

Merrick County Board Minutes



January 9, 2018

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Carlson, Kreachbaum, Weller, Kucera, and Wiegert present. County Attorney Lynelle Homolka was also present.

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.

Carlson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moved Kucera, second Graves to convene as Board of Supervisors and to reorganize at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

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

Reorganization: Moved Graves, second Kucera to reorganize. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Chairman: Moved Graves, second Weller to elect Roger Wiegert as Chairman for 2018. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Kucera, second Carlson that the nominations cease. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Vice Chairman: Helgoth nominated Graves for Vice Chairman. Moved Kucera, second Carlson to cease nominations. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Appointment of Board of Equalization: Moved Graves, second Weller to appoint the Board of Supervisors at the Board of Equalization. Roll Call: All Ayes.

2018 meeting schedule: Moved Kucera, second Weller to approve the 2018 meeting schedule with the Board of Supervisor and Board of Equalization meetings being the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month except in February, the second meeting will be Friday, February 23, 2018, the last meeting in December, the second meeting will be Wednesday, December 26, 2018 in order to get payroll out on time and the Christmas holiday. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Holidays: Moved Kucera, second Weller to approve the 12 holidays for 2018 and January 1, 2019 and to also close December 24, 2018 for Christmas Eve. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Official means of publication: Moved Kucera, second Graves to approve the Palmer Journal, Republican Nonpareil, and the County Website as the official means of publication for 2018. Roll Call: All Ayes.

County Depository Banks: Moved Helgoth, second Graves to designate the Bank of Clarks located in Clarks, NE, Farmers State Bank, a branch of the Bank of Clarks, located in Silver Creek, Central Bank, Cornerstone Bank, and Pinnacle Bank Central City, located in Central City, and Pinnacle Bank Palmer, located in Palmer as the county depository banks and NPAIT as a depository for Merrick County. Roll Call: All Ayes.

County Bond: Moved Graves, second Carlson to adopt the blanket bond of Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Management Association (NIRMA) insured under Certificate of Insurance Master Policy #N-CR0607-46, Producer NIRMA, Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Management Association, a Risk Management Pool, at Lincoln, NE. Said blanket bond continues as long as Merrick County is a member county of NIRMA and said Master Policy #N-CR0607-46 remains in effect. Roll Call: All Ayes.

NIRMA contact: Moved Graves, second Carlson to appoint County Clerk Wichmann as the 2018 NIRMA contact person. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Highway Superintendent: Moved Carlson, second Graves to appoint Mike Meyer as the Merrick County Highway Superintendent and to designate him to negotiate the Right of Way Agreements for Merrick County for 2018. Roll Call:

NRD Advisory Committee: Moved Graves, second Kreachbaum to appoint Mike Meyer to the advisory committee for the NRD for 2018. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Emergency Management & Homeland Security Program: Moved Kreachbaum, second Kucera to appoint Thomas Smith to the Emergency Management and Homeland Security Program of the East Central Region for Planning, Exercise, Training, and Interoperable Communications. Roll Call: All Ayes.

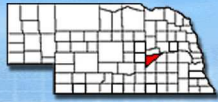
E-911 surcharges: Moved Graves, second Weller to set the E-911 surcharge rates at \$1.00. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Committees: Moved Kucera, second Weller to approve the committee appointments. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Boards: Moved Weller, second Carlson to approve the appointment of Board members to Boards. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Helgoth, second Kucera to approve the minutes of the December 26, 2017 meeting with the corrections of the pay increase for the County Clerk should be 107.5% (the dollar amount was correct) and to correct a name on the vote for 105% increase so the Ayes should have been Kreachbaum, Kucera, and Graves. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting reports: Weller attended the Central District Health meeting on January 8, 2018; Kreachbaum attended the Extension Board meeting for Kucera; Helgoth had a teleconference with Central Nebraska Community Action



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Partnership, Inc about health insurance for employees on January 3, 2018; Wiegert attended the Midland Area on Aging Executive Board meeting on the January 3 and on January 4, 2018 attended the Midland Area on Aging Board meeting.

Official reports: County Attorney Homolka received the Interlocal from Mike Powell on the Communications with Hamilton and she has a lot of questions so it is not ready for this Board. Homolka asked the Board to watch the legislative session because there are a lot of bills that will affect the County Attorney’s Office. They have advertised for the Truancy Monitor position and will be doing interviews soon. They will be advertising for the shared secretary position shortly. Clerk Wichmann told the Board that Dave Lewis had told her the hold up on the third floor remodel was because they are waiting for the State Fire Marshall to approve the plans.

Weed update & 2017-2018 Budget Report: Weed Superintendent Kevin Koziol gave the board an brief update on what he has been doing in the county and presented the Weed Budget Report for the NE Department of Agriculture for the Board approval and to have the Chairman sign it. Moved Weller, second Kucera, to approve the 2017-2018 Weed Budget Report for the NE Department of Agriculture and to have the Chairman sign it. Roll Call: All Ayes.

RESOLUTION 2018-2: Moved Carlson, second Graves to approve and to sign RESOLUTION 2018-2 giving the Weed Superintendent Koziol the authority to make the findings described in 2-955 (1) (b) and to issue and deliver individual notices pursuant to the Noxious Weed Control. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Liquor License: Moved Kucera, second Carlson to approve the Special Designated Liquor License for Prairie Creek Vineyards for the Merrick Medical Women’s night to be held February 27, 2018 at the Merrick County Youth and Agriculture Education Center. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Breast Feeding: County Attorney Homolka said that NIRMA does not feel it is necessary to put anything in the handbook regarding breast feeding but the County does need to make accommodations and all officials need to be aware of this. This needs to be a locked room and it cannot be a bathroom. Moved Kucera, second Weller to designate the breakroom as the lactation room and have the janitor install a lock on the breakroom door. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Board room chairs: The chairs for the board members are 30 years old and need to be replaced. Eakes Office Solutions dropped off 3 different chairs for the Board to try and Wiegert and Kreachbaum had looked at some at Office Max. The price range from Eakes was \$339.00 to \$405.17 and Office Max had a chair that some Board members liked for \$319.99 but would sell nine of them for \$249.99 each with a ten year warranty. Moved Weller, second Kucera to purchase the chairs from Office Max for \$249.99 each. Roll Call: Ayes: Kreachbaum, Graves, Carlson, Kucera, Weller, and Wiegert. Nays: Helgoth.

RESOLUTION 2018-1: Moved Kucera, second Helgoth to approve RESOLUTION 2018-1 setting the salaries that were approved by the County Board on December 26, 2017 for all elected officials for 2019-2022. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2018-1 is on file in the County Clerk’s Office for public viewing.

December 2017 fees: Moved Helgoth, second Weller to approve the December 2017 fees from the Sheriff, Clerk of District Court, and the County Clerk. Roll Call: All Ayes.

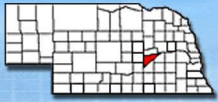
Moved Kucera, second Carlson to recess at 11:55 to go into Board of Equalization. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Kucera, second Graves to reconvene at 12:13 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

January 2018 claims: The January 2018 claims were presented to the Board for their approval:

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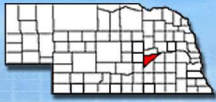
STEVE ADLER	CELL PHONE	\$	30.00
AEM BUSINESS CENTER	SUBSCRIPTIONS	\$	26.85
AMERICINN	LODGING	\$	1,373.90
ARDEN NITZ	SUPPLIES	\$	45.59
JAKE BAUER	CELL PHONE	\$	120.00
PAT BENSON	CELL PHONE	\$	120.00
BILL'S HOBBY SHOP	CAR REPAIR	\$	384.50
BLUE360 MEDIA	SUPPLIES	\$	67.25
BOB BARKER COMPANY, INC	SUPPLIES	\$	110.00
BRADLEY LAW OFFICE, PC	ATTORNEY FEES	\$	1,591.25
BUFFALO CO. SHERIFF	INMATE BOARD	\$	6,710.68
KENT CARLSON	MILEAGE	\$	77.04
CARTRIDGE WORLD	SUPPLIES	\$	119.95
CENTRAL CITY MALL	SUPPLIES	\$	11.38



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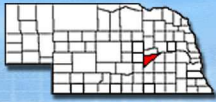
CENTRAL CITY MALL	PRISONER FOOD	\$	124.18
CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT	\$	2,307.10
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	\$	51.47
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	\$	131.94
CENTURYLINK	TELEPHONE	\$	249.36
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	UTILITIES	\$	2,725.77
CLARK & CURRY, P.C.	ATTORNEY FEES	\$	1,216.00
BEN CLOUSE	CELL PHONE	\$	120.00
CODY'S COMPUTER REPAIR SERVICE	SERVICE SUPPLY	\$	84.99
CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT COMPANY	L.E. TRAINING	\$	69.17
CULLIGAN	WATER SERVICE	\$	197.00
CUSTER CO SHERIFF	COURT COSTS	\$	18.50
	MEMBERSHIP		
CVSOAN TREASURER	DUE	\$	60.00
DAS STATE ACCTG-CENTRAL FINANCE	TECHNOLOGY FEE	\$	664.92
DEPT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES	PRISONER BOARD	\$	769.14
REINY DICKHAUT	CELL PHONE	\$	120.00
DYLAN DREHER	CELL PHONE	\$	120.00
MARK DREHER	CELL PHONE	\$	120.00
EAGLE COMMUNICATIONS	PHONE/INTERNET	\$	1,365.37
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$	156.45
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$	156.09
EAKES OFFICE PLUS/COCRT	SUPPLIES	\$	365.91
FARM & HOME PUBLISHERS LTD	PLAT BOOKS	\$	351.49
GREGG FERRIS	MILEAGE	\$	13.91
BRIAN FRIEDRICHSEN	MILEAGE	\$	67.41
GALLS, AN ARAMARK COMPANY	UNIFORMS	\$	158.97
LIZ GAMBLIN	MILEAGE	\$	33.71
DORIS GARRETT	RETIREMENT	\$	72.00
THERESA GOOD	MEALS	\$	14.32
GRAFTON LAW OFFICE	ATTORNEY FEES	\$	1,339.50
JIM L GRAVES	MILEAGE	\$	74.90
HALL COUNTY SHERIFF DEPT	COURT COSTS	\$	22.52
HALL COUNTY CORRECTIONS	INMATE BOARD	\$	165.00
HAMILTON CO SHERIFF	PRISONER BOARD	\$	90.00
DON HANNAPPEL	MILEAGE	\$	9.10
HEARTLAND DISPOSAL	TRASH DISPOSAL	\$	67.00
HOLIDAY INN OF KEARNEY	LODGING	\$	219.90
LYNELLE HOMOLKA	MISC EXPENSES	\$	152.29
HOST COFFEE SERVICE	PRISONER MEALS	\$	41.04
CINDIE HOSTLER	TRAVEL/MEALS	\$	187.15
JACKSON SERVICES	SERVICE SUPPLY	\$	173.33
JACKSON SERVICES	SERVICE SUPPLY	\$	230.85
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$	59.40
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$	26.00
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$	365.10



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JENSEN PUBLISHING/P&Z	PUBLICATION	\$	17.10
KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$	280.63
RUSSELL KREACHBAUM	MILEAGE	\$	83.78
LAQUINTA INNS & SUITES	LODGING	\$	529.80
LATIMER REPORTING	COURT EXPENSE	\$	64.75
LAURITSEN,BROWNELL,BROSTROM,STEHLIK	ATTORNEY FEES	\$	2,432.00
KENDRA LUTZ	MILEAGE	\$	77.04
LYNN PEAVY COMPANY	SUPPLIES	\$	107.00
GARY MATHIS	RETIREMENT	\$	168.00
MAYER, BURNS, KOENIG & JANULEWICZ	ATTORNEY FEES	\$	142.50
MCILNAY & CO	SUPPLIES	\$	323.70
STEVE MELVIN	MILEAGE	\$	150.66
MERRICK CO. CLERK	RECORDING FEES	\$	32.00
MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	TRANSFER FUNDS	\$	78,486.34
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	MISC EXPENSES	\$	496.37
MICHAEL MEYER	MILEAGE	\$	441.38
MURENA MEYER	RETIREMENT	\$	204.00
MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS, INC	IMAGING	\$	35.00
MID-NEBRASKA DISPOSAL, INC	TRASH DISPOSAL	\$	294.40
DARLENE MILLER	RETIREMENT	\$	192.00
MIPS INC.	SUPPORT	\$	3,390.75
MIPS INC.	SUPPLIES	\$	1,032.23
MPH INDUSTRIES, INC	EQUIPMENT	\$	2,466.60
NACO	REGISTRATION	\$	140.00
NANCE COUNTY TREASURER	EM SERVICES	\$	1,851.19
NE CLERKS OF DISTRICT COURT ASSN	2018 DUES	\$	50.00
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	INSTITUTIONS	\$	180.00
WELLS FARGO VENDOR FIN SERVICES	EQUIPMENT	\$	185.00
O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	CAR REPAIR	\$	32.40
OFFICENET	EQUIPMENT	\$	726.82
OFFICENET	EQUIPMENT	\$	191.51
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$	865.51
OFFICENET	SUPPLY/RENTAL	\$	378.74
OFFICENET,INC.	COPY PAPER	\$	847.81
PALSER SERVICE	CAR REPAIR	\$	17.00
JAN PLACKE	TRAVEL/MEALS	\$	459.70
STEVE PRITCHARD	MILEAGE	\$	46.98
PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS ASSN	REGISTRATION	\$	150.00
REGION III BEHAVIORIAL HEALTH SERV	SUPPORT	\$	4,996.50
TOM REIMERS	MEALS/TRAVEL	\$	246.46
LINDA RIBLETT	MILEAGE	\$	9.63
PAT ROBINSON	MILEAGE	\$	73.83
TAYLOR SAMEK	CELL PHONE	\$	120.00
SECRETARY OF STATE NOTARY DIVISION	NOTARY STAMP	\$	120.00
SEW & SEW	UNIFORMS	\$	47.50



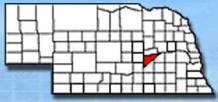
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SHAWN'S AUTO REPAIR,LLC	CAR REPAIR	\$ 197.69
STANARD APPRAISAL SERVICE, INC.	REAPPRAISAL	\$ 2,520.00
CHRIS STAROSTKA	MILEAGE	\$ 102.72
STROMSBURG SOFT WATER	SUPPLIES	\$ 47.00
TAMMY STUHR	TRAVEL/MEALS	\$ 128.31
SUPPLYWORKS	SUPPLIES	\$ 111.36
GLORIA TAGGE	RETIREMENT	\$ 156.00
THE THOMPSON CO	INMATE MEALS	\$ 1,141.90
THOMSON REUTERS-WEST	LAW LIBRARY	\$ 286.13
MELANIA J. THOMSON	RETIREMENT	\$ 168.00
STEPHEN R.W. TWISS	ANNUAL DUES	\$ 98.00
UNIVERSITY NEBRASKA LINCOLN	TRAINING FEE	\$ 175.00
UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA-LINCOLN	REGISTRATION	\$ 75.00
UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA-LINCOLN	REGISTRATION	\$ 152.00
VERIZON WIRELESS	PHONE/EQUIP	\$ 175.67
PINNACLE BANK-VISA	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 360.73
TOM WELLER	MILEAGE	\$ 78.12
JOHN WESTMAN	CELL PHONE	\$ 120.00
WEX BANK	FUEL	\$ 2,827.98
KELLY WICHMANN	MILEAGE	\$ 51.36
MARCIA WICHMANN	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 102.87
LYNN WIEGERT	MILEAGE	\$ 23.54
ROGER WIEGERT	MILEAGE	\$ 59.71
GRADY WRANEK	CELL PHONE	\$ 120.00
HERBERT W WURTZ	RETIREMENT	\$ 96.00
TOTAL		\$ 138,476.34

ROADS

ACE IRRIGATION & MFG., CO.	CULVERTS	\$ 8,850.96
AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.	FUEL	\$ 1,987.85
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	GAS SERVICE	\$ 114.66
BOMGAARS	REPAIR/SUPPLY	\$ 369.03
BOSSELMAN INC/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 1,529.89
DENNIS CATLETT	MILEAGE	\$ 88.49
CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 16.18
JAMES CEPLECHA	MILEAGE	\$ 25.68
CLARKS LUMBER CO./ROADS	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 79.39
EAKES OFFICE PLUS INC/ROADS	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 217.88
FAIRFIELD INN & SUITES	LODGING	\$ 219.90
FASTENAL CO	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 42.96
FILTER CARE	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 24.20
FRONTIER COOPERATIVE	FUEL	\$ 872.36
RANDY FUEHRER	MILEAGE	\$ 67.95
GILBARCO INC	FUEL	\$ 17.00
GROSSHANS, INC./ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 62.97
HAMILTON TELECOMMUNICATIONS	TELEPHONE	\$ 34.95



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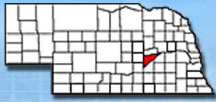


CHARLES P HAYS	RETIREMENT	\$ 60.00
LEA HAYS	RETIREMENT	\$ 252.00
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 49.50
JACKSON LINEN SERVICE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 98.40
JENSEN PUBLISHING/ROADS	PUBLICATION	\$ 134.33
JEO CONSULTING GROUP, INC	ENGINEER FEES	\$ 20,342.00
KEVIN KOZIOL	WEED CONTROL	\$ 210.00
MAINELLI WAGNER & ASSOCIATES, INC	ENGINEER FEES	\$ 2,632.50
MEDICAL ENTERPRISES, INC	D&A TESTING	\$ 93.00
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	ROAD-POSTAGE	\$ 13.91
MID-NEBRASKA DISPOSAL, INC	TRASH DISPOSAL	\$ 58.10
MIDWEST SERVICE & SALES CO.	MACHINERY	\$ 9,290.00
MIPS INC.	SUPPORT	\$ 124.68
NEBR. MACHINERY CO.	REPAIR/LABOR	\$ 231,333.88
NE MOTOR FUELS DIVISION	FUEL TAX	\$ 1,187.00
NEBR. PETERBILT - FORD	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 213.32
NE SAFETY CENTER	EDUCATION	\$ 350.00
LEE NEEL	UTILITIES	\$ 75.00
NETWORKFLEET, INC	TELEPHONE	\$ 284.25
NT&T/ROADS	TELEPHONE	\$ 54.00
O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	CAR REPAIR	\$ 8.99
OFFICENET	OFFICE EQUIP	\$ 42.74
OVERHEAD DOOR COMPANY	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 96.00
OVERLAND SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	\$ 7,784.11
PALMER SERVICE CENTER	TIRES/REPAIR	\$ 1,348.00
PALSER SERVICE/ROADS	TIRES/SUPPLIES	\$ 300.20
PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	RADIO EQUIP	\$ 25.00
POLK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT	AGREEMENT	\$ 375.00
POLK COUNTY RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	ELECTRICITY	\$ 68.93
JOHN E PROSOSKI	RETIRE/RENTAL	\$ 228.00
SAPP BROS. PETROLEUM	FUEL	\$ 1,601.34
SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	ELECTRICITY	\$ 565.28
TOOLS PLUS INDUSTRIES	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 112.53
TRAUSCH DYNAMICS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 1.24
VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN	ELECTRICITY	\$ 42.15
WELDON PARTS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 266.52
TOTAL		\$ 294,344.20

JUVENILE DIVERSION

JULIE BEYER	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 890.52
JORDANNE MCNEFF	TRAVEL/PHONE	\$ 65.52
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	JUVDIV-POSTAGE	\$ 9.44
VISTAPRINT NETHERLANDS B.V.	SUPPLIES	\$ 29.97
3RD MILLENNIUM CLASSROOMS	EDUCATION	\$ 360.00
TOTAL		\$ 1,355.45

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MPH INDUSTRIES, INC	EQUIPMENT	\$	1,233.30
TOTAL		\$	1,233.30

E911

CENTURYLINK	TELEPHONE	\$	217.96
CITY OF G.I. UTILITIES DEPT	ELECTRICITY	\$	2.82
EAGLE COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE	\$	273.15
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	TELEPHONE	\$	64.17
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE	\$	116.55
NNTC	E911 PHONE	\$	278.28
TOTAL		\$	952.93

COMMISSARY

COMBINED PUBLIC COMMUNICATION, LLC	COMMISSARY	\$	140.00
TOTAL		\$	140.00

4H BUILDING BOND

CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	\$	13.98
NEBRASKA STATE FIRE MARSHAL	INSPECTION	\$	310.00
SACK LUMBER	SUPPLIES	\$	16.76
SECURITY EQUIPMENT INC	MONITOR SRVC	\$	31.00
TOTAL		\$	371.74

Moved Kucera, second Graves to approve he January 2018 claims as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjourn: Moved Helgoth, second Kucera to adjourn at 12:14 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk