

OFFICE OF THE BURT COUNTY CLERK
Minutes of the Burt County Board of Supervisors
March 13, 2024
 TEKAMAH NE 68061

The Burt County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Wednesday, March 13, 2024 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 Plaindealer (3-5-2024), 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, Jeff Kutchera, Paul Richards, Carl Pearson, Sam Titus, David Schold and Ted Connealy.

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

Upon motion by Kutchera, seconded by Titus, the agenda was approved. By roll call vote: Ayes – Swanson, Kutchera, Richards, Pearson, Titus, Schold and Connealy. Nays – none.

The minutes of the 2/28/2024 Board of Equalization and Board of Supervisors meetings were approved; upon motion by Swanson, seconded by Schold. By roll call vote: Ayes – Swanson, Kutchera, Richards, Pearson, Titus, Schold and Connealy. Nays – none.

Approval of February Reports: The County Clerk Report of Fees, the County Court Report of fines, the District Court Fee Report and Zoning Report, Fund Balances, and the following Miscellaneous Receipts in the amount of \$530,228.78 were all approved upon motion by Schold, seconded by Richards. By roll call vote: Ayes – Swanson, Kutchera, Richards, Pearson, Titus, Schold and Connealy. Nays – none.

TRAILER COURT LICENSES	50.00
ZONING PERMITS	425.00
TAX SALE REDEMPTION (COUNTY ISSUANCE)	66.00
CO CLERK-FILING & RECORDING FEES	2,055.50
CO CLERK-DOC STAMPS (COUNTY SHARE)	2,370.76
CO CLERK-MISC FEES	142.00
DISTRICT COURT-FILING FEES	280.00
DISTRICT COURT - COURT COST REFUNDS	206.00
DISTRICT COURT-MISC FEES & REVENUE	1,746.45
DISTRICT COURT - FEES & COST	148.00
CO COURT-MISC FEES	52.00
CO SHERIFF-SERVICE FEES	758.00
CO SHERIFF-MILEAGE & COSTS	1,043.42
TITLE INSPECTIONS	200.00
GUN PERMITS	70.00
FINGER PRINT	60.00
INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS	1,701.42
DEC. MTG. REIMBURSEMENT	100.00
MISC. SALE OF OLD LIC.PLATES FOR SCRAP	50.00
HIGHWAY/STREET ALLOCATION	126,309.81
STATE PAYMENT - HWY INCENTIVE	9,000.00
SALE OF CULVERTS	1,568.25
TRANSFER GEN-RD	265,000.00
LODGING TAX	1,973.57
ROD -PRESERVATION & MODERNIZATION	342.50
JUVENILE DIVERSION	100.00

STOP	150.00
INHERITANCE TAX- Elmer J. Swanson Estate	560.20
INHERITANCE TAX- Lavern Louis Yeoman	300.12
PLAT BOOK SALES	60.00
COUNTY 911	90.00
E-911 (WIRELESS)	3,293.94
COUNTY COURT FINES-REGULAR	2,771.12
DECATURE FIRE - GENERAL	850.50
OAKLAND FIRE -GENERAL	1,453.17
LYONS FIRE - GENERAL	2,195.73
DECATUR FIRE BOND	498.95
LYONS FIRE BOND	499.95
HOMESTEAD ALLOCATIONS	88,651.69
TAX SALE REDEMPTION	6,266.90
IN LIEU	6,767.83

OFFICE UPDATES (2): (1) Treasurer – Robin Olson (2) District Court – Michele Quick

COMMUNICATION (2): (1) Nebr. Loess Hills RC&D – 2023 Annual Report; (2) LATCF (Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund) Report for 2023 financials was completed; all funds are now expended and reported.

Board of Equalization:

Kutchera moved the Board recess at 9:13 AM for *Board of Equalization*, Richards seconded, motion passed All Ayes. The Burt County Board of Supervisors reconvened at 9:38 AM upon motion by Pearson, seconded by Titus, All Ayes-6. See separate minutes for BOE.

P&C Insurance - Renewal: *Kevin Brenneis, Brenneis Insurance Agency*

Kevin provided a year in review of the current P&C Insurance period (May 2023-April 2024). Carrier Plan changes were presented for the 24-25 renewal year that will begin May 1, 2024. Rates are not yet available, Brenneis will return to the next meeting with updated plan/rate information for the new P&C Ins. year.

Closed Session:

Schold made a motion to go into *Closed Session*, Titus seconded, and the motion passed with All Ayes. Chairman Connealy declared at 9:57 A.M. the board went into closed session *for the protection of public interest to discuss collective bargaining*. Pearson made a motion to come out of Closed Session, Schold seconded, and motion passed with All Ayes. Chairman declared the public meeting back in regular session at 10:23 A.M. No action was taken during closed session.

Emergency Management -KC Bang:

KC turned in a resignation letter effective 3/31/2024. An employment ad will be placed immediately for a full-time emergency manager.

Planning Commission Members:

Dean Carlson was appointed to the Planning Commission to replace Clayton Olson. Upon motion by Richards, seconded by Pearson, Passed By Roll Call Vote: Ayes-Swanson, Kutchera, Richards, Pearson, Titus, Schold and Connealy. Nays-none.

Special Designated Liquor License:

An SDL for Ronnie’s Bar to serve a wedding at ‘the Loft’ (rural Craig) on 4/27/2024 was approved upon motions by Titus and Pearson. Approved By Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Swanson, Kutchera, Richards, Pearson, Titus, Schold and Connealy. Nays-none.

Burt County Deeds:

Parcel # 433201500 – 1.0 ac. in pt. NW ¼ NE ¼ of Section 35, Township 22North, Range 10 East of p.m., Burt County, NE. Assessor Hart had found this parcel while researching for her “intent to tax Notices”; the County had obtained this in 1960; at this time Burt County has no public use for this parcel. A deed was executed to transfer it to the adjoining landowner Norman Petersen & Sons, Inc., upon motion by Richards, seconded by Kutchera. By Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Swanson, Kutchera, Richards, Pearson, Titus, Schold and Connealy. Nays-none.

Assessor/Surveyor work: *Katie Hart, Assessor & Fred Franklin, Surveyor*

Assessor is still requesting help with approx. 8 parcels; she reports that gWorks is not able to utilize surveys that the surveyor has previously supplied. Franklin offered to talk directly with gWorks. The board directed the two officials to get together with a call to gWorks first thing tomorrow in order to resolve the project ASAP.

PUBLIC COMMENT: none.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting adjourned at 11:09 A.M. upon motions by Schold and Titus.
Next meeting: March 28, 2024 at 9:00 A.M.

ATTEST: SARAH J. FREIDEL
BURT COUNTY CLERK

TED CONNEALY, 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.