



# Merrick County Board Minutes



**September 11, 2018**

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, September 11, 2018 at 9:05 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Carlson, Kucera, Weller, Helgoth, Kreachbaum, 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 9:05 a.m.

**Convene:** Moved Carlson, second Graves to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:05 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

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

**Minutes:** Moved Kucera, second Weller to approve the minutes from August 28 and August 31, 2018 as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**Meeting reports:** Kucera thanked Sheriff John Westman and Chief Deputy Pat Benson for helping with the Special Olympics. Wiegert attended the Midland Area on Aging meeting on September 6, 2018.

**Official's reports:** Extension Educator Tammy Stuhr said that there will be around 200 kids at the 4H Building between the ages of three and six on Friday, September 14, 2018 and they will learn where their food comes from. On September 21, 2018 they will be teaching kids how to do things without electronic devices. Stuhr also thanked the Board for appointed Lori Cave to the Extension Board because she has been a valuable asset. Planning & Zoning Administrator Kay Lyons said people are trying to develop new areas. Lyons said there have been 66 permits issued so far. Assessor Placke said her office is reviewing commercial properties, Clark Lakes, and McHargue Lake. Placke said her office is fully staffed now with the return of Jen Myers and Christine Oliver. Sheriff Westman said he had gotten a new coffee maker, coffee pots, and coffee for free. Westman also reported that an inmate had fallen in the shower. The department is also doing a heavier patrol at the schools. County Attorney Homolka attended the County Attorney Conference planning in Kearney and they set the final agenda and went over pending and upcoming legislature. Homolka reported that truancy issues are picking up and they have eleven new drug court applicants.

**GIS Workshop change order:** Assessor Placke said she had contacted GIS and they said there would be no penalty to go back to standard support if they would want to if the data is in good shape. Moved Kucera, second Helgoth to approve and have the Chairman sign the Change Order for the GIS Workshop. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**Inventory:** Moved Graves, second Weller to approve the Assessor's 2018 inventory as submitted. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**Special Designated Liquor License:** Moved Kreachbaum, second Weller to approve and have the Chairman sign the Special Designated Liquor License for Banana Rams LLC for a wedding at Riverside Park Dance Pavilion on September 29, 2018. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**Water issues:** Ed Sweet said he has land in 23-15-5 and is having water issues on the land. He has a 80 acre pasture and there is water in it and is killing his pasture and causing other issues with his livestock. Sweet said that the water will sit in that pasture all winter because it does not drain off. Roads further west of his property have bigger culverts. There is a 48 inch culvert on 24<sup>th</sup> Road and a 24 inch culvert from Joe Carlson and he is getting that water also. He would like something done on the drainage. Sweet thought X Road was closed because there are trees growing in the road but it is not closed. Surveyor Meyer said that by his maps the water should drain off but it isn't.

**Back door entry/key cards:** Clerk Magistrate Pullen was asked why the key cards and system were under the care of a state employee and Pullen said the key card system was designed for the courts in 2005 and the County wanted to add it to the back door and the courts system had room so it was the back door was added.

**Budget hearing:** Moved Helgoth, second Kucera to open the budget hearing at 10:00 a.m. to hear support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations of taxpayers relating to the 2018-2019 fiscal year budget. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Kucera, second Graves to close the budget hearing at 10:01 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**Budget authority:** Moved Graves, second Kucera to approval an additional 1% budget authority increase for the 2018-2019 fiscal year budget. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**RESOLUTION 2018-9:** Moved Kucera, second Graves to approve and have the Chairman sign RESOLUTION 2018-9 determining a final allocation of levy authority to political subdivisions. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2018-9 is on file in the County Clerk's Office for public viewing.

**Final tax request:** Moved Kucera, second Helgoth to open the special hearing to set the final tax request for fiscal year 2018-2019 at 10:15 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Accountant Mitch Inman said the levy dropped by 1.3 cents and the



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officials he felt were managing resources very well. Moved Kucera, second Graves to close the hearing at 10:22 a.m.  
 Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Kucera, second Helgoth to set the final tax request at \$4,145,372.00 with a proposed 2018 tax rate of 0.224987. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**Township bill:** Moved Kucera, second Graves to approve of the payment for the publication bill for Vieregg Townships for their 2018-2019 budget and have it be paid from the Vieregg Township funds by the County Treasurer. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**August 2018 fees:** Moved Kucera, second Graves to approve of the August 2018 fees from the Sheriff, Clerk of District Court, and County Clerk. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**September 2018 claims:** The September, 2018 claims were submitted for approval:

## GENERAL

STEVE ADLER	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00
BAMFORD INC.	JAIL REPAIR	\$ 200.00
JAKE BAUER	CELL PHONE	\$ 120.00
PAT BENSON	CELL PHONE	\$ 120.00
	VEHICLE	
BILL'S HOBBY SHOP	REPAIR	\$ 76.95
BOB BARKER COMPANY, INC	JAIL SUPPLIES	\$ 218.29
	ATTORNEY	
BRADLEY LAW OFFICE, PC	FEES	\$ 1,824.00
	INMATE	
BUFFALO CO. SHERIFF	BOARD	\$ 9,527.11
BUTLER COUNTY SHERIFF	COURT COSTS	\$ 19.50
CARBON COUNTY	COURT COSTS	\$ 50.00
CHRIS CARLSEN	CELL PHONE	\$ 120.00
CENTRAL CITY MALL	FUEL	\$ 27.60
	PRISONER	
CENTRAL CITY MALL	FOOD	\$ 3.58
CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT	\$ 2,307.10
	ATTORNEY	
CENTRAL NEBRASKA ATTORNEYS PC LLO	FEES	\$ 532.00
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	\$ 18.85
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	\$ 32.99
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	CAR REPAIR	\$ 23.69
	E911 PHONE	
CENTURY LINK	SRV	\$ 282.12
	E911 PHONE	
CENTURYLINK	SRV	\$ 222.86
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	UTILITIES	\$ 3,690.56
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY	UTILITIES	\$ 2,633.73
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/CC	COURT COSTS	\$ 463.62
BEN CLOUSE	CELL PHONE	\$ 120.00
CODY'S COMPUTER REPAIR SERVICE	SUPPLIES	\$ 169.98
	WATER	
CULLIGAN	SERVICE	\$ 179.00
	TECHNOLOGY	
DAS STATE ACCTG-CENTRAL FINANCE	FEE	\$ 263.34
REINY DICKHAUT	CELL PHONE	\$ 120.00
TIM DIERKS	MEALS	\$ 5.36



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DYLAN DREHER	CELL PHONE	\$ 120.00
MARK DREHER	CELL PHONE	\$ 120.00
EAGLE COMMUNICATIONS	TELEPHONE	\$ 1,523.24
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	EQUIPMENT	\$ 87.58
EAKES OFFICE PLUS/COCRT	SUPPLIES	\$ 44.25
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	EQUIPMENT	\$ 8,250.00
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 65.97
ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING & EQUIPMENT	SUPPLIES	\$ 31.80
GARRETT TIRES & SERVICE	CAR REPAIR	\$ 469.55
GEO COMM CORP	EQUIPMENT	\$ 1,898.00
	ATTORNEY	
GRAFTON LAW OFFICE	FEES	\$ 1,976.00
GRAND ISLAND INDEPENDENT	SUBSCRIPTION	\$ 280.75
HAMILTON COUNTY TREASURER	COURT COSTS	\$ 994.97
HAPP PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 1,596.33
HEARTLAND DISPOSAL	TRASH SERVICE	\$ 67.00
LYNELLE HOMOLKA	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00
CINDIE HOSTLER	MILEAGE	\$ 32.65
	SUPPLY	
JACKSON SERVICES	SERVICE	\$ 157.88
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 448.77
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 79.20
KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 642.92
	ATTORNEY	
ROSS A LUZUM, ATTORNEY AT LAW	FEES	\$ 826.50
KAY LYONS	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 257.73
M & O DOOR PRODUCTS	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 191.13
BILL MACK	MILEAGE	\$ 21.69
MAILFINANCE	METER LEASE	\$ 811.98
KURT MANTONYA	MILEAGE	\$ 59.19
MCILNAY & CO	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 226.42
STEVE MELVIN	MILEAGE	\$ 160.33
	RECORDING	
MERRICK CO. CLERK	FEES	\$ 26.00
MERRICK CO. COURT	COURT COSTS	\$ 630.00
MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	TRANSFER	\$ 78,486.73
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 212.73
MICHAEL MEYER	SUPPLIES	\$ 49.17
MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS, INC	EQUIPMENT	\$ 35.00
MIDLAND AREA AGENCY ON AGING	SUPPORT	\$ 6,002.00
MIPS INC.	SUPPORT	\$ 3,353.54
MIPS INC.	SUPPLIES	\$ 268.72
MARIAH MORGAN	MILEAGE	\$ 41.42
JENNIFER MYERS	MILEAGE	\$ 119.90
NACO C/O JANET SHAUL	ANNUAL DUES	\$ 50.00



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NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	INSTITUTIONS	\$	186.00
NEBRASKA AIR FILTER, INC	SUPPLIES	\$	77.56
NSA/POSAN	REGISTRATION	\$	300.00
O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	CAR REPAIR	\$	50.64
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$	139.99
OFFICENET	EQUIPMENT	\$	79.67
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$	89.00
OFFICENET/P&Z	SUPPLIES	\$	165.98
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$	97.23
	PAPER		
OFFICENET,INC.	SUPPLIES	\$	853.45
PALSER SERVICE	CAR REPAIR	\$	35.00
JAN PLACKE	MILEAGE	\$	177.67
	ATTORNEY		
PORTO LAW OFFICE	FEES	\$	323.00
TAYLOR SAMEK	CELL PHONE	\$	120.00
SHRED MONSTER INC	SHREDDING	\$	39.00
SOFTWARE UNLIMITED CORPORATION	SUBSCRIPTION	\$	372.00
	COUNTY		
SOLT WAGNER FUNERAL HOME	BURIAL	\$	2,000.00
STATE OF NE NETWORK SERVICES	TELETYPE	\$	448.00
	ATTORNEY		
STEHLIK LAW FIRM PC, LLO	FEES	\$	7,509.75
TAMMY STUHR	MILEAGE	\$	142.24
SUM MORE FUN	SUPPLIES	\$	15.00
SUPPLYWORKS	SUPPLIES	\$	393.71
THE THOMPSON CO	SUPPLIES	\$	1,496.85
THOMSON REUTERS-WEST	LAW LIBRARY	\$	300.44
	ATTORNEY		
JAMES H TRUELL	FEES	\$	551.00
JOHNSON CONTROLS SECURITY			
SOLUTIONS	SECURITY SRVC	\$	1,307.00
U.S. BANK	EQUIPMENT	\$	76.08
VERIZON WIRELESS	TELEPHONE	\$	50.08
PINNACLE BANK-VISA	MISC EXPENSES	\$	530.34
PINNACLE BANK-VISA	MISC EXPENSES	\$	814.10
WELLS FARGO VENDOR FIN SERVICES	EQUIPMENT	\$	110.00
KARA WELLS	MILEAGE	\$	315.88
JOHN WESTMAN	CELL PHONE	\$	120.00
WEX BANK	FUEL	\$	3,799.21
MARCIA WICHMANN	TELEPHONE	\$	30.00
MARIAH WOOLSONCROFT	MILEAGE	\$	43.06
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>157,308.20</b>

## ROADS

ACE IRRIGATION & MFG., CO.	CULVERTS	\$	4,262.19
AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.	FUEL	\$	4,063.45
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	GAS SERVICE	\$	34.36





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BLACK HILLS ENERGY	GAS SERVICE	\$ 65.13
BOMGAARS	SUPPLIES	\$ 134.11
BOSSELMAN INC/ROADS	OIL & GREASE	\$ 2,464.82
CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/ROADS	SUPPLY/REPAIR	\$ 56.74
CENTRAL NE DISTRICT CO OFFICIALS	REGISTRATION	\$ 40.00
CLARKS LUMBER CO./ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 17.99
CONCRETE INDUSTRIES, INC	CULVERTS	\$ 39,735.25
DEL-RAY ALTERNATORS & STARTERS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 275.00
EAGLE COMMUNICATIONS	TELEPHONE	\$ 120.00
EAKES OFFICE PLUS INC/ROADS	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 51.43
FILTER CARE	SUPPLY/REPAIR	\$ 34.40
FIREGUARD, INC	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 1,970.22
FRONTIER COOPERATIVE	FUEL	\$ 701.75
GARY SMITH CONSTRUCTION CO. INC.	RESURFACING	\$ 279,254.91
GREEN LINE EQUIPMENT OF CC/ROADS	SUPPLY/REPAIR	\$ 207.59
GROSSHANS, INC./ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 21.64
HAMILTON TELECOMMUNICATIONS	TELEPHONE	\$ 34.95
HANSEN INTERNATIONAL TRUCK INC	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 232.64
HAPP PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 9.69
HERK'S WELDING SHOP	REPAIR/LABOR	\$ 370.08
INTERSTATE BATTERY SYSTEM	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 347.90
JACKSON SERVICE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 65.60
JEO CONSULTING GROUP, INC	ENGINEER FEES	\$ 2,250.00
KACO SUPPLIES	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 565.20
KRIZ-DAVIS CO	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 136.15
LCL TRUCK EQUIPMENT INC	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 86.64
	ROADS-	
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	POSTAGE	\$ 7.05
MICHAEL MEYER	MILEAGE	\$ 536.82
MID-NEBRASKA DISPOSAL, INC	TRASH SERVICE	\$ 58.10
MIDWEST SERVICE & SALES CO.	SIGNS/POSTS	\$ 366.00
MILLER & ASSOCIATES	ENGINEER FEES	\$ 8,400.00
MIPS INC.	SUPPORT	\$ 124.68
NE DEPT. OF ROADS	GRAVEL	\$ 2,730.00
NEBR. MACHINERY CO.	REPAIR/PHONE	\$ 624.42
LEE NEEL	UTILITIES	\$ 75.00
NETWORKFLEET, INC	TELEPHONE	\$ 284.25
NT&T/ROADS	TELEPHONE	\$ 52.82
O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	REPAIR	\$ 58.30
OFFICENET	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 67.87
OVERLAND SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	\$ 32,274.93
PALMER SERVICE CENTER	FUEL	\$ 1,156.80
PALSER SERVICE/ROADS	TIRE REPAIR	\$ 55.00
POLK COUNTY RURAL PUBLIC POWER		
DIST	ELECTRICITY	\$ 36.43
JOHN E PROSOSKI	LAND RENTAL	\$ 120.00



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SACK LUMBER CO./ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$	102.99
SAPP BROS. PETROLEUM	FUEL	\$	4,325.78
SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	ELECTRICITY	\$	504.30
VERIZON WIRELESS	EQUIPMENT	\$	126.43
VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN	ELECTRICITY	\$	42.15
WELDON PARTS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$	148.80
XEROX CORPORATION	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$	109.31
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>389,998.06</b>

## JUVENILE DIVERSION

ALISON ANDERSON DESIGN	LOGO DESIGN	\$	200.00
KENDRA LUTZ	MISC EXPENSES	\$	95.84
JORDANNE MCNEFF	MISC EXPENSES	\$	66.19
	JUVDIV-		
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	POSTAGE	\$	5.17
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$	74.91
3RD MILLENNIUM CLASSROOMS	EDUCATION	\$	120.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>562.11</b>

## E 911 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

EAGLE COMMUNICATIONS	TELEPHONE	\$	154.74
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE	\$	64.17
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	TELEPHONE	\$	22.00
	E911 PHONE		
VERIZON WIRELESS	SRV	\$	1,109.69
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>1,350.60</b>

## E911 WIRELESS SERVICE

	E911 PHONE		
HAMILTON COUNTY TREASURER	SRV	\$	4,052.98
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>4,052.98</b>

## COMMISSARY FUND

BOB BARKER COMPANY, INC	COMMISSARY	\$	334.78
ENCARTELE	COMMISSARY	\$	160.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>494.78</b>

## 4H BUILDING BOND FUND

NE HEATING & AIR	SUPPLIES	\$	175.78
SECURITY EQUIPMENT INC	SECURITY	\$	62.00
THE THOMPSON CO	SUPPLIES	\$	432.71
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>670.49</b>

Moved Kucera, second Helgoth to approve the September 2018 claims as submitted. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**Adjourn:** Moved Helgoth, second Kucera, to adjourn at 11:35a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk