



# Merrick County Board Minutes



**February 11, 2020**

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, February 11 at 9:15 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Kucera, Yrkoski, Placke, Dexter, Kreachbaum, 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 9:15 a.m.

Moved Kucera, second Kreachbaum to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:15 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

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

**Minutes:** Moved Dexter, second Weller to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2020 as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**Meeting reports:** Dexter attended the SCEDD meeting January 30, 2020 and the movie Foster on Sunday, February 9, 2020; Placke attended the Senior Center meeting on February 4, 2020; Placke, Yrkoski, and Wiegert attended the movie Foster on February 9, 2020; Kucera attended the Extension Board meeting on January 30, 2020 and Wiegert attended a public hearing in Hamilton County about wind turbines on February 2, 2020 and Midland Area on Aging meeting on February 6, 2020 in Hastings.

**Official's reports:** Assessor Myer told the Board that she had contacted the Department of Revenue to ask about the closing of the Chapman School and was told that on the State Board of Education set boundaries and that she should forward any questions to the State Board of Education or seek legal counsel. Attorney Homolka said there were a couple of bills before legislature that she was interested in and one was on appropriation funding to child advocacy. Homolka said that bill was backed by herself and Sheriff Westman.

**Keith Marvin:** Planning & Zoning Administrator Lyons said that the discussion with Keith Marvin about nuisance policies has been put on hold. Moved Kucera, second Kreachbaum to table the discussion with Keith Marvin until the next board meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**Resolution 2020-6:** Lynn Wiegert, Pat Robinson, and David Miller were present representing the Planning & Zoning Board. Wiegert and Robinson both recommended the County Board vote for a 180 day moratorium so they can look over their wind regulations and permits. Planning & Zoning said they would like to form a subcommittee to gather information from other counties to educate themselves. They want what is the best interest for Merrick County and be fair and consistent with other counties. Merrick County has not received any applications at this time. The Planning Commission would like to update the regulations. Moved Placke, second Dexter to approve and have the Chairman sign RESOLUTION 2020-6 adopting a moratorium on accepting any applications or permits for new small and/or commercial/utility grade wind energy systems. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2020-6 is on file in the County Clerk's Office for public viewing.

**One and Six:** Highway Superintendent Meyer went over the One and Six Year Project Plan for 2020 and maintenance work planned for 2020 with the County Board and Township representatives. Meyer said the hearing for the One & Six will be at the next Board meeting on Tuesday, February 25, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

**Roads/Streets Closing:** Highway Superintendent Meyer said that there was a request to close the street/roads in Burckfield Place which is north of Central City. The road runs through Tom Reimers' property. Meyer said the City of Central City has closed their portion already. Meyer said he could contact the land owners and have a hearing, but needs the Board to direct him to start the process. Moved Kucera, second Yrkoski directing Highway Superintendent Meyer to begin the proceedings to close street/roads in Burckfield Place, Central City, NE. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**Audit agreement:** Moved Kucera, second Placke to approve and sign the audit agreement with the State Auditors for the 2018-2019 audit of the County. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**Special Designated Liquor License:** Moved Kreachbaum, second Kucera to approve and have the Chairman sign the Special Designated Liquor License for Prairie Creek Vineyard for the Ladies Night Reception at the 4-H Building on March 9, 2020. Roll Call: All Ayes.



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**Resolution 2020-3:** Moved Kreachbaum, second Kucera to approve and have the Chairman sign RESOLUTION 2020-3 authorizing the Treasurer to transfer \$400,000.00 from the Inheritance Fund to the General Fund to cover expenses. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2020-3 is on file in the County Clerk's Office for public viewing.

**4-H Building Rental Contract:** Kreachbaum said the \$50,000.00 medical insurance that is required for someone to rent the 4-H Building is unobtainable. NIRMA was contacted and said it could be lower to \$5,000.00. Kucera recommended that the medical insurance be lowered to \$5,000.00. Moved Weller, second Yrkoski to lower the medical insurance requirement on the 4H Building rental contract to \$5,000.00. Roll Call: Ayes: Kreachbaum, Placke, Yrkoski, Weller, Dexter, and Wiegert. Nays: None. Abstain: Kucera.

**County Handbook:** County Attorney Homolka went over more updates for the County Handbook with the Board. She will email a copy of the updated handbook to the Board and they can look it over. Moved Weller, second Placke to table the approval of the County Handbook till the next meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**February 2020 claims:** The February 2020 claims were presented for approval.

## GENERAL

STEVE ADLER	CELL PHONE	\$	30.00
ANIMAL HEALTH INTERNATIONAL	SUPPLIES	\$	555.00
APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES	CONTRACT SRVC	\$	3,600.00
BAMFORD INC.	INSPECTION	\$	350.00
JARED BEHRENS	COURT COSTS	\$	121.20
JULIE L BELLIS	COURT COSTS	\$	769.25
BILL'S HOBBY SHOP	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$	138.40
BRADLEY LAW OFFICE, PC	COURT COSTS	\$	3,401.00
JESS BRANDES	MILEAGE	\$	13.46
BUFFALO CO. SHERIFF	BOARDING COSTS	\$	3,610.70
BUTLER COUNTY CLINIC PC	PRISONER CARE	\$	220.00
BUTLER COUNTY DETENTION CENTER	BOARDING COSTS	\$	8,055.00
LORI CAVE	MILEAGE	\$	28.52
CENTRAL CITY MALL	SUPPLIES	\$	11.38
CENTRAL CITY MALL	SUPPLIES	\$	11.38
CENTRAL CITY MALL	PRISONER MEDS	\$	6.58
CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT	\$	2,378.40
CENTRAL PLUMBING LLC	BLDG REPAIR	\$	85.00
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	\$	365.75
CIOX HEALTH	COURT EXPENSE	\$	20.00
CITIZENS BANK & TRUST COMPANY	BOX RENTAL	\$	8.00
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ MINI BUS	MINI-BUS	\$	432.75
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	UTILITIES	\$	3,478.47
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY	UTILITIES	\$	2,094.98
CODY'S COMPUTER REPAIR SERVICE	SUPPLY/LABOR	\$	3,109.90
COPYCAT PRINTING	SUPPLIES	\$	194.14
CULLIGAN OF GRAND ISLAND	WATER SERVICE	\$	230.50
CVOSAN/TOM REIMERS	REGISTRATION	\$	60.00
DANA F COLE & COMPANY	BUDGET ASSIST	\$	1,000.00
DAS STATE ACCTG-CENTRAL FINANCE	TECHNOLOGY FEE	\$	203.92
EAGLE BROADBAND INVESTMENTS,	PHONE/INTERNET	\$	1,695.51



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LLC			
EAGLE BROADBAND INVESTMENTS			
LLC	IT SECURITY	\$	123.49
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$	7.79
EAKES OFFICE PLUS/COCRT	SUPPLIES	\$	308.22
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$	52.46
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$	39.79
TRISHA FATE-STROBEL	MILEAGE	\$	86.71
FRIESEN FORD	CAR REPAIR	\$	37.80
GALLS, AN ARAMARK COMPANY	EQUIPMENT	\$	268.30
GARRETT TIRES & SERVICE	CAR REPAIR	\$	692.67
GEO COMM CORP	EQUIP RENTAL	\$	1,050.00
SHARON GILG	CELL PHONE	\$	30.00
LINDA GILSON	MILEAGE	\$	2.53
STACIE GODING	ATTORNEY FEES	\$	210.00
GRAFTON LAW OFFICE	ATTORNEY FEES	\$	6,107.95
HEARTLAND DISPOSAL	TRASH DISPOSAL	\$	192.00
LYNELLE HOMOLKA	PHONE/MILEAGE	\$	157.89
HOST COFFEE SERVICE	SUPPLIES	\$	27.38
CINDIE HOSTLER	MILEAGE	\$	109.60
SHANDELL HULL	MILEAGE	\$	2.53
JACKSON SERVICES	SERVICE SUPPLY	\$	150.27
JACKSON SERVICES	SERVICE SUPPLY	\$	274.88
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$	8.29
JENSEN PUBLISHING INC	PUBICATION	\$	160.80
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$	28.50
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$	182.25
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$	372.37
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$	229.50
JENSEN PUBLISHING	SUBSCRIPTION	\$	31.00
JOHNSON CONTROLS SECURITY			
SOLUTIONS	SERURITY SRVC	\$	500.00
COUNTY COURT JURY	JURY DUTY	\$	890.88
KBL CONSTRUCTION INC	BLDG REPAIR	\$	885.47
KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS			
SOLUTIONS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$	353.52
THOMAS A LUEDTKE, DDS, PC	PRISONER CARE	\$	170.00
KAY LYONS	MILEAGE	\$	18.86
CASSIE A MARUSKA	COURT COSTS	\$	20.00
MARVIN PLANNING CONSULTANTS	CONSULTATION	\$	400.00
MCILNAY & CO	BLDG REPAIR	\$	189.97
STEVE MELVIN	MILEAGE	\$	176.41
MERRICK CO. COURT	COURT COSTS	\$	467.00
MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	TRANSFER FUNDS	\$	110,341.07
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	MISC EXPENSES	\$	542.79
MIDSTATES ORGANIZED CRIME INFO	MEMBERSHIP FEE	\$	100.00



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MIPS INC.	DC JURY LIST	\$	315.50
MIPS INC.	SUPPLIES	\$	309.51
MIPS INC.	SUPPORT	\$	3,372.81
MIPS INC.	SUPPLIES	\$	63.88
ADAM MOORE	COURT COSTS	\$	117.06
JENNIFER MYERS	MILEAGE/PHONE	\$	258.28
NACEB	REGISTRATION	\$	50.00
NACO-CENTRAL DISTRICT	REGISTRATION	\$	400.00
NANCE COUNTY TREASURER	EM EXPENSES	\$	5,481.68
NE ASSOC OF CO ENGINEERS/HWY/SURVEY	2020 DUES	\$	50.00
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	INSTITUTIONS	\$	807.00
NEBRASKA STATE FIRE MARSHAL	INSPECTION	\$	120.00
NE WEED CONTROL ASSOC REGION 4	MEMBERSHIP DUE	\$	15.00
OFFICENET	SUPPLY/EQUIP	\$	58.69
OFFICENET	EQUIPMENT	\$	102.98
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$	250.77
OFFICENET/P&Z	EQUIP RENTAL	\$	69.37
OFFICENET	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$	269.02
OFFICENET,INC.	SUPPLIES	\$	662.12
PALMER JOURNAL	PUBLICATION	\$	604.00
PALMER JOURNAL	PUBLICATION	\$	330.75
PALSER SERVICE	CAR REPAIR	\$	46.00
PINNACLE BANK CC	SUPPLIES	\$	138.01
PLATTE COUNTY DETENTION FACILITY	BOARDING COSTS	\$	300.00
PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	CAR REPAIR	\$	108.75
PLATTE VALLEY WMA	MEMBERSHIP DUE	\$	100.00
R R DONNELLEY	SUPPLIES	\$	37.63
SAFELITE FULFILLMENT, INC	CAR REPAIR	\$	328.68
SCEDD	MEMBERSHIP DUE	\$	2,000.00
BRAD SCHICK	MILEAGE	\$	98.10
SECRETARY OF STATE	SUPPLIES	\$	25.00
SHRED MONSTER INC	TRASH SERVICE	\$	126.00
SHERRY SIWINSKI	MILEAGE	\$	117.88
STATE OF NE NETWORK SERVICES	TELETYPE	\$	448.00
STEHLIK LAW FIRM PC, LLO	ATTORNEY FEES	\$	4,351.00
STEVE STETTNER	MILEAGE	\$	16.45
STROMSBURG SOFT WATER	SUPPLIES	\$	60.00
TAMMY STUHR	MILEAGE/MEALS	\$	295.35
THE HOME DEPOT PRO	SUPPLIES	\$	379.95
THOMSON REUTERS-WEST	LAW LIBRARY	\$	358.05
TOP QUALITY GLOVES	JAIL SUPPLIES	\$	270.00
U.S. BANK	SUPPLIES	\$	758.73





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US FOODS	SUPPLIES	\$	806.04
US FOODS DIVISION #2365	JAIL SUPPLIES	\$	30.13
VERIZON WIRELESS	INTERNET	\$	50.08
PINNACLE BANK-VISA	MISC EXPENSES	\$	181.42
PINNACLE BANK-VISA	SUPPLY/EQUIP	\$	562.23
WAFFLES N' MORE	JURY MEALS	\$	60.63
JAMES A WAGONER	ATTORNEY FEES	\$	313.50
WELLS FARGO VENDOR FIN SERVICES	EQUIPMENT	\$	110.00
KARA WELLS	MILEAGE/MEALS	\$	57.26
WEX BANK	FUEL/TRANSPORT	\$	2,550.59
MARCIA WICHMANN	MILEAGE/PHONE	\$	119.70
WOODS & AITKEN LLP	ATTORNEY FEES	\$	250.40
CLIFFORD YRKOSKI	MILEAGE	\$	102.66
4H SHOWWORKS BILLING	EQUIP/REGISTER	\$	625.00
911 CUSTOM	EQUIPMENT	\$	46.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>192,217.77</b>

## ROADS

AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.	FUEL	\$	1,846.30
BAUM HYDRAULICS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$	859.07
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	TELEPHONE	\$	123.09
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	GAS SERVICE	\$	276.52
BOMGAARS	SUPPLY/EQUIP	\$	250.36
BOSELMAN INC/ROADS	SUPPLY/FUEL	\$	17,278.86
CYNTHIA CATLETT	MILEAGE	\$	29.33
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$	38.77
JAMES CEPLECHA	MILEAGE	\$	21.85
FRONTIER COOPERATIVE	FUEL	\$	868.13
HAMILTON TELECOMMUNICATIONS	PHONE/INTERNET	\$	34.95
HANSEN INTERNATIONAL TRUCK INC	EQUIP REPAIR	\$	1,087.89
HERK'S WELDING SHOP	SUPPLY/REPAIR	\$	653.04
BUCKY HERMAN	LAND RENTAL	\$	120.00
CHRIS HUSTON	MILEAGE	\$	78.30
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$	211.76
JACK'S AUTOMOTIVE MACHINE	REPAIR/LABOR	\$	1,418.75
JACKSON SERVICE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$	68.48
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	ROADS-POSTAGE	\$	23.00
MICHAEL TODD & CO, INC.	SIGNS/POSTS	\$	9.18
MID-NEBRASKA DISPOSAL, INC	TRASH DISPOSAL	\$	59.80
MIDWEST HYDRAULIC			
SERVICE/ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$	88.62
MIDWEST SERVICE & SALES CO.	EQUIP REPAIR	\$	1,568.65
MIPS INC.	SUPPORT	\$	124.68
NEBR. MACHINERY CO.	EQUIP/REPAIR	\$	11,765.76
NEBRASKA SALT & GRAIN COMPANY	GRAVEL	\$	2,327.12
LEE NEEL	UTILITIES	\$	75.00
NT&T/SHOP	TELEPHONE	\$	59.74



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O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	SUPPLY/REPAIR	\$	121.61
OFFICENET	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$	83.69
PALSER SERVICE/ROADS	TIRE REPAIR	\$	18.00
POLK COUNTY RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	ELECTRICITY	\$	464.08
SAPP BROS. PETROLEUM	FUEL	\$	2,072.29
SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	ELECTRICITY	\$	809.60
STATE STEEL SUPPLY CO.	STEEL PRODUCTS	\$	949.39
TRAUSCH DYNAMICS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$	30.76
VERIZON CONNECT NWF, INC	TELEPHONE	\$	384.39
VERIZON WIRELESS	RENTAL/PHONE	\$	129.21
VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN	ELECTRICITY	\$	42.75
XEROX CORPORATION	MAINTENANCE	\$	120.23
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>46,593.00</b>
<b>P&amp;M FUND</b>			
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$	273.97
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>273.97</b>
<b>JUVENILE DIVERSION</b>			
KENDRA LUTZ	PHONE/MILEAGE	\$	50.13
JORDANNE MCNEFF	PHONE/MILEAGE	\$	91.07
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	JUVDIV-POSTAGE	\$	5.65
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$	145.55
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>292.40</b>
<b>ADULT DRUG COURT</b>			
CNCAA	MISC EXPENSES	\$	336.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>336.00</b>
<b>K-9</b>			
COUNTRYSIDE VETERINARY CLINIC	K9 CARE	\$	258.65
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>258.65</b>
<b>INHERITANCE FUND</b>			
CENTRAL PLATTE NRD	FLOOD PROJECT	\$	309.03
GENERAL FUND	FUND TRANSFER	\$	400,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>400,309.03</b>
<b>E911 EMERGENCY MGMT FUND</b>			
CENTURY LINK	E911 PHONE SRV	\$	272.40
CENTURYLINK	E911 PHONE SRV	\$	223.02
CITY OF G.I. UTILITIES DEPT	UTILITIES	\$	12.00
DAS IMSERVICES	EQUIPMENT	\$	132.00
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	TELEPHONE	\$	64.17
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE SRV	\$	102.55
NNTC	E911 PHONE SRV	\$	140.14
VERIZON WIRELESS	E911 PHONE SRV	\$	400.10
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>1,346.38</b>
<b>4-H BUILDING BOND FUND</b>			
HERK'S WELDING	SUPPLY/LABOR	\$	6,110.20
NEBRASKA FIRE SPRINKLER	INSPECTION	\$	325.00



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SECURITY EQUIPMENT INC

SECURITY EQUIP

\$ 32.00

**TOTAL**

**\$ 6,467.20**

Moved Dexter, second Kucera to approve the claims as presented. Dexter rescinded his motion to approve all of the claims and Kucera rescinded her second on the motion. Moved Dexter, second Kucera to approve all of the claims except the claim payable to Lee Neel in the amount of \$40.00 for reimbursement for a private pesticide applicator training because he needs a commercial pesticide permit to spray for the county. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**January 2020 fees:** Moved Kreachbaum, second Placke to approve the January 2020 fees from the Sheriff, Clerk of District Court, and County Clerk. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjourn: Moved Kreachbaum, second Dexter to adjourn at 2:30 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk