

OFFICE OF THE BURT COUNTY CLERK  
**Minutes of the Burt County Board of Supervisors**  
**February 12, 2025**  
 TEKAMAH NE 68061

The Burt County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Wednesday, February 12, 2025 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 (2-6-2025), upon a 1<sup>st</sup> 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, Sam Titus, Carl Pearson, Jay W. Johnson and Ted Connealy. Absent- Paul Richards.

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, Titus, Pearson, Johnson and Connealy. Nays – none. Absent – Richards.

The minutes of the 1/28/2025 Board of Equalization and Board of Supervisors meetings were approved; upon motion by Swanson, seconded by Pearson. By Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Swanson, Kutchera, Titus, Pearson, Johnson and Connealy. Nays – none. Absent – Richards.

Approval of January 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 \$4,009,215.74 were all approved upon motion by Pearson, seconded by Johnson. By Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Swanson, Kutchera, Titus, Pearson, Johnson and Connealy. Nays – none. Absent – Richards.

ZONING PERMITS	635.00
IV-D CHILD SUPPORT ENF. - DIST. COURT	6,745.38
TAX SALE REDEMPTION (COUNTY ISSUANCE)	66.00
CO CLERK-FILING & RECORDING FEES	2,808.50
CO CLERK-DOC STAMPS (COUNTY SHARE)	3,430.16
CO CLERK-MISC FEES	167.00
DISTRICT COURT-FILING FEES	300.00
DISTRICT COURT - COURT COST REFUNDS	251.00
DISTRICT COURT-MISC FEES & REVENUE	500.00
DISTRICT COURT - FEES & COST	146.00
DISTRICT COURT - PASSPORTS	803.00
DISTRICT COURT - DRUG COURT	30.00
ELECTION REIMBURSE	101.84
CO SHERIFF-SERVICE FEES	781.00
CO SHERIFF-MILEAGE & COSTS	991.78
TITLE INSPECTIONS	310.00
GUN PERMITS	70.00
FINGER PRINT	10.00
OVERLOAD FINES - 25% COUNTY SHARE	125.00
INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS	977.07
HIGHWAY/STREET ALLOCATION	120,182.56
MOTOR VEHICLE FEES - HWY ALLOCATION	22,087.15
TWP REIMBURSE Oct.-Dec. 2024 ARIZONA TWP	6,320.00
TWP REIMBURSE Oct.-Dec. 2024 QUINNEBAUGH TWP	2,360.00
TWP REIMBURSE Oct.-Dec. 2024 DECATUR TWP	8,200.00
REIMBURSE - ST OF NEBR	534.85

TRANSFER GEN-RD	0.00
LODGING TAX	2,365.33
ROD -PRESERVATION & MODERNIZATION	443.50
STOP	50.00
INHERITANCE TAX- Terry L. Metzler	3,151.25
INHERITANCE TAX- Chad L. Reppert	7,557.56
INHERITANCE TAX- Florence L. Larsen	696.18
COUNTY 911	1,207.00
E-911 (WIRELESS)	4,012.69
OVERLOAD FINES - 75% STATE'S SHARE	375.00
COUNTY COURT FINES-REGULAR	2,400.00
STATE FINES TO SCHOOLS	1,852.25
DECATURE FIRE - GENERAL	729.84
OAKLAND FIRE -GENERAL	3,492.36
LYONS FIRE - GENERAL	3,278.68
DECATUR FIRE BOND	742.43
LYONS FIRE BOND	1,151.52
MUNI COURT FEES - LYONS CITY	25.00
MFO	82,420.00
TAX SALE REDEMPTION & ADMIN FEES	10,074.86
IN LIEU - HOUSING AUTHORITY OF OAKLAND	9,269.64
2024 PROPERTY TAX CREDITS (1st half) \$\$ goes back out to taxpayers	1,518,590.31
2024 SCHOOL TAX CREDITS (1st half) \$\$ goes back out to schools	2,176,397.05

**OFFICE UPDATES:** (1) Building & Grounds – Bruce Nathan (2) Zoning – Ann Chytka. District Court – Michele Quick informed the board about Legislation (LB216) affecting Nebraska County offices of the District Courts; she shared a letter of opposition that Chairman Connealy signed on behalf of the Board.

**COMMUNICATION:** Lwr. Elkhorn NRD - municipality funding available via two cost share programs, *Urban Conservation Assistance & Recreation Area Development*; application deadline to the NRD is March 15, 2025.

**Zoning:** Ann Chytka, Planning and Zoning Administrator

**Conditional Use Permit: E 720 Farms, LLC to build a house**

At 9:11 A.M. Chairman Connealy opened a public hearing for consideration of a CUP for E720 FARMS, LLC to allow a single-family dwelling to be built in SW<sup>4</sup>SE<sup>4</sup> of Sec. 25, TWP 21N, Rg 9E of 6th p.m., Burt County, NE. Chytka, Zoning Admin. reported the planning commission approved the CUP. Public Comments: David Eriksen. Chairman Connealy declared the public hearing closed at 9:12 A.M. and the Board went back into regular session. The County Board approved the CUP for E720 FARMS; upon motion by Titus, seconded by Pearson. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Swanson, Kutchera, Titus, Pearson, Johnson and Connealy. Nays – none. Absent – Richards. Motion passed, the CUP was approved and signed; a lot split application was filed for the acreage.

**Conditional Use Permit: Brent Hilbers – large feeding operation**

At 9:14 A.M. Chairman Connealy opened a public hearing for consideration of a CUP for BRENT HILBERS to expand to a Class 1 Large Feeding Operation in pt. NW<sup>4</sup>NW<sup>4</sup> of Sec. 24, TWP 21N, Rg 8E of 6th p.m., Burt County, NE. Chytka, Zoning Admin. reported the planning commission approved the CUP with condition that all State permits are obtained. Having no public comments, Chairman Connealy declared the public hearing closed at 9:15 A.M. and the Board went back into regular session. The County Board approved the CUP for Hilber’s feeding operation with condition of State permits; upon motion by Kutchera, seconded by Swanson, Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Swanson, Kutchera, Titus, Pearson, Johnson and Connealy. Nays – none. Absent – Richards. Motion passed, the CUP was approved and signed; a lot split application was filed for the project.

**Lot Splits (2)** - signed by Chairman Connealy for:

(1) E720 FARMS, LLC – 5.48 ac. in pt. SW<sup>4</sup>SE<sup>4</sup> of Sec.25, TWP 21N, Rge 9 E. of 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Burt County, NE

(2) BRENT HILBERS – 2.13 ac. in pt. NW<sup>4</sup>NW<sup>4</sup> of Sec.24, TWP 21N, Rge 8 E. of 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Burt County, NE

**Burt County Economic Development (BCEDC):** *Cindy Chatt, Director*

**Fund 0900 - Grant:** Chatt reported that the BCEDC board has reviewed and recommended their approval for the following Private Foundation Grant: *DEMO Grant* for 1114 M. ST., Tekamah, \$5,250.00 (50% of the low bid). The Grant Request was approved by the Board of Supervisors upon motion by Kutchera, seconded by Titus. Passed By Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Swanson, Kutchera, Titus, Pearson, Johnson and Connealy. Nays – none. Absent – Richards.

**BCEDC Board members:** Chatt reported that 12 board members serve on this board; a record of those currently serving can be obtained from the County Clerk's office.

**Fund 0990 - Visitor's Committee Members:** Chatt reported that she is working on updating members of this committee. She is also planning to put together an information packet with Lodging Tax remittance instructions that will be shared with lodging businesses.

**Special Designated Liquor Licenses (SDLs):**

Upon motion by Pearson, seconded by Kutchera, the Board approved special designated liquor licenses for Chatterbox at St Patrick's Catholic Church (Tekamah) for 2025 Lenten fish fry dinners to be held every Friday from March 7 – April 11, 2025. Approved By Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Swanson, Kutchera, Titus, Pearson, Johnson and Connealy. Nays – none. Absent – Richards.

**ROADS:** *Ann Chytka, Hwy Supt (not present).*

**Engineer:** Dan Norman from Civil Solutions – cancelled due to snow today.

*update:* Ann reported that there are State Infrastructure Grants available; she plans to submit possible projects.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Gregg Smith, 2170 CoRd. 5, Lyons – stated he is looking forward to the upcoming solar zoning reg meetings.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting adjourned at 10:12 A.M. upon motions by Titus and Swanson.

Next meeting: February 28, 2025 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.*