCIETY	2ND 1/2 FAIR	37,500.00
BURT COUNTY CLERK	POSTAGE	75.32
BURT COUNTY COURT	FEES	195.00



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BURT COUNTY DISTRICT COURT	FEES	179.00
BURT COUNTY PUBLIC POWER DIST	UTILITIES	296.04
BURT COUNTY SHERIFF	EXPENSE	410.50
BURT COUNTY TREASURER	FUNDS TRANSFER	260,000.00
CANON FINANCIAL SERVICES	COPIER	27.09
CASS PLUMBING & HVAC LLC	SERVICES	340.56
CENTURY LINK	DATA/PHONE	336.37
CHARLEY CULL	MILEAGE	80.64
CITY OF TEKAMAH	UTILITIES	146.23
CLARK PEST AND TERMITE CONTROL	QTRLY SERVICE	70.00
CLASSIC CLEAN CARWASH	EQUIP EXPENSE	44.00
CLAYTON OLSEN	MILEAGE	84.67
CONSTELLATION NEW ENERGY GAS DIV	UTILITIES	400.95
CRAIG BROKAW	MILEAGE	24.64
CUBBY'S	FUEL	848.71
DALE WEBSTER	CHECKING ROADS	331.11
DANIEL VAUGHAN	UNIFORM	96.30
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL FIN.	TELETYPE	350.00
DAS STATE ACCTG -CENTRAL FINANCE	SOFTWARE	185.28
DAVID SCHOLD	CHECKING ROADS	331.70
DAYS INN AND SUITES	LODGING	145.00
DECATUR EXPRESS	FUEL	1,379.85
DODGE COUNTY	PROBATION COST	3,260.34
DON JOHNSON	MILEAGE	39.20
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	321.50
EDMOND TALBOT	MEMBER DUES	98.00
ESO SOLUTIONS, INC	SUPPLIES	850.00
FAIRFIELD INN & SUITES BY MARRIOTT	LODGING	344.85
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA	EM/SHERIFF SUPPLY	1,846.53
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OMAHA CLERK 2	METAL DETECTOR	4,395.00
FRANCES FRENCH	PRIOR SERVICE	11.00
GARY SWANSON	CHECKING ROADS	308.88
GREAT AMERICA FINANCIAL SVCS	INV 30878856	318.66
HOPKINS LAW OFFICE,LLC	ATTY FEES	1,897.00
ILA DAVIS	PRIOR SERVICE	18.00
JACK'S UNIFORMS & EQUIPMENT	SUPPLIES	1,363.14
JAN RASMUSSEN	MILEAGE	70.20
JANE PAUL	OFFICE SUPPORT	48.00
JAY HOVENDICK	MILEAGE	53.76
JAY W JOHNSON	MILEAGE	403.07
JENNIFER HANSEN	MILEAGE	89.32
JENNIFER WALKINGSTICK	MEMBER DUES	98.00
JOAN BUCY	MILEAGE	2.80
JON HANSEN	MILEAGE	17.92
JORDAN JOHNSON	MILEAGE	1.12



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JOSEPH M SMITH, ATTORNEY	ATTY FEES	475.00
JURY DUTY	JURY DUTY	4,468.80
KASSIE JENSEN	MILEAGE	51.52
KATIE HART	MILEAGE	17.55
KB'S MINI MART INC	FUEL	980.97
LAUREEN CANARSKY	PRIOR SERVICE	46.16
LEE AGRI-MEDIA	PUBLISHING	452.89
LENA BECKNER	MILEAGE	38.08
LEONARD CANARSKY	PRIOR SERVICE	46.16
MARIE RAGER	PRIOR SERVICE	115.40
MICHELE QUICK	COURTROOM	118.22
MID-AMERICAN BENEFITS INC	INSURANCE	263.50
MIPS INC	SOFTWARE	2,360.82
MOCIC	DUES	100.00
NACO PLANNING & ZONING	P&Z 2022 DUES	40.00
NE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY ASSESSORS	2022 DUES	60.00
NEBR ASSN OF CO CLERK,ROD,ELECTIONS	2022 DUES	75.00
NEBR HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES SYSTEM	LODGING	93.00
NEBR WEED CONTROL ASSN	REGISTRATION	120.00
NEBRASKA LOESS HILLS RC&D COUNCIL	2022 DUES	350.00
NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	797.21
NICHOLAS E. WURTH LAW OFFICE	ATTY FEES	16,367.00
NORTHEAST ASSESSORS' ASSOC	2021/2022 DUES	50.00
OAKLAND INDEPENDENT	PUBLISHING	582.75
OFFICE WAREHOUSE	SUPPLIES	290.94
PATRICK R RUNGE	ATTY FEES	330.00
PAUL RICHARDS	CHECKING ROADS	79.56
PELAN FUNERAL SERVICES INC	SERVICES	965.00
PENNY A. WARREN	MILEAGE	92.58
QUALITY PRINTING & OFFICE SUPP	SUPPLIES	1,307.98
REGION IV INC	3RD QTR PAY	3,305.50
RODNEY BROMM	MILEAGE	21.28
ROGER POND	MILEAGE	25.20
ROY MILLER	MILEAGE	89.60
SAVE MORE MARKET	SUPPLIES	588.05
SCOTT OLSON	MILEAGE	4.48
SCOTT RONNFELDT	MILEAGE	141.12
STEPHEN J KRAVIEC P.C.,L.L.O.	CHILD SUPPORT CONTRACT	2,006.60
STUREK MEDIA INC	PUBLISHING	37.34
TERESA PETERSEN	REIMBURSE VSP	17.02
TERRY G PICKELL	2ND 1/2 PAY	1,070.45
THE APOTHECARY SHOP	JAIL MEDICAL	23.41
THEODORE CONNEALY	CHECKING ROADS	36.86
THURSTON COUNTY SHERIFF	JAIL	6,529.61
TK ELEVATOR CORPORATION	MAINTENANCE	293.51



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TONY MOSEMAN	MILEAGE	57.79
TRI-STATE COMMUNICATIONS INC	EQUIPMENT	1,183.14
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL PHONES	725.46
VISUAL EDGE, COUNSEL	COPIER	45.76
WALLY LYDICK	MILEAGE	34.16
WASHINGTON COUNTY CLERK	QTR DUES	4,961.50
WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF	JAIL FEES	65.00
WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL SERVICE	COPIER	60.22
WS INSULATION SOLUTIONS	INSULATION	1,262.25
ZELLE	CONTRACT	3,000.00
ANDREW BRANIFF	PARTS	11.25
ANN CHYTKA	MILEAGE	90.68
BLACKSTRAP	CHEMICAL	2,830.00
BOMGAARS SUPPLY INC - ROAD	SUPPLIES	2,847.85
BRUMMOND COUNTRY DISPOSAL	GARBAGE	90.00
BUDDIES MINI MART, LLC	FUEL	506.14
CITY OF LYONS	UTILITIES	209.28
CITY OF OAKLAND	UTILITIES	23.25
COLONIAL RESEARCH CHEMICAL CORP	DEFROST	146.70
CONNIE JUMP	PRIOR SERVICE	69.24
CORNHUSKER STATE INDUSTRIES	SIGNS	1,395.00
CUMING COUNTY INDUSTRIES	PRODUCTS	374.60
D & M REPAIR	REPAIR/LABOR	20.88
FARMERS PRIDE	FUEL	3,995.14
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA ROADS	SUPPLIES	121.67
GARCIA CHICOINE ENTERPRISES, INC	GUARDRAIL	12,318.23
GWORKS	ROADS TAB	4,775.00
HUSKER ENGINEERING	STRUCTURES	243,901.47
MARTIN MARIETTA	GRAVEL/BORROW	874.84
MHC KENWORTH -OMAHA	PARTS	79.99
MIDWEST SERVICE AND SALES CO	SIGNS/PARTS	3,362.25
MIDWEST SERVICE CO	FUEL	11,183.78
MONROE TRUCK EQUIPMENT INC	PARTS/FREIGHT	1,953.29
NEBR ASSOC OF COUNTY ENGINEERS	REGISTRATION	190.00
NMC CAT RENTAL	PARTS	2,912.98
NORTHEAST NEBR TELEPHONE CO	TELE SERVICE	160.37
NORTHEAST TRACTOR SALVAGE	PARTS	61.66
RDO TRUCK CENTERS	PARTS/LABOR	553.82
SAPP BROS PETROLEUM INC	FUEL	1,186.78
SCOTT'S HARDWARE	SUPPLIES	74.47
SEALS & SERVICE INC	PARTS/LABOR	4,139.74
SHAMBURG AUTO SUPPLY	SUPPLIES	267.73
STALP GRAVEL CO	GRAVEL	1,240.38
STEINY'S GENERAL STORE	SUPPLIES/PARTS	220.34
VERIZON CONNECT	SERVICE PLAN	420.94



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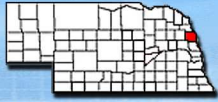


VILLAGE OF CRAIG	UTILITIES	68.00
VILLAGE OF DECATUR	UTILITIES	48.14
WELDON PARTS OMAHA	PARTS	123.15
WPCI	TESTING	28.25
SWEDISH HERITAGE MUSEUM	GRANT	650.00
REDTHREAD	PROMOTIONS	1,250.00
BURT COUNTY ECONOMIC DEV CORP	1/2 INVESTMENT	18,000.00
CENTURYLINK (HARDWARE WARRANTY)	SERVICES	5,872.76
AFLAC	EMPE PD ADDL	390.91
BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	52,958.77
DEARBORN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	EMPE PD ADDL	1.31
FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS GROUP LLC	EMPE PD ADDL	344.83
FIRST NAT'L BANK-NORTHEAST-EFPTS	FEDERAL TAXES	44,871.12
GLOBE LIFE LIBERTY NATIONAL DIV	EMPE PD ADDL	814.33
MANHATTAN LIFE ASSURANCE CO OF AMER	EMPE PD ADDL	10.25
MASSMUTUAL	EMPE PD ADDL	200.00
NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT SOLUTIONS	EMPE PD ADDL	550.00
RETIREMENT PLANS DIV. OF AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	21,762.49
STATE TAX COMMISSIONER	STATE TAXES	6,905.97
VISION SERVICE PLAN (CT)	VISION INS	543.67
WASHINGTON NATIONAL INSURANCE CO	EMPE PD ADDL	16.15
COLONIAL LIFE AND ACCIDENT INS CO	EMPE PD ADDL	57.79
NEBR CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CTR	CHILD SUPPORT	830.00

COMMUNICATION (2): (1) Feb. 2, 2022 the Selection Committee will be doing interviews for District 1 Supervisor position; this is an open meeting to be held in County Boardroom. (2) Lower Elk. NRD - Program Opportunities for Communities: applications due by March 11, 2022, info available in Clerk's Office; (a) Urban Conservation Assistance – to help with Erosion & Flooding Problems. (b) Rec Area Development – to help with acquisition of land & development for recreational purposes

Connealy moved the Board recess at 9:50 AM for *Board of Equalization*, Webster seconded, motion passed with Ayes-5, Absent-2. The Burt County Board of Supervisors reconvened at 9:54 AM upon motion by Swanson, seconded by Pearson, with Ayes-5, Absent -2.

A team from the Nebraska Department of Revenue, Property Assessment Division attended today's meeting to discuss a Report that was put out by them regarding the review of the assessment practices in Burt County. Team members present were: Ruth Sorensen, Property Tax Administrator; Sarah Scott, Field Manager; Debra Williams, Attorney; and Cyndy Hermsen, Field Staff. The team explained that Audit reviews are done the same in all 93 Nebraska Counties, they are here due to concerns of lack of uniform and effective assessment practices in Burt County. Sorensen explained that she has been working with the Burt County Assessor's office to make corrections back from the 2020 review and this



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has continued on for the 2021 reviews; the department issued a report and corrective measures document dated January 6, 2022. The team explained the report and the corrective actions that they'd issued. Joni Renshaw, Burt County Assessor was present and responded to some of the concerns cited. Chairman Schold read a statement from the board citing the Burt County Board's concerns. Board member Pearson asked Ruth Sorensen if Burt County's Assessments are equal and fair at this time, Ruth responded 'no'. Pearson made a motion requesting a resignation from Joni Renshaw, Burt County Assessor; Swanson seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Swanson, Pearson, Webster, Connealy and Schold. Nays - none. Absent - Richards and District 1. Later during the meeting County Attorney Talbot reported to the board that Renshaw had turned in a letter appointing Katie Hart as Co-Deputy Assessor and a statement of her resignation effective Jan. 28, 2022. Board member Connealy made a motion to accept Renshaw's resignation which included the appointment of Katie Hart as Co-Deputy Assessor; motion seconded by Webster. By Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Swanson, Pearson, Webster, Connealy and Schold. Nays - none. Absent - Richards and District 1. The board thanked Joni for her years of service to Burt County; she served as Burt County Assessor for 27 years and had worked in the office for 21 years prior to her election as the Official. Board member Pearson made a motion to appoint Katie Hart as temporary County Assessor, Swanson seconded the motion. By Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Swanson, Pearson, Webster, Connealy and Schold. Nays - none. Absent - Richards and District 1. Katie Hart accepted the temporary appointment.

2021 Burt County Weed Control Authority Activities and Information Report:

Upon motion by Pearson, seconded by Connealy, the Board authorized Chairman Schold to sign the Report. By roll call vote: Ayes - Swanson, Pearson, Webster, Connealy and Schold. Nays - none. Absent - Richards and District 1.

Community Development Block Grant (**CDBG**) for Midwest Vet: upon motion by Connealy, seconded by Swanson, Chairman Schold signed a request for funds. By Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Swanson, Pearson, Webster, Connealy and Schold. Nays - none. Absent - Richards and District 1. After the State drops the funds into Burt County, claims will be issued as follows: \$731.25 to Northeast Nebr. Economic Development District for a portion of \$7,000.00 admin fees; \$100,643.54 to Midwest Vet Services for a portion of their \$340,000.00 grant.

Zelle HR: contract ends January 31, 2022. It will renew monthly until the County sends in written request for a contract end date. No action was taken at this time.

ROADS: *Ann Chytka, Highway Superintendent (not present today)*

govdeals.com: no action today; Chytka not present.

Sandhills Solar project: a CUP was previously approved on March 9, 2021 with some conditions. The conditions have been met; paperwork was placed on file with the Zoning



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Administrator including a Road Agreement signed by Chairman Schold.

Gravel Allotment Program: Craig Township representative Don Wallace requested to discuss gravel allotment formulas with the Board; they have concerns of basing the allotments off of previous years ‘useage’. Wallace explained their useage report may not reflect an useage due to reasons such as stockpiling, changing road/weather conditions from year to year, etc. He further explained that a changing formula makes it difficult to build a budget when allotment payments will be unknown and changing year to year. The board acknowledged his concerns and will make a request to the Road Superintendent Chytka to further discuss the allotment program with representative(s) from all Townships in order to come up with a formulation plan that would be agreeable for all parties.

Burt County Economic Development **Commercial Demolition Grant** application; the Burt County Economic Development board had reviewed the request and recommended their approval for the max funds of \$15,000.00. (Fund 0900) Reno Grant for Carson LLC to demolish buildings on Main Street Tekamah (L.1-2, Blk. 134); \$15,000.00 (max. grant funds amount) was approved upon motion by Connealy, seconded by Webster. By roll call vote: Ayes – 5. Nays – 0. Absent (2) – Richards and District 1. Motion passed.

Emergency Manager position: A committee of three (Swanson, Richards, Pearson) reported to the board that Kenneth Bang, a current Sheriff’s Deputy employee has expressed interest in filling the position on a part-time basis if the board was willing to hire a full-time assistant for him; Audra Connealy has agreed to do this, Audra is she currently working as a full-time roads secretary. The board instructed the committee to proceed with negotiations for wages and the details of the job sharing; they’ll report the details worked out at the next meeting. No action was taken to fill the position.

Public Comment: Bill Price, 1615 CoRd. 10, (a) shared two handouts; one about shadow flicker and one about wind rights for non-participating land owners. (b) commented that he feels that when the board looks at setting regulations for distance between wind turbines, they should use the same unit of measurements throughout the language in the County’s regulations.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting adjourned upon motions by Pearson and Connealy at 11:35 A.M.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 9, 2022 @ 9:00 A.M. in the Courtroom, 3rd floor.

ATTEST: SARAH J. FREIDEL
COUNTY CLERK

DAVID SCHOLD, CHAIRMAN
BURT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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