



Merrick County Board Minutes



August 11, 2020

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, August 11, 2020 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Kucera, Yrkoski, Dexter, Kreachbaum, Weller, and Wiegert present. Placke was absent. 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 Kreachbaum, second Kucera to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:05 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

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

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

Meeting reports: Dexter attended the SCEDD meeting on July 30, 2020, courthouse safety meeting on August 4, 2020, conference call on August 6, 2020 with SCEDD, and Merrick County Economic meeting on August 7, 2020; Wiegert attended the Midland Area on Aging meeting in Hastings on August 6, 2020, County land auction on August 7, 2020, and on August 10, 2020 the interlocal meeting on dispatching with Hamilton County.

Drainage: Ed Sweet said that he had been to the Board about 2 years ago regarding a culvert on Road 24 that needs to be cleaned out and it still has not been done. He said he has talked to the Highway Superintendent many times also. This problem is causing water to sit on his field and killing his grass. He also voiced his concerns on the weed problem in this area and that there is no spraying being done by the County. Sweet said he thinks someone is dumping garbage in the creek also.

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 reception at Riverside Park on September 19, 2020. Roll Call: All Ayes.

RESOLUTION 2020-26: Moved Weller, second Dexter to approve and sign RESOLUTION 2020-26 to approve the sale of property generally known as the E1/2 of 21-13-6 that no longer serves a county purpose and to authorize Roger Wiegert, Chairman of the County Board of Supervisors to execute all closing documents necessary. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Surplus: Moved Kucera, second Dexter to approve of the Treasurer surplusung four office chairs at her discretion. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Extension Board appointment: Moved Kreachbaum, second Yrkoski to appoint Nicole Greving to the Extension Board. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Preliminary budgets: The preliminary budget requests from the Chapman Township for \$22,850.00, Prairie Creek Township for \$15,810.00, Palmer Rural Fire District General Fund \$28,647.45, Sinking Fund \$28,647.45, Bond Fund \$52,067.50, Clarksville Township General Fund \$23,970.00 were presented to the County Board for fiscal year 2020-2021.

DED Broadband Grant Agreement: Gary Warren and Pat Shaw with Hamilton Communications said they had CARES Act money from the Nebraska Department of Economic Development that needs to be spent by the end of December 2020 and they are going to bury fiber to 250 locations with this money. Some of the locations are in town and some are outside of town. They would be going through the permit process to bury the fiber. Hamilton requires rights to construct, operate and maintain telecommunications lines and related facilities, including underground fiber optic cable, along, across and under any highways and lands of the County and that is why they are requesting this agreement between Merrick County and Hamilton Communications be signed to bury the fiber. Moved Kucera, second Dexter to approve and have the Chairman signed the DED Broadband Grant Agreement with Hamilton Communications. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Emails: MIPS has notified the County that they will be ending their email service. The original email provider that MIPS contracted with, owner has retired and sold his company. Problems have been increasing with the



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new company. The County will need to make arrangements to start moving our emails to another provider. It was recommended to create a domain. The County Clerk has contacted Cody at Cody's Computers and will contact the State of Nebraska and NACO about setting up a domain.

Inventories: The 2020 inventories were presented to the County Board for approval. Moved Kucera, second Yrkoski to approve and sign the 2020 inventories from the County Official's. Roll Call: All Ayes.

July 2020 fees; The July 2020 fees from the Sheriff, Clerk of District Court and County Clerk were presented to the Board for approval. Moved Kreachbaum, second Dexter to approve and sign the July 2020 fees from the Sheriff, Clerk of District Court and County Clerk. Roll Call: All Ayes.

August 2020 claims: The August 2020 claims were presented for approval:

GENERAL

AB TREE & LAWN	LAWN CARE	\$	513.00
STEVE ADLER	CELL PHONE	\$	30.00
ANIMAL HEALTH INTERNATIONAL	SUPPLIES	\$	3.76
BILL'S HOBBY SHOP	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$	242.90
BRADLEY LAW OFFICE, PC	ATTORNEY FEES	\$	3,158.75
CENTRAL CITY MALL	SUPPLIES	\$	4.95
CENTRAL CITY MALL	FUEL	\$	21.75
CENTRAL CITY MEDICAL CLINIC	PRISONER CARE	\$	196.00
CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT	\$	2,376.62
CENTRAL NE CREMATION & MORTUARY	CORONER	\$	730.00
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	\$	7.86
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	\$	24.99
CENTURYLINK	TELEPHONE	\$	224.72
CHARM-TEX	INMATE SUPPLY	\$	422.34
CIOX HEALTH	CORONER	\$	63.00
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ MINI BUS	MINI-BUS	\$	221.56
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	UTILITIES	\$	3,494.90
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY	UTILITIES	\$	1,817.09
CITY OF G.I. UTILITIES DEPT	UTILITY BILL	\$	12.00
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/CC	COURT COSTS	\$	252.50
JERRY CLINCH	ATTORNEY FEES	\$	874.00
CODY'S COMPUTER REPAIR SERVICE	SUPPLIES	\$	129.99
CORNER DRUG	PRISONER MEDS	\$	7.34
CULLIGAN OF GRAND ISLAND	WATER SERVICE	\$	225.00
CUSTOM UPHOLSTERY OF NEBRASKA	CAR REPAIR	\$	75.00
D & M SECURITY	FIRE ALARM INS	\$	70.00
DAS STATE ACCOUNT/CENTRAL FINANCE	TECHNOLOGY FEE	\$	203.92
EAGLE BROADBAND INVESTMENTS, LLC	PHONE/INTERNET	\$	318.35
EAGLE TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS	INTERNET	\$	123.49
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$	50.04
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$	79.42
EAKES OFFICE PLUS/COCRT	SUPPLIES	\$	136.98
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$	659.01
ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	SUPPLIES	\$	210.00
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	TELEPHONE	\$	64.17
GALLS, AN ARAMARK COMPANY	UNIFORMS/EQUIP	\$	1,038.98



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SHARON GILG	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00
GLADSTONE, INC	REGISTRATION	\$ 260.00
THERESA GOOD	MH BOARD	\$ 95.00
GRAFTON LAW OFFICE	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 2,156.50
GRAND ISLAND INDEPENDENT	INMATE SUPPLY	\$ 425.15
HEARTLAND DISPOSAL	TRASH DISPOSAL	\$ 192.00
LYNELLE HOMOLKA	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00
HOST COFFEE SERVICE	PRISONER FOOD	\$ 67.49
JACKSON SERVICES	SERVICE SUPPLY	\$ 150.27
JACKSON SERVICES	SERVICE SUPPLY	\$ 91.27
JENSEN PUBLISHING	SUPPLIES	\$ 314.26
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 612.76
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 716.36
JENSEN PUBLISHING/P&Z	PUBLICATION	\$ 33.16
BRIAN KLUCK	MH BOARD	\$ 254.29
MARY LIVINGSTON	MH BOARD	\$ 216.45
KAY LYONS	PHONE/MILEAGE	\$ 41.11
MARVIN PLANNING CONSULTANTS	CONSULT FEE	\$ 200.00
MCILNAY & CO	A/C REPAIR	\$ 392.04
STEVE MELVIN	MILEAGE	\$ 39.85
MERRICK CO. COURT	COURT COSTS	\$ 387.00
MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	TRANSFER FUNDS	\$ 110,341.07
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 137.55
	DATA	
MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS, INC	EQUIPMENT	\$ 35.00
MIDWEST STORAGE SOLUTIONS, INC	SUPPLIES	\$ 350.00
MIPS INC.	PROG SUPPORT	\$ 3,526.37
MURPHY'S EXTERMINATING, INC	PEST CONTROL	\$ 150.00
JENNIFER MYERS	MILEAGE/PHONE	\$ 347.40
	EMERGENCY	
NANCE COUNTY TREASURER	MGMT	\$ 5,906.82
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	INSTITUTIONS	\$ 450.00
NE INSTITUTE OF FORENSIC SCIENCES	CORONER	\$ 2,000.00
O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	VEHICLE REPAIR	\$ 60.48
OFFICENET	SUPPLY/EQUIP	\$ 254.64
OFFICENET	EQUIPMENT	\$ 85.27
OFFICENET/P&Z	SUPPLIES	\$ 52.37
OFFICENET	EQUIPMENT	\$ 256.99
OFFICENET, INC.	COPIER LEASE	\$ 317.46
PALMER JOURNAL	PUBLICATION	\$ 1,414.57
PALSER SERVICE	CAR REPAIR	\$ 18.00
PINNACLE BANK CC	SUPPLIES	\$ 350.41
POLK COUNTY ASSESSOR	COPIES	\$ 13.35
REGION III BEHAVIORIAL HEALTH SERV	CONTRACT	\$ 5,114.26
DEBRA ROBINSON	MILEAGE	\$ 60.38
ROWLEY LAW LLC	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 1,767.00



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BRAD SCHICK	MILEAGE	\$ 23.00
SEILER INSTRUMENT		
MANUFACTURING,INC	EQUIP RENTAL	\$ 250.00
SHERRY SIWINSKI	MILEAGE	\$ 8.05
STATE OF NE NETWORK SERVICES	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 614.50
STOP FUND	EQUIPMENT	\$ 3,040.00
STROMSBURG SOFT WATER	MAINTENANCE	\$ 62.00
TAMMY STUHR	MILEAGE	\$ 91.43
THE HOME DEPOT PRO	SUPPLIES	\$ 159.46
THOMSON REUTERS-WEST	LAW LIBRARY	\$ 368.79
TOP QUALITY GLOVES	JAIL SUPPLIES	\$ 343.50
JAMES H TRUELL	MH BOARD	\$ 169.76
U.S. BANK	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 861.61
US FOODS DIVISION #2365	PRISONER FOOD	\$ 1,073.53
VERIZON WIRELESS	TELEPHONE	\$ 50.75
VERIZON	TELEPHONE	\$ 400.10
PINNACLE BANK-VISA	SUPPLIES	\$ 99.81
PINNACLE BANK-VISA	SUPPLIES	\$ 438.62
JAMES A WAGONER	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 560.50
WELLS FARGO VENDOR FIN SERVICES	EQUIPMENT	\$ 110.00
KARA WELLS	MILEAGE	\$ 25.30
WEX BANK	FUEL	\$ 2,991.76
MARCIA WICHMANN	PHONE/MILEAGE	\$ 43.05
TOTAL		\$ 169,584.25

ROADS

AKRS EQUIPMENT	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 255.72
AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.	FUEL	\$ 13,509.30
BAUM HYDRAULICS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 90.04
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	GAS SERVICE	\$ 30.95
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BOMGAARS	SUPPLY/REPAIR	\$ 768.61
BOSSELMAN INC/ROADS	OIL/FUEL	\$ 3,105.21
BUTLER COUNTY LANDFILL	MAINTENANCE	\$ 40.00
CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/ROADS	REPAIR/SUPPLY	\$ 431.51
EAKES OFFICE PLUS INC/ROADS	OFFICE EQUIP	\$ 100.19
FASTENAL CO	EQUIP RENTAL	\$ 20.25
FILTER CARE	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 79.60
FRONTIER COOPERATIVE	FUEL	\$ 1,730.84
GARY SMITH CONSTRUCTION CO. INC.	ASPHALT	\$ 501.44
GROSSHANS, INC./ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 43.38
HAMILTON TELECOMMUNICATIONS	TELEPHONE	\$ 34.95
BUCKY HERMAN	LAND RENTAL	\$ 120.00
HOOKEBROS SAND & GRAVEL INC	GRAVEL	\$ 20,538.36
HUSKER POWER PRODUCTS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 59.50
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 61.95
JACKSON SERVICE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 70.40



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PALMER JOURNAL	PUBLICATION	\$	10.02
K & S TOOL SERVICE	TOOLS	\$	97.99
MENARDS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$	97.00
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	POSTAGE-ROADS	\$	7.50
MID-NEBRASKA DISPOSAL, INC	TRASH DISPOSAL	\$	59.80
MIPS INC.	PROG SUPPORT	\$	127.18
NEBR. MACHINERY CO.	EQUIP/REPAIR	\$	3,882.17
LEE NEEL	UTILITIES	\$	75.00
NEWMAN SIGNS, INC.	SIGNS & POST	\$	4,035.33
NORFOLK CONTRACTING, INC	STRUCTURES	\$	9,950.00
NT&T/SHOP	TELEPHONE	\$	59.53
OFFICENET	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$	73.76
OVERLAND SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	\$	10,094.31
PALMER SERVICE CENTER	FUEL	\$	747.00
PALSER SERVICE/ROADS	TIRES	\$	155.45
PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	RADIO EQUIP	\$	39.38
POLK COUNTY RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	ELECTRICITY	\$	36.03
RDO TRUCK CENTER COMPANY	EQUIP REPAIR	\$	20.38
SACK LUMBER CO./ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$	10.58
SAPP BROS. PETROLEUM	DIESEL	\$	3,104.71
SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	ELECTRICITY	\$	567.34
STRAIGHT LINE STRIPING INC	PAVEMENT MARK	\$	27,750.80
VERIZON WIRELESS	TELEPHONE	\$	108.64
VONTZ PAVING INC	GRAVEL	\$	4,592.00
XEROX CORPORATION	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$	120.23
YANT EQUIPMENT	FUEL	\$	439.60
TOTAL		\$	107,908.45

JUVENILE DIVERSION

KENDRA LUTZ	PHONE/MILEAGE	\$	55.65
JORDANNE MCNEFF	CELL PHONE	\$	30.00
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	POSTAGE-JUVDIV	\$	5.50
3RD MILLENNIUM CLASSROOMS	EDUCATION	\$	60.00
TOTAL		\$	151.15

K-9

COUNTRYSIDE VETERINARY CLINIC	K9 CARE	\$	80.70
PINNACLE BANK-VISA	SUPPLIES	\$	497.24
TOTAL		\$	577.94

4-H BUILDING FUND

PIONEER DOOR, INC.	SUPPLY/REPAIR	\$	1,811.00
SECURITY EQUIPMENT INC	SECURITY	\$	32.00
TOTAL		\$	1,843.00

Moved Kreachbaum, second Dexter to approve the August 2020 claims as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Budget: Clerk Wichmann

Adjourn: Moved Kucera, second Yrkoski to adjourn at 12:00 noon. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman



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/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk