



Merrick County Board Minutes



October 8, 2019

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at 9:05 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Kucera, Kreachbaum, Dexter, Yrkoski, Placke, Weller, and Wiegert present. County Attorney 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.

Moved Kucera, second Kreachbaum to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:08 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

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

Minutes: Moved Kucera, second Dexter to approve the minutes of the September 24, 2019 as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meetings: Dexter, Placke, Kucera, and Wiegert attended the NIRMA conference in York, NE on October 3rd and 4th, 2019; Yrkoski attended the NIRMA conference in York, NE on October 3 and Merrick County was presented a dividend check for \$9,914.00 and half will go into the General Fund and the other half will go into the Road Fund; Placke attended the Senior Center Meeting on October 7, 2019 and Wiegert attended the NRD meeting on September 26, 2019.

Official's reports: Tom Reimers, Veteran Service Officer said that Mike Reeves five year term has expired and his name is being resubmitted for the County Board's approval. Moved Placke, second Dexter to approve Mike Reeves for another five year term. Roll Call: All Ayes. Reimers said that on his quarterly report is shows he helped 53 veterans this quarter, had two new veterans that applied for benefits and the Veteran's Relief Fund has \$7,523.26 in it. It is estimated that there are 626 veterans in Merrick County and there is a study projecting a loss of 24.9% by 2025. Assessor Myers said her office is doing pick up work now, so if anyone gets any calls they can tell them why they are seeing a vehicle with Assessor's plaques on it. Myers told the Board that there are certain classes that have to be taken by certificate holders. She is having her staff take classes so that what they are doing in the field will make more sense. County Clerk Wichmann attended the NIRMA conference on October 3rd and 4th, 2019.

Maximus: Moved Kreachbaum, second Yrkoski to approve and have the Chairman sign the Title 2 of the CFR, Part 200 Certification of Cost Allocation Plan from Maximus for the County wide Cost Allocation Plan based on actual costs for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018.

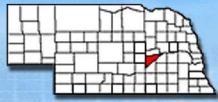
RESOLUTION 2019-24: Moved Kucera, second Kreachbaum to approve and sign RESOLUTION 2019-24 setting the tax levies for fiscal year 2019-2020. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2019-24 is on file in the County Clerk's Office for public viewing.

Sick time donation: Highway Superintendent Meyer said that Chris Huston had to have surgery and has exhausted all of his sick and comp time. Huston is thinking he will have to be absent from work maybe for two more weeks. Ted Dexter, Kris Erickson, Randy Fuehrer, and Jim Wilson would like to donate some of their sick time to him. Moved Weller, second Kucera to approve Ted Dexter, Kris Erickson, Randy Fuehrer, and Jim Wilson donating sick time to Chris Huston. Roll Call: All Ayes.

RESOLUTION 2019-25: Moved Placke, second Kucera to approve signing RESOLUTION 2019-25 for Environmental Services Agreement – BK1701 Supplemental Agreement No. 1 for the Palmer, Northwest Road Project. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Midland Township Board: Moved Yrkoski, second Dexter to appoint Brandon McNeff and Trent Van Pelt to the Midland Township Board. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Legal Shield: Ann Giebler with Legal Shield, said there are two separate plans, a legal plan and an identity theft plan. These plans can be bundled and they are portable so if an employee retires they can take the plan with them. The rates are locked in and can be payroll deductible or self-pay. They offer a family plan and an individual plan. Both plans have mobile apps that can be used. Legal Shield covers more for less money when



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compared to Life Lock. Moved Kucera, second Yrkoski to have Ann Giebler with Legal Shield meet with the employees to present what Legal Shield has to offer. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Executive session: Moved Kucera, second Dexter to go into executive session at 10:30 a.m. for an update regarding strategy of pending litigation. County Attorney Homolka was not ready to have an executive session. Moved Kucera, second Kreachbaum to retract motion made by Kucera and seconded by Dexter to go into executive session. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Paton Heusinkvelt introduced himself as the territory sales manager for Murphy Tractor and Equipment.

Motor grader bids: Moved Kucera, second Kreachbaum to open the hearing to open bids for a motor grader at 10:30 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Highway Superintendent Meyer open the bids for a new 2019 articulated motor grader. The first bid was from Nebraska Machinery Co., Doniphan, NE: for a 2019 articulated motor grader bid was \$258,250.00, trade for 1998 Caterpillar 12H S/N 4XM1656 for \$30,000.00 for a total bid of \$228,250.00. They also have a \$10,000.00 parts or service credit making bid at \$218,250.00 and they have the machine in stock and is subject to availability. Second bid was from Murphy Tractor & Equipment Co., Grand Island, NE: for a 2019 articulated motor grader bid was for a 770: \$259,250.00 with a \$40,000.00 trade in for a 1998 Caterpillar 12H S/N 4XM1656 for a total bid of \$219,250.00 with a delivery date of 45 to 60 days, a for a 670 bid of \$247,400.00 with trade in for a 1998 Caterpillar 12H S/N 4XM1656 of \$40,000.00 for a total bid of \$207,400.00 with a delivery date of 45 to 60 days. Murphy Tractor offers a 7 year 7000 hours warranty on the John Deere machines. These machines have dual joy stick with a steering wheel in the middle. The filters are all on one side except for the air filter which is on the top on the opposite side. It has an 8 speed transmission and both machines are turbo charge. The 770 horsepower is 190 to 255 and the 670 is 170 to 235. The Nebraska Machinery CAT has a 9.3 liter engine and is a 12M3 which is the same as three that the County already has. They offer a 5 year 5000 hour warranty. There is no expiration date on the \$10,000.00 parts or service credit. The CAT horsepower is 179 to 231. Moved Weller to go with the bid for the John Deere 670. Weller said to rescind his motion. Moved Weller, second Kucera to go with the bid for the John Deere 770 for \$259,250.00 minus the trade in of a 1998 Caterpillar 12H S/N 4XM1656 for \$40,000.00 for a total bid of \$219,250.00. Roll Call: Ayes: Dexter, Placke, Yrkoski, Placke, and Weller. Nays: Kreachbaum and Wiegert.

NIRMA ASSIST grant: Dexter said there needs to be defibrillators at 4H Building and thought that the County could apply for the NIRMA ASSIST Grant to help pay for them. Moved Dexter, second Kucera to apply for the NIRMA ASSIST Grant for defibrillators and cabinets for the 4H Building.

WiFi: Eagle Communications, Jocelyn Boruch, Mike Doerfler, and James Miller presented two quotes to the County Board for public WiFi for the Courthouse. They presented an option for the County to out-right purchase the equipment and with that option once installed there would be no support if something would go wrong and the second option of a monthly payment plan of \$123.49 for 5 years and if something would go wrong Eagle Communications would support. This would include secure WiFi for Juvenile Diversion and the Courtroom and public WiFi for the hallways on all floors. Moved Kucera, second Kreachbaum to go with the 60 month contract with Eagle Communications for \$123.49 each month for WiFi. Roll Call: All Ayes.

October 2019 claims: The October 2019 claims were submitted for approval:

GENERAL

STEVE ADLER	CELL PHONE	\$	60.00
APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES	SECURITY	\$	75.00
BILL'S HOBBY SHOP	CAR REPAIR	\$	421.95
BLAUHORN LAW PC	ATTORNEY FEES	\$	1,102.00
BOB BARKER COMPANY, INC	SUPPLIES	\$	9.87
BRYAN HEALTH	PRISONER CARE	\$	439.00
BRYAN HEART	PRISONER CARE	\$	25.00
BUFFALO CO. SHERIFF	BOARDING COSTS	\$	11,301.68
BUTLER COUNTY DETENTION CENTER	BOARDING COSTS	\$	1,620.00
CENTRAL CITY MALL	FUEL	\$	24.77



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CENTRAL CITY MALL	SUPPLIES	\$ 115.34
CENTRAL CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY	SUPPORT	\$ 7,000.00
CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT	\$ 4,756.80
CENTRAL NE CREMATION & MORTUARY	CORONER	\$ 500.00
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	\$ 75.63
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	\$ 4.58
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	UTILITIES	\$ 2,844.62
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY	UTILITIES	\$ 1,523.40
CLARKS PUBLIC LIBRARY	SUPPORT	\$ 1,000.00
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/CC	COURT COSTS	\$ 440.45
CODY'S COMPUTER REPAIR SERVICE	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 482.94
COMFORT INN (NE046)	LODGING	\$ 297.00
CULLIGAN	OFFICE WATER	\$ 228.00
D & M SECURITY	MAINTENANCE	\$ 134.00
DAS STATE ACCTG-CENTRAL FINANCE	TECHNOLOGY FEE	\$ 216.92
DAVID CITY DISCOUNT PHARMACY	MEDICATION	\$ 85.33
DEPT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES	BOARDING COSTS	\$ 2,290.68
DEPARTMENT OF PATHOLOGY	CORONER	\$ 307.00
JANICE DICK	MILEAGE	\$ 21.05
DOUGLAS CO SHERIFF	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 21.44
EAGLE BROADBAND	INTERNET/PHONE	\$ 1,364.11
EAGLE COMMUNICATIONS	TELEPHONE	\$ 29.24
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 102.55
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 39.53
EAKES OFFICE PLUS/COCRT	SUPPLIES	\$ 12.96
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 72.46
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 66.25
ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	BALLOT PRODUCT	\$ 1,047.34
ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS,INC	INSPECTION	\$ 75.00
GARRETT TIRES & SERVICE	CAR REPAIR	\$ 657.27
GEMBALA COURT REPORTING	WITNESS FEES	\$ 87.50
SHARON GILG	MILEAGE	\$ 215.53
GRAFTON LAW OFFICE	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 1,149.50
HEARTLAND DISPOSAL	TRASH DISPOSAL	\$ 347.21
LYNELLE HOMOLKA	TRAVEL/PHONE	\$ 161.19
CINDIE HOSTLER	MILEAGE	\$ 63.45
JACKSON SERVICES	SERVICE SUPPLY	\$ 155.48
JACKSON SERVICES	SERVICE SUPPLY	\$ 247.26
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 190.95
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 51.81
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 443.52
JENSEN PUBLISHING	SUPPLIES	\$ 223.26
JUVENILE DIVERSION FUND	SUPPORT	\$ 16,000.00
BRIAN KLUCK	MH HEARING	\$ 389.11
KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 204.95



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LEEANN KUCERA	MEALS/MILEAGE	\$	159.08
MARY LIVINGSTON	MH HEARING	\$	501.33
KAY LYONS	MILEAGE/PHONE	\$	33.54
MARVIN PLANNING CONSULTANTS	CONSULTING FEE	\$	200.00
STEVE MELVIN	MILEAGE	\$	6.38
MERRICK CO. CLERK	RECORDING FEES	\$	36.00
MERRICK CO. COURT	COURT COSTS	\$	489.00
MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	TRANSFER FUNDS	\$	79,091.07
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	MISC EXPENSES	\$	135.30
MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS, INC	IMAGING	\$	35.00
MID NEBR. INDIVIDUAL SERVICES	SUPPORT	\$	7,845.00
MID-NEBRASKA DISPOSAL, INC	TRASH DISPOSAL	\$	151.00
MIDLAND AREA AGENCY ON AGING	SUPPORT	\$	6,002.00
MIPS INC.	SUPPORT	\$	3,366.81
MARIAH MORGAN	MILEAGE	\$	22.04
MURPHY'S EXTERMINATING, INC	PEST CONTROL	\$	150.00
JENNIFER MYERS	MILEAGE/PHONE	\$	245.76
NACO C/O JANET SHAUL	2020 DUES	\$	50.00
NACO	REGISTRATION	\$	375.00
NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	WORKSHOP	\$	535.00
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	INSTITUTIONS	\$	465.00
NE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING CENTER	LE TRAINING	\$	156.00
NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB	D & A TESTING	\$	27.39
NEBRASKA AIR FILTER, INC	FILTERS	\$	143.23
NNTC	E911 PHONE SRV	\$	140.14
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$	215.91
OFFICENET	EQUIPMENT	\$	84.32
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$	237.21
OFFICENET	EQUIP RENTAL	\$	209.87
PALMER JOURNAL	PUBLICATION	\$	63.00
PALMER PUBLIC LIBRARY	SUPPORT	\$	1,000.00
PALSER SERVICE	CAR REPAIR	\$	18.00
PINNACLE BANK CC	SUPPLIES	\$	464.70
JAN PLACKE	TRAVEL/LODGING	\$	189.67
PLATTE CO SHERIFF	COURT COSTS	\$	19.00
PORTO LAW OFFICE	ATTORNEY FEES	\$	1,273.00
PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS ASSOC OF NE	EDUCATION	\$	175.00
DENISE PULLEN	MILEAGE	\$	57.07
RAMADA INN	LODGING	\$	237.00
TOM REIMERS	MEALS/MILEAGE	\$	111.79
DEBRA ROBINSON	MH HEARING	\$	237.50
ROWLEY LAW LLC	ATTORNEY FEES	\$	1,891.50
SHARON SCHULZE	MILEAGE/MEALS	\$	121.59
SEILER INSTRUMENT	EQUIP RENTAL	\$	750.00



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MANUFACTURING, INC

SILVER CREEK TOWNSHIP LIBRARY	SUPPORT	\$ 1,000.00
SHERRY SIWINSKI	MILEAGE	\$ 8.70
STATE OF NE NETWORK SERVICES	TELETYPE	\$ 448.00
STEHLIK LAW FIRM PC, LLO	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 5,010.30
TAMMY STUHR	TRAVEL EXPENSE	\$ 356.49
THOMSON REUTERS-WEST	LAW LIBRARY	\$ 358.05
TOTAL AUTO BODY	CAR REPAIR	\$ 250.00
TROUBA LAW OFFICE	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 1,016.50
JAMES H TRUELL	MH HEARING	\$ 359.64
U.S. BANK	SUPPORT	\$ 1,480.59
U.S. POSTAL SERVICE (NEOPOST)	POSTAGE	\$ 15,000.00
UNL PRINT & COPY SERVICES	SUPPLIES	\$ 294.04
PINNACLE BANK-VISA	SUPPLIES/DUES	\$ 1,455.94
PINNACLE BANK-VISA	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 43.40
ANGELA WELLER KOSMICKI	MILEAGE	\$ 174.46
WELLS FARGO VENDOR FIN SERVICES	EQUIPMENT	\$ 110.00
KARA WELLS	MILEAGE	\$ 132.36
WEX BANK	FUEL/TRANSPORT	\$ 3,196.00
MARCIA WICHMANN	MILEAGE	\$ 148.13
ROGER WIEGERT	MILEAGE	\$ 33.17
WOODS & AITKEN LLP	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 2,157.10
TOTAL		\$ 201,571.95

ROADS

ACE IRRIGATION & MFG., CO.	CULVERTS	\$ 11,912.40
AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.	DIESEL	\$ 3,510.30
BAUER BUILT	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 265.00
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	GAS SERVICE	\$ 33.67
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	GAS SERVICE	\$ 61.87
BOMGAARS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 268.23
BOSSELMAN INC/ROADS	OIL & GREASE	\$ 1,676.85
CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/ROADS	REPAIR/SUPPLY	\$ 445.08
CENTRAL SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	\$ 11,787.99
COMMERCIAL INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY CO	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 126.61
DEPOT CUSTOMS	REPAIR	\$ 117.84
EAKES OFFICE PLUS INC/ROADS	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 25.92
FILTER CARE	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 24.00
FRONTIER COOPERATIVE	DIESEL	\$ 1,217.98
GREEN LINE EQUIPMENT OF CC/ROADS	REPAIR	\$ 30.62
GROSSHANS, INC./ROADS	TIRES	\$ 1,067.50
HAMILTON TELECOMMUNICATIONS	TELEPHONE	\$ 34.95
HANSEN INTERNATIONAL TRUCK INC	REPAIR	\$ 180.05
BUCKY HERMAN	LAND RENTAL	\$ 120.00
HUSKER AUTO GROUP	VEHICLE	\$ 30,465.00
CHRIS HUSTON	MILEAGE	\$ 41.76



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ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$	61.95
JACKSON SERVICE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$	68.48
JENSEN PUBLISHING/ROADS	PUBLICATION	\$	120.60
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	ROADS-POSTAGE	\$	14.65
MICHAEL MEYER	MILEAGE	\$	426.30
MID-NEBRASKA DISPOSAL, INC	TRASH DISPOSAL	\$	58.10
MIPS INC.	SUPPORT	\$	124.68
NACO	REGISTRATION	\$	125.00
NE DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION	ENGINEER FEES	\$	4,260.11
NEBR. MACHINERY CO.	REPAIR	\$	2,774.38
NE MOTOR FUELS DIVISION	FUEL TAX	\$	1,620.00
LEE NEEL	UTILITIES	\$	75.00
NT&T/SHOP	TELEPHONE	\$	66.94
O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	REPAIR	\$	100.75
OFFICENET	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$	116.16
OVERLAND SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	\$	11,528.88
PALMER SERVICE CENTER	TIRES/DIESEL	\$	1,437.40
PALSER SERVICE/ROADS	TIRE REPAIR	\$	494.75
PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	RADIO EQUIP	\$	2,320.36
POLK COUNTY RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	ELECTRICITY	\$	36.95
RDO TRUCK CENTER COMPANY	EQUIP REPAIR	\$	1,260.62
SAPP BROS. PETROLEUM	FUEL	\$	21,721.94
SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	ELECTRICITY	\$	513.08
VERIZON CONNECT NWF, INC	TELEPHONE	\$	220.29
VERIZON WIRELESS	PHONE/EQUIP	\$	129.31
VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN	ELECTRICITY	\$	42.55
VONTZ PAVING INC	GRAVEL	\$	36,834.60
WELDON PARTS	REPAIR	\$	641.43
XEROX CORPORATION	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$	120.23
TOTAL		\$	150,729.11

JUVENILE DIVERSION

KENDRA LUTZ	PHONE/MILEAGE	\$	138.69
JORDANNE MCNEFF	PHONE/TRAVEL	\$	50.30
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	JUVDIV-POSTAGE	\$	0.50
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$	33.03
TOTAL		\$	222.52

STOP FUND

W.W. GRAINGER, INC	SUPPLIES	\$	613.00
TOTAL		\$	613.00

ADULT DRUG COURT FUND

CARRIE RODRIGUEZ-CPO	SUPPLIES	\$	33.98
TOTAL		\$	33.98

K-9

COUNTRYSIDE VETERINARY CLINIC	K-9 CARE	\$	163.87
TOTAL		\$	163.87



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E911 EMERGENCY MGMT FUND

CENTURY LINK	E911 PHONE SRV	\$	272.40
CENTURYLINK	E911 PHONE SRV	\$	223.02
CITY OF G.I. UTILITIES DEPT	UTILITIES	\$	12.00
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE SRV	\$	64.17
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE SRV	\$	102.55
VERIZON WIRELESS	E911 PHONE SRV	\$	400.10
TOTAL		\$	1,074.24

COMMISSARY FUND

ENCARTELE	COMMISSARY	\$	160.00
TOTAL		\$	160.00

4-H BUILDING BOND FUND

ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS,INC	INSPECTION	\$	75.00
SECURITY EQUIPMENT INC	SECURITY	\$	32.00
TOTAL		\$	107.00

Moved Kreachbaum, second Dexter to approve the October 2019 claims as submitted. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Fees: The September 2019 fees from the Sheriff, Clerk of District Court, and County Clerk were submitted for approval. Moved Kreachbaum, second Dexter to approve and sign the September 2019 fees from the Sheriff, Clerk of District Court, and the County Clerk. Roll Call. All Ayes.

Adjourn: Moved Kreachbaum, second Kucera to adjourn at 12:51 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk