

OFFICE OF THE BURT COUNTY CLERK
Minutes of the Burt County Board of Supervisors
October 28, 2024
 TEKAMAH NE 68061

The Burt County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Monday, October 28, 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 (10-22-2024), 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 with the pledge of allegiance at 9:00 A.M. Chairman Connealy informed the public that the Open Meeting Act was posted.

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

The minutes of the October 9, 2024 Board of Supervisors and Board of Equalization meetings were approved; upon motion by Kutchera, seconded by Schold. By Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Swanson, Kutchera, Richards, Pearson, Titus, Schold and Connealy. Nays – none.

The claims for October in the amount of \$ 542,673.23, including \$ 157,836.90 for payroll, were read, audited, warrant drawn, and checks generated on the respective funds on motion by Richards, seconded by Titus. By Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Kutchera, Richards, Pearson, Titus, Schold and Connealy. Nays – Swanson. The following claims were approved:

ANDY'S QUICK SHOP	FUEL	136.59
APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES LLC	MONITORING.TECH EQUIP.	6607.63
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	UTILITIES	175.47
BOMGAARS -COURTHOUSE	SUPPLIES	311.60
BRANIFF SERVICE INC	FUEL	1070.93
BRUMMOND DISPOSAL	GARBAGE	225.00
BURT COUNTY AG SOCIETY	FAIR PAYMENT	37500.00
BURT COUNTY COURT	COURT FEES	150.00
BURT COUNTY DISTRICT COURT	COURT FEES	112.00
BURT COUNTY PUBLIC POWER DIST	UTILITIES	251.22
BURT COUNTY SHERIFF	COURT CASE	371.70
CANON FINANCIAL SERVICES	COPIER	388.57
CENTURY LINK	911	322.96
CHRISTINE A DREGALLA	JAIL MEDICAL	149.00
CITY OF TEKAMAH	UTILITIES	446.50
CLARK PEST AND TERMITE CONTROL	SERVICE	75.00
CLASSIC CLEAN CARWASH	MISC FLEET	115.00
COLONIAL RESEARCH CHEMICAL CORP	SUPPLIES	875.80
CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT CO.	LAW ENFORCE SCHOOL	469.30
CUBBY'S	FUEL	1716.49
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL FIN.	SOFTWARE	411.60
DAS STATE ACCTG -CENTRAL FINANCE	SOFTWARE	258.75
DECATUR EXPRESS-KB'S MINI MART	FUEL	987.06
DOLEZALS HUNTING DEPOT LLC	EQUIP.SUPPLY	39.99
DREW LAW FIRM PC LLO	ATTY FEES	3063.75
EAGLE RIDGE FEEDLOT INC	COURT CASE	6610.44
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	207.93

EDMOND TALBOT	TRAVEL EXPENSE	291.28
ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	ELECTION COSTS	7055.46
EMILY HEDLUND	MILEAGE	268.67
FAIRFIELD INN & SUITES BY MARRIOTT	WORKSHOP	249.90
FASTWYRE BROADBAND	UTILITIES	1402.73
FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS GROUP LLC	INSURANCE	1241.65
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA	SUPPLIES	681.09
GARY SWANSON	CHECKING ROADS	45.56
GRAFIX SHOPPE	MISC FLEET	515.42
GREAT AMERICA FINANCIAL SVCS	COPIER	394.44
GREAT PLAINS UNIFORMS	EQUIP	298.96
HOMETOWN LEASING	COPIER	191.13
IAN PETERSON	PLANNING MILEAGE	73.70
JACK'S UNIFORMS & EQUIPMENT	EQUIP	455.70
JEFF KUTCHERA	CHECKING ROADS	199.66
JENNIFER HANSEN	MILEAGE	150.75
JOHNSON & MOCK, PC, LLO	ATTY FEES	513.00
JOHNSON & PEKNY, L.L.C.	ATTY FEES	1045.23
JORDAN LUXA	SUPPLIES	18.56
KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL	SHERIFF FLEET	35425.00
KAREN GRASS	PRIOR SERVICE	36.00
KATHY RAY	OFFICE SUPPORT	520.00
KATIE HART	MILEAGE	223.11
KRAVIEC MAURSTAD LAW, P.C.,L.L.O.	CHILD SUPPORT CONTRACT	2021.62
LANCASTER COUNTY SHERIFF	COURT CASE	6.70
LEE AGRI-MEDIA	PUBLISHING	1949.37
LORI WACHTER	TRAVEL EXPENSE	17.59
MAXIMUS INC	COST ALLOCATION PLAN	577.44
MID-AMERICAN BENEFITS INC	INSURANCE	232.00
MIDWEST ALARM SERVICES	MAINTENANCE	70.50
MILLS LAW OFFICE	ATTY FEES	902.50
MIPS INC	SOFTWARE	1999.13
MIPS INC - COUNTY COURT	SOFTWARE	136.00
NACO	ANNUAL CONF	800.00
NEBR ASSN OF COUNTY TREASURERS	MANUAL	360.00
NEBR HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES SYSTEM	LODGE.SERVICES	90.00
NEBR LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING	LAW ENFORCE SCHOOL	175.00
NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	789.74
NEBRASKA.GOV	SOFTWARE	10.00
OAKLAND INDEPENDENT/LYONS MIRROR	PUBLISHING	477.39
OFFICE WAREHOUSE	SUPPLIES	170.99
ONE OFFICE SOLUTION	SUPPLIES	665.16
PATTI NICHOLS	MILEAGE	94.46
PAUL RICHARDS	CHECKING ROADS	179.56
PHYSICIANS LABORATORY PC	AUTOPSY	485.00
POUNDS PRINTING INC	PHOTOS	18.19
REGION IV INC	QTRLY	3305.50
SIGN DEPOT	MISC FLEET	255.00
STACEY KEYS	DUES	314.46
STATE OF NEBRASKA	VOTER CARDS	20.00
SUMMIT LAKE MINING COMPANY	REFUND LIQ. LIC.	340.00
THE APOTHECARY SHOP	JAIL MEDICAL	315.62
THEODORE CONNEALY	CHECKING ROADS	42.21
THURSTON COUNTY SHERIFF	JAIL	3780.00
TK ELEVATOR CORPORATION	MAINTENANCE	318.97
TRI-STATE COMMUNICATIONS INC	UTILITIES	609.50
UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA-LINCOLN	QTRLY WAGE	13243.58
VERIZON WIRELESS	SERVICES	881.23

VISUAL EDGE IT, INC	COPIER	38.97
WASHINGTON COUNTY	DIST 6 JUDGE	3248.75
WASHINGTON COUNTY DRUG COURT	COURT COSTS	96.79
WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF	JAIL	715.00
WEST POINT LIVESTOCK	COURT CASE	6171.00
WOODS AITKEN LLP	CONSULT	1575.00
BLUFF AGGREGATE LLC	MATERIALS	11061.04
BOMGAARS SUPPLY INC - ROAD	SUPPLIES	369.33
BRUMMOND COUNTRY DISPOSAL	GARBAGE	90.00
CAPITAL ONE TRADE	SUPPLIES	359.99
CHRISTENSEN ELECTRIC LLC	REPAIRS	2207.57
CITY OF LYONS	UTILITIES	157.26
CITY OF OAKLAND	UTILITIES	27.10
CUMING COUNTY INDUSTRIES	SUPPLIES	36.09
FARMERS PRIDE	FUEL	5483.39
FILTER CARE OF NEBRASKA, INC.	MAINTENANCE	73.90
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA ROADS	SUPPLIES	3497.77
GINI, LLC	FUEL	83.33
IS BECKSTROM FARMS TRUST	ROW EASEMENT	2800.00
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	EQUIP	529.71
K-C PARTS & REPAIR	REPAIRS	97.54
LEOS PUMP SHOP	REPAIRS	469.72
MARTIN MARIETTA	MATERIALS	8498.05
MEMORIAL COMMUNITY HOSPITAL	TESTING	50.00
MIDWEST SERVICE AND SALES CO	SUPPLIES.EQUIP	7417.25
MIDWEST SERVICE CO	FUEL	7209.69
NMC CAT RENTAL	EQUIP	1111.76
RDO TRUCK CENTERS, LLC	EQUIP	3449.56
RICHARDS PARTS & HARDWARE	SUPPLIES	307.51
SCHMADER LANDFILL LLC	ROADS	30.00
SCOTT'S HARDWARE	SUPPLIES	297.86
SHAMBURG AUTO SUPPLY	SUPPLIES	52.41
STALP GRAVEL CO	MATERIALS	31579.52
STEINY'S GENERAL STORE	SUPPLIES	104.16
VERIZON CONNECT FLEET USA LLC	GPS	454.97
VILLAGE OF DECATUR	UTILITIES	154.45
WOODHOUSE FORD CHRYSLER DODGE JEEP	EQUIP	19.50
WPCI	TESTING	250.00
CENTURYLINK (HARDWARE WARRANTY)	911	707.20
LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES	911	12.39
NORTHEAST NEBR TELEPHONE CO	911	130.47
NORTHLAND & COMPANIES	911	2983.51
AFLAC	EMPE PD ADDL	371.01
ALLSTATE	EMPE PD ADDL	42.01
BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	54745.64
FIRST NAT'L BANK-NORTHEAST-EFPTS	FED TAXES	43408.27
GLOBE LIFE LIBERTY NATIONAL DIV	EMPE PD ADDL	589.08
MADISON NATIONAL LIFE INS. CO, INC	EMPE PD ADDL	28.20
NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT SOLUTIONS	EMPE PD ADDL	150.00
RETIREMENT PLANS DIV. OF AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	23076.38
STATE TAX COMMISSIONER	STATE TAXES	6686.21
VISION SERVICE PLAN (CT)	EMPE PD ADDL	758.74
COLONIAL LIFE AND ACCIDENT INS CO	EMPE PD ADDL	57.79
CREDIT MANAGEMENT SERVICES	GARNISHMENT	43.01
LVNV FUNDING, LLC	GARNISHMENT	38.79
NEBR CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CTR	GARNISHMENT	830.00

Communication: 2024-2025 Levies are available on Assessor's webpage on the County Website.

ROADS: Ann Chytka, Highway Superintendent

Road Maintenance Agreement – Quinnebaugh TWP : Township agrees to pay Burt County the rate of \$160.00 per hour for regular maintenance and snow removal; Chairman Connealy signed the agreement.

BURT COUNTY SOLAR:

Present speaking: Brian Boerner with Sandhills Energy gave an update on the 250-megawatt project. He stated that they should not need an extension on the current CUP. A power agreement has been secured. Timeline was reported as follows: construction prep -spring 2025; construction anticipated to begin – Fall 2025, after that harvest season; full install schedule anticipated to be completed – late 2026 to early 2027.

Closed Session:

Titus made a motion to go into *Closed Session*, Kutchera seconded, and the motion passed with All Ayes. Chairman Connealy declared at 9:24 A.M. the board went into closed session *for the protection of public interest to discuss collective bargaining*. Kutchera made a motion to come out of Closed Session, Pearson seconded, and motion passed with All Ayes. Chairman declared the public meeting back in regular session at 9:57 A.M. No action was taken during closed session.

Collective Bargaining for FOP (Fraternal Order of Police) Lodge #95:

The board approved to authorize Chairman Connealy to sign the agreement with FOP. Upon motions by Pearson and Kutchera, By Roll Call Vote: Ayes- Kutchera, Richards, Pearson, Titus, Schold and Connealy. Nays – Swanson.

Audit FY 2023-2024 – single audit for ARPA funds:

Chairman Connealy signed the Engagement Letter for the 2023-2024 single Audit of Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery (ARPA) funds, the compliance examination is being performed by *Contryman Associates P.C.*

Burt County Economic Development (BCEDC) Cindy Chatt, director BCEDC:

Chatt provided updates from BCEDC board business; items discussed were grants, tourism campaigns and tourism board members. No action was required by the County Board of Supervisors regarding BCEDC business happenings at this time.

Board of Equalization:

Schold moved the Board recess at 10:38 AM for *Board of Equalization*, Swanson seconded, motion passed All Ayes. The Burt County Board of Supervisors reconvened at 10:53 AM upon motion by Schold, seconded by Titus, All Ayes. See separate minutes for BOE.

PUBLIC COMMENT: *Bill Price, 1615 CoRd. 10, Lyons* – discussed a case that caused concerns about negative health effects from Wind Turbines.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting adjourned upon motions by Pearson and Kutchera at 11:03 P.M.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 13, 2024 @ 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.