

OFFICE OF THE BURT COUNTY CLERK
Minutes of the Burt County Board of Supervisors
October 11, 2023
 TEKAMAH NE 68061

The Burt County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Wednesday, October 11, 2023 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 (10-5-2023), 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: David Schold, Gary "Bird" Swanson, Jeff Kutchera, Paul Richards, Carl Pearson, Sam Titus and Ted Connealy.

The meeting opened at 9:00 A.M. with the pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Schold informed the public that the Open Meeting Act is posted on the wall.

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

The minutes of the 9/28/2023 Board of Supervisors and Board of Equalization meetings were approved; upon motion by Connealy, seconded by Swanson. By Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Swanson, Kutchera, Richards, Pearson, Titus, Connealy and Schold. Nays – none.

Approval of September Reports: The County Clerk Report of Fees, the County Court Report of fines, the District Court Fee Report and Zoning Report, Sheriff's Quarterly Report, Fund Balances, and the following Miscellaneous Receipts in the amount of \$3,255,736.33 were all approved upon motion by Richards, seconded by Connealy. By Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Swanson, Kutchera, Richards, Pearson, Titus, Connealy and Schold. Nays – none.

ZONING PERMITS	325.00
PRO-RATE MV Prorate <County Portion>	1,070.48
TAX SALE REDEMPTION <CO.SHARE>	110.00
CO CLERK-FILING & RECORDING FEES	3,295.00
CO CLERK-DOC STAMPS (COUNTY SHARE)	2,147.29
CO CLERK-MISC FEES	92.00
LIQUOR LICENSE - ADVERTISING	35.00
LIQUOR LICENSE - POSTAGE	5.00
DISTRICT COURT - FILING FEES	240.00
DISTRICT COURT - COURT COST REFUNDS	304.10
DISTRICT COURT - MISC FEES & REV.	588.75
DISTRICT COURT- FEES & COSTS	108.00
DISTRICT COURT - BAIL BOND 10%	830.00
COUNTY COURT - MISC FEES	250.00
CO SHERIFF-MILEAGE & COSTS	1,014.97
CO SHERIFF-SERVICE FEES	681.00
TITLE INSPECTIONS	370.00
GUN PERMITS	30.00
INTOX	75.00
FINGER PRINT	50.00
REIMBURSE FROM NACREC - ROD WORKSHOP PACKETS PRINTING	99.00
REIMBURSE FROM DAKOTA CO - FOR SHERIFF VEST	1,000.00
STOPPED CHECKS -	184.14
FUND TRANSFER INHERITANCE TO GENERAL - per budget	800,000.00
FUND TRANSFER INHERITANCE TO GENERAL - borrow	725,000.00
INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS	433.39

HIGHWAY/STREET ALLOCATION	126,162.64
TWP REIMBURSE - PERSHING TWP _APRIL-JUNE	38,876.62
TWP REIMBURSE - PERSHING TWP _JAN-MARCH	3,990.00
TRANSFER FROM GENERAL	1,450,000.00
LODGING TAX	507.04
ROD - PRESERVATION & MODERNIZATION FUND	513.00
STOP	50.00
K-9 DONATION	0.00
INHERITANCE TAX - Kenneth D. Deckard	1,519.03
INHERITANCE TAX - Rex E. Ekwall	5,117.68
PLAT BOOK SALES	0.00
COUNTY 911	1,573.92
E 911	6,587.88
TRANSFER FROM 2910 to 2913	50,000.00
LIQUOR LICENSE	300.00
COUNTY COURT FINES - REGULAR	4,987.00
DECATUR FIRE GENERAL	1,031.28
DECATUR FIRE BOND	553.76
LYONS FIRE GENERAL	1,719.71
LYONS FIRE BOND	184.96
OAKLAND FIRE GENERAL	4,556.75
PRO-RATE MV Prorate	6,012.37
TAX SALE REDEMPTION <HOLDING FUNDS>	8,518.53
IN LIEU HOUSING AUTHORITY	4,636.04

OFFICE UPDATES (2): (1) Emergency Manager – KC Bang (2) Sheriff – Eric Nick

Public Transit Program Proposal:

David Branch, Cuming County Economic Development presented anticipated financial obligations for the proposed PUBLIC TRANSIT SERVICES (previously proposed at the 9/13/2023 meeting). Burt County’s portion is shown to be an estimate of \$15,000.00 if all entities on the proposal give their commitment. Mr. Branch is requesting a commitment from Burt and Cuming County of up to \$20,000 per year for three years as part of the local match funds that are required. The board passed a motion approving Burt County’s commitment of ‘up to \$20,000.00 per year for three years’; upon motion by Titus, seconded by Swanson. By Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Swanson, Kutchera, Richards, Pearson, Titus, Connealy and Schold. Nays – none. An interlocal Agreement will be presented after all commitments are obtained.

Board Member Connealy offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

RESOLUTION #2023-16

County Foreclosures

WHEREAS there are delinquent taxes in Burt County,
 WHEREAS tax certificates were issued and will expire Oct. 13, 2023, and
 WHEREAS the next step for the County is to foreclose on said taxes,
 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Burt County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes Burt County Attorney to proceed with foreclosure on said taxes.

DATED this 11th day of October, 2023.

ATTEST: SARAH J. FREIDEL
 BURT COUNTY CLERK

DAVID SCHOLD, CHAIRMAN
 BURT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Member Pearson seconded the motion, and the Chairman declared the Resolution adopted, By Roll Call Vote: Swanson, Kutchera, Richards, Pearson, Titus, Connealy and Schold. Nays- none. County Attorney Talbot will later advise of any future action needed by the Board.

Special Designated Liquor License:

The Board approved a special designated liquor licenses for Nelson’s Food Pride (Oakland) for a wedding to be held Nov. 4, 2023 at Harvest Moon (Oakland). SDL approved upon motion by Connealy, seconded by Titus, By Roll Call Vote: Swanson, Kutchera, Richards, Pearson, Titus, Connealy and Schold. Nays – none.

Board of Equalization

Kutchera moved the Board recess at 9:40 AM for *Board of Equalization*, Connealy seconded. Burt County Levies for 2023-24 were approved via Resolution 2023-15. The Burt County Board of Supervisors reconvened at 9:44 AM upon motion by Kutchera, seconded by Connealy. *See separate BOE minutes.*

Emergency Management (EM)

Position: Kenneth Bang has been performing the duties of part-time Emergency Manager while also working as a Sheriff’s Deputy; Bang resigned from the Sheriff’s department effective Oct. 4, 2023. At this time the Board has decided to go back to a Full-Time EM; the position will be filled internally by the current EM employee KC Bang. This will qualify the County for the NEMA’s one-half salary and benefit reimbursement Grant program; Bang will do all paperwork to obtain reimbursements for the County. Pearson made a motion to navigate back to a full time Burt County Emergency Manager, and hire Kenneth Bang as full time EM eff. 10/11/2023, Titus seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Swanson, Kutchera, Richards, Pearson, Titus, Connealy and Schold. Nays – none. Bang is certified and will be paid \$57,000.00 annual salary: no cost-of-living January 2024. The full-time emergency manager will not require an assistant; Audra Connealy will be compensated for EM assistant duties through Nov. 21, 2023.

Vehicle: The Emergency Management pick-up had been transferred to the Sheriff’s department when the Sheriff Deputy and EM were a combined position; the vehicle will now go back to being just Emergency Manager vehicle. Sheriff Nick will transfer the vehicle out of his fleet back to the EM department; Sheriff stickers/markings will be removed. Bang has full authority to drive the vehicle back and forth to home/work.

ROADS: *Ann Chytka, Highway Superintendent was not present*

No Action. Road Committee discussion only.

PRESS/PUBLIC COMMENT: Jason Redding-Geu (press) asked for clarification on EM position changes.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting adjourned at 10:16 A.M. upon motions by Titus and Connealy. Next meeting: October 27, 2023 at 9:00 A.M.

ATTEST: SARAH J. FREIDEL
BURT COUNTY CLERK

DAVID SCHOLD, 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.