



Merrick County Board Minutes



May 9, 2022

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Monday, May 9, 2022 at 9:05 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Kucera, Kreachbaum, Yrkoski, Placke, Dexter, Weller, and Wiegert present. County Clerk Strobel present and County Attorney Shotkoski was present via phone call.

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 given 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 Yrkoski to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:05 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion: Carried.

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

Minutes: Moved Dexter, second Yrkoski to approve the minutes from April 26, 2022 as published. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion: Carried.

Meeting Reports: Dexter-April 28th and May 2nd, conference calls with SCEDD. May 1st met with Cody's Computer & Five Nines to go over Cybersecurity at the courthouse. May 2nd zoom call with Merrick County Economic Development. Placke-May 1st, open house at Merrick County Child Development Center. Wiegert, May 5th Midland Area on Aging in Hastings. Drug Court graduation was attended by Dexter on May 2nd and Yrkoski on April 18th.

Officials Report: Stuhr, Planning & Zoning administrator informed the Board, this is the month to make any changes if needed with InterLocal Agreements with the villages and with Hamilton County.

Public Comment: Barry Carlson appeared before the Board regarding the need for expansion with the Merrick County Child Development Center. Kari Valentine approached the Board with handout of 94 signatures in favor of expanding the MCCDC.

Midland Area on Aging: Casey Muzic with Midland Area on Aging approached the Board for their continued annual funding of \$9100.00. No action taken.

Electrical Agreement: Moved Kucera, second Weller to approve the Chairman to sign an Electrical Agreement between Dwaine/Carmen VanPelt and Merrick County for irrigation service, Section 21 and 22, Township 14, Range 7. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Special Designated Liquor Licenses: Moved Kucera, second Weller to approve the Chairman to sign a Special Designated Liquor License for the American Legion for an anniversary reception at the Merrick County Fairgrounds June 4, 2022. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Weller, second Yrkoski to approve the Chairman to sign a Special Designated Liquor License for Scotty's LLC for a wedding reception at Riverside Dance Hall, June 25, 2022. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Zelle's HR: Chad Theis and Kate with Zelle's HR came before the Board at Dexter's request. Zelle's HR is the preferred provider for NACO. They work with counties regarding human resources, most importantly HR policies and procedures. Employee relations with all employees and elected officials on working with individuals on making work atmospheres more efficient.

Motor Grader: Jake Ryba with Murphy Tractor & Equipment presented the state bid of \$317,991.00 for a 2023 John Deere 770G Motor Grader with a 5 Year/10,000 Hour DPF Assurance, John Deere Extended Warranty-7 year and 7000-hour Comprehensive Warranty. State bid ends June 23rd to lock in pricing with a January delivery. Tyler McNitt and Dathan Peters with NMC Cat submitted a proposal for a 2023 Articulated Tandem Drive Motor Grader, with an option to extend warranty to 7 years/7000 hours or take customer parts credit of \$17,000. Standard 5 year/5000-hour premier warranty for \$317,750.00 with possibly spring 2023 delivery with no price fluctuation. Moved Kreachbaum, second Dexter to table the discussion until next meeting to look at the bids. Roll Call: All Ayes.

10:00 a.m. Public Hearing: Moved Placke, second Kreachbaum to open the Public Hearing at 10:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Scott Stuhr, Planning & Zoning administrator informed the Board the previous advertising for the planning commission was incorrect, the regulations state that everyone within 1000 ft. should be notified. Letters were sent out to those residents with no opposition received. Planning Commission kept their recommendation to approve both the reclassification and rezoning. Board needs to reaffirm their approval of the Resolutions. Moved Placke, second Dexter to close the Public Hearing at 10:03 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Resolutions 2022-8 & 2022-9: Moved Kreachbaum, second Dexter to reaffirm Resolutions 2022-8 and 2022-9 approving the reclassification and rezoning from Agriculture to Lakeside Residential. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Insurance & Rental Contracts: Kreachbaum stated that looking into the 4H Building rental contract, sections of the contract were repetitive. Contract also stated no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$50,000 medical, NIRMA



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informed Kreachbaum that \$5,000 medical is standard for rental contracts. County Attorney Shotkoski revised the rental contract. No action taken; contract will be on next Board meeting for possible approval.

BC/BC Insurance: Moved Kreachbaum, second Weller to adopt and have the Chairman to sign the Subgroup Application through NACO and BlueCross/BlueShield for 2022/2023. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Revisit Hospital Proposals: Moved Kucera, second Kreachbaum to move into Executive Session at 10:32 a.m. to discuss the possible transfer of real estate. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Kucera, second Dexter to move out of Executive Session at 10:51 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

April Fees: Moved Kreachbaum, second Dexter to approve the April 2022 fees from the Sheriff, Clerk of District Court and the County Clerk. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion: Carried.

May Claims:

GENERAL

ADVANCED CORRECTIONAL HEALTHCARE	PRISONER MEDS	\$10.22
ANIMAL HEALTH INTERNATIONAL NEBR	SUPPLIES	\$264.26
APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES	PHONE/INTERNET	\$808.70
AT&T MOBILITY	PHONE SERVICE	\$992.97
BANKS WRAPS & SIGNS	EQUIPMENT	\$575.00
EMELISE BAUGHMAN, LIMHP	HEALTH CARE	\$100.00
KAREN BENNER	MILEAGE	\$10.06
BOMGAARS	SUPPLIES	\$67.23
BRADLEY LAW OFFICE, PC	ATTORNEY FEES	\$2,052.00
DORIS BURBY, RMR	COURT EXPENSE	\$28.50
LORI CAVE	MILEAGE	\$58.03
CENTRAL CITY MALL	SUPPLIES	\$29.98
CENTRAL CITY MALL	SUPPLY	\$13.08
CENTRAL DIST CO OFFICALS ASSOC	ASSESSOR ASSOC	\$20.00
CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT	\$2,376.62
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	\$5.99
CENTURY LINK	E911 PHONE	\$269.76
CENTURYLINK	PHONE SERVICE	\$225.14
CHARM-TEX	JAIL SUPPLIES	\$652.10
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY	UTILITIES	\$2,658.19
CITY OF G.I. UTILITIES DEPT	UTILITIES	\$12.00
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT	COURT COSTS	\$144.00
CULLIGAN OF GRAND ISLAND	WATER SERVICE	\$287.50
DAS STATE ACCTG-CENTRAL FINANCE	TELETYPE/PHONE	\$757.92
DEPT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES	PRISONER CARE	\$445.83
ANNA DETLEFSEN	MILEAGE	\$1.87
ED DEXTER	MILEAGE	\$82.60
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$57.51
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	EQUIPMENT	\$269.98
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLY/EQUIP	\$114.02
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	EQUIP RENTAL	\$363.54
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLY/EQUIP	\$209.36
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$694.20
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$698.76
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	EQUIPMENT	\$311.25
ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	BALLOT PRODUCT	\$5,311.37
TRISHA FATE-STROBEL	SUPPLY/TRAVEL	\$181.84



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FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE	\$64.17
GALLS	UNIFORMS	\$1,017.27
SHARON GILG	PHONE/MEALS	\$71.51
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE SRV	\$95.88
NICOLE GREVING	MILEAGE	\$9.95
HAMILTON CO SHERIFF	BOARDING COSTS	\$1,550.00
DEAN HARTWIG	LODGING	\$157.68
HEARTLAND DISPOSAL	TRASH DISPOSAL	\$208.00
HOLIDAY INN OF KEARNEY	LODGING	\$195.90
JACKSON SERVICES	RUG SERVICE	\$187.95
JACKSON SERVICES	RUG SERVICE	\$311.61
JUSTICE DATA SOLUTIONS INC	SOFTWARE SUPP	\$5,700.00
KBL CONSTRUCTION INC	BLDG REPAIR	\$3,075.49
KEN'S AUTO SERVICE	EQUIPMENT	\$124.55
CAROLYN KUCERA	MILEAGE	\$76.87
AARON J KUNZ	DUES	\$98.00
LYNN PEAVY COMPANY	INVESTIGATION	\$82.09
MARTIN'S FLAG CO.	FLAGS	\$499.50
DOUG MAW	SUPPLY/TRAVEL	\$234.91
MAXIMUS CONSULTING SERVICES, INC	ALLOCATION	\$2,100.00
MCILNAY & CO	REPAIR	\$23.98
STEVE MELVIN	MILEAGE	\$35.10
MERRICK CO. COURT	COURT COSTS	\$1,463.19
MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	TRANSFER FUNDS	\$61,243.75
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	MISC EXPENSES	\$173.22
MERRICK MEDICAL CENTER	HEALTH CARE	\$1,294.21
MICHAEL MEYER	MISC EXPENSES	\$255.00
MIDWEST SPECIAL SERVICES INC	INSTITUTION	\$1,227.00
MIPS INC.	SUPPORT	\$3,491.03
MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS INC	BOARDING COSTS	\$2,925.10
JENNIFER MYERS	MILEAGE/PHONE	\$124.47
NACO	REGISTRATION	\$725.00
NE ASSOC OF CO ENG/HWY & SURVERYORS	EDUCATION	\$160.00
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	INSTITUTION	\$336.00
O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	EQUIPMENT	\$10.28
PALMER JOURNAL	PUBLICATIONS	\$1,758.17
PAPER TIGER SHREDDING	SHREDDING	\$89.86
PINNACLE BANK CC	SUPPLIES	\$114.65
PLATTE COUNTY DETENTION FACILITY	BOARDING COSTS	\$1,750.00
DEPT OF REVENUE/PROPERTY ASSESS DIV	EDUCATION	\$615.00
TOM REIMERS	MILEAGE/MEALS	\$201.02
RHD PUBLISHING, LLC	PUBLICATION	\$65.06
RHD PUBLISHING, LLC	PUBLICATION	\$1,730.39
RHD PUBLISHING, LLC	PUBLICATION	\$25.56
CHEYENNE ROWE	MILEAGE	\$1.52



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ROWLEY LAW LLC	ATTORNEY FEES	\$1,786.00
SAFELITE AUTOGLASS	EQUIPMENT	\$1,243.83
DALE M SHOTKOSKI	CELL PHONE	\$30.00
SHERRY SIWINSKI	MILEAGE	\$10.64
STEHLIK LAW FIRM PC, LLO	ATTORNEY FEES	\$3,363.00
KERRY STUHMER	MILEAGE	\$106.24
TAMMY STUHR	SUPPLIES	\$51.05
THE HOME DEPOT PRO	SUPPLIES	\$207.73
THOMSON REUTERS-WEST	LAW LIBRARY	\$379.85
TOP QUALITY GLOVES	JAIL SUPPLIES	\$630.00
TRAV'S USAVE PHARMACY	PRISONER MEDS	\$140.04
U.S. BANK	COMP CONSULT	\$19.99
UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE	POSTAGE	\$36,000.00
US FOODS DIVISION	JAIL SUPPLIES	\$601.87
PINNACLE BANK-VISA	MISC EXPENSES	\$497.43
PINNACLE BANK-VISA	MISC EXPENSES	\$3,664.36
VYVE BROADBAND	TELEPHONE	\$524.22
WELLS FARGO VENDOR FIN SERVICES	EQUIPMENT	\$110.00
KARA WELLS	MILEAGE	\$93.02
WEX BANK	FUEL	\$4,546.90
WHITNEY, NEWMAN, MERSCH,	ATTORNEY FEES	\$7,088.00
ROGER WIEGERT	MILEAGE	\$65.28
ZEE MEDICAL SERVICE CO.	MEDICAL SUPPLY	\$97.25
1 TO 1 TECHNOLOGIES	SUPPLIES	\$529.96
TOTAL		\$178,647.93
ROADS		
AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.	FUEL	\$7,047.40
BAUM HYDRAULICS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$592.16
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	GAS SERVICE	\$214.56
BOMGAARS	REPAIR/SUPPLY	\$487.75
BOSSelman ENERGY INC	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$158.22
BUTLER COUNTY LANDFILL	WASTE DISPOSAL	\$40.00
CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS	SUPPLY/REPAIR	\$214.66
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$220.86
FILTER CARE	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$108.00
FRONTIER COOPERATIVE	FUEL	\$2,429.63
GARRETT TIRES & TREADS	TIRES	\$1,176.80
GROSSHANS, INC.	REPAIR/SUPPLY	\$10.24
HAMILTON TELECOMMUNICATIONS	PHONE/INTERNET	\$34.95
HANSEN INTERNATIONAL TRUCK INC	EQUIP REPAIR	\$159.16
HERK'S WELDING SHOP	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$675.67
BUCKY HERMAN	LAND RENTAL	\$120.00
HOOKEr BROS SAND & GRAVEL INC	GRAVEL	\$10,757.60
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$531.62
JACKSON SERVICE	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$79.40



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	MERRICK CO. TREASURER	ROADS-POSTAGE	\$227,267.02
	MID-NEBRASKA DISPOSAL, INC	TRASH DISPOSAL	\$62.50
	MIDWEST HYDRAULIC SERVICE	EQUIP REPAIR	\$574.69
	MIPS INC.	SUPPORT	\$132.26
	MURPHY TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT	EQUIP/REPAIR	\$266,201.85
	NEBR. MACHINERY CO.	REPAIR/SUPPLY	\$3,496.69
	LEE NEEL	UTILITIES	\$75.00
	NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$69.92
	PALMER SERVICE CENTER	FUEL	\$5,967.00
	PALSER SERVICE/ROADS	TIRES	\$249.00
	PNC EQUIPMENT FINANCE, LLC	EQUIP RENTAL	\$2,350.71
	POLK COUNTY RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	ELECTRICITY	\$46.93
	ROE-BUICK-CHRYSLER	EQUIP REPAIR	\$48.90
	SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	ELECTRICITY	\$586.38
	STATE STEEL SUPPLY CO.	STEEL PRODUCTS	\$2,680.98
	TOOLS PLUS INDUSTRIES	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$184.11
	TOTALSIR	FUEL	\$21.00
	VERIZON CONNECT	EQUIPMENT	\$210.47
	VONTZ PAVING INC	GRAVEL	\$16,534.44
	ZEE MEDICAL SERVICE CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$109.15
TOTAL			\$551,927.68
ROAD BUYBACK	MERRICK CO. TREASURER	TRANSER FUNDS	\$170,529.58
TOTAL			\$170,529.58
JUVENILE	EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	\$124.90
DIVERSION	STACEY HARLOW	MILEAGE	\$141.10
	JORDANNE MCNEFF	MILEAGE	\$20.48
	MERRICK CO. TREASURER	JUV DIV-POSTAL	\$6.36
	REDWOOD TOXICOLOGY LABORATORY, INC	SUPPLIES	\$100.00
	US CELLULAR	CELL PHONE	\$267.98
TOTAL			\$660.82
DRUG COURT	MORGAN CAMPBELL-PSCC	MISC EXPENSES	\$244.71
TOTAL			\$244.71
COMMISSARY	KEEFE SUPPLY COMPANY	COMMISSARY	\$269.23
TOTAL			\$269.23
4-H BUILDING	CITY OF CENTRAL CITY	UTILITIES	\$1,744.77
FUND	GALUSHA ELECTRIC	MISC EXPENSE	\$1,308.91
	RUSS KUCERA	REFUND	\$650.00
TOTAL			\$3,703.68

Moved Dexter, second Kreachbaum to approve the May 2022 claims as submitted. Roll Call: All Ayes.



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Adjourn: Motion Kreachbaum, second Dexter to adjourn at 11:05 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Trisha L Fate-Strobel, County Clerk