

April 9, 2013

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, April 9, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Kucera, Jefferson, Hahn, Weller, and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal and the Merrick County Website. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Wiegert declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:00 a.m.

Moved Jefferson, second Helgoth to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Weller led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Agenda: Moved Hahn, second Helgoth to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Graves, second Kucera to approve the minutes as published for March 26, 2013. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Tax Corrections: Assessor Placke presented tax correction #3651 Personal Property ID #3011 for Raymond and Betty Hebda. They have property that is being taxed in both Merrick and Nance County. The land is actually in Nance County so Placke will adjust their taxes for the 2012 year. Tax correction #3652 Property ID #4081 is for Dwaine and Carmen VanPelt and a house that is to be burned down and according to state statute the taxes must be accelerated. Moved Jefferson, second Helgoth to approve tax correction #3651 Personal Property ID #3011 for Raymond and Betty Hebda. They have property that is being taxed in both Merrick and Nance County. The land is actually in Nance County so Placke will adjust their taxes for the 2012 year. Tax correction #3652 Property ID4081 is for Dwaine and Carmen VanPelt and a house that is to be burned down and according to state statute the taxes must be accelerated. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Exemption Hearing: The Baptist Church in Central City has purchased the property known as the old Morrow watch shop and plan to build on there. They have filed for exemption and Assessor Placke would like to have the hearing on Tuesday, April 23, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. or soon after. Moved Weller, second Graves to have the hearing for exemption for the Central City Baptist Church for the old Morrow watch shop on Tuesday, April 23, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. or soon after. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjourn: Moved Hahn, second Graves to adjourn at 9:05 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

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The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, April 9, 2013 at 9:06 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Jefferson, Kucera, Hahn, Weller, and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Moved Graves, second Weller to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:06 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal and on the Merrick County website. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Wiegert declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:06a.m.

Agenda: Moved Jefferson, second Hahn to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the minutes from the March 26, 2013 meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting reports: Hahn and Graves attended the Senior Center Meeting; Weller attended the Economic Development Meeting; and Wiegert attended the Midland Area Agency on Aging on Thursday.

Official reports: Corwin Roscoe, Weed Superintendent spent three days in training last week in Hastings. Treasurer Dunham reported that starting on April 15, 2013 whenever anyone gets a new license they will now see a gold star on the license in the corner because Nebraska is one of the 19 states that received a certification for being in full compliance with Homeland Security in the DMV.

Historical Society: Graves said the Historical Society had approached Beth Pullen about having an open house here at the Courthouse and have a program in the courtroom sometime this fall on a Sunday afternoon. The current courthouse will be 100 years old in the spring but there is too much going on to try and schedule more. Moved Graves, second Jefferson to approve an open house here at the Courthouse and have a program in the courtroom sometime this fall on a Sunday afternoon for the courthouse's 100th anniversary.

Draft audit report: A copy of the 2012-2013 draft audit report was emailed or mailed to each Supervisor from the State Auditor's Office. There was a letter attached for the Chairman to sign off on the draft. Moved Weller, second Kucera to

approve the Chairman to sign off on the 2012-2013 draft audit report by signing the letter from the State Auditor's Office.
Roll Call: All Ayes.

RESOLUTION 2013-17: RESOLUTION 2013-17 is for the \$500.00 petty cash account the Board approved for the County Treasurer on April 12, 2011. It was omitted at the last Board meeting. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve RESOLUTION 2013-17 for the \$500.00 petty cash account the Board approved for the County Treasurer on April 12, 2011.
Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2013-17 is on file in the County Clerk's Office for public viewing.

Courthouse drinking water: Shaun Robinson with Quality Sound and Water had approached the Board about their drinking water system at the March 12, 2013 meeting and the Board tabled any decision until today. The overall suggestions were to stay with what we have and forgo the free 7 day trial. Moved Helgoth, second Graves to stay with the drinking water systems that the courthouse currently has and to not go with Quality Sound and Water. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Tuck pointing: The Board members were going to look at the outside of the courthouse before coming to the meeting today but the weather was too nasty. They do not want to make any decisions on the tuck pointing of any part of the courthouse without looking at it. County Attorney Homolka stated that per state statute competitive bidding is not required when obtaining professional services. Kucera was wondering if there may be some grants available out there to help with this and no one knew if there were or not. The Board will look at the new addition to the courthouse after the Board meeting and make a decision at the next Board meeting.

Sheriff: Every board member was sent copies of the bids for the sheriff's vehicle. The vehicle has been purchased and the lowest bid was taken. Sheriff Cambell said that he purchased the vehicle for even less than the quoted price of \$14,000.00. The final price was \$13,565.00. Campbell said at the first Board meeting of every month he will give the Board copies of stats of what his office has done the month prior and then handed out the stats for March. Campbell also handed out copies of the bid from Van Galusha for the wiring for an air conditioning unit. The bid was for \$510.00, Galusha will have to move a couple of breakers to make it work. The bid for the air conditioner was \$1,800.00 and with this bid for electrical it will cost under \$2,500.00 for the wiring, the unit itself, and the installation. Campbell can proceed with the air conditioning because anything under \$5,000.00 does not need the Board's approval if the elected official has it in their budget. The Sheriff has it in his budget. Campbell said that in the draft of the audit the unremitted balance is the checking account that the auditors wanted him to keep open but as of July 1, 2013 it will be closed and there will be close to \$20,000.00 turned over to the Treasurer. The auditors have always known about this account and the amount and everything concerning this account was per the auditors. Campbell also handed the Board copies of the bids for the grounding of the towers on the roof of the courthouse. The first bid was from Randy at Midland Telecom Inc. for \$578.10 and Platte Valley's bid was \$2,757.50. County Attorney Homolka said that Campbell did not need the Board's approval because the amount is under \$5,000.00. Campbell said they are having trouble with the out going frequency for fire and sheriff. Randy at Midland Telecom Inc. will present a bid and it will be around \$300.00 to fix the problem.

Sheriff's surplus: At the last Board meeting, Sheriff Campbell passed out copies of inventory items he would like to surplus for the Board to review. The items have been stored for years. Campbell said that on the computers there is a company in Columbus that will take them for \$5.00 each, but there are two people here to take the monitors for free. All of the towers would be discarded so no information would be obtained from them. There are coolers, some are pretty beat up and others that are not too bad but none of them are tagged and they do not know if they were used for evidence. There are lights that a couple of fire departments are interested in. The County Attorney took one of the desks to use in Child Support. Moved Weller, second Graves to give the Board's approval to surplus items on surplus list turned in. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Hepatitis shots: Sheriff Campbell said that with everything that is out there today, it would be a good idea to have his employees get hepatitis B shots. He passed out the cost of the shot which are given in a series of three shots and the cost is \$49.00 per shot. He and the County Clerk will check with Blue Cross Blue Shield to see if they would cover any of the cost of the shots and Roger Wiegert will take to Central District Health to see if they would work with us on the shots. The cost for shots will come out of the jail budget.

Anniversary: Sheriff Campbell likes history and has done some research and has talked to the people with the Historical Society, and has found out that the first election in Merrick County was April 18, 1864 and the first elected officials were a Sheriff, Treasurer, Prosecuting Attorney, Probate Judge, and three County Commissioners. April 18, 2014 will be 150 years since the first election of county officials and Campbell said that a fly in and parade would be a great idea for celebrating the 150 years. The County Clerk has a list of all of the County Clerks for the last 150 years. Campbell said the State Patrol did commemorative badges for their 75 years and thought it would be a nice idea to do the same for his office and maybe the other offices that were elected then could do something like shirts. Campbell

would also like to go out to the schools and communities and have them redesign a new patch. He would also like to get commemorative badges purchased through the DARE Fund and then sell and the proceeds would go back into the DARE Fund.

March 2013 fees: The March 2013 fees from the Sheriff, Clerk of District Court, and County Clerk were presented to the Board for approval. Moved Kucera, second Weller to approve the March 2013 fees from the Sheriff, Clerk of District Court, and the County Clerk. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Claims: Kucera questioned a claim for mileage and felt the mileage claims need to be more specific, like when, where, and why. She also questioned a claim for a meal that was not for an overnight stay. According to the IRS taxable fringe benefits, meals can be reimbursed by the county as a claim if the person was on business overnight. If they are not for an overnight business trip then the claim can be reimbursed by it being added to their payroll as taxable income. These revisions need to be put into the County Handbook. Weller asked the County Clerk to check with Pam Bourne to see if there would be a handbook revision from NIRMA forthcoming. Clerk Wichmann will also draw up a letter to all of the officials regarding mileage and meals and send it to all of the Board members and the County Attorney for their review and the Board wants to discuss the approval of the letter at the next Board meeting.

FUND	NAME	INVDISC	TOTCLAIMS
GENERAL			
	A & P PROCESS SERVICE	COURT COST	\$ 33.40
	JOHNROSS ABOLD	PHONE	\$ 30.00
	AMERICAN RED CROSS	MISC	\$ 19.00
	JULIE L BELLIS	COURT COST	\$ 48.42
	DOROTHY D BENTON	ATTORNEY FEE	\$ 6,597.90
	GARY BERRY	FLIGHT & HOTEL	\$ 1,459.13
	BILL NESIBA SIGN STUDIO	EQUIPMENT	\$ 495.00
		EMERGENCY	
	BOONE COUNTY TREASURER	MGT	\$ 1,114.32
	GENENE BOWEN	MISC	\$ 50.00
	BRADLEY, ELSBERND, ANDERSEN, KNEALE	ATTORNEY FEE	\$ 1,282.50
	KEVIN CAMPBELL	PHONE	\$ 30.00
	CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/SHERIFF ACT	CAR REPAIR	\$ 10.48
	CENTRAL CITY MALL	POSTAGE, PR BD	\$ 1,096.04
	CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT	\$ 2,307.10
	CENTRAL HEALTH CENTER	PRISONER BD	\$ 537.00
	CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	EQUIP	\$ 69.98
	TODD CHURCH	PHONE	\$ 30.00
	CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	UTILITES	\$ 3,522.35
	CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/CC	COURT COST	\$ 149.92
	CODY'S COMPUTER REPAIR SERVICE	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 48.00
	CUMING COUNTY SHERIFF	COURT COST	\$ 27.52
	CUSTER CO SHERIFF	COURT COST	\$ 45.37
	D & M SECURITY	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 100.00
	DES MOINES STAMP CO.	SUPPLIES	\$ 60.75
	DES MOINES STAMP	SUPPLIES	\$ 33.10
	RYAN DUNCAN	PHONE	\$ 30.00
	EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 58.32
	ECO WATER SYSTEMS	BLD & GROUND	\$ 144.00
	FLEET SERVICES/WEX BANK	FUEL	\$ 2,315.04
	JIM L GRAVES	MILEAGE	\$ 35.03
	LINDA GREGER	CONTRACT	\$ 135.00
	HALL COUNTY SHERIFF DEPT	COURT COST	\$ 21.57
	HANSON GRIME STOPPERS	CONTRACT	\$ 1,881.00

HERK'S WELDING SHOP	3/20/2013	\$ 270.72
LYNELLE HOMOLKA	PHONE,SUPP,ED	\$ 124.70
HOST COFFEE SERVICE	PRISONER BD	\$ 89.00
HUSTON & HIGGINS	ATTORNEY FEE	\$ 127.50
JACKSON SERVICES	MISC	\$ 162.50
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 299.28
JENSEN PUBLISHING	OFFICE SUPP	\$ 511.00
JOE WATT AUTO SALES	CAR	\$ 13,565.00
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	\$ 442.91
MICHAEL P KNEALE	ATTORNEY FEE	\$ 1,905.00
CAROLYN KUCERA	MILEAGE	\$ 34.47
JIM LAUDENKLOS	PHONE	\$ 30.00
LAURITSEN,BROWNELL,BROSTROM,STEHLIK	ATTORNEY FEE	\$ 225.00
LEXISNEXIS	LAW LIBRARY	\$ 238.00
LITZENBERG CO. HOSPITAL	CONTRACT	\$ 8,333.33
LITZENBERG MEMORIAL CO HOSPITAL/EXP	MISC	\$ 106.60
ROSS A LUZUM, ATTORNEY AT LAW	ATTORNEY FEE	\$ 630.00
MAYER, BURNS, KOENIG & JANULEWICZ	ATTY FEE	\$ 487.50
MCI	PHONE	\$ 29.77
MCILNAY & CO	SUPPLIES	\$ 161.64
JOHN MEIDINGER PH.D.	COURT COST	\$ 500.00
MERRICK CO. CLERK	MISC	\$ 94.00
MERRICK CO. COURT	COURT COST	\$ 351.00
MERRICK CO. EXTENSION SERVICE	PHONE, TRAVEL	\$ 4,126.82
MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	TRANSFER	\$ 81,496.64
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	POSTAGE	\$ 237.60
MICHAEL MEYER	POSTAGE,MILEA	\$ 557.73
MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS, INC	IMAGING	\$ 35.00
MID AMERICAN BENEFITS,INC	IND DUCT	\$ 2,408.38
MIDLAND TELECOM, INC.	EQUIP	\$ 441.66
MILLER TROPHY & AWARDS	MISC	\$ 78.00
MIPS INC.	DATA PROC	\$ 31.32
MIPS INC.	MISC	\$ 2,951.04
MIPS INC.	SUPPLIES	\$ 60.01
NACO	REGISTRATION	\$ 130.00
NACVSO	CONT ED	\$ 300.00
NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB	MISC	\$ 294.00
NEBRASKA U.C. FUND	1ST QUART	\$ 247.44
KAREN NELSON	POSTAGE	\$ 25.30
NESCA TRAINING	MISC	\$ 75.00
NT&T	PHONE	\$ 56.68
NT&T	PHONE	\$ 141.20
NT&T	PHONE	\$ 76.18
NT&T	PHONE	\$ 58.12
NT&T	FAX	\$ 46.69
NT&T	PHONE	\$ 162.26
NT&T	FAX	\$ 46.69
NT&T	PHONE	\$ 44.25

NT&T	PHONE	\$ 664.70
NT&T	PHONE	\$ 57.61
NT&T	PHONE	\$ 79.53
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES,EQUIP	\$ 276.93
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 68.80
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 137.48
OFFICENET	EQUIP RENTAL	\$ 181.06
OFFICENET,INC.	CONTRACT	\$ 163.27
PALSER SERVICE	CAR REPAIRS	\$ 42.65
ANNSLEY PAULSEN	WITNESS FEE	\$ 20.00
BLAINE PAUP	WITNESS FEE	\$ 20.00
PINNACLE BANK CC	SUPPLIES	\$ 113.59
JAN PLACKE	TRAVEL, MEALS	\$ 93.30
PLATTE VALLEY COMM.	REPAIRS	\$ 315.50
CORWIN A ROSCOE	CONTRACT	\$ 1,241.67
S&W PEST MANAGEMENT	BLDG & GR	\$ 53.25
SACK LUMBER CO./ROADS	SUPPLIES	\$ 104.99
SAM'S CLUB DIRECT	PRISONER BD	\$ 1,047.41
SECURUS	COMMISSARY	\$ 1,377.00
SEVEN SPRINGS INC	WATER	\$ 8.00
STANARD APPRAISAL SERVICE, INC.	REAPPRAISAL	\$ 10,748.00
STANTON CO. SHERIFF	COURT COST	\$ 19.00
SURVEY RECORD REPOSITORY	FILING FEE	\$ 52.50
SVEHLA THOMAS RAUERT & GRAFTON PC	ATTY FEE	\$ 2,842.50
T.O. HAAS TIRE CO.	EQUIP	\$ 1,621.70
USA COMMUNICATIONS	COMMISSARY	\$ 59.68
VISA	EQUIP,SUPP,REP	\$ 622.03
JOHN WESTMAN	PHONE	\$ 30.00
MARCIA WICHMANN	TRAVEL, PHONE	\$ 141.31
ROGER WIEGERT	MILEAGE	\$ 63.28
WINNERS' CIRCLE	MISC	\$ 123.25
TOTAL		\$ 169,054.16

ROADS

AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.	FUEL	\$ 2,572.20
BILL'S VOLUME SALES	REPAIRS	\$ 11.70
BOMGAARS	SUPP/REPAIRS	\$ 129.78
BOSSelman INC/ROADS	OIL	\$ 2,799.05
CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/ROADS	REPAIRS	\$ 1,906.74
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	\$ 6.56
EAKES OFFICE PLUS INC/ROADS	OFFICE SUPP	\$ 65.98
GILBARCO INC	MONITORING	\$ 17.00
JIM HAAG	MILEAGE	\$ 126.56
HANSEN INTERNATIONAL TRUCK INC	REPAIR	\$ 769.65
HERK'S WELDING SHOP	REPAIRS	\$ 30.37
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	SHOP	\$ 39.75
JACKSON LINEN SERVICE/ROADS	SUPPLIES	\$ 72.84
LCL TRUCK EQUIPMENT INC	REPAIRS	\$ 106.38
MID AMERICAN BENEFITS,INC	3/27/2013	\$ 56.58

MIDWEST SERVICE & SALES CO.	LUMBER	\$ 5,696.00
NE ASSOC OF ENGINEERS	REGISTRATION	\$ 95.00
NEBR. MACHINERY CO.	REPAIRS	\$ 429.69
NE MOTOR FUELS DIVISION	FUEL TAX	\$ 504.00
NEBR. TRUCK CENTER, INC.	REPAIRS	\$ 382.99
NT&T/SHOP	PHONE, REPAIRS	\$ 339.92
NT&T/ROADS	PHONE	\$ 57.53
OFFICENET	OFFICE SUPP	\$ 139.05
OVERLAND SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	\$ 8,176.28
PALMER SERVICE CENTER	FUEL	\$ 1,816.65
PALSER SERVICE/ROADS	TIRES	\$ 13,802.98
POLK COUNTY RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	ELECTRICITY	\$ 65.52
JOHN E PROSOSKI	RENTAL	\$ 120.00
SAPP BROS. PETROLEUM	FUEL	\$ 4,294.30
SCOTT-VAN KEPPEL-BR	REPAIRS	\$ 93.32
SOURCEGAS,LLC	HEATING	\$ 179.55
SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	\$ 773.91
TRAUSCH DYNAMICS	REPAIRS	\$ 164.68
VERIZON WIRELESS	PHONE	\$ 67.66
VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN	UTILITIES	\$ 41.95
XEROX CORPORATION	CONTRACT	\$ 61.73
TOTAL		\$ 46,013.85

UNEMPLOYMENT

NEBRASKA U.C. FUND	UNEMPLOYMENT	\$ 460.56
TOTAL		\$ 460.56

JUVENILE DIVERSION

JULIE BEYER	MIL,PHONE,MISC	\$ 64.15
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	JUVENILE DIV	\$ 24.65
NJJA	EDUCATION	\$ 100.00
NT&T	PHONE	\$ 62.68
QUILL	MISC,SUPP,EDU	\$ 405.65
TOTAL		\$ 657.13

DARE

VISA	AMAZON	\$ 12.96
TOTAL		\$ 12.96

INHERITANCE

HAMILTON TELEPHONE COMPANY	INTERNET	\$ 154.85
NIRMA	MISC	\$ 2,982.58
WOODS & AITKEN LLP	MISC	\$ 7,503.70
TOTAL		\$ 10,641.13

BUILDING PROJECT

LESIK CONSTRUCTION, LLC	BLDG	\$ 8,394.44
TOTAL		\$ 8,394.44

E911

AS CENTRAL SERVICES OCIO	E911	\$ 448.00
CENTURY LINK	E911	\$ 478.96
CENTURYLINK	E911	\$ 410.43
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	E911	\$ 63.30

GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	E911	\$ 61.91
NNTC	E911	\$ 139.14
TOTAL		\$ 1,601.74

Moved Kucera, second Hahn to approve the April 2013 claims as submitted. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjourn: Moved Helgoth, second Kucera to adjourn at 11:34 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk