

January 10, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, January 10, 2012 at 9:04 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Husmann, Jefferson, Weller and Wiegert present.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:04 a.m.

Moved Weller, second Helgoth to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:04a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Jefferson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Minutes: Moved Jefferson, second Husmann to approve the minutes as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Jefferson, second Helgoth to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:06 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

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The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, January 10, 2012 at 9:07 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Weller, and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

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Moved Hahn, second Graves to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:07 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

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

Minutes: Moved Husmann, second Jefferson to approve the minutes as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Reorganization: Moved Husmann, second Graves to reorganize as Board of Supervisors. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Chairman: Moved Husmann, second Jefferson to nominate Wiegert for the Chairman position. Roll Call: Ayes: Weller, Graves, Helgoth, Husmann, Jefferson, and Hahn. Nays: None. Abstain: Wiegert.

Moved Hahn, second Graves to cease nominations. Roll Call: Ayes: Weller, Helgoth, Graves, Hahn, Husmann, and Jefferson. Nays: None. Abstain: Wiegert. Wiegert will be the Chairman for the 2012 year.

Vice Chairman: Moved Helgoth, second Jefferson to nominate Weller for the Vice Chairman position. Moved Graves, second Husmann to cease nominations and cast an unanimous ballot for Weller as the Vice Chairman. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Setting Meeting Dates: Moved Weller, second Hahn to set the County Board meetings for the second and fourth Tuesday of every month with the exception of December when the last meeting of that month falls on Christmas Day. That meeting to be moved to December 27, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

2012 Holidays: The following holidays were given to the Board for approval to close the courthouse during the 2012 year: January 16, 2012 Martin Luther King Day, February 20, 2012 President's Day, April 27, 2012 Arbor Day, May 28, 2012 Memorial Day, July 4, 2012 Independence Day, September 3, 2012 Labor Day, October 8, 2012 Columbus Day, November 12, 2012 Veterans Day, November 22 and 23, 2012 Thanksgiving, December 25, 2012 Christmas Day, and January 1, 2013 New Year's Day. Moved Helgoth, second Jefferson to approve the holiday schedule for 2012 as presented. Hahn said that he thought the people in the courthouse should be given Christmas Eve Day off as well. Husmann said that Christmas is a very important day and that anyone having to travel would be able to do that. Wiegert said that anyone having to travel would probably ask for the day off. Graves said that the courthouse could close at noon and Hahn said that he had worked in the public sector and knew what it was like to work on Christmas Eve Day. Helgoth said he wanted to rescind his motion. Moved Hahn, second Jefferson to approve the holiday schedule with the addition of the courthouse being closed on Christmas Eve also. Roll Call: Ayes: Helgoth, Husmann, Graves, Jefferson, Hahn, and Wiegert. Nays: Weller.

Weller said that the employees now have 13 additional vacation days but that Graves had told him that it is a leap year and that the employees would be working an extra day anyway.

Publications: Moved Husmann, second Jefferson to approve the Palmer Journal, Republican Nonpareil and the County website as the official means of publication for Merrick County. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Depositories: Wiegert said he needed a motion to approve the Bank of Clarks, located in Clarks, NE, Farmers State Bank, a branch of the Bank of Clarks, located in Silver Creek, NE, Central Bank, Cornerstone Bank, and Pinnacle Bank, all located in

Central City, NE, and Pinnacle Bank, located in Palmer, NE as the County depository Banks for Merrick County and NPAIT as a depository for the County. Moved Hahn, second Jefferson to approve the depository banks of the County and NPAIT. Roll Call: All Ayes.

NIRMA: Wiegert asked the Board for a motion on the adoption of the blanket bond of Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Management Association (NIRMA) insured under Certificate of Insurance Master Policy #N-CR0607-46, Producer NIRMA, Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Management Association, a Risk Management Pool, Lincoln, NE. Said blanket bond will continue as long as Merrick County is a member county of NIRMA and said Master Policy #N-CR0607-46 remains in effect. Moved Graves, second Jefferson to approve the blanket bond of NIRMA. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Contact Person: Wiegert asked for a motion to appoint the County Clerk as the contact person for NIRMA. Moved Husmann, second Graves to appoint the County Clerk as the contact person for NIRMA. Roll Call: All Ayes.

NRD Advisory Committee: Wiegert asked for a motion to appoint Mike Meyer to the advisory committee for the NRD. Moved Jefferson, second Weller to appoint Mike Meyer to the advisory committee for the NRD. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Highway Superintendent and Right of Way Agreements: Wiegert asked for a motion to appoint Mike Meyer as the Merrick County Highway Superintendent and to designate him to negotiate Right of Way agreements for Merrick County for the year 2012. Moved Graves, second Hahn to appoint Mike Meyer as the Merrick County Highway Superintendent and to designate him to negotiate Right of Way agreements for Merrick County for the 2012. Roll Call: All Ayes.

E-911 surcharge: Wiegert asked for a motion to set the E-911 surcharge at \$1.00, which is what it is now. Moved Husmann, second Jefferson to set the E-911 surcharge at \$1.00. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Boards and Committees: Moved Hahn, second Jefferson to have the board and committee appointments remain the same as last year. Roll Call: All Ayes. Husmann said the Warm Slough/Wood River is done, someone should still represent it and Husmann said he would.

Bader Park: Husmann said at the last Bader Park meeting they set the budget and they increased Pat Carlson's salary. Husmann said he and the gentleman from Hamilton County were opposed to the increase because she would be making more than some people in the courthouse. Husmann said he has talked to people who use the park and they said that Pat and her husband do a great job. Pat Carlson was present and Husmann asked Carlson to accept his apology.

Meeting Reports: Weller said Litzenberg Hospital would be having four informational meetings and you can call Helen Foulk at the hospital to get details. The meetings will be from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. The Board all agreed that there should not be four County Board members present at any of the meetings. Wiegert attended the Midland Area Agency on Aging on Thursday, January 5, 2012 and Monday, January 9, 2012 he attended the Central District Health meeting.

Husmann said he thought the Board should have the Clerk send a letter to Governor Heineman supporting his views on animal rights and to Attorney General Jon Bruning supporting him on the EPA regulations concerning coal plants.

Official's reports: Treasurer Dunham said she had wired the first interest payment on the courthouse bond in the amount of \$18,796.81. She received \$10,000.00 from the ethanol plant on the second bond of the \$270,000.00 the County invested. An interest payment of \$5,675.00 was also received. The second bond on the ethanol plant will be up in 2013 and then there will be one more to go after that. Dunham said the County should have another \$10,000.00 paid down on that bond in June.

6 month annual Treasurer Report: Treasurer Dunham presented each Supervisor with a copy of her six month annual report. Dunham said the total amount was a little better than it was a year ago. Last year it was \$3,571,000.00 and it is now \$3,901,000.00. Dunham said the General Fund is better than it was a year ago and Weller asked if they would be putting anything back into the Inheritance Fund and Dunham said that she would not do that just yet because taxes being paid have fallen off.

Invitation: Pat Carlson said the Platte Peer Group Interlocal is ending June 2012 and the County's new fiscal year begins July 1, 2012. Carlson told the Board that in 2013 they will be addressing the interlocal agreement with Merrick County. Carlson handed each Board member an invitation to the Platte Peer Group's meeting on Tuesday, January 17, 2012. Bill Whitney will give a presentation on how the Platte Peer Group got started. Carlson said that Bader Park does require budget money. Carlson also said that between 25,000 to 27,000 people visited Bader Park. Carlson would encourage some Board members to attend their meeting.

Weed report: Corwin Roscoe, Weed Superintendent, gave the Board copies of his weed report. Roscoe went over the report with the Board explaining that there were 54 miles of river treated, 2700 acres that were infested and 10 acres that the phragmites were removed. Roscoe said what could not be treated by helicopter was treated by airboat.

Juvenile Diversion Interlocal Agreement: Juvenile Diversion Officer, Julie Beyer presented the Juvenile Diversion Interlocal Agreement between Nance, Polk, and Merrick County for the Boards approval and the Chairman signature. Moved Hahn, second Husmann to approve the Juvenile Diversion Interlocal Agreement between Nance, Polk, and Merrick County and have the Chairman sign it. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Intersection Study by Clarks: Highway Superintendent Meyer said that the Board needed to approve an intersection study to be done if they want one done by Clarks. Moved Helgoth, second Hahn to have an intersection study done straight north of DeBruce and straight west of Clarks on the intersection of "U" and 21st Road. Roll Call: All Ayes. Meyer said that for

anything to be done in the near future, it would have to be a special project. Weller said it needs it really bad. Husmann said he would like the road done like it was done by Palmer so that trucks didn't have to sit and block the road.

County Burials: Attorney Homolka said that recently there were three different families that requested county burial and she didn't think that anyone was really familiar with the procedures that are involved and who makes that decision. Homolka didn't necessarily ask to be appointed as the contact person but would be happy to get involved to what extent she needs to be. Homolka said that she didn't think that she could make any approvals for any county claims as that is the Boards obligation. Homolka has been in contact with Genie Solt, Gary Berry, and asked Trent Wagner, and Clerk Wichmann said Bill Greenway with Greenway Funeral Home in Palmer was also asked to attend but he was unable to; to discuss this subject. Homolka had asked the Clerk to pull what the County had on procedures and she had pulled some things for her. Homolka thinks the statute says that the County should have guidelines not only for burials but for general assistance as well. Homolka said she did think they were in place but they are required to be reviewed on a bi annual basis. The last time they were reviewed was April 2010. They will be due to be reviewed in April 2012 again and she thinks it is because of the cost of living and everything else goes up. Homolka said they can table the matter after they hear from the funeral homes as far as their prospective are as far as what the procedures are and whether or not they need any changes when it comes to County burials. Statute 38-1425, the liability for the decedent's remains falls on the kin of the decedent and the estate of the decedent. Homolka said the County Board doesn't have the decision on the decedent's remains until they go through a whole list of people who may be responsible. Homolka said that based on the statute, the County is not liable for the burial unless there is no estate and no family. The last couple of decedents have had family members, which is why she decided the County was not going to be responsible and legally they were not responsible. But if there are kin and the kin are indigent, who does it fall on then. Homolka has not seen the formal guidelines for County burial applications but this is something that Homolka and Solt had talked about having addressed and what questions the family has to answer. To what extent do they find the family indigent? Solt had brought the application form that she had and Homolka said that she thought right now the County pays Linda Greger from the hospital to take these applications for not just county burials but for county assistance. Solt said that Greger was their contact person but that Greger had referred Berry to the County Clerk and that the clause about the kin was not added until 2007. Homolka said that is when her predecessor Steve Curry wrote a letter to all of the funeral homes stating the cost of what the county would pay and that was \$1,800.00 for a burial and \$1,000.00 for cremation, but it says for persons who are indigent and do not have family members to claim the body. Homolka said that the price probably needs to be revisited as well because of the price the funeral homes have to pay. Solt said essentially on a county burial the funeral homes pay for it or at least the bulk of it even though the County pays for less than half of it. Solt said that has never been an issue. Solt said she has never refused a coroners call or County burial. Solt said the one thing that they need to talk about is the next of kin. Solt wanted to know how far does that go. Solt said that next of kin needs to be defined better and Homolka said that the statute says that the cost shall fall jointly upon the estate and severally with all kin of the decedent in same degree of kinship. Solt said that there would be no estate but maybe a little bit of money in a checking account and in which case that needs to be accessed and go towards the funeral. Solt said one of the things that Merrick County has not done, and she said she had Polk County's regulations with her, Polk County in their by laws for county burials specifically states that the funds that are available from the deceased will be applied and then the difference from that amount to what is allowed if you are an approved County case will be paid by the County. Merrick County has taken the position that it is a County burial period and they pay for it. Solt said if there is a \$1,000.00 sitting in a checking account goes back to the family or back to the state. Homolka said the family that Wichmann sent down to her was a sister and brother of the deceased, so there is family and they told Homolka that the deceased had a trailer, which Homolka would argue, can be sold for purposes of paying for the funeral. The other death the person had a guardian and there is money in the trust fund through the guardianship and Homolka thought that money should be applied to pay for the funeral. Solt said part of the problem is that it is hard for the funeral homes to find that information out because very few families volunteer it. Homolka said she would like to look at what guidelines are in place because they have to be reviewed in April anyway. Homolka said that she thinks it would be good for the Board to hear from the funeral homes perspective on what the procedure has been in the past and what changes they would recommend. Wichmann said that Greenway had mentioned to her this morning, and he is involved with county burials in Merrick and Howard Counties. He has funeral homes in both counties, that some funeral homes that have gotten into trouble because they had someone sign a cremation permit and someone else comes in and says I did not want that or authorize that or that a cremation should not have been done. Homolka said that the Clerk had given her a survey that was taken by another Clerk as to what Counties are doing for cost on county burials and what they pay for. Some Counties do require cremation and do not opt for standard burial. Wagner said he had checked with Adams County and that is exactly the way they are. If someone wants a county burial it is cremation right away. He thought they get \$1,325.00 from the County, the difference is that if someone has \$150.00 in their truck and they want to go a step up they can and if they want to pay extra for a service they can. Homolka said to her if they have the money to pay extra the family should be paying for the funeral not the County. The amounts that Merrick County will pay include the graves opening Solt thought. Homolka asked if Solt was billed by the City for that and Solt said she is not billed she just pays them and it is \$400.00 now. Greenway told Wichmann that he does not get any breaks for grave openings either, he has to pay full price. Solt said one thing that she

would say in reference to what Wagner said about the family adding money, is one thing that has been very beneficial is, Solt said it has been a very long time since she had a county burial until this one. They are not burden with them and so it has not be an issue, but the stricter the guidelines that you give us, the more beneficial it would be for them or at least her funeral home because if you give them lead way, the next family that comes in may want more lead way. So if you said that this covers a cloth covered casket, a cement liner, and part of the issue with using a cement liner is that if they are to be buried in Merrick County, Central City does not allow a cement liner. Central City Cemetery requires a vault and that is more expensive. So if they are buried in the Central City Cemetery the funeral homes get the same amount of money but it is more expensive because they require a vault. The stronger and stricter your requirements are, we say to families, if this is a county burial you have to follow this guideline and it helps them out with the family. Solt said that her recommendation to the County is to shy away from cremation, at least for now because she is afraid that the County will be tested sometime because a family might say that they do not have the funds and they are eligible for a county burial, but they do not believe in cremation and therefore you are forcing them because they do not have the funds, to do something that goes against their beliefs. Wagner agreed because if they need to view, they need to do some of that stuff that is something you ultimately want to give them. Wagner said he also agreed that guidelines are needed to help them with families. Wagner said they need a quick chain of command because they have to decide when they get the call whether they are doing a cremation or embalming. If they are doing an embalming, they have to do it right away. Wagner said that is a big thing for him is that who do they call who makes the decision. Solt said the funeral homes protect themselves, until it is approved; the families sign a contract because legally everyone has to sign a contract and say to them that if the County does not approve them, this contract will hold them liable. Solt said no matter what the finances are, there is no less dignity offered to any family. Solt said that they work with the families. Solt strongly recommends that you put into any of the provisions is that any funds or assets that the deceased has are to be applied to the funeral. Homolka also said that if an estate is worth less than \$25,000.00, the County can file a small estate affidavit which can transfer title of property to the heir without having to go through probate. If the heirs falsify the fact that there were no funds or assets and there were the County can file against it. Beth Pullen said that Health and Human Services, every time someone dies and the County shows them on Medicaid, they do a demand for notice, so if there is ever an estate they are notified so they can file a claim within that estate. She said it would be a good idea that every time there is a county burial to file a demand for notice with the court so if there ever is an estate you would be notified. Weller said that the important thing today is to appoint Homolka as the contact person because they are looking at legal things here that Linda Greger just isn't prepared to handle. Homolka said that they still needed Greger to fill out the applications and until they have some type of procedure, they bring the application to Homolka to review until guide lines are in place. Husmann said that he thought it would be a good idea if Homolka, and the funeral homes got together and wrote up what would work the best. Wagner said that way they could list the things that would be covered in county burials. Moved Weller, second Husmann to appoint the County Attorney as the contact person for county burials of indigent persons and the Board will go and review the requirements by the April 12th, 2012 meeting and Homolka said that actually requires a public hearing before you can adopt any amendments to the current guide lines. Weller added also to have a public hearing for this at the April 12, 2012 meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Sheriff report: Sheriff Campbell said the average of prisoners in the jail in the last year has been 10.5 per day. They are starting the DARE program again today at Chapman. Students from St. Libory will be bused to Chapman to attend the DARE program. They will be conducting DARE programs in Palmer, Chapman, Central City, Clarks, and Genoa. Harold Sautter, who is retired from Hamilton County volunteered to come to Merrick County to do the DARE program. Campbell said they are planning on 130 kids and are looking at the performance art center to hold graduation. Sheriff Campbell said that in the new phone book the Sheriff's office number is not in there and in the old ones the number is a number that is not in service. They are working on this.

Jail Repairs: Sheriff Campbell said they have done some work on the jail already. After the sheriff had put an ad in the papers for bids on repairs, Campbell received only one bid and it was a local bid for \$18,000.00. Campbell said that he feels that is too much money to spend at this time. The doors have been done at the jail and the locks have been done. Cell three is still down because of plumbing issues. There are two inmates being housed in Grand Island now. Meal preparation has been going well and the cost is around \$3.00 a meal. The locks on the doors are punch coded. The necessary law enforcement agencies and medical agency have the codes. The door on the residence side of the building was the only door that was replaced because it was no longer energy efficient. The plumbing estimate for the entire sheriff's office and jail was \$30,000.00. Conway's Plumbing has been working on the plumbing issues. Campbell would like to put a lock on the front door with a punch code to be used for the weekends and evenings. Getting the building secure is a big positive. Prisoners were housed in Hall County for 2 to 2 ½ weeks and there were 8 of them because of no running water. The cost per day is \$55.00 per inmate. Platte County's inmate numbers are down so they would house them for \$50.00 a day.

East Central Region Governance Board Appointment: Moved Husmann, second Weller to appoint Sheriff Campbell to the East Central Region Governance Board and Emergency Management Manager Jan Zurcher as the alternate. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Graves asked Sheriff Campbell about Frontier and the maintenance contract they want the County to sign. If the County does

not sign the contract now they can get on it later. Beth Pullen said if you have the Frontier service and don't have a contract, they will put you on a list and if you have problems they will take care of the contract people first. Campbell said the State is changing radio equipment and that will become effective next year.

Settlement: The Board had received a letter concerning the settlement on the Estate of David Kohl. Moved Helgoth, second Jefferson to put the settlement of the Estate of David Kohl on the agenda for the next meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes.

December 2011 fees: The December 2011 fees from the Sheriff, Clerk of District Court, and County Clerk were presented to the Board for approval. Moved Helgoth, second Graves to approve the December 2011 fees from the Sheriff, Clerk of District Court, and County Clerk as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

January 2012 claims: The January 2012 claims were submitted to the Board for their approval:

FUND	NAME	INVDESC	TOTCLAIMS
GENERAL			
	ADT SECURITY SERVICES, INC	SECURITY SRVC	\$ 374.18
	AMERICINN	LODGING	\$ 1,277.46
		INSPECT-	
	BAMFORD INC.	BKFLOW	\$ 350.00
	JULIE L BELLIS	COURT EXPENSE	\$ 111.80
	DOROTHY D BENTON	ATTY FEES	\$ 2,658.75
	GARY BERRY	MILEAGE	\$ 49.95
	PATRICIA BOLTE	MILEAGE	\$ 19.20
	BRADLEY,ELSBERND,ANDERSEN,KNEALE	ATTY FEES	\$ 615.00
	GEORGE E BRUGH	MH BOARD	\$ 549.45
	CHRISTOPHER BURN	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
	KEVIN CAMPBELL	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
	CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/SHERIFF ACT	CAR REPAIR	\$ 31.56
	CENTRAL CITY MALL	SUPPLIES	\$ 39.99
	CENTRAL CITY MALL	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 861.35
	CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT	\$ 2,258.33
	CENTRAL NE CO ASSESSORS ASSOCIATION	ANNUAL DUES	\$ 20.00
	CENTURYLINK	TELEPHONE	\$ 816.26
	TODD CHURCH	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
	CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	UTILITIES	\$ 2,961.27
	CITY OF CENTRAL CITY	JAIL UTILITIES	\$ 183.89
	CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/CC	COURT COSTS	\$ 135.54
	DELL MARKETING L.P.	SUPPLIES	\$ 193.94
	LORRAINE DEXTER	RETIREMENT	\$ 96.00
	RYAN DUNCAN	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
	KAREN DUNHAM	MILEAGE	\$ 75.04
		MAINT	
	DYNAMIC COMPUTING SOLUTIONS	AGREEMEN	\$ 169.50
	EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 17.97
	ECO WATER SYSTEMS	WATER SERVICE	\$ 178.00
	ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS,INC	FIRE INSPECT	\$ 50.00
	DORIS GARRETT	RETIREMENT	\$ 72.00
	THERESA GOOD	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 263.60
	JIM L GRAVES	MILEAGE	\$ 102.12
	LINDA GREGER	SOC SERVICES	\$ 135.00
	HALL COUNTY SHERIFF DEPT	COURT COSTS	\$ 42.43
	HALL COUNTY CORRECTIONS	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 2,262.57
	HALL COUNTY JAIL	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 50.00
	HANSON GRIME STOPPERS	CLEANING SRVC	\$ 1,881.00

HAYES COUNTY COURT	COURT EXPENSE	\$ 12.75
HOMETOWN VARIETY	SUPPLIES	\$ 54.95
LYNELLE HOMOLKA	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 137.74
WONDER BREAD/HOSTESS BAKERY OUTLET	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 34.35
HOWARD COUNTY COURT	COURT EXPENSE	\$ 2.91
	MAIN	
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES, INC	AGREEMENT	\$ 2,667.00
JACKSON SERVICES	SUPPLIES	\$ 154.00
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 319.72
JENSEN PUBLISHING	SUPPLIES	\$ 161.60
JENSEN PUBLISHING/P&Z	PRINTING	\$ 15.21
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/P&Z	PRINTING	\$ 15.12
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	\$ 389.26
BRIAN KLUCK	MH BOARD	\$ 497.10
THOMAS L.KOVANDA	ATTY FEES	\$ 9,374.60
LAURITSEN,BROWNELL,BROSTROM,STEHLIK	ATTY FEES	\$ 300.00
LEXISNEXIS	LAW LIBRARY	\$ 226.00
MATTHEW BENDER & CO.,IN	INVESTIGATIVE	\$ 203.10
LITZENBERG/HOSPITAL OPERATING	SUPPORT	\$ 8,333.33
LITZENBERG CO. HOSPITAL	DRUG/ALCOHOL	\$ 106.45
MARY LIVINGSTON	MH BOARD	\$ 355.50
LYNN PEAVY COMPANY	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 79.80
MADISON COUNTY SHERIFF	COURT COSTS	\$ 19.65
GARY MATHIS	RETIREMENT	\$ 168.00
MAYER, BURNS, KOENIG & JANULEWICZ	ATTY FEES	\$ 865.89
MCI	TELEPHONE	\$ 108.41
MERRICK CO. CLERK	SUPPLIES	\$ 95.30
MERRICK CO. COURT	COURT COSTS	\$ 283.00
MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	PROX PX TRANS	\$ 81,382.09
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 844.99
MURENA MEYER	RETIREMENT	\$ 204.00
MICHAEL PICKINPAUGH	COURT COSTS	\$ 20.00
MID AMERICAN BENEFITS,INC	INS DEDUCT RE	\$ 473.29
DARLENE MILLER	RETIREMENT	\$ 192.00
MIPS INC.	SUPPLIES	\$ 133.00
JENNIFER MYERS	MILEAGE	\$ 72.15
	MEMBERSHIP	
NE ASSOC OF CO CLERK,ROD & ELECTION	DUE	\$ 75.00
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	INSTITUTIONS	\$ 447.00
NE INSTITUTE OF FORENSIC SCIENCES	CORONER	\$ 3,100.00
NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 336.00
NEBRASKA SHERIFF'S ASSOC.	DUES	\$ 30.00
	MEMBERSHIP	
NEBRASKA WEED CONTROL ASSOCIATION	FEE	\$ 75.00
NEW WORLDS INN	LODGING	\$ 118.00
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 36.41
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 69.74
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 73.76

NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 78.26
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 57.49
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 45.71
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 103.53
	COURTHOUSE	
NT&T	FAX	\$ 46.06
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 68.46
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 803.38
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 57.70
OFFICENET	REPAIR/SUPPLY	\$ 422.95
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 179.44
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 93.62
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 279.99
	MAIN	
OFFICENET	AGREEMENT	\$ 154.88
OFFICENET,INC.	MTHLY SUPPORT	\$ 141.50
PHILLIPS 66-CONOCO-76	FUEL	\$ 124.60
PLATTE VALLEY COMM.	CAR REPAIR	\$ 50.00
PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS ASSN	EDUCATION	\$ 150.00
REGION III BEHAVIORIAL HEALTH SERV	SUPPORT	\$ 4,147.64
CORWIN A ROSCOE	CONTRACT SRVC	\$ 1,241.67
S&W PEST MANAGEMENT	PEST CONTROL	\$ 53.25
SAM'S CLUB DIRECT	SUPPLIES/BOARD	\$ 679.99
JEANETTE SCHANK	RETIREMENT	\$ 216.00
SECURUS	COMMISSARY	\$ 469.65
SEVEN SPRINGS INC	WATER SERVICE	\$ 23.00
STANARD APPRAISAL SERVICE, INC.	REAPPRAISAL	\$ 4,281.25
JAMES C STECKER	ATTY FEES	\$ 1,146.20
DAVID SULLIVAN	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
SVEHLA THOMAS RAUERT & GRAFTON PC	ATTY FEES	\$ 858.00
GLORIA TAGGE	RETIREMENT	\$ 156.00
THOMAS & THOMAS COURT REPORTERS	COURT EXPENSE	\$ 288.36
MELANIA J. THOMSON	RETIREMENT	\$ 168.00
TRIANGLE INSURANCE	NOTARY BOND	\$ 40.00
USA COMMUNICATIONS	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 50.24
VISA	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 651.44
REX WELLER	MILEAGE	\$ 44.40
MARCIA WICHMANN	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 126.79
ROGER WIEGERT	MILEAGE	\$ 103.23
KELLY WILLIAMS	UNIFORM/MISC	\$ 60.00
WINGATE INN	LODGING	\$ 89.95
FLEET SERVICES	FUEL	\$ 1,322.42
HERBERT W WURTZ	RETIREMENT	\$ 96.00
TOTAL		\$ 150,887.37

ROADS

ALL ROADS BARRICADES, INC	SIGNS & POSTS	\$ 640.00
AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.	FUEL	\$ 4,895.25
AUTOGLASS CENTER	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 100.00

B&D TRUCK PARTS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 85.00
BOMGAARS	SUPPLIES	\$ 464.71
BOSSELMAN INC/ROADS	SUPPLIES/OIL	\$ 594.35
CATERPILLAR AXCESSACCOUNT	REPAIR & LABOR	\$ 7,109.70
CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/ROADS	SUPPLY/REPAIR	\$ 899.23
CENTRAL SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	\$ 110.18
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 36.26
COMPUTER CONCEPTS INC.	OFFICE REPAIR	\$ 94.90
RICHARD COOK	RETIREMENT	\$ 252.00
EAKES OFFICE PLUS INC/ROADS	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 69.98
MIKE FOULK	GRAVEL	\$ 4,800.00
GILBARCO INC	FUEL	\$ 17.00
GREEN LINE EQUIPMENT OF CC/ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 11.82
GROSSHANS, INC./ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 8.33
JIM HAAG	MILEAGE	\$ 119.33
HALL COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	ENGINEER FEES	\$ 1,123.92
CHARLES P HAYS	RETIREMENT	\$ 60.00
LEA HAYS	RETIREMENT	\$ 252.00
HUSKER CO-OP	FUEL	\$ 3,805.55
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 39.75
JACKSON LINEN SERVICE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 47.42
JENSEN PUBLISHING/ROADS	PUBLISHING	\$ 13.00
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/ROADS	PUBLISHING	\$ 22.20
K & S TOOL SERVICE	SMALL TOOLS	\$ 217.30
KRIZ-DAVIS CO	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 117.95
RYAN LAVELL	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 136.31
MEDICAL ENTERPRISES, INC	DRUG/ALCO TEST	\$ 62.00
MICHAEL MEYER	MLG/POSTAGE	\$ 546.08
MID AMERICAN BENEFITS,INC	ROADS	\$ 141.93
MIDWEST HYDRAULIC SERVICE/ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 372.25
MIDWEST SERVICE & SALES CO.	BRIDGE PLANKS	\$ 2,232.95
NEBR. MACHINERY CO.	REPAIR/LABOR	\$ 2,678.20
NE MOTOR FUELS DIVISION	ROAD FUEL TAX	\$ 802.00
NT&T/SHOP	TELEPHONE	\$ 51.33
NT&T/ROADS	TELEPHONE	\$ 52.73
OFFICENET	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 102.60
OVERLAND SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	\$ 107.55
PALSER SERVICE/ROADS	TIRES	\$ 22.00
PETERBILT OF COUNCIL BLUFFS	DUMP TRUCK	\$ 83,400.00
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POLK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT	MAINTENANCE	\$ 375.00
POLK COUNTY RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	ELECTRICITY	\$ 123.08
JOHN E PROSOSKI	RETIRE/RENTAL	\$ 228.00
RADIANT HEATING SYSTEMS INC	BLDING REPAIR	\$ 120.59
SACK LUMBER CO./ROADS	BLDING REPAIR	\$ 94.84
SAPP BROS. PETROLEUM	FUEL	\$ 1,438.60
SCOTT-VAN KEPPEL-BR	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 156.74
SOURCEGAS,LLC	GAS SERVICE	\$ 572.75

SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	ELECTRICITY	\$ 509.99
VERIZON WIRELESS	TELEPHONE	\$ 45.85
VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN	ELECTRICITY	\$ 42.55
XEROX CORPORATION	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 56.13
ZEE MEDICAL SERVICE CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 67.05
TOTAL		\$ 120,546.23

UNEMPLOYMENT

NEBRASKA U.C. FUND	UNEMPLOYMENT	\$ 4,531.14
TOTAL		\$ 4,531.14

JUVENILE DIVERSION

JULIE BEYER	MILEAGE/PHONE	\$ 51.20
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	JUV DIV-POSTAL	\$ 13.50
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 61.61
REDWOOD BIOTECH	SUPPLIES	\$ 110.66
TOTAL		\$ 236.97

INHERITANCE

HAMILTON TELECOMMUNICATIONS	INTERNET SRVC	\$ 154.85
MIPS INC.	COMP SUPPORT	\$ 2,857.92
TOTAL		\$ 3,012.77

E911

AS CENTRAL SERVICES OCIO	EQUIP MAINT	\$ 448.00
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	COMPUTER DATA	\$ 71.80
NNTC	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 139.14
TOTAL		\$ 658.94

Moved Weller, second Jefferson to approve the January 2012 claims as submitted. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjournment: Moved Weller, second Graves to adjourn at 12:10 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

January 24, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, January 24, 2012 at 9:03 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Husmann, Jefferson, Weller and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:04 a.m.

Moved Husmann, second Hahn to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:03a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Husmann led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Minutes: Moved Husmann, second Helgoth to approve the minutes as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Permissive exemption hearing: Assessor Placke said the permissive exemptions were cemeteries; educational, charitable, etc. organizations and they have to fill out an application every year. Placke would like to set a hearing date of February 14, 2012 for the Board to hear the permissive exemptions and her recommendation will be to approve them all because there have been no new ones. She would like to set the hearing date today because she needs to send out 10 day notices to all of the organizations. Moved Hahn, second Graves to approve of the hearing date of February 14, 2012 to hear the permissive exemptions. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Jefferson, second Husmann to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:07 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

January 24, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, January 24, 2012 at 9:07 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Weller, and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:07 a.m.

Moved Weller, second Hahn to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:07 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

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

Minutes: Weller said that he would like the minutes to say that the intersection study by Clarks and the one by DeBruce are two different studies. The way the minutes read now it sounds like it is all one study. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the minutes with the amendment. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Board of Equalization: Wiegert said the bBoard needed to appoint the Board of Supervisor's as the Board of Equalization.

Moved Weller, second Graves to appoint the Board of Supervisor's as the Board of Equalization. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting reports: Hahn attended the hospital board meeting, senior center meeting, and one of the informational community meetings held at the hospital; Graves attended one of the informational community meetings at the hospital and the safety committee meeting at the courthouse; Weller and Helgoth attended one of the informational community meetings at the hospital; Husmann attended the senior center meeting and said he volunteered to go to the Midland Area Agency on Aging meetings in Hastings with Hahn; and Wiegert attended a Mid Plains Behavioral Meeting last night.

Officials reports: There were no official reports.

Weed Control: Wiegert needed the board's approval to sign the Weed Control Authority Board Roster and budget for the Nebraska Department of Agriculture. Moved Husmann, second Jefferson to approve the Chairman sign the Weed Control Authority Board Roster and budget for the Nebraska Department of Agriculture. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Hospital update: Tad Hunt, Hospital Administrator thanked the board members that attended the informational community meetings. Hunt said LB995 is about the restructuring of county hospitals. Hunt gave the board a handout of what is being proposed for changes. This bill is sponsored by Heineman and cosponsored by Campbell. Hunt has talked with Senator Dubas and will be meeting with Representative Adrian Smith. There will be another informational community meeting on Wednesday. Hunt said he will not be having weekly meetings but will have a monthly meeting. They are not ready to build a hospital but they can do land acquisition. A new hospital would have to be built on city property according to the bylaws.

Hunt said City Administrator Chris Anderson did not feel this was a problem with the land south of the school.

Autopsy contract: Chad Dolan with Central Nebraska Forensic Services facility in Gibbon came before the board to tell them about their business and facility. Dolan said they work only for funeral homes, law enforcement, and county attorneys. They have been in business since 1986 and are a limited liability company. Everyone there is board certified and everything is done in Gibbon. They cover transportation, autopsy, and embalming or cremation. After an autopsy has been performed they have the body returned to the family within 24 to 36 hours. There are two forensic pathologists at the facility. They have done two cases for Merrick County this year and charged the county \$1,550 for each case as if the county was under contract with them. This saved the county \$1,450.00 per autopsy. They offer free training for three people, whether they come from the sheriff's office or county attorney's office. There is only one bill for everything. If the county contracted for four autopsies and you had a fifth, the fifth one would be a variance and variances are allowed at no cost. If you have fewer than four autopsies the remainder would be carried over for 12 months. County Attorney Homolka said she budgeted \$6,000.00 for this and has used \$3,100.00 so far this year. Dolan felt that four autopsies were enough for Merrick County to contract for according to the statistics at Vital Records. The contract for four autopsies at \$1,550.00 per case would be \$6,200.00 a year. Moved Weller, second Jefferson to table this until the next board meeting so that Homolka can review the contract and come to the next meeting with recommendations and then the Board can make a decision. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Emergency Management: Jan Zurcher came before the board and Sheriff Campbell introduced her as the new Emergency Manager for Boone, Nance, and Merrick County. Zurcher is certified in emergency management and attended a week of training last week. Boone County will be responsible for a vehicle and Nance County will be paying her. Her goal is to be in each county once a week and in Merrick County she will operate out of the Sheriff's office. Zurcher said she is looking forward to her new position. At the last meeting, the Board appointed Sheriff Campbell to the East Central Region Governance Board and Zurcher was appointed as the alternate. The appointment should be Zurcher to the Governance Board and Sheriff Campbell as the alternate. Moved Weller, second Helgoth to appoint Jan Zurcher, Emergency Manager to the East Central Region Governance Board and Sheriff Campbell as the alternate. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC): Moved Weller, second Graves to appoint Jan Zurcher to the LEPC. Roll Call: All Ayes. Zurcher said that she is looking forward to working with the County Board and said that there will be a meeting tonight in Fullerton, in the courtroom. Helgoth is on the emergency management committee.

Project No. BR-NBIS(95), Control No. 00872 Statewide 2012 Fracture Critical Bridge Inspections: Highway Superintendent Meyer came before the Board with an agreement and resolution for the board to approve and have the Chairman sign. Meyer said that the inspections were done before and paid out of soft funds but the state has frozen those funds. Meyer said Merrick County's portion of these inspections is 20% or \$1,113.00. Hall County put their agreement and resolution on hold because their share was over \$5000.00 and they were going to investigate this more. The inspections in Merrick County are done. They inspected the pony truss bridges and Merrick County has four. Moved Jefferson, second Graves to table the agreement and resolution approval until the next Board meeting to see what Hall County finds out. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Juvenile Diversion County Aide Grant: County Attorney Homolka presented the Juvenile Diversion County Aide Grant for 2012-2013. This is money that supports the Juvenile Diversion Fund budget and the Juvenile Diversion officer submits this every year. Moved Husmann, second Hahn to approve and have the Chairman sign the Juvenile Diversion County Aide Grant for 2012-2013. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Bamford, Inc. proposal: A proposal from Bamford, Inc. for the five-year inspection of the fire sprinkler system was presented to the board for their approval and the Chairman's signature. This inspection is similar to the annual inspection, except there are a few more specific items that are inspected, tested, and /or replaced. The cost of this inspection is \$995.00 and does not include replacement of any materials. Replacement work will be billed as time and material. If they find anything that will need to be replaced they will notify the county prior to the work being done. If the proposal for the five-year inspection is waived by the board, the fire sprinkler system will not be in compliance. Moved Graves, second Jefferson to approve and have the Chairman sign the Bamford, Inc. proposal for \$995.00 to do the five-year inspection of the fire sprinkler system. Roll Call: Ayes: Helgoth, Husmann, Weller, Jefferson, Graves, and Wiegert. Nays: Hahn. Motion carried.

CPR/First Aid classes: Graves said that at the last safety meeting, they discussed CPR/First Aid classes for county employees. Sheriff Campbell said the cost would be \$35.00 per person. Graves said they were wondering if the county wanted to pay for the employees that wanted to take the class. Campbell said that the dates are February 11 and February 18, 2012. The classes are 8 hours long. Husmann said he thought it was a good idea that the employees take these classes. Moved Weller, second Graves to have the county pay the fee for any county employee that wants to take the CPR/First Aid classes on February 11 or February 18, 2012. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Fire extinguishers: Sheriff Campbell said the fire extinguishers in the courthouse, jail, and county shop need to be checked. They have not been checked for a very long time. Campbell has found a company out of Omaha called Fire Guard that will come out and check all the fire extinguishers and replace those that need to be replaced and haul off the old ones. For them to check 10 extinguishers the cost is \$80.00, so Campbell didn't think the cost would be much over \$150.00. They will come out in March and do the check.

Frontier Communications: Sheriff Campbell told the board that the support plan for the E911 equipment that Frontier approached them with was a good idea. The cost was \$3,101.33 a year and Campbell said that he would try to put that in his budget next year. Campbell also said that had the county had this support plan earlier, it would not have cost the county over \$40,000.00 to do the upgrade that was done over a year.

Informational purposes only: NIRMA had sent a letter and enclosure to the Board of Supervisors in regards to the settlement agreement with the Estate of David Kohl. Pursuant to Neb. Stat 84-713, certain settlement agreements entered into by public entities or insurer are public records. The settlement agreement in this case would fall within the scope of the legislation because the amount involved is equal to or exceeds 1% of the county's budget/\$50,000.00. Claim number GCMERR1027406 has been resolved by means of a settlement agreement. The law therefore requires that this settlement be made an agenda item at the county board's meeting for informational purposes only.

Payroll: The January 2012 payroll was presented to the board for their approval. Helgoth said he did not sign a lot of the road pay sheets because he do not feels they are following the handbook. The January 2012 payroll was as follows: General: Gross: \$99,242.41 Net: \$71,078.30; Roads: Gross: \$46,435.50 Net: \$30,809.16; Juvenile Diversion: Gross: \$2,331.33 Net: \$2,086.80. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the January 2012 payroll as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjourn: Moved Helgoth, second Hahn to adjourn at 11:24 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

February 14, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, February 14, 2012 at 9:02 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Husmann, Jefferson, Weller and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:02 a.m.

Moved Jefferson, second Graves to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:02a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Graves led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Minutes: Moved Hahn, second Helgoth to approve the minutes as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Permissive exemption hearing: Moved Weller, second Graves to open the hearing for permissive exemptions at 9:04 a.m.

Roll Call: All Ayes. Assessor Placke had given each Board of Equalization member a list of permissive exemptions and said that there were no new applications. Moved Weller, second Helgoth to approve the permissive tax exemptions as presented.

Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Husmann, second Hahn to close the hearing for permissive exemptions at 9:07 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Vehicle Exemption: Moved Husmann, second Graves to open the hearing for vehicle tax exemption at 9:07 a.m. Roll Call:

All Ayes. Treasurer Dunham presented an application for exemption from Boy Scout Troop #102, Central City, NE for a 2000 United Trailer used as a utility trailer. Moved Graves, second Helgoth to approve the vehicle exemption for a 2000

United Trailer for Boy Scout Troop #102, Central City, NE. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Tax Corrections: Assessor Placke presented tax correction #3615 for Hubert & Patricia Wurtz per the Department of Revenue, for homestead exemption and tax correction #3616 for Virgil Kuskie for personal property taxes accelerated for estate purposes. Moved Husmann, second Jefferson to approve tax corrections #3615 for Hubert & Patricia Wurtz for homestead exemption and #3616 for Virgil Kuskie to accelerate personal property taxes for estate purposes as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Husmann, second Hahn to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:11 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

February 14, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, February 14, 2012 at 9:12 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Weller, and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:12 a.m.

Moved Jefferson, second Husmann to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:12 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

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

Minutes: Moved Weller, second Jefferson to approve the minutes as printed. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting Reports: Hahn and Husmann attended the Midland Area Agency on Aging in Hastings; Weller attended a Development Corporation meeting; Husmann said that Tad Hunt would be in Chapman Wednesday morning to talk to the people of Chapman about the hospital; Wiegert attended the County Board workshop in Kearney last week and learn about what the board could and could not do at meetings and outside of meetings and on January 25, 2012 he attended an informal hospital meeting for the public.

Official reports: County Attorney Homolka went to a two day training on internet crimes against children and cooking meth put on by the State Patrol. She is also working with the County Treasurer on a tax issue for the tax sale in March.

Public comment: There was no public comments.

Board meeting date change: Chairman Wiegert said the next board meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 28, 2012 needed to be moved to Monday, February 27, 2012 because of payroll. Helgoth absent at 9:22 a.m. Moved Graves, second Hahn to move the next Board meeting to Monday, February 27, 2012. Roll Call: Ayes: Weller, Jefferson, Husmann, Hahn, Graves, and Wiegert. Nays: None. Absent: Helgoth.

Electrical agreement: Highway Superintendent Meyer presented an electrical agreement for Southern Public Power District between Section 23 and 24, Township 15, Range 7, Merrick County Nebraska. Southern Power would like to trench along the east edge of the road. Moved Husmann, second Graves to approve the electrical agreement for Southern Public Power District between Section 23 and 24, Township 15, Range 7, Merrick County Nebraska. Roll Call: Ayes: Weller, Jefferson, Hahn, Graves, Husmann, and Wiegert. Nays: None. Absent: Helgoth
Helgoth present at 9:26 a.m.

Water dispute: Steve Curry said he was before the board on behalf of Al Ziemba and his mother. The dispute is between Tom Lesiak and Ziemba and his mother. Lesiak is Mrs. Ziemba's neighbor. The dispute is over a drain that was built in the 1970's. The drain is not open now and water sits on Ziemba's land. If the drain were open, the water would meander north and east. Lesiak has blocked the drain to avoid water from going across his property. Curry said that if both parties could come to an agreement of; instead of the water coming down the drain and going northeast, it would go north to property lines and then east. There is a minimum maintenance road that has not been kept up for 20 years and so Curry said if they could use the minimum maintenance road to dig a ditch on Ziemba's side because Ziemba's ground is lower. Graves said he thought they should have the NRD's approval before doing this. Ziemba said he had talked to Milt Moroviak at the NRD. Curry said the County has on a number of occasions let a county ditch be used. The road would have to stay open for Lesiak to get to his property and that would require a culvert. Curry said that he is hearing that most of the board is saying that the NRD should look at this. Graves said he recommends talking with the NRD and coming back to the board. Curry said they were not asking the county to do any work. Moved Graves, second Jefferson to have the NRD and Highway Superintendent Meyer look at the situation and then come back to the board. Roll Call: All Ayes. Husmann absent at 10:11 a.m. Husmann back at 10:16 a.m.

One and Six Year Plan: Highway Superintendent Meyer told the board that they had gotten three roads graded in 2011. Meyer passed out a copy of the maintenance work for 2012 and the One and Six Year project plan for 2012 to the board.

Maintenance work to be done in 2012 is to re-grade on "N" Road between 17th Road and 18th Road, that is a mail route, re-grade from the culvert North on 26th Road between "V" Road and "W" Road in the Clarksville Township, re-grade the East ½ mile on "Z" Road between 28th Road and 29th Road, which is a County road, re-grade from Glen Ferguson's to Herman Kohl on 27th Road between "W" Road and "X" Road which is a mail route, and re-grade 10th Road between "Q" Road and "R" Road in Midland Township. The one year project plan consisted of 7 projects: C61(193), C61(214), C61(206), C61(224), C61(228), C61(229), C61(230). The six year plan had 7 projects : C61(215), C61(216), C61(217), C61(218), C61(219), C61(225), C61(227).

RESOLUTION 2012-1 Fracture Critical Bridge Inspections: Highway Superintendent Meyer presented the board with Project No. BR-NBIS(95), Control No. 009872 to the board for their approval and signatures. Meyer told the board that they would be able to use the soft match money. Moved Jefferson, second Graves to approve and sign RESOLUTION 2012-1 Engineering Services Agreement for Fracture Critical Bridge Inspections. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2012-1 is on file for public viewing the County Clerk's office.

RESOLUTION 2012-2 Archer Southwest Federal Aide Project: Highway Superintendent Meyer presented RESOLUTION 2012-2 for the Archer Southwest Federal Aide Project to the board for their approval and signatures. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve and sign RESOLUTION 2012-2 Archer Southwest Federal Aide Project. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2012-2 is on file in the County Clerk's office for public viewing.

RESOLUTION 2012-3 Palmer Northwest Federal Aide Project: Highway Superintendent Meyer presented RESOLUTION 2012-3 for the Palmer Northwest Federal Aide Project for approval and signatures. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve and sign RESOLUTION 2012-3 Palmer Northwest Federal Aide Project. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2012-3 is on file in the County Clerk's office for public viewing.

NIRMA: Husmann said that he believed every board member got a letter from NIRMA about grading roads going the wrong direction and wanted to know what they were going to do about that. Graves said that if they continue to do that and have another accident because of going the wrong direction, NIRMA will put in the County's insurance folder the next year, that NIRMA will not insure that. Graves said that if they need to go in the wrong direction they will need to use signage saying under construction and this will also be for snow removal also. Graves said this has not been implemented yet and Helgoth said that we do not want another accident so we need to implement this. Graves said he was going to check and see if they could get an exception for snow removal in areas where it is flat.

Veteran Service Office and petition: A discussion on the location of the veteran service office because of a petition from the American Legion Post #6 was held. All Board members had received a copy of the petition by mail. Concerns of the petition were privacy and handicap accessibility. Husmann and Jefferson had the same concerns. Other concerns were heard from the Treasurer's office of license plates, supplies, and daily access to the computer room and from the Clerk's office of daily access to computer room by employees and technicians, access to the election store room, election preparation and election usage, and space for supplies. Clerk Wichmann read off a list of needs for the election process to the board for the room with the understanding that it is up to the County Board, but

the board must provide for the Veteran Service Office and Elections. Privacy would be less for Berry if relocated into this room because of people needing to access it for various reasons and where Berry is currently he can close the door and he has file cabinets that lock and neither other office has any need to access this room. Berry said this whole thing has become personal. It is putting one office against another office, individuals against each other and he doesn't like that and it has gotten worse since he has been here. Options of using the hearing room on first floor or the supervisor's room on third floor for the DMV were brought up. The hearing room would not work because of hearings. It was brought up that maybe the board should table the matter until someone talked to the DMV. Weller said with the space problems at the courthouse there are two options and one is to find an office space outside the courthouse and the other is to contract with Grand Island for veteran services. Moved Husmann, second Jefferson to move the Veteran Service Office into the former County Court Clerk Magistrate office. Roll Call: Ayes: Husmann. Nays: Hahn, Helgoth, Graves, Weller, and Wiegert. Abstain: Jefferson. Clerk Wichmann told the board that she had heard that the ladies on second floor (Treasurer and Clerk's offices) were denying the veterans of their rights. Wichmann said that could not be further from the truth. This is not about the veteran's rights, it is about space. Moved Weller to look to see if there was something or an office in the community that could be used in place of the one in the courthouse; do a study, get the cost of what it would cost, the availability, just to see if there is something. Probably should be done by a committee and Weller said he would volunteer to be on that, second Graves. Roll Call: Ayes: Hahn, Helgoth, Husmann, Graves, Weller, and Wiegert. Nays: None. Abstain: Jefferson.

Autopsies: County Attorney Homolka said she had done quite a lot of work checking into the alternatives and she does not think she is in a position at this point to recommend signing the contract. What she prefers is they should go over this again during their budget session. She had talked to Chad extensively and talked to a couple of other counties that use the Douglas County Corners office which does not require the signing of a contract. However, as Chad pointed out you get five different bills from five different people that probably add up to more than what Gibbon facility charges. Homolka is thinking of having him propose a lesser contract. At this point in time, Homolka thinks we should wait until the budget year comes up. Moved Hahn, second Graves to table until further investigation. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Narrowbanding: Sheriff Campbell and Emergency Management, Jan Zurcher told the board that the federal government is going to be making more channels and will require the County to redo radios to include fire and ambulance. Campbell said that it is a matter of Platte Valley Communications looking at their radios and sirens. This will take a couple of weeks and Campbell said they will have to reissue to some farmers also. This has to be done by the end of 2012. Campbell said they are still without cell number 3 at the jail because of the toilet. They thought they had it fixed but it was not. Campbell also talked to Frontier about the insurance on the radio equipment and Campbell said he feels it would be a good idea to have it. The expense of \$3,000.00 a year to get all of the updates and maintenance would be cheaper than the \$40,000.00 plus that they had to spend to upgrade the equipment last year.

Moved Weller, second Hahn to recess for lunch at 12:08 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Helgoth, second Hahn to reconvene at 1:39 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

County liability on minimum maintenance roads: Weller told the board that he had asked the County Attorney to review the county's liability on the upkeep of minimum maintenance roads and County Attorney Homolka said she had found some case law that says it is the county's responsibility to maintain these roads so that farm equipment, trucks, and ?????could use it. There needs to be a resolution and hearing to declare a road minimum maintenance. Weller asked that a discussion on designating some roads as minimum maintenance be put on the next meetings agenda.

Pledge Security report: The pledge security report from the County Treasurer was presented to board for their review.

January 2012 fees: The January 2012 fees from the Clerk of District Court, Sheriff, and County Clerk were presented to the board for their signatures. Moved Weller, second Jefferson to approve the January 2012 fees from the Clerk of District Court, Sheriff, and County Clerk as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

February 2012 claims: The February 2012 claims were presented to the Board for their approval:

FUND	SORTNAME	INVDESC	TOTCLAIMS
GENERAL			
	ADAMS COUNTY SHERIFF	COURT COSTS	\$ 27.50
	AMSAN/NOGG	SUPPLIES	\$ 172.55
	BELLIS, JULIE L	COURT COSTS	\$ 71.50
	BENTON,DOROTHY,D	ATTY FEES	\$ 5,261.40
	BERRY,GARY	SUPPLIES	\$ 37.43
	BRADLEY,ELSBERND,ANDERSEN,KNEALE	ATTY FEES	\$ 780.00
	CAMPBELL, KEVIN	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
	CARLSON,JESSIE	MH BOARD	\$ 75.00

CENTRAL CITY MALL/SHERIFF	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 710.49
CENTRAL DIST CO OFFICALS ASSOC	REGISTRATION	\$ 270.00
CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT	\$ 2,258.33
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE/BLDG	SUPPLIES	\$ 1,408.33
CENTURY LINK (946-2900)	TELEPHONE	\$ 952.34
CENTURYLINK/FORMERLY QWEST 385-0735	TELEPHONE	\$ 408.65
CHARLESTON, STEVE,NPZA TREASURER	REGISTRATION	\$ 200.00
CHURCH,TODD	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ MINI BUS	MINI BUS	\$ 504.10
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTIL CRTHSE	UTILITIES	\$ 3,087.65
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/JAIL UTIL	JAIL UTILITIES	\$ 86.47
CITY OF G.I. UTILITIES DEPT	UTILITIES	\$ 17.77
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/CC	COURT COSTS	\$ 305.85
CONAWAY PLUMBING	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 755.30
CVSOAN TREASURER/ARNOLD HALL	EDUCATION/DUES	\$ 135.00
DAUGHERTY,RACHEL,A	MH BOARD	\$ 176.64
DELL MARKETING	SUPPLIES	\$ 3,265.98
DELL MARKETING/DISTRICT COURT	SUPPLIES	\$ 110.99
DES MOINES STAMP/DIST CRT	SUPPLIES	\$ 97.90
DIVISION OF VEHICLES/KANSAS	WITNESS FEES	\$ 15.00
DUNCAN,RYAN	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
EAKES OFFICE PLUS/ TREASURER	SUPPLIES	\$ 21.27
EAKES OFFICE PLUS/DIST CRT ACCT	SUPPLIES	\$ 783.92
ECO WATER SYSTEMS	OFFICE WATER	\$ 111.50
EGR,JAMES	MH BOARD	\$ 134.94
ELITE COURT REPORTING SERVICE, INC	COURT COSTS	\$ 192.80
ETC SHOPPE	REPAIR	\$ 50.00
GALLS, AN ARAMARK COMPANY	UNIFORM	\$ 483.22
GOOD,THERESA	MH BOARD	\$ 75.00
GRAND ISLAND INDEPENDENT	COMMISSARY	\$ 320.87
GREGER,LINDA	SOCIAL SERVICE	\$ 135.00
HALL CO. SHERIFF	COURT COSTS	\$ 25.02
HALL COUNTY CORRECTIONS	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 8,377.22
HANSON,DAWN D/B/A GRIME STOPPERS	CLEANING SRVC	\$ 1,881.00
HARVEY,MARK/CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER	COURT COSTS	\$ 74.39
HASSELBALCH, JOYCE	COURT COSTS	\$ 132.70
HILDER IMPLEMENT INC	MAINTENANCE	\$ 271.16
HILLYARD/SIOUX FALLS	CLEAN SUPPLY	\$ 231.51
HOMOLKA,LYNELLE	MISC EXPENSE	\$ 40.30
HOST COFFEE SERVICE	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 75.95
HOSTESS OUTLET	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 31.70
HOWARD CO SHERIFF	COURT COSTS	\$ 17.33
JACKSON SERVICES/GEN&SHRF	SUPPLIES	\$ 154.00
JEFFERSON,JOHN	MILEAGE	\$ 53.28
JENSEN PUBLISHING/ELECTIONS	PUBLICATION	\$ 142.26
JENSEN PUBLISHING/SUPS	PUBLICATION	\$ 116.60
JENSEN PUBLISHING/VETSERV	SUPPLY/PRINT	\$ 1,001.50

JENSENS/ SHERIFF	PUBLICATION	\$ 208.40
JENSENS/P&Z	PRINTING	\$ 19.01
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/ELEC	PUBLICATION	\$ 104.06
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/P&Z	PRINTING	\$ 20.52
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/SUPS	PUBLICATION	\$ 519.13
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/TREASURER	PUBLICATION	\$ 265.67
KLUCK,BRIAN	MH BOARD	\$ 497.10
KOENIG,SUSAN M	ATTY FEES	\$ 712.50
KOVANDA,THOMAS,L	ATTY FEES	\$ 1,837.50
KYES,MARVIN	MILEAGE	\$ 24.42
LANCASTER CO YOUTH SERVICES CENTER	JUVENILE DETEN	\$ 3,953.00
LATIMER REPORTING	COURT COSTS	\$ 313.87
LAURITSEN,BROWNELL,BROSTROM	ATTY FEES	\$ 1,192.50
LEE,MARLENE,S	MILEAGE	\$ 122.10
LEXISNEXIS/ATTY	LAW LIBRARY	\$ 226.00
LITZ HOSP/OPERATING	SUPPORT	\$ 8,333.33
LITZ HOSP/PRIS MED	DRUG SCREENING	\$ 50.00
LIVINGSTON,MARY	MH BOARD	\$ 355.50
LONE TREE MED ASSOC/PRIS MED	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 65.00
MATTHEW BENDER & CO., INC	LIBRARY	\$ 104.24
MAXIMUS CONSULTING SERVICES, INC	CONSULTANT	\$ 1,523.55
MAYER, BURNS, KOENIG & JANULEWICZ	ATTY FEES	\$ 894.42
MCI /SHER	TELEPHONE	\$ 11.56
MCILNAY & CO/COURTHOUSE BLDG	PLUMBING REPR	\$ 125.56
MERRICK CO. CLERK	RECORDING FEES	\$ 27.50
MERRICK CO. COURT	COURT COSTS	\$ 857.00
MERRICK CO. EXTENSION SERVICE	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 2,186.71
MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	PROPERTY TAX	\$ 81,382.09
MERRICK CO. TREASURER/ MISC EXP	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 541.66
MEYER,MICHAEL/MILG&POSTAGE	TRAVEL/POSTAGE	\$ 395.93
MID AMERICAN BENEFITS	INSURANCE REIM	\$ 45.44
MIDWEST STORAGE SOLUTIONS, INC	SUPPLIES	\$ 307.82
MIPS INC/ASSESSOR	SUPPLIES	\$ 68.73
MIPS INC/CO CLERK	SUPPLIES	\$ 215.84
MIPS INC/TREASURER	SUPPLIES	\$ 34.65
MIPS/CO ATTY	SUPPLIES	\$ 31.28
MYERS & DAUGHERTY, PC, LLO	ATTY FEES	\$ 157.50
MYERS,JENNIFER	MILEAGE	\$ 133.20
NACO PLANNING & ZONING	DUES	\$ 30.00
NACO/CO BOARD	CO HANDBOOK	\$ 50.00
NACO/CONVENTION	REGISTRATION	\$ 80.00
NE ASSOC OF ENGINEERS,HWY		
SUPT/SURV	EDUCATION	\$ 25.00
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERV/FIN		
RESPONSB	INSTITUTIONS	\$ 543.00
NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB	ALCOHOL TEST	\$ 420.00
NORM'S U SAVE PHARMACY	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 2.00
NT&T-ELEVATOR	TELEPHONE	\$ 105.39

NT&T/ASSESSOR 946-2443	TELEPHONE	\$ 56.83
NT&T/ATTORNEY	TELEPHONE	\$ 69.74
NT&T/CHILD SUPPORT	TELEPHONE	\$ 69.73
NT&T/CLERK 946-2881	TELEPHONE	\$ 86.61
NT&T/CLKDC 946-2461	TELEPHONE	\$ 68.86
NT&T/CLKDCFAX 946-3692	TELEPHONE	\$ 48.02
NT&T/CO CRT 946-3838	TELEPHONE	\$ 110.32
	COURTHOUSE	
NT&T/CRTHSFAX 946-2332	FAX	\$ 46.71
NT&T/P&Z 946-3120	TELEPHONE	\$ 87.36
NT&T/SHERIFF/946-2345	TELEPHONE	\$ 721.67
NT&T/TREASURER 946-2171	TELEPHONE	\$ 55.91
NT&T/VET SERV 946-2466	TELEPHONE	\$ 148.77
OFFICENET/ CO COURT	SUPPLIES	\$ 300.81
OFFICENET/ATTY	SUPPLIES	\$ 346.56
OFFICENET/CLK DC	SUPPLIES	\$ 39.96
OFFICENET/COUNTY CLERK	SUPPLIES	\$ 308.77
OFFICENET/ELECTIONS	SUPPLIES	\$ 71.98
OFFICENET/SHERIFF ACT	RENTAL CNTRACT	\$ 273.69
OFFICENET,INC./COURTHOUSE ACCT	SUPPLIES	\$ 1,369.84
PALSER SERVICE/SHER	CAR REPAIR	\$ 766.50
PLACKE,JAN	TRAVEL/MEALS	\$ 34.25
PLATTE COUNTY COURT	WITNESS FEE	\$ 2.00
PLATTE COUNTY DETENTION FACILITY	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 750.00
RASMUSSEN,CAROL/CHILD ADVOCACY		
CNTR	COURT COSTS	\$ 53.30
REEVES,JAN	ATTY FEES	\$ 2,115.00
ROSCOE,CORWIN	CONTRACT SRVC	\$ 1,241.67
S&W PEST MANAGEMENT	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 53.25
SAM'S CLUB DIRECT/SHERIFF	SUPPLIES	\$ 481.66
SAMPSON, CURRY & TWISS P.C.	ATTY FEES	\$ 52.50
SCEDD	GRANT/DUES	\$ 2,000.00
SECRETARY OF STATE	SUPPLIES	\$ 200.00
SECURUS	COMMISSARY	\$ 344.25
SEVEN SPRINGS INC	OFFICE WATER	\$ 15.50
STANARD APPRAISAL	REAPPRAISAL	\$ 4,885.00
SULLIVAN,DAVID	REPAIR/UNIFORM	\$ 45.00
TRIANGLE INSURANCE	SUPPLIES	\$ 40.00
TRUELL,JAMES H	ATTY FEES	\$ 487.50
U.S. BANK	SUPPLIES	\$ 343.01
USA COMMUNICATION/FORMERLY CABLE		
US	CABLE SERVICE	\$ 55.45
VISA/SHERIFF	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 1,700.51
WELLER,REX	MILEAGE	\$ 97.68
WHOLENESS HEALING CENTER, PC	COURT COSTS	\$ 227.75
WICHMANN,MARCIA	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 32.00
WIEGERT,LYNN	MILEAGE	\$ 54.39
WIEGERT,ROGER	MILEAGE	\$ 39.96

WILLIAMS, KELLY	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
WRIGHT EXPRESS/FLEET SERVICES	FUEL	\$ 2,017.34
TOTAL		\$ 167,783.90

ROADS

ADVANCE AUTO PARTS/ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 72.83
APPLIED CONTROLS EQUIPMENT CO. INC.	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 61.43
ASPHALT & CONCRETE MATERIALS CO	ASPHALT	\$ 1,276.51
AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.	FUEL	\$ 2,460.50
B&D TRUCK PARTS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 62.00
BOMGAARS/RDS/1805 ZENITH DR	EQUIP/REPAIR	\$ 439.01
BOSSELMAN INC/ROADS ACCT 132357	SUPPLIES/OIL	\$ 238.95
CATERPILLAR AXCESSACCOUNT	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 7,109.70
CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/ROADS	SUPPLY/REPAIR	\$ 434.23
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 14.78
DEXTER, TED	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 61.39
EAKES OFFICE /ROADS	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 12.45
FILTER CARE	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 46.50
FUEHRER, RANDY	MILEAGE	\$ 33.30
HAAG, JIM	MILEAGE	\$ 175.94
HERK'S WELDING SHOP/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 287.92
ISLAND SUPPLY WELD/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 59.38
JACKSON LINEN SERVICE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 47.42
JORGENSON, SCOTT	EDUCATION	\$ 11.35
KIRKHAM MICHAEL	ENGINEER FEES	\$ 1,732.50
KRIZ-DAVIS CO	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 573.50
LITZENBERG HOSPITAL/ROADS	ALCOHOL TEST	\$ 53.30
MEDICAL ENTERPRISES, INC	ALCOHOL SCREEN	\$ 31.00
MIDWEST HYDRAULIC SERVICE/ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 423.19
NE MACHINERY CO./ROADS	REPAIR/LABOR	\$ 584.32
NEEL, LEE	MILEAGE	\$ 97.13
NT&T/CO SHOP 946-3191	TELEPHONE	\$ 51.33
NT&T/ROADS 946-2164	TELEPHONE	\$ 57.36
PALMER SERVICE CENTER	FUEL	\$ 1,802.00
PALSER SERVICE/ROADS	TIRES	\$ 162.00
PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	RADIO REPAIR	\$ 29.90
POLK COUNTY RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	ELECTRICITY	\$ 282.04
PROSOSKI, JOHN, E	LAND RENTAL	\$ 120.00
SACK LUMBER CO./ROADS	SIGNS & POSTS	\$ 454.75
SAPP BROS. PETROLEUM	FUEL	\$ 3,502.58
SOURCEGAS	HEATING	\$ 694.78
SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT/ROADS	ELECTRICITY	\$ 907.23
UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA/KEARNEY	EDUCATION	\$ 310.00
VERIZON/FORMERLY ALLTEL	TELEPHONE	\$ 45.36
VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN/ROADS	ELECTRICITY	\$ 42.55
WELDON PARTS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 348.87
XEROX CORPORATION	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 122.93
TOTAL		\$ 25,334.21

JUVENILE DIVERSION

BEYER, JULIE	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 58.41
MERRICK CO. TREASURER/ MISC EXP	JUVDIV-POSTAGE	\$ 7.34
NT&T-JUVENILE DIVERSION 946-3160	TELEPHONE	\$ 61.61
QUILL	SUPPLIES	\$ 181.88
SCEDD	222	\$ 1,000.00
TOTAL		\$ 1,309.24

DRUG LAW ENFORCEMENT

VISA/SHERIFF	11	\$ 322.95
TOTAL		\$ 322.95

INHERITANCE

CENTRAL PLATTE RESOURCE	MOORES CREEK	\$ 216.45
HAMILTON TELECOMMUNICATIONS	INTERNET SRVC	\$ 154.85
MIPS INC/MONTHLY COMP SUPPORT	COMP SUPPORT	\$ 2,857.92
TOTAL		\$ 3,229.22

E911

AS CENTRAL SERVICES OCIO/#6506	EQUIP MAIN	\$ 448.00
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS/E-911	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 126.60
GREAT PLAINS COMM /E-911 986-0911	COMPUTER DATA	\$ 71.80
NNTC	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 139.14
WEGNER MONUMENT	SIGNS	\$ 616.00
TOTAL		\$ 1,401.54

Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the February 2012 claims as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Helgoth, second Jefferson to adjourn at 2:38 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

February 27, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Monday, February 27, 2012 at 9:003 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Husmann, Weller and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka. Absent was Jefferson.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:03 a.m.

Moved Weller, second Hahn to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:03a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Weller led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Minutes: Moved Graves, second Helgoth to approve the minutes as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Tax Correction: Assessor Placke presented tax correction #3617 Merrill and Carol Bailey for parcel #3254 due to an adjustment made by the Department of Revenue on their homestead exemption. Moved Weller, second Hahn to approve and have the Chairman sign tax correction #3617 for Merrill and Carol Bailey for parcel #3254 due to an adjustment made by the Department of Revenue on their homestead exemption. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Hahn, second Graves to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:06 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

February 27, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Monday, February 27, 2012 at 9:07 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Husmann, Weller, and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka. Jefferson was absent.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:07 a.m.

Moved Husmann, second Helgoth to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:07 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

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

Minutes: Moved Graves, second Hahn to approve the minutes as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting reports: Graves visited with NIRMA about having some way to defend ourselves concerning the road maintenance and snow removal and having to go the wrong direction. Weller attended the annual Economic Development meeting and met with the committee on the location of the veteran service office. Weller said that the DMV will not move, Merrick Manor will probably not work, and Kendra Jefferson with the Central City Chamber of Commerce did not know of anything available. Helgoth attended the Central Community Services meeting in Loup City and tonight will attend an emergency management meeting.

Officials reports: There were no official reports.

Hospital update: Tad Hunt, Hospital Administrator said the hospital has a 3.8% margin and in prior years the margin was negative. Hunt talked to the Commercial Club in Palmer last week and Chapman the week before. They are going to do a community written survey in Merrick County. The hospital is ready for the land acquisition. The Thrift Store gave them \$100,000.00 to use. Hunt said the hospital is also trying to sell a house on property the hospital owns north of the hospital. Diane Schoch was also present with Hunt and said that she is meeting with residence council at Merrick Manor to see where they stand on space availability at Merrick Manor for the Veteran Service Office.

Executive Session: Moved Graves second Hahn to go into executive session at 9:23 a.m. for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Graves, second Hahn to go out of executive session at 9:58 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Administrative Office of the Courts(AOC) Agreement: County Attorney Homolka said that according to LB669, District Court and County Court are to help each other when one or the other when their staff is temporarily unavailable or less than a full-time basis. An agreement is to be made between the Clerk of District Court, Clerk Magistrate, the District Court and County Court judges, State Court Administrator, Supreme Court, County Attorney, and County Board. The agreement is not necessary but neither the Clerk of District Court or County Court have any objections to the agreement because they are already working with each other when needed. District Court Clerk, Theresa Good and Clerk Magistrate, Beth Pullen were

present. County Attorney Homolka said that Hall County did not sign an agreement because they did not feel it was necessary and Homolka said that at this time it is not necessary for Merrick County to sign the agreement. Moved Husmann, second Weller to approve and have the Chairman and Clerk of District Court sign the AOC Agreement. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Designating roads as minimum maintenance roads: Weller said that he would like to see 6th Road South of Hwy 92 to the intersection of 6th Road and "Q" Road (2 miles) designated as minimum maintenance roads. They are very sandy in some places. Moved Weller second Helgoth to hold a public hearing for the next meetings at 10:30 a.m. to designate 6th Road South to "Q" Road as minimum maintenance roads. Roll Call: All Ayes.

One & Six Year Road Maintenance Hearing: Moved Weller, second Graves to open the One & Six Year Road Plan hearing at 10:30 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Highway Superintendent Meyer said everything was the same except that Husmann had asked to have 3 miles of Bader Park Road south of Highway 30 to the Platte River Bridge by Chapman overlaid. The estimated cost is \$375,000.00 and would be the county's cost. Moved Weller, second Husmann to close the One & Six hearing at 10:46 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Graves, second Helgoth to accept the One and Six as presented and sign RESOLUTION 2012-4. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2012-4 is on file in the County Clerk's office for public viewing.

Electrical agreements: Highway Superintendent Meyer presented two electrical agreements to the Board for Doug Retzlaff for pivots. The first one is in 18-15-7 approximately 2600 feet east of 7th and "X" Roads and the second one is for 3-14-8 approximately 1350 feet north of the southwest corner of 3-14-8. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve and have the Chairman sign the two electrical agreements for Doug Retzlaff. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Reappoint to Planning and Zoning Board: Planning and Zoning Myers said that the Planning and Zoning Board members positions are up every three years and Pat Robinson's term is up in February. Moved Helgoth, second Weller to reappoint Pat Robinson to the Planning and Zoning Board. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Split approvals: Planning and Zoning Myers presented two subdivision applications to the Board for their approval. The first split was for Steve and Julie Herbig in part of the NE1/4S1/2SE1/4 of 23-14-6. Herbig's are selling off the building site and Myers said supposedly it would be a future house site. Moved Helgoth, second Graves to approve the subdivision application for Steve and Julie Herbig for part of the NE1/4S1/2SE1/4 of 23-14-6. Roll Call: All Ayes. The second subdivision application was for Karen Flodman for the W1/2NE1/4 of 19-12-8. She is planning to sell the home. Moved Hahn, second Graves to approve the subdivision application for Karen Flodman for the W1/2NE1/4 of 19-12-8. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Weller asked Myers for a copy of the building permits for the 2011 year. Myers presented a copy of all of the building permits for the 2011 year to the Board.

Security report: The Security report was given to the Board for their review.

February 2012 payroll: The February 2012 payroll was presented for approval: General: Gross: \$99,373.88 Net: \$70,812.37 Roads: Gross: \$45,967.46 Net: \$30,697.96 Juvenile Diversion: Gross: \$2,331.33 Net: \$2,086.80. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the February 2012 payroll as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Helgoth said he feels there should be a directive done for going the wrong direction on the wrong side of the road for the road department. Helgoth asked to have that put on the next meeting agenda.

Adjourn: Moved Helgoth, second Graves to adjourn at 11:14 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

March 13, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, March 13, 2012 at 9:02 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Weller and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka. Absent was Husmann.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:023 a.m.

Moved Graves, second Hahn to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:02a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Jefferson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Minutes: Moved Weller, second Jefferson to approve the minutes as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Protest on taxable status: Assessor Placke said that the City of Central City was protesting the taxable status of Metcalf Addition Lot 1, Block 1. Placke said she did not call the City and see what they were going to do with the property before taxing it. The City of Central City acquired the property to construct a new electrical substation and they want the property to be non-taxable. Placke said that she recommends the property be exempt. Moved Hahn, second Helgoth to make the City of Central City property, Metcalf Addition Lot 1, Block 1 tax exempt. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Assessor Placke told the Board that the permissive exemptions had been sent to the State and the State has pulled three of three of the exemptions. They are questioning whether or not they should be exempt. The three are the Merrick County Fitness Center, Polk Wildlife, and the Community Room at Archer Cooperative Credit Union. The County Board had approved these exemptions at the Board meeting on February 14, 2012.

Adjourn: Moved Weller, second Hahn to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:11 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

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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 9:11 a.m.

Moved Jefferson, second Helgoth to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:11 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

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

Minutes: Moved Hahn, second Jefferson to approve the minutes as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting reports: Weller attended the Economic Development meeting; Helgoth attended an emergency management meeting with Nance and Boone Counties; Jefferson attended a hospital meeting; on March 1, 2012 Wiegert attended Midland Area on Aging and last night attended a Central District Health meeting.

Officials reports: Treasurer Dunham reported that on March 5, 2012 they held the public tax sale. Dunham said there were 35 bidders, they sold 130 parcels for \$240,474.67.

Evaluation of road management job performance: Helgoth said he had asked to have the evaluation of the job performance of road management personnel put on the agenda. Highway Superintendent Meyer was present and was asked if he wanted this to be done in closed session. Meyer said that he thought that would be a good idea. Moved Helgoth to go into executive session to prevent needless injury to the reputation of an individual in the evaluation of the job performance of road management personnel at 9:31 a.m. second Weller. Moved Jefferson, second Graves to go out of executive session at 9:51 a.m.

Electrical agreement: Highway Superintendent Meyer presented an electrical agreement for a pivot for Donald Miller between Section 32 and Section 29, Township 12, Range 8 for approval by the Board. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the electrical agreement for a pivot for Donald Miller between Section 32 and Section 29, Township 12, Range 8. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Conditional Use Application: Moved Hahn, second Jefferson to open the public hearing for a conditional use permit for Kielian Salvage by Dollie Kielian and Tony Kielian at 10:02 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Planning and Zoning Myers presented

an application for a conditional use permit from Dollie Kielian and Tony Kielian for their salvage yard located in Section 27, Township 16, Range 3 that was ordered by a court order in District Court. Dollie Kielian is the owner of the property and the salvage yard is operated by her son Tony Kielian. The trial was in September and the judge ruled in December in favor of the County. The Planning and Zoning Board recommends approval of the conditional use application. The Kielian's were to obtain a conditional use permit and erect a fence 8 feet high to be in compliance with the zoning regulations. Myers said the fence is being put in as she had went out and took pictures and fence posts were in and the posts were not there before. The Kielian's have 120 days from the time the court order was filed on December 13, 2011 to get everything completed. Moved Weller, second Helgoth to approve the conditional use application for Dollie Kielian and Tony Kielian for Kielian Salvage. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Graves, second Hahn to close the public hearing at 10:11 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Attorney Homolka asked County Clerk Wichmann to put discussion and approval of the public assistance guidelines on the agenda for the next Board meeting. Hahn and Jefferson absent at 10:30 a.m.

Minimum Maintenance Road Public Hearing: Moved Weller, second Graves to open the public hearing to designate 6th Road South of Highway 92 to "Q" Road as a minimum maintenance road at 10:32 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Weller said that the first mile has always been called Sandy Hill Road. There is a hill that is very sandy and people get stuck on it. Weller said that no one lives along the two miles and there are people who go down the road and get stuck because they do not know the road. Dale Wegner was present and said that he thinks the road should be maintained better. Weller said there is a culvert under the road that needs to stay because it is a natural drain and Wegner said there were two culverts that need to stay because they are both natural drains. Kenneth Weller was also present and he said that Jim Haag grades that road every time he grades the mail routes and Kenneth Weller felt it was a waste of county money. Kenneth Weller said that it should be kept up enough for the farmers with ground around there, could gain access to their properties. Rex Weller said he wants to warn people that the road is a minimum maintenance road. Before the road can be declared a minimum maintenance road a recommendation has to be sent to the State. Moved Weller, second Graves to make a recommendation to the State that 6th Road South of Highway 92 to "Q" Road, two miles, be minimum maintenance roads. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Weller, second Graves to go out of the public hearing at 10:44 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Helgoth asked County Clerk Wichmann to put discussion of a procedure or directive on going the wrong direction while grading roads and snow removal be written on the next meeting agenda.

Sheriff's report: Sheriff Campbell said he had purchased a new toilet for the jail and it cost \$3,000.00. Campbell said he had gotten a toilet from Hall County and it would not line up right, and the company that he ordered the toilet from was the only company that made the style of toilet needed. Sheriff Campbell asked for an executive session to prevent the needless injury to the reputation of a person because of job performance. Moved Weller, second Graves to go into executive session to discuss job performance of a former employee to prevent the needless injury to the reputation of a person at 11:35 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Graves, second Weller to go out of executive session at 11:38 a.m. Sheriff Campbell also asked for another executive session to discuss result of litigation. Moved Weller, second Graves to go into executive session to discuss results of litigation with Patricia Wagner to prevent the needless injury to the reputation of a person at 11:39 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Helgoth, second Graves to go out of executive session at 11:44 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Campbell also said that his office can do background checks for Grime Stoppers.

March 2012 claims: The March 2012 claims were presented to the Board for their approval:

FUND	NAME	INVDESC	TOTCLAIMS
GENERAL			
	JOHN ROSS ABOLD	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
	ALLIED 100 LLC	AED SUPPLIES	\$ 228.00
	JESSICA BAKER	COURT COSTS	\$ 20.00
	JEFF BECKSTROM	BRD MILEAGE	\$ 24.42
	DOROTHY D BENTON	ATTY FEES	\$ 1,950.00
	GARY BERRY	MEALS/MILEAGE	\$ 108.59
	GENENE BOWEN	CLRK/SP BEE	\$ 50.00
	BRADLEY,ELSBERND,ANDERSEN,KNEALE	ATTY FEES	\$ 247.50
	GEORGE E BRUGH	MH BOARD	\$ 274.50
	KEVIN CAMPBELL	MEALS/UNIFORM	\$ 35.25
	CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/SHERIFF ACT	CAR REPAIR	\$ 13.24
	CENTRAL CITY MALL	SUPPLIES	\$ 19.98
	CENTRAL CITY MALL	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 794.23
	CENTRAL DIST CO OFFICALS ASSOC	REGISTRATION	\$ 30.00

CENTRAL DISTRICT COUNTY OFF ASSOC	REGISTRATION	\$ 30.00
CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT	\$ 2,583.33
CENTRAL NE CREMATION & MORTUARY	CORONER	\$ 520.80
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	\$ 28.47
CENTURY LINK	TELEPHONE	\$ 232.52
CENTURYLINK	TELEPHONE	\$ 408.39
TODD CHURCH	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	UTILITIES	\$ 3,129.68
CITY OF G.I. UTILITIES DEPT	UTILITIES	\$ 8.94
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/CC	COURT COSTS	\$ 568.88
CONAWAY PLUMBING	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 1,887.00
CORNER DRUG	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 14.60
DELL MARKETING	SUPPLIES	\$ 105.44
DELL MARKETING L.P.	SUPPLIES	\$ 284.97
RYAN DUNCAN	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
KAREN DUNHAM	SUPPLIES	\$ 11.29
ECO WATER SYSTEMS	OFFICE WATER	\$ 111.50
FRAUENDORFER ROOFING & SIDING	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 2,250.00
THERESA GOOD	MH BOARD	\$ 75.00
LINDA GREGER	SS DIRECTOR	\$ 135.00
HALL COUNTY CORRECTIONS	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 3,419.00
HAMILTON INFORMATION SYSTEMS	SUPPLIES	\$ 146.45
HANSON GRIME STOPPERS	CLEANING SRVC	\$ 1,881.00
LYNELLE HOMOLKA	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 192.66
HOST COFFEE SERVICE	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 15.95
WONDER BREAD/HOSTESS BAKERY OUTLET	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 20.60
ISECURETRAC CORPORATION	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 63.00
JACKSON SERVICES	SERVICE SUPPLY	\$ 154.00
JEROM E. JANULEWICZ	ATTY FEES	\$ 457.50
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 50.29
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 1,437.61
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATIONS	\$ 236.66
JENSEN PUBLISHING/P&Z	PUBLICATION	\$ 17.10
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	\$ 35.63
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/P&Z	PUBLICATION	\$ 26.31
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATIONS	\$ 37.70
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	\$ 728.07
BRIAN KLUCK	MH BOARD	\$ 248.55
MICHAEL P KNEALE	ATTY FEES	\$ 637.50
LAURITSEN,BROWNELL,BROSTROM,STEHLIK	ATTY FEES	\$ 2,197.50
	PT	
MARLENE S LEE	MAINTENANCE	\$ 60.00
LEXISNEXIS	LAW LIBRARY	\$ 226.00
LITZENBERG/HOSPITAL OPERATING	SUPPORT	\$ 8,333.33
LITZENBERG CO. HOSPITAL	DRUG COSTS	\$ 79.95
MARY LIVINGSTON	MH BOARD	\$ 177.75
CASIMIRA MACIAS	COURT COSTS	\$ 20.00
HEATHER MACIAS	COURT COSTS	\$ 33.32

MAYER, BURNS, KOENIG & JANULEWICZ	ATTY FEES	\$ 314.30
MCI	TELEPHONE	\$ 87.34
MCILNAY & CO	PLUMBING RPR	\$ 37.50
MERRICK CO. CLERK	RECORDING FEES	\$ 17.50
MERRICK CO. COURT	COURT COSTS	\$ 254.66
MERRICK CO. EXTENSION SERVICE	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 670.43
MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	TX TRANSFER	\$ 81,382.09
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 441.17
MICHAEL MEYER	TRAVEL/POSTAGE	\$ 612.79
	INSURANCE	
MID AMERICAN BENEFITS,INC	DEDU	\$ 2,037.68
MILLER TROPHY & AWARDS	TROPHIES	\$ 84.00
MIPS INC.	DATA PROCESS	\$ 330.51
MIPS INC.	MICROFILMING	\$ 8,602.35
MIPS	EQUIPMENT	\$ 638.70
JENNIFER MYERS	MILEAGE	\$ 66.60
NACO	SUBSCRIPTION	\$ 50.00
NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	APPRAISAL ED	\$ 435.00
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	INSTITUTIONS	\$ 261.00
	DRUG	
NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB	SCREENING	\$ 84.00
NORM'S U SAVE PHARMACY	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 4.03
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 36.41
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 52.93
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 71.91
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 69.54
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 80.63
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 53.88
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 44.72
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 112.43
	COURTHOUSE	
NT&T	FAX	\$ 45.79
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 60.88
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 121.95
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 317.83
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 6.59
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 21.33
OFFICENET	LEASE AGREE	\$ 172.13
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 426.60
OFFICENET,INC.	SUPPLIES	\$ 588.06
RICHARD OGDEN	BRD MILEAGE	\$ 27.74
PALSER SERVICE	CAR REPAIR	\$ 142.95
PHILLIPS 66-CONOCO-76	FUEL	\$ 25.98
JAN PLACKE	TRAVEL/MEALS	\$ 97.32
PLATTE COUNTY DETENTION FACILITY	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 650.00
PLATTE VALLEY COMM.	RADIO REPAIR	\$ 262.95
PAT ROBINSON	BRD MILEAGE	\$ 25.53
CORWIN A ROSCOE	CONTRACT SRVC	\$ 1,241.67

GEORGE RUTTEN	BRD MILEAGE	\$ 46.62
S&W PEST MANAGEMENT	PEST CONTROL	\$ 53.25
SAM'S CLUB DIRECT	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 246.93
SAMPSON, CURRY & TWISS P.C.	ATTY FEES	\$ 307.50
SECURUS	COMMISSARY	\$ 459.00
SEVEN SPRINGS INC	OFFICE WATER	\$ 15.50
STANARD APPRAISAL SERVICE, INC.	REAPPRAISAL	\$ 3,505.00
CHRIS STAROSTKA	BRD MILEAGE	\$ 71.04
DAVID SULLIVAN	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
SURVEY RECORD REPOSITORY	SUPPLIES	\$ 27.50
NELL SYSLO	CPR TRAINING	\$ 525.00
TIME FOR A CHANGE	CAR REPAIR	\$ 27.00
JERAD TROUBA	ATTY FEES	\$ 725.00
U.S. BANK	SUPPLIES	\$ 92.04
USA COMMUNICATIONS	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 55.45
VISA	SUPPLY/REPAIR	\$ 574.86
REX WELLER	MILEAGE	\$ 49.95
MARCIA WICHMANN	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 8.10
ROGER WIEGERT	MILEAGE	\$ 164.28
KELLY WILLIAMS	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
WINNERS' CIRCLE	AWARDS	\$ 127.25
FLEET SERVICES	FUEL	\$ 3,985.57
TOTAL		\$ 149,501.19

ROADS

APPLIED CONTROLS EQUIPMENT CO. INC.	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 133.16
AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.	FUEL	\$ 2,747.40
BILL'S VOLUME SALES	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 411.17
BOMGAARS	SUPPLY/REPAIR	\$ 388.06
BOSSelman INC/ROADS	SUPPLIES/FUEL	\$ 29,214.51
CALIFORNIA CONTRACTORS SUPPLIES INC	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 117.60
CATERPILLAR AXCESSACCOUNT	REPAIR & LABOR	\$ 7,109.70
DENNIS CATLETT	MLG/EDUCATION	\$ 120.66
CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/ROADS	SUPPLY/REPAIR	\$ 697.84
DAVE'S DO IT BEST CORP	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 49.14
FASTENAL CO	SIGNS & POSTS	\$ 46.93
FILTER CARE	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 50.85
RANDY FUEHRER	MILEAGE	\$ 163.73
GILBARCO INC	FUEL	\$ 17.00
GREEN LINE EQUIPMENT OF CC/ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 68.43
JIM HAAG	MILEAGE	\$ 188.15
HERK'S WELDING SHOP	SUPPLY/REPAIR	\$ 361.68
HUSKER CO-OP	FUEL	\$ 1,201.57
INLAND TRUCK PARTS & SERVICE	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 239.34
ISLAND SUPPLY CO.	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 84.61
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 39.75
JACKSON LINEN SERVICE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 47.42
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/ROADS	PUBLICATION	\$ 90.00
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	POSTAGE-ROADS	\$ 201.00

MID AMERICAN BENEFITS,INC	ROADS	\$ 1,831.43
MIDWEST SERVICE & SALES CO.	LUMBER/SIGNS	\$ 12,520.20
NEBR. MACHINERY CO.	BLADES/REPAIRS	\$ 6,850.37
NT&T/SHOP	TELEPHONE	\$ 51.16
NT&T/ROADS	TELEPHONE	\$ 59.81
PALSER SERVICE/ROADS	TIRES	\$ 50.00
PETROLEUM TECHNOLOGIES GROUP, LLC	OIL & GREASE	\$ 51.00
PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	RADIO REPAIR	\$ 85.00
POLK COUNTY RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	ELECTRICITY	\$ 72.01
JOHN E PROSOSKI	LAND RENTAL	\$ 120.00
SACK LUMBER CO./ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 20.00
SAPP BROS. PETROLEUM	TIRES/FUEL	\$ 5,821.12
SCOTT-VAN KEPPEL-BR	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 209.58
SOURCEGAS,LLC	HEATING	\$ 385.37
SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	ELECTRICITY	\$ 918.53
STATE STEEL SUPPLY CO.	SIGNS & POSTS	\$ 19.90
TOM DINSDALE CHEVROLET CADILLAC GMC	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 13.79
TOOLS PLUS INDUSTRIES	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 128.14
VERIZON WIRELESS	TELEPHONE	\$ 50.78
VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN	ELECTRICITY	\$ 42.55
XEROX CORPORATION	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 56.13
ZEE MEDICAL SERVICE CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 24.35
TOTAL		\$ 73,170.92

JULIE BEYER	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	POSTAGE-JUV DI	\$ 10.09
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 61.61
QUILL	SUPPLIES	\$ 219.81
TOTAL		\$ 321.51

HAMILTON TELECOMMUNICATIONS	INTERNET SRVC	\$ 154.85
KATT SURVEYING	SURVEY WORK	\$ 12,000.00
MIPS INC.	COMP SUPPORT	\$ 2,857.92
TOTAL		\$ 15,012.77

E911

AS CENTRAL SERVICES OCIO	MAINTENANCE	\$ 448.00
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 63.30
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	COMPUTER DATA	\$ 42.10
NNTC	TELEPHONE	\$ 139.14
TOTAL		\$ 692.54

February 2012 fees: The February 2012 fees from the Clerk of District Court, Sheriff, and County Clerk were presented to the Board for their approval. Moved Graves, second Helgoth to approve the February 2012 fees as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

The pledge security report was shown to the Board for their review.

Adjournment: Moved Helgoth, second Graves to adjourn at 12:01 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Rogert Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

March 27, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, March 27, 2012 at 9:04 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Hahn, Weller, Husmann, Jefferson and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka. Absent was Helgoth.

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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 9:04 a.m.

Moved Weller, second Graves to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:04a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Husmann led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Minutes: Moved Graves, second Jefferson to approve the minutes as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Tax Exempt Properties: Assessor Placke told the Board that out of the three exemptions the State had pulled, two were sent back to her office; Polk Wild Life Management and the Community Room at Archer Cooperative Credit. Placke said that there needs to be a hearing for the Board to decide whether or not they still want these properties to be exempt or not. Placke said that she had scheduled a hearing for April 24, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the hearing April 24, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. to review the exempt properties that were pulled by the state and sent back to the Assessor. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjourn: Moved Hahn, second Jefferson to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:13 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

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The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, March 27, 2012 at 9:13a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Jefferson, Hahn, Husmann, Weller, and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka. Helgoth was absent.

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Moved Husmann, second Helgoth to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:13 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

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

Minutes: Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the minutes as presented and Hahn asked if he and Jefferson were to abstain because they had to leave early the last meeting and Husmann would abstain because he was absent at the last meeting, if there would be a quorum. County Attorney Homolka said there would not be a quorum and that they would have to table the approval of the minutes until the next meeting. Moved Weller, second Graves to rescind their motion and second to approve the minutes. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Weller, second Graves to table the approval of the minutes of the March 13, 2012 meeting until the next board meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting reports: Hahn attended a Midland Area Agency on Aging in Hastings and said they had approved a little over one million dollar budget; Hahn and Husmann attended the Senior Center meeting; Weller attended the Mid Nebraska Individual Services meeting; Graves, Hahn, and Wiegert attended the Central District Meeting on March 15, 2012; and Wiegert also attended a Midland Area Agency on Aging meeting.

Official reports: There were no officials reporting.

Hospital update: Tad Hunt did not attend the meeting to give the board an update.

Street Closing: Troy Mack had asked to be put on the agenda to petition the board about closing Bureau Street in Archer, Nebraska. Highway Superintendent Meyer handed out two maps of Archer, NE to the board. Mack said that he lives in Block 16 and said the street is all trees except for the ones he has cleaned out. Mack said he has talked to everyone on the east and west sides of the street and they are all fine with closing the street. Graves said it would be up to the township because it is a township road. Homolka said that it would be up to a person who wants a street closed to come before the board with a petition with the names and addresses of ten or more electors residing within ten miles of the road they are wanting to close, a legal description of the street or road they want to have closed, and a request of a time and date to be set for a public hearing before the county board. This petition must also be filed in the office of the County Clerk and they must ask for this to be put on the agenda. Planning & Zoning Myers said the Board of Adjustments had denied the variance mostly

because of flood variances. Mack said that he maintains it and that the County may as well get tax money off of it.

Electrical agreement: Highway Superintendent Meyer presented the Board with an electrical agreement for Polk Public Power District to burrow an electrical line between Section 32 and Section 29, Township 16, Range 3. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the electrical agreement for Polk Public Power District for an electrical line between Section 32, Section 29, Township 16, Range 3. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Public Comment: Marvin Fishler representing Southern Public Power introduced Neil Niedfeldt as the new CEO of Southern Public Power.

Keystone Pipeline: Jeff Rauh with the Keystone Pipeline said he is in his 7th year in working with the Keystone Pipeline. Rauh said LB1161 is a bill before legislature and was presented by Senator Jim Smith. It is scheduled for floor debate within the next couple of weeks. This bill is to seek to reaffirm the agreement from last fall. Rauh said the entry into the state and the exit out of the state will not change. Any payment people have received for easements, etc., they get to keep. The final route will not go through the sand hills, but it will go around the sand hills. The reroute work will take beyond this year and the DEQ will post a public process. Husmann absent at 10:25 a.m. Moved Jefferson, second Weller to continue to support the Keystone Pipeline. Roll Call: Ayes: Graves, Jefferson, Weller, and Wiegert. Nays: None. Abstain: Hahn.

RESOLUTION 2012-6 Transfer of funds: County Treasurer Dunham presented the board with RESOLUTION 2012-6 directing the Treasurer to transfer money from the Inheritance Fund to the General Fund to cover the March 2012 expenses. Treasurer Dunham said this time of year is a short collection time. Weller asked Dunham how much the General Fund still owed the Inheritance Fund and Dunham said guessing around \$230,000.00. Dunham said she has not had to transfer any money until now this fiscal year. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve RESOLUTION 2012-6 directing the Treasurer to transfer money and not to exceed \$70,000.00 from the Inheritance Fund to the General Fund to cover March 2012 expenses. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2012-6 is on file in the County Clerk's office for public viewing.

RESOLUTION 2012-5 E911: Treasurer Dunham also presented RESOLUTION 2012-5 directing the Treasurer to transfer \$28,143.54 from the E911 Wireless Service Fund to the E911 Project Fund as a reimbursement per the Nebraska Public Service Commission's direction. Sheriff Campbell said it was a reimbursement for the cost of over \$40,000.00 that was spent to upgrade an area code for E911 and money was taken from the General Fund to cover the expense out of the E911 because the expense had not been budgeted for by his predecessor. Moved Graves, second Jefferson to approve RESOLUTION 2012-5 directing the Treasurer to transfer \$28,143.54 from the E911 Wireless Service Fund to the E911 Project Fund as a reimbursement per the Nebraska Public Service Commission. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2012-5 is on file in the County Clerk's office for public viewing.

CPNRD Ice Jam Agreement revision: Sheriff Campbell said that the Central Platte Natural Resources District had sent a revised copy of the Ice Jam Agreement because four counties chose not to participate in the agreement. The Merrick County portion will remain the same as will the other counties shares. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the revised copy of the Central Platte Natural Resources District Ice Jam Agreement. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Road directive or procedure: The next thing on the agenda was for the board to discuss a directive or procedure being created for grading roads and snow removal going the wrong direction put on the agenda by Helgoth. Helgoth was absent. Moved Weller, second Graves to table the directive or procedure to be created for going the wrong direction for grading roads and snow removal until the next meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Public Assistance and County Burials: County Attorney Homolka told the Board that the public assistance guidelines and county burial guidelines are to be reviewed every two years and the two years will be up in April by the next board meeting. She has been in contact with the county funeral home directors and they are in favor of straight cremations but would like more money for them. Now they are to receive \$1,000.00 for cremations and they would like to increase that amount to \$1,800.00 plus grave opening costs. Their regular charge for cremations is \$2,500.00 so they will not be making anything if the Board decides to increase the amount to \$1,800.00. Homolka said that she feels this should be tabled until the next Board meeting. She needs to review the poverty guidelines and the levels and once this is approved by the Board in a resolution the County Clerk will need to file the resolution with Health and Human Services. Moved Hahn, second Jefferson to table setting the public assistance and county burial guideline until the next meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes.

County data backup: County Clerk Wichmann said Joe Powers with MIPS had attended the County Clerk and County Treasurer sessions at the Central District Meetings in Hastings and told them that emergency managers and auditors were getting a lot of pressure from the Federal government concerning the backups of the County AS400 in all counties that have them. The County AS400 backups all payroll, claims, and other pertinent information for the County. This came up because of an incident in Dakota County when all of the flooding was going on there. MIPS had to go out and backup all of their data because their courthouse was going to be flooded. Powers said that MIPS can do the backup from their office in Lincoln so that in case of a natural disaster all information will be in a secured place. The Clerk and Treasurer both do backups now but the tapes from the Clerk are kept in office vault and the auditors said it was not a secure place because there are windows, electrical wires and fire sprinklers in the vault; the Treasurer keeps hers in a safe in her office. No one from either office ever looks at them to see if everything is on there because the offices do not have the capability to do this. Powers told them they can do a backup for \$5.00 a week and if anything would ever happen the county information would be backed up in Lincoln

and secure. Clerk Wichmann said she was not sure if the cost was \$5.00 for the Clerk and \$5.00 for the Treasurer a week or if it was \$5.00 for both offices, she would check with MIPS. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve MIPS to do the backups for the County side of the AS400. Roll Call: All Ayes.

March 2012 payroll: The March 2012 payroll was presented to the Board for their approval: General: Gross: \$99,373.86 Net: \$70,812.37 Roads: Gross: \$45,967.46 Net: \$30,697.96 Juvenile Diversion: Gross: \$2,331.33 Net: \$2,086.80.

Moved Weller, second Jefferson to approve the March 2012 payroll as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjourn: Moved Graves, second Jefferson to adjourn at 11:16 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

April 10, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, April 10, 2012 at 9:03 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Hahn, Weller, Husmann, Helgoth, Jefferson and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:03 a.m.

Moved Hahn, second Graves to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:03a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Hahn led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Minutes: Moved Weller, second Husmann to approve the minutes as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Tax Corrections: Assessor Placke approached the Board with tax correction #3618 for Ronald and Pat Cuba for a mobile home that burned and is now being moved and tax correction #3619 for L & R Enterprises because the business is being sold. Moved Helgoth, second Graves to approve tax correction #3618 for Ronald and Pat Cuba and #3619 for L & R Enterprises.

Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjourn: Moved Jefferson, second Husmann to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:07 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

April 10, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, April 10, 2012 at 9:07a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Jefferson, Hahn, Husmann, Weller, Helgoth, and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:07 a.m.

Moved Weller, second Graves to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:07a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

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

Minutes: Moved Jefferson, second Graves to approve the minutes of March 13, 2012. Roll Call: Ayes: Weller, Helgoth, Graves, and Wiegert. Nays: None. Abstain: Hahn, Husmann, and Jefferson. County Clerk Wichmann said there was a correction that was needed on the March 27, 2012 minutes. Wichmann had a wrong name on the second for when the meeting was convened. The second was made by Graves not Helgoth. Moved Husmann, second Hahn to approve the minutes of March 27, 2012 with the correction. Roll Call: Ayes: Weller, Graves, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, and Wiegert. Nays: None. Abstain: Helgoth.

Meeting reports: Weller attended the South Central Economic Development meeting in Franklin on March 29, 2012; Wiegert attended a Midland Area Agency on Aging on April 5, 2012 and told the Board that they hired Jerell Gerdes as the new director.

Official reports: Treasurer Dunham said she did not need to use any of the \$70,000.00 the Board had allotted for her to take from the Inheritance Fund and put in the General Fund to cover expenses. Dunham said the second half of the property tax credit from the State came into the County's account on the last day and she also got \$3,300.00 for commission for breaking it down. This all covered the expenses. Weed Superintendent Corwin Roscoe told the Board that the leafy splurge is in bloom around Silver Creek and they have found phragmites at the ethanol plant and on "B" Road. There are a lot of thistles on Hwy 92 by "T" Road. Platte Valley is thinking of getting a coordinator for all 93 counties and Merrick County's part would be \$500.00. Husmann reported that the beavers were bad on the Warm Slough.

Potential investigation and /or litigation: Sheriff Campbell asked to go into executive session to talk about the possibility of a criminal investigation. Moved Hahn, second Graves to go into closed session for the Sheriff to discuss potential investigation and/or litigation to protect the public interest or for prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual at 9:30. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Husmann, second Jefferson to come out of closed session at 9:49 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Sheriff checking account: County Attorney Homolka said that she had been in contact with State Auditor Deanne Haeffner and asked if this required a resolution and Haeffner said no. What her recommendation was, this is something the bank is

requesting, the Board's approval, and Deanne recommends that the Board make a motion that they approve a new checking account for the Sheriff and then have Chairman Wiegert sign something drafted for the bank. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve a new checking account for the Sheriff. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Veteran Service Office renovation bid: Hahn, Graves, and Weller had gotten a bid from Lesiak Construction to make renovations to the current Planning and Zoning office on third floor for the Veteran Service Office to move up there. The bid was to remove two doors, frame in , sheet rock, tape and finish; remove stool and sink, move doorway over; paint, patch in carpet, miscellaneous electrical, opening up whole closet wall and removing concrete floor in closet, and installing a window in the office entrance for a bid of \$4,325.00. Hahn said Veteran Service Officer Berry seems to be happy with what is going to be done. Moved Jefferson, second Husmann to approve the bid from Lesiak Construction for \$4,325.00 to renovate the current Planning and Zoning office for the Veteran Service Office. Homolka asked what fund the money would come out of and Graves said the Building Fund. Assessor Placke asked if they were not asking for more problems. Placke said there was a reason that was not done during the construction project. Placke could not remember the reason but said when you are messing with plumbing on two sides and the walls are like chalk. Graves said the reason they didn't do it before was because there was no reason to do it. Placke said as a taxpayer she thinks it is ridiculous to spend that kind of money to gain 4 by 12 space. Helgoth said he thought this was all settled. He said they have gone through this twice and now apparently there are people who are not satisfied, but they sat in here and said they would work it out. Graves said it enhances that room if you add another 4 feet to the length of the room and that gives him a place to put his filing cabinets, copy machine and all that out of his way to make it work for him. Graves said they could spend \$4,000.00 pretty fast if they got a place outside of the courthouse. Helgoth asked if the room when it is done be as big as where he currently is at and Graves said that Berry didn't have the whole room where he is at now. Graves said that Berry would be satisfied with the room and it will work for him. Husmann said the plumbing would just need to be capped off and Jefferson said that he knew it was a plumbing problem when they remodeled. Graves said they had already capped one off so they should be able to capped the other one off. Placke said that you would have to go below that floor because it is raised however much. Weller said that they would need to inform the health department because he didn't think they had been informed of what was going on. Hahn said the health department uses that room once a month. Helgoth asked if he would still be sharing that room with the health department and Hahn said that the health department would only need it once a month. Helgoth asked how many times Berry shares the office where he is at now; every Friday right? Husmann said one Thursday a month for CDL's. Helgoth asked if Berry was complaining a lot and Hahn and Jefferson said no not really. Husmann said that a lot of the veteran's were complaining. Helgoth asked what they were complaining about and Graves said they want privacy for one thing. Placke said that Berry would just have to tell them that he was not available on Fridays and that one Thursday. Sheriff Campbell said what if that is the only time the veteran can come and Placke said that it usually is not an emergency. Helgoth asked if there was ever an emergency on Friday or that Thursday that they have to do it on Friday or that Thursday otherwise he can close all of the other doors and have privacy can't he? Jefferson said yes and Graves said that the DMV can come in and do computer work if she wants to. Clerk Wichmann said the DMV said that all he had to do was let her know and she would leave or not come in. Helgoth asked how many days or what Berry's schedule was. Hahn said that Tuesday was Berry's main day. Hahn said he is there other days too because Berry's workload is heavy. Graves said he was there Monday and will be there Wednesday because he will not be there today, Tuesday. Have a motion and a second to approve the bid from Lesiak Construction for \$4,325.00 to renovate the current Planning and Zoning office for Veteran Service Office. Roll Call: Ayes: Weller, Graves, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, and Wiegert. Nays: Helgoth.

RESOLUTION 2012-7: Treasurer Dunham presented RESOLUTION 2012-7 directing the County Treasurer to transfer \$120,000.00 from the Merrick County Road Fund back to the Road Cash Reserve in the Inheritance Fund as requested by Highway Superintendent Meyer. Moved Husmann, second Graves to approve RESOLUTION 2012-7 directing the County Treasurer to transfer \$120,000.00 from the County Road Fund back to the Road Cash Reserve in the Inheritance Fund. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Electrical Agreement: Highway Superintendent Meyer presented an electrical agreement for Herman Kohl Jr. C/O Dick Kohl for a pivot between Section 21 and Section 16, Township 15, Range 4. Moved Jefferson, second Helgoth to approve the electrical agreement for Herman Kohl Jr. C/O Dick Kohl for a pivot between Section 21 and Section 16, Township 15, Range 4. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Electrical Agreement: Highway Superintendent Meyer presented an electrical agreement for Polk Public Power District to put an electrical line under the road between Section 21 and Section 16, Township 15, Range 4. Moved Helgoth, second Graves to approve the electrical agreement for Polk Public Power District to put an electrical line under the road between Section 21 and Section 16, Township 15, Range 4. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Official report: Sheriff Campbell said the toilet for the jail that he had originally told the Board would cost \$3,000.00, cost \$1,800.00 and is installed. Campbell said that because of the renovations they have made at the jail he will be over on the jail budget but under on the vehicle budget. He said he would get with the County Clerk to see how to handle this. Campbell said that he had made arrangements to have all of the fire extinguishers tested. The DARE graduation will be Thursday, April 19, at 7:00 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center. There will 133 kids graduating countywide and if any of the Board members could

attend it would be appreciated. Annette Dubas will be there speaking also.

Campbell said they had received two bills for emergency management because the first bill did not include wages. Campbell said his concern was that the bills have each county paying for mileage, fuel and oil changes. He thought as well as some of the Board that the 55 cents should cover everything. Campbell said that he had gotten a response from Boone County regarding the second bill and there was an error. The counties should not have been billed for vehicle expenses, just for mileage. So the claim submitted to the Board for approval would be less than what they would be approving.

Directive or procedure for road grading and snow removal: Helgoth asked Highway Superintendent Meyer if he had put anything out concerning the road grading and snow removal and Meyer said that for now he had just talked about it and the road department decided that they would just not go the wrong direction. NIRMA is putting on a road liability seminar this month and Meyer said he will need a procedure so that the road employees will know what to do. Meyer is going to attend the NIRMA seminar and will talk to Tim Baxter who works with NIRMA and is a former highway superintendent. Helgoth said that if an accident happens again concerning this the county will be liable. NIRMA will not cover the county for another occurrence of this nature. Helgoth said he thought that the employee could also be held accountable. Weller asked Meyer how often the trucks were inspected for DOT guidelines and Meyer said they do walk arounds, but they do not have a schedule to do that and there is no requirement. Weller said he knew of two employees that went to get their CDL's and the truck they had did not pass the inspection.

Road Department surplus: Highway Superintendent Meyer said he has three items he would like to surplus in the Road Department; a 1991 Load King trailer with a broken axle that they cannot get parts for. The trailer had three axles and now only has two and that is not enough to haul what they need to haul. The trailer Meyer said has a drop floor. Meyer has had a couple of people inquire about it already. They would like to ask \$10,000.00 for it. Meyer has already purchased a replacement trailer. Meyer also has a 1974 International hydraulic tractor. It has a John Deere Motor and leaks a lot of oil. He also has a green Ford dump truck that was bought in 2008. The engine needs to be replaced and it is not worth the money to replace the engine. The road department has bought another dump truck to replace it. Moved Weller, second Husmann to approve the road department surplusing the 1991 Load King trailer, 1974 International hydraulic tractor with the John Deere motor and the green Ford dump truck bought in 2008. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Extension "petty cash" checking account of \$2,000.00: Wes Beck Jr., President of the Extension Board, Paul Jarecke, Vice President of the Extension Board and extension office employee Cindy Hostler were present. Beck said that Jeanette Friesen, extension educator could not be present. Beck said it says petty cash on there but they are going off of what the auditors had done to their audit. Beck said the auditor had told Hostler and Friesen that they needed to call their checking account petty cash because they have their own personal account to take care of the 4-H building and all of the extension bills. Beck said they came up with the amount of \$2,000.00 by taking almost a year, year and a half worth of expenses and averaged it out and that is what they came up with, \$2,000.00. Beck said they need the Boards approval to have the account. It is not really petty cash; it takes care of all of their expenses. Jefferson said he would move to approve the \$2,000.00. Homolka asked if she could comment on this. She has the audit from last year in front of her and there was some confusion on the checking account at that time. The account in June 2010 had a balance of \$2,057.00 and whether that was under the county's Federal Tax ID number or the states. Hostler said that somehow the numbers got switched around and it was using the wrong tax ID number and that has been fixed. Homolka said so this is not the county's money and Hostler said it is the county's money. This checking account was put into place many years ago and has taken care of all the extension board bills and everything. Hostler said that Siekman did not know that the tax ID number was wrong. Hostler said the money is still the county's money, but they use it to pay the phone bill and for anything that they need for the extension office. Hostler said last year they were calling it a petty cash fund because it is a checking account that they have to reconcile and they were to reconcile it to a certain amount. They chose to reconcile it to zero and so in August, Hostler wrote a check back to the County Treasurer so that it would reconcile the account to zero. Hostler said this year when they asked her about the account she told them she reconciled it to zero and the auditor said that they shouldn't do that either because they should have an amount in there to reconcile it to. Hostler said that is when they pulled in the extension board. Homolka asked if there was a reason that they couldn't close that account, because when she talked to State Auditor Deanne Haeffner, she said that was actually the recommendation to close that account and the extension just submit claims through the Board just like everyone else does for phone bills, etc. Homolka asked if there was any reason that they would have that open and Beck said that he thinks they left it open so that they could go either way. Hostler said that is how they explained it to them was that they could go either way. Homolka said that she had an email from Deanne, the auditor, that she wants to clarify any misunderstanding, and Homolka said she did not talk to Haeffner personally about the issue, perhaps they did. Homolka said the email says that their recommendation is for the extension to close their bank account and follow the same claim process that other county offices follow, which would be to put claims in for expenses and have the check made directly to the vendor. There is no purpose to put claims in for expenses, then have the check made back payable to extension bank account and then subsequently write a check out to the vendor from that account. Haeffner said the additional procedures increase the risk for errors to occur. Homolka asked if there was any reason why they did not want to do that. Beck said there were reason why they don't want to and reasons why they do want to. One reason why they don't want to is that in prior years some of the bills did not get paid

by the prior clerks, they didn't pay the bills. Homolka asked if there was a problem now and Beck said he did not think there was a problem now with it. But with elected offices, we don't know what other person will get back into that office. Homolka said that as an elected official herself that is a risk we all take, but that is the procedure, that every office in the courthouse does. Beck said that is why we as an extension board decided to keep the checking account so they have control of that part of it in case bills don't get paid or anything like that. Beck said they balance out every year. There is nothing lost or anything like that. Homolka said she can see why they called it petty cash because of the balance and she doesn't think there is any office that has petty cash amount over \$50.00. Clerk Wichmann said that the Treasurer's and Clerk's offices both do because it is used to conduct business and it is actual cash. Beck said that as an extension board they are a totally different type of board because they have officers on the board and countywide group that is on this board and then looking at the highway departments that don't have any boards, is totally different than what they are. Weller asked Homolka what the date on the email was and Homolka said it was from yesterday and the reason Weller asked was there was a recommendation from the auditor that it be done the way it is, unless there has been something they have come up with since a year ago, that was the recommendation a year ago. Graves said that Haeffner talked to the audit board and she thought it should be done away with. Graves said Haeffner told them there was no reason why they should not close that account out and do away with petty cash. Homolka said they do not have the auditor's final written report yet and will probably be awhile before we get that. Graves commented that they were going to go to \$2,000.00 for a balance and Beck said yes, and Graves said that last month they were down to \$100.00 a month and Hostler said they were submitting the claims and should get a check on Friday, pending the approval of the bills, and they had their extension board meeting two weeks prior and those bills had been paid and resubmitted to get the money into the checking account. Graves said he didn't know why they think they have to have \$2,000.00 and then Clerk Wichmann asked why they were paying bills ahead of time. Hostler said she was not paying bills ahead of time that the phone bill for example comes at the beginning of the month and doesn't go to the extension board until the end of the month. Wichmann said her office has run into that before and her office calls the vendor and explains and works it out. If the bills are turned into her office they get paid. Beck said he was not saying it was happening now and Wichmann said she understood where he was coming from. Beck said that is why it is a concern for him because you never know what is going to happen with the next clerk or anything like that. Beck said they want to have their security taken care of and in good position at all times. Weller said that he specifically remembers the head auditor giving the exit report a year ago, that she knew of case of people having a \$10,000.00 petty cash fund to cover situation like this. Weller said he guessed he would challenge them to tell us why they no longer feel that way. Homolka said there is a state statute that requires the claims to be presented before they are paid, and they are being submitted before they are being paid now. Homolka said the extra layer that it goes into the extension board checking account and the county has to reimburse that account. Hostler said she has to take the bills to the extension board before they are turned into the Clerk's office for County Board approval. Beck said they get almost a month and half before the bills get paid. Clerk Wichmann said the check is made out to Extension in a lump sum so that when you print out your claims and its not breaking it down so the tax payers can see where they are spending their money. Wichmann said that is what the problem was last year that the auditors had, was that the tax payers were not seeing where the extension was spending the tax payers money. Weller said the County Board gets to see the breakdown or itemization before they approve them and they do have another thing in the process, the County Board gets the reconciliation of the checking account every month which they were not getting before. Homolka asked when Haeffner's final report would be available and Clerk Wichmann said she has not received it yet and when she does she will put in the papers that the audit is complete. Homolka said that maybe they should wait until the final report is done to see the misunderstanding because obviously with the email Homolka received from Haeffner yesterday there is some misunderstanding because what she said in her email to Homolka is different from what was told to the extension office. Weller said he thinks that should be brought to Haeffner's attention before the final report. Hostler said that she was not the actual one that came and talked to them in the office, it was a guy. Homolka said her recommendation and she knows there is a motion on the table and Beck said there actually was a second and Homolka said you may not want to do that just yet. Husmann said if the County Attorney thinks that they should hold off that maybe they should hold off because it has to be one way or another. Husmann said that Homolka had just received the email. Homolka said when she saw this on the agenda she asked Haeffner about it because now that they have explained it to her she understands why they have extra amount in there, but this is as of Haeffner's email yesterday saying that her recommendation is to close the bank account and follow the same claim process that all other county offices follow, but Homolka said if that is a contradiction to what she told them. Beck said that when they had their extension board meeting they discussed which way and then they discussed that they wanted to keep the account open at the meeting and then they had Hostler bring up what they average monthly expenses were. That is why they were bringing it up to the board now was the recommendations of the audit. Chairman Wiegert said he was at the same meeting as Graves and Homolka and so was Hahn and the auditor Haeffner recommended they close the account. Weller said he thinks they need to find out why there were two different recommendations. Jefferson and Husmann both said that they wanted to withdraw their motion and second until they got one answer instead of two. Husmann said they should table this and bring it back on the agenda when they get the final report. Homolka asked Hostler to email her what her understanding of her recommendation was so that she can go from there. Hostler said she would email her understanding and

Jeanette Friesen because they were both there when he came in and said this is what your possibilities are; you can either close the account or can have it reconciled to a certain amount, but not zero. Homolka also asked Hostler to include in the email what the discussion was with the board and Hostler said it was in the extension board minutes. Beck said that was pretty self explanatory in the minutes because they wanted to make sure they were precise because he thinks their constitution still states about the checking account. Beck said he went back into his minutes about fifteen years ago, because it was discussed about then too, and he could not find it but know it was discussed. Homolka said as soon as she got the email from Hostler she would send it and the email she got from Haeffner, back to Haeffner and ask her to explain the difference because the extension office talked to the male auditor and Homolka talked to Haeffner who is the head auditor and then they can revisit the issue. Jefferson and Husmann said they would withdraw their motions and table until the next meeting. Moved Husmann, second Graves to table the petty cash checking account for the Extension office until the next meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Public assistance and county burials: County Attorney Homolka had a lengthy discussion with Solt Funeral Home and Wagner Funeral Home about county burials. Bill Greenway with Greenway Funeral home did not attend the meeting. Homolka made some proposed changes to what we have done in the past including the price the county pays. In researching the issue through the state statutes she found that on the county burial programs are held within the general assistance guidelines and that includes shelter, food, clothing, transportation, medical, there are a whole bunch of different benefits that the state statute requires the county pay for. What the county has now for general assistance guideline is pretty vague and incomplete in her opinion. State statute requires that these guidelines be reviewed bi-annually or every two years and state statute requires that they be submitted to the Department of Health and Human Services once adopted or amended. Homolka did not know if that has ever been done. Homolka contacted a couple of other counties and look at their guidelines and kind of used Lancaster County's as a template. Homolka had put together the template for the Board and handed it out to the Board members. Homolka put in a lot of time in reviewing Lancaster County's guideline and obviously there are things that Lancaster County put in there that would not apply to a smaller county. Homolka said the things in the draft that she handed out that she thinks the Board should really look at are in red print. Homolka said she did not feel what the county has now is complete enough and opens the county up to a little liability. Weller asked that this be put on the next agenda so they have time to review the draft that Homolka had given them. Homolka said she found a state statute that requires a public hearing and public notice not more that 20 days and no less than 10 days before the county board can adopt or amend any of these general assistance guidelines. Homolka said the Board needs to have a public hearing before they can do anything anyway. Homolka has asked the County Clerk to put this on the first May meeting so the Board can publish notice and also give the board time to review the draft. Homolka said that the two funeral homes came to an agreement that it would save them to go to straight cremation. They do not have a problem with that and you may have complaint from citizens but if they want county burial the funeral homes think that would be sufficient and keep them from suffering the losses they have in the past. Normally the two funeral homes charge \$2,500.00 for a cremation or close to that. Their proposal is for you to allow \$1,800.00 for straight cremation. That is what she put in the draft. If there would be a legal reason, like a criminal investigation involved, obviously they can't allow cremation, and they have to do a straight burial, then it would be bare bones minimal burial service at \$2,500.00. Back in 2007 the Board allowed \$1,000.00 for cremation and \$1,800.00 for burial. If they don't meet the poverty guidelines they don't qualify for county burial. Moved Weller, second Helgoth to have a public hearing on May 8, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. to review and amend if necessary the general assistance guidelines. Roll Call: All Ayes.

March 2012 fees: The March 2012 fees from the Clerk of District Court and the County Clerk were presented for approval. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the March 2012 fees from the Clerk of District Court and County Clerk. Roll Call: All Ayes.

April 2012 claims: The April 2012 claims were presented for approval:

FUND	NAME	INVDESC	TOTCLAIMS
GENERAL			
	JOHN ROSS ABOLD	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
	BAMFORD INC.	FIRE INSPECT	\$ 995.00
	JULIE L BELLIS	COURT COSTS	\$ 93.60
	DOROTHY D BENTON	ATTY FEES	\$ 6,886.35
	GARY BERRY	MILEAGE	\$ 115.45
		EMERGENCY	
	BOONE COUNTY TREASURER	MGMT	\$ 691.72
	KEVIN CAMPBELL	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
	CENTRAL CITY MALL	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 1,107.24
	CENTRAL CONTRACTING CORPORATION	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 579.00
	CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT	\$ 2,583.33

CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	\$ 754.57
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 761.05
TODD CHURCH	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	UTILITIES	\$ 3,173.58
CITY OF G.I. UTILITIES DEPT	UTILITIES	\$ 7.54
CLARK BROS SANITATION, INC	GARBAGE SRVC	\$ 126.52
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/CC	COURT COSTS	\$ 117.50
CREIGHTON UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER	CORONER	\$ 453.35
RYAN DUNCAN	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
KAREN DUNHAM	MILEAGE	\$ 51.84
DYNAMIC COMPUTING SOLUTIONS	MAINTENANCE	\$ 331.63
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 10.99
ECO WATER SYSTEMS	OFFICE WATER	\$ 137.50
	BALLOT	
ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	PRODUCT	\$ 5,003.52
GALLS, AN ARAMARK COMPANY	UNIFORM	\$ 459.96
JIM L GRAVES	MILEAGE	\$ 52.17
LINDA GREGER	DIRECTOR SSRVC	\$ 135.00
HALL COUNTY SHERIFF DEPT	COURT COSTS	\$ 19.76
HALL COUNTY CORRECTIONS	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 2,035.00
HANSON GRIME STOPPERS	CLEANING SRVC	\$ 1,881.00
VICKI HAWTHORNE	SUPPLIES	\$ 30.00
LYNELLE HOMOLKA	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 104.56
HOST COFFEE SERVICE	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 45.95
WONDER BREAD/HOSTESS BAKERY OUTLET	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 67.41
INTERSTATE ALL BATTERY CENTER	EQUIPMENT	\$ 109.95
JACKSON SERVICES	SERVICE SUPPLY	\$ 154.00
JEROM E. JANULEWICZ	ATTY FEES	\$ 232.50
JENSEN PUBLISHING	ELECTION PUBS	\$ 666.00
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 217.11
JENSEN PUBLISHING/P&Z	PUBLICATION	\$ 154.62
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	ELECTION PUB	\$ 502.50
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/P&Z	PUBLICATION	\$ 27.99
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	\$ 284.75
WILLIAM KELLEY	MILEAGE	\$ 30.54
MATT KING	MILEAGE	\$ 26.10
MICHAEL P KNEALE	ATTY FEES	\$ 867.45
AARON J KUNZ	MILEAGE	\$ 96.85
LAURITSEN,BROWNELL,BROSTROM,STEHLIK	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 1,833.75
LEXISNEXIS	LAW LIBRARY	\$ 226.00
LITZENBERG/HOSPITAL OPERATING	SUPPORT	\$ 8,333.33
	DRUG	
LITZENBERG CO. HOSPITAL	SCREENING	\$ 53.30
LONE TREE MEDICAL ASSOCS.	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 111.00
ROSS A LUZUM, ATTORNEY AT LAW	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 390.00
MCILNAY & CO	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 37.50
MERRICK CO. CLERK	SUPPLIES	\$ 49.00
MERRICK CO. COURT	COURT COSTS	\$ 160.00

MERRICK CO. EXTENSION SERVICE	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 2,367.12
MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	TAX TRANSFER	\$ 81,382.09
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 15,351.60
MICHAEL MEYER	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 476.20
MID AMERICAN BENEFITS,INC	INSURANCE REIM	\$ 1,786.15
MIDWEST MAILING SYSTEMS INC	POSTAGE METER	\$ 235.00
MIPS INC.	MICROFILMING	\$ 156.48
JENNIFER MYERS	MILEAGE	\$ 166.50
NANCE COUNTY TREASURER	SALARY-EMS	\$ 4,252.13
NACVSO C/O JIM GOLGART,TREASURER	REGISTRATION	\$ 300.00
NE ASSOC OF ENGINEER,HWY SUPT/SURV	EDUCATION	\$ 85.00
	DRUG	
NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB	SCREENING	\$ 252.00
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 36.41
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 66.11
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 69.76
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 69.76
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 113.98
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 64.46
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 46.07
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 113.95
	COURTHOUSE	
NT&T	FAX	\$ 46.37
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 24.69
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 55.38
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 152.17
OFFICENET	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 27.67
OFFICENET	SUPPLY/EQUIP	\$ 248.06
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 103.73
OFFICENET	EQUIP RENTAL	\$ 180.96
OFFICENET,INC.	COPIER RENT	\$ 145.60
PALSER SERVICE	CAR REPAIR	\$ 120.95
PHILLIPS 66-CONOCO-76	FUEL	\$ 83.54
PINNACLE BANK CC	SUPPLIES	\$ 15.80
PLATTE COUNTY DETENTION FACILITY	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 1,450.00
PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	RADIO REPAIR	\$ 82.00
JAN I REEVES	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 247.50
	CONTRACT	
CORWIN A ROSCOE	SRVCS	\$ 1,241.67
S&W PEST MANAGEMENT	PEST CONTROL	\$ 53.25
SACK LUMBER	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 15.24
SACK LUMBER	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 55.98
SAM'S CLUB DIRECT	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 694.78
SAMPSON, CURRY & TWISS P.C.	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 1,102.50
SECURUS	COMMISSARY	\$ 469.65
SEVEN SPRINGS INC	OFFICE WATER	\$ 15.50
SHRED MONSTER INC	SHREDDING	\$ 50.00
STANARD APPRAISAL SERVICE, INC.	REAPPRAISAL	\$ 3,505.00

CHRIS STAROSTKA	MILEAGE/MACK	\$ 50.52
STROMSBURG SOFT WATER	MAINTENANCE	\$ 32.14
DAVID SULLIVAN	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
SURVEY RECORD REPOSITORY	SUPPLIES	\$ 40.00
SVEHLA THOMAS RAUERT & GRAFTON PC	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 82.50
TRIANGLE INSURANCE	BOND RENEWAL	\$ 40.00
U.S. BANK	SUPPLIES	\$ 72.48
USA COMMUNICATIONS	COMMISSARY	\$ 55.45
VISA	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 1,109.21
WAGNER FUNERAL HOME INC	COUNTY BURIAL	\$ 1,800.00
REX WELLER	MILEAGE	\$ 167.61
MARCIA WICHMANN	TRAVEL/POSTAL	\$ 118.57
ROGER WIEGERT	MILEAGE	\$ 75.48
KELLY WILLIAMS	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
FLEET SERVICES	FUEL	\$ 2,538.78
TOTAL		\$ 167,317.83

ROADS

ACE IRRIGATION & MFG., CO.	CULVERTS	\$ 13,364.36
AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.	FUEL	\$ 6,140.70
BOMGAARS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 418.82
BOSSELMAN INC/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 3,590.14
CATERPILLAR AXCESSACCOUNT	REPAIR/LABOR	\$ 7,109.70
CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/ROADS	SUPPLY/REPAIR	\$ 1,214.98
CENTRAL SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	\$ 805.58
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 10.25
DARLING SERVICE	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 86.25
EAKES OFFICE PLUS INC/ROADS	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 36.60
GILBARCO INC	FUEL	\$ 17.00
	DRUG	
GRAND ISLAND CLINIC/ROADS	SCREENING	\$ 25.00
GREEN LINE EQUIPMENT OF CC/ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 37.42
GROSSHANS, INC./ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 94.20
JIM HAAG	MILEAGE	\$ 83.81
HANSEN INTERNATIONAL TRUCK INC	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 1,897.12
HUSKER CO-OP	FUEL	\$ 254.31
CHRIS HUSTON	MILEAGE	\$ 34.41
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 39.75
JACKSON LINEN SERVICE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 71.13
JENSEN PUBLISHING/ROADS	PUBLICATION	\$ 81.75
K & S TOOL SERVICE	SMALL TOOLS	\$ 351.26
	ALCOHOL	
LITZENBERG HOSPITAL/ROADS	SCREEN	\$ 53.30
	ALCOHOL	
MEDICAL ENTERPRISES, INC	SCREEN	\$ 93.00
MID AMERICAN BENEFITS,INC	ROADS	\$ 194.24
NEBR. MACHINERY CO.	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 34.53
NE MOTOR FUELS DIVISION	ROAD FUEL TAX	\$ 580.83
NEBR. TRUCK CENTER, INC.	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 62.81

NIOBRARA LODGE	LODGING	\$ 252.00
NT&T/SHOP	TELEPHONE	\$ 50.10
NT&T/ROADS	TELEPHONE	\$ 62.66
OFFICENET	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 156.40
OVERLAND SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	\$ 321.20
PALMER SERVICE CENTER	FUEL	\$ 1,806.00
PALSER SERVICE/ROADS	TIRE REPAIR	\$ 24.00
PETROLEUM TECHNOLOGIES GROUP, LLC	OIL & GREASE	\$ 17.00
POLK COUNTY RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	ELECTRICITY	\$ 53.68
JOHN E PROSOSKI	LAND RENTAL	\$ 120.00
SAPP BROS. PETROLEUM	FUEL	\$ 3,006.35
SOURCEGAS,LLC	HEATING	\$ 233.26
SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	ELECTRICITY	\$ 664.76
STATE STEEL SUPPLY CO.	STEEL	\$ 423.98
VERIZON WIRELESS	TELEPHONE	\$ 48.75
VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN	ELECTRICITY	\$ 42.75
WELDON PARTS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 1,035.62
WILSON TRAILER CO-GRAND ISLAND	REPAIR/LABOR	\$ 2,011.58
ZEE MEDICAL SERVICE CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 20.45
TOTAL		\$ 47,133.79

UNEMPLOYMENT

NEBRASKA U.C. FUND	UNEMPLOYMENT	\$ 1,896.00
TOTAL		\$ 1,896.00

JUVENILE DIVERSION

JULIE BEYER	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 221.46
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	JUV DIV-POSTAL	\$ 68.24
NE JUVENILE JUSTICE ASSOCIATION	EDUCATION	\$ 100.00
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 61.63
QUILL	SUPPLIES	\$ 731.81
SEARCH INSTITUTE	SUPPLIES	\$ 116.04
TOTAL		\$ 1,299.18

DRUG LAW ENFORCEMENT

LYNN PEAVY COMPANY	SUPPLIES	\$ 79.80
VISA	20030011	\$ 200.95
TOTAL		\$ 280.75

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CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	ACCT #	\$ 69.98
TOTAL		\$ 69.98

INHERITANCE

GIS WORKSHOP	GIS	\$ 1,925.00
HAMILTON TELECOMMUNICATIONS	INTERNET	\$ 154.85
MIPS INC.	COMP SUPPORT	\$ 2,857.92
TOTAL		\$ 4,937.77

BUILDING PROJECT

CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	9462345	\$ 222.38
TOTAL		\$ 222.38

E911

AS CENTRAL SERVICES OCIO	EQUIP REPAIRS	\$ 448.00
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CENTURY LINK	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 232.44
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 126.60
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 67.90
MCI	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 42.43
NNTC	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 139.14
NT&T	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 1,303.83
TOTAL		\$ 2,360.34

Moved Helgoth, second Husmann to approve the April 2012 claims as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjourn: Moved Helgoth, second Weller to adjourn at 12:38 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

April 24, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, April 24, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Hahn, Weller, Helgoth, Jefferson and Wiegert present. Husmann was absent. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:00 a.m.

Moved Weller, second Jefferson to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Graves led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Minutes: Moved Weller, second Hahn to approve the minutes as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Exemption hearing: Moved Hahn, second Graves to go into the hearing for review of previously granted exemptions. Roll Call: All Ayes. Assessor Placke reminded the Board that they had previously approved of the exemptions of the Polk County Wildlife Association and Archer Cooperative Credit Union Community Center but at the strong recommendation of the Department of Revenue they are being brought before the Board for them to review. Moved Hahn to approve the Polk County Wildlife Association's application and Placke told Hahn that they were discussing the Archer Cooperative Credit Union Community Room and Hahn said he withdrew his motion. Moved Weller, second Jefferson to reapprove the exemption of the Archer Cooperative Credit Union Community Room. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Assessor Placke presented a new application for Polk County Wildlife Association. Placke said the old one was not complete but she had presented it to the Board anyway. Placke said she recommends approval because there is another organization that is similar and it is exempt. Mike Cotter, President of Polk County Wildlife Association, said the 4-H uses it and the boy scouts go down there. Moved Hahn, second Helgoth to reapprove the exemption of the Polk County Wildlife Association. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Graves, second Hahn to go out of the hearing for previously granted exemptions at 9:11 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Vehicle exemption hearing: Moved Jefferson, second Graves to open the hearing for a vehicle exemption at 9:12 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Treasurer Dunham presented an application for exemption for the Evangelical Free Church for a 1983 Chevrolet Bus VIN#1GBG6P1B2DV118618. Moved Jefferson, second Graves to approve the vehicle exemption for the Evangelical Free Church for a 1983 Chevrolet Bus VIN#1GBG6P1B2DV118618. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Graves, second Jefferson to go out of the vehicle exemption hearing at 9:13 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Tax correction: Assessor Placke presented tax correction #3620 for Dennis Wacker and Kathleen Scott for equipment that has been sold. Placke said that when property is sold the taxes are accelerated. Placke said this should be done before it is sold. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve tax correction \$3620 for Dennis Wacker and Kathleen Scott for equipment that has been sold. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Review of tax situation on bins: Assessor Placke said in 2008 the bins being reviewed were located on property owned by Todd Tyler DBA Tyler Farms. The bins were sold to Brian Brown in 2008 and in 2009 the bins were still on the Tyler property. Brian Brown bought the bins at the sale but had sold at least one bin to Mike Dlouhy. Dlouhy had sent a letter to Placke with a copy of the check he made out to Brown Farms, Inc. and on the check it said for one bin. Placke presented a copy of the letter and check to the Board. Placke said that Dlouhy refuses to say where the other two bins went. The taxes due as of today is \$284.76 or \$94.92 per bin. Placke said the bins were still on the property at the beginning of the year so she put them back on the tax rolls. Mr. Dlouhy is being taxed for all three bins. Mr. Dlouhy says he does not own all three but will not tell Placke who owns two of the bins. Brian Brown cannot remember who bought the other two bins or how much they paid him. Weller said he doesn't know if legally they have to let the Board or Placke know. Weller said he feels there are ways to find out if he only bought one or more of the bins. Weller asked Placke if she had contacted Stock Auction and asked them and she had not. Placke asked if Weller was directing her to contact Stock Auction and find out how much they paid. Weller told Placke to see what they brought on the sale.

Adjourn: Moved Hahn, second Graves to adjourn at 9:31 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

April 24, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, April 24, 2012 at 9:31 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Jefferson, Hahn, Helgoth, Weller, and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka. Husmann was absent.

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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 9:31 a.m.

Moved Helgoth, second Jefferson to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:31 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

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

Minutes: Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the minutes as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting reports: Hahn attended the hospital board meeting; Graves attended the quarterly safety meeting on April 17, 2012 and on April 20, 2012 attended the NIRMA Road Safety meeting in Kearney; Helgoth also attended a NIRMA Road Safety meeting in Lincoln on April 12, 2012 and a Central Community Service meeting in Loup City last Tuesday; Jefferson attended the Region III Behavioral Health meetings; Wiegert attended the Mid Plains Behavioral Health meeting in Grand Island.

Official reports: County Attorney Homolka reminded the Board to go review the general assistance guidelines she had passed out at the last meeting and let her know if they wanted anything changed. Weller said that in places it said that the County Clerk or their appointed assistant shall decide the eligibility. He wanted to know if that meant the ladies in her office or her deputy and Wichmann said that she would have the Board help decide who that should be. County Clerk Wichmann told the Board that she had an application in her office now for assistance with utilities and Wichmann had shown all of the paperwork to the County Attorney and they determined that the person was eligible for assistance and the claim would be coming through at the next Board meeting. Wichmann had called the City and told them that the person had applied and been accepted for assistance and the County would be paying the bill. Wichmann said a decision had to be made because the City Utility Department was going to turn off the utilities on the April 30, 2012, otherwise.

Veteran Service Office update: Hahn said the contract for the renovation of the current Planning and Zoning Office still stands as it was signed. The construction has been delayed for thirty days.

Special Liquor License: Jess Brandes, speaking for the Fair Board, said that they are asking for a special designated liquor license for one time. The proposal the last two years was for a beer garden east of the arena but this year they would like to move it further away from the arena. They are proposing to have it north of the hog building on the west side of the building. Brandes said there is lighting and power there and the dates would be July 30, 2012 and July 31, 2012 from 8:00 p.m. to 12:00 midnight. They will require ID's, wrist bands, and drink bands. Everyone that will be working will be trained and they will have professional enforcement also. Brandes said he did not have the dimensions because the size of the beer garden would be determined by how much room the band that they plan on having would need. They would serve beer and water only, with the entertainment being on Tuesday night. Brandes said that they have a liquor liability form that has a \$250.00 rider for a million dollar policy. The reason for wanting a beer garden for the fair is for revenue and to control the alcohol usage in the past. They have attended the Nebraska Fair Board Conference in Kearney and beer gardens are the number one revenue maker. Brandes said the revenue is a struggle for the fair board every year. John Jefferson asked the Fair Board members present if they knew what Region III Behavioral Health was and Brandes said he knew what it was and what they did. Jefferson said the County spends a lot of money on Region III and Region III is not in favor of beer gardens. County Attorney Homolka said the Ag Society is a separate entity and the county is only liable if the board is negligent in approving the liquor license according to an email that Homolka received from Larry Pelan, of NIRMA. Dan Monahan said he went to the Fair Board meeting last Thursday. He is a member of the Lone Tree Antique Tractor Club and they sent a letter to the Board saying they were not in favor of the beer garden because of the youth. Monahan said after attending the Fair Board meeting it seemed to him the only thing the County Board can do is either approve the liquor license or raise the mill levy for the Ag Society. Monahan said the real issue is money. Tracy Hefner, Treasurer for the Ag Society, said that any money they receive from the Treasurer cannot be used for entertainment. Hefner went through and gave the County Board the percentages of what their money is spent on. Hefner said that left maybe \$1,000.00 to be spent on emergencies. What they are trying to provide is a fair that is viable and is for everyone. Hefner said they know the budgets are tight everywhere. The Fair Board finds sponsors to help and they have a big donation drive every year. Matt Myers said that they are busy enough now at the fair but this will be a lot more work and Russ Kucera echoed the same. Triangle Insurance has the Ag Society's insurance. Brandes said that they would have to talk to MAPS about helping with the funding for the training of people working. In the past, MAPS offered to help but he had not contacted them yet, but he will. Graves said that Marlin Wells had talked to him a while back and said this was a money thing and did not want a beer garden at the fair. Moved Weller, second Helgoth to approve the special liquor license for a beer garden at the fair subject to receiving proof of insurance from the Ag Society. Weller said the Board grants special liquor license all of the time and feels that the Fair Board should be given a chance because they are trying to increase their revenue and that is the kind of Board you should want. Roll Call: Ayes: Helgoth, Weller, and Wiegert. Nays: Graves, Hahn, and Jefferson. Tied vote. Motion Weller, second Hahn to reconsider the motion until the next meeting and postpone until the next meeting on May 8, 2012 when they have a full board. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Hospital update: Tad Hunt gave the Board a brief update on the hospital and passed out data they had collected from surveys

the hospital sent out. The data presented today was just from Central City and not the surrounding areas. Next month Hunt will have the data from the whole County. Hunt said the data will be on their website and paper. The next community forum meeting is tentatively May 15, 2012 at 5:30 p.m.

Executive session: Hunt asked for an executive session to discuss strategy regarding transactional negotiations that the hospital is involved with. Moved Graves, second Jefferson to go into executive session for discussion strategy regarding transactional negotiations that the hospital is involved with at 10:19 a.m.. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Graves, second Jefferson to go out of executive session at 10:34 a.m.

Addendum in reference to courts: Clerk Magistrate Beth Pullen said the Board had signed an agreement from the State in regards to District Court and County Court. In the agreement, either Court would take payments for the other Court if they are absent and hold the payment. There was nothing in the agreement saying that the Courts would issue a receipt. Pullen said the State is adding an addendum stating that the Court taking a payment for the other Court will issue a written or computer receipt. Pullen said they have not received the addendum yet, but wanted to know if the Board wanted to approve the addendum now or wait until they receive it. It was decided that it would be put on the agenda for the next Board meeting.

Standard Appraisal Services: Assessor Placke presented a proposal from Stanard Appraisal Services, Inc. to do the appraisal of the Grand Island Sub Residential property in Merrick County for \$7,685.00. Placke said this in on the five year rotation and there are 145 parcels. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the Standard Appraisal Services, Inc. for the appraisal of the Grand Island Sub Residential property in Merrick County for \$7,685.00. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Electrical Agreements: Highway Superintendent Meyer presented an electrical agreement for Dave Miller (Common Wealth Electric) for an electrical line for a pivot between Section 17 and Section 8, Township 15, Range 4, Merrick County Nebraska. Moved Helgoth, second Jefferson to approve the electrical agreement for Dave Miller (Common Wealth Electric) for an electrical line for a pivot between Section 17 and Section 8, Township 15, Range 4. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Highway Superintendent Meyer also presented an electrical agreement for Kent Helgoth DBA Helgoth Electric for an electrical line for a pivot between Section 19 and Section 20, Township 16, Range 3, Merrick County Nebraska. Moved Jefferson, second Graves to approve the electrical agreement for Kent Helgoth DBA Helgoth Electric for an electrical line for a pivot between Section 19 and Section 20, Township 16, Range 3, Merrick County Nebraska. Roll Call: Ayes: Hahn, Weller, Graves, Jefferson, and Wiegert . Nays: None Abstain: Helgoth.

Speed limit sign: Highway Superintendent Meyer told the Board there is a City speed limit sign and a County speed limit sign on 13th Street within a very short distance of each other. Meyer said the City sign says the speed limit is 35 and the County sign says 40. These signs are where the traffic comes into Central City from Highway 30. Meyer said there have been studies done on the west end but not on the east. The studies include traffic counts and type of vehicles and are to be done by an engineer. Helgoth wanted to know if the County had anyone qualified to do the study and Meyer said he could do the study but it has to be done under the direction of an engineer. The closest engineer is Hall County. Moved Weller, second Hahn to have the Highway Superintendent do whatever needs to be done to make the speed limit signs on 13th Street agree. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Road Department Certification of receipt: Highway Superintendent Meyer presented a certification of receipt that needed the signature of the Chairman showing they had received the work zone and road closure traffic control devises. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the Chairman signing the certification of receipt for the work zone and road closure traffic control devises. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Directive and procedure: Highway Superintendent Meyer attended the NIRMA Road Safety meeting in Kearney and received a manual that contained a procedure or directive for going the wrong direction when grading roads and snow removal that could be used as a guide for Meyer. Graves said that the employees should each sign a copy of the directive or procedure. Moved Weller, second Jefferson to have the Highway Superintendent come up with a directive and put this on the next agenda for the May 8, 2012 meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Helgoth was wondering about the signs on County roads and if they were up to specifications. Graves said that NIRMA has a gun that can be used by Counties to check sign specifications. Weller said Meyer should get the gun from NIRMA and use it to check the specifications on the County signs. Graves said it should take about ten days to do the check.

Budget: County Clerk Wichmann asked the Board if they wanted Alvin Alms to do the budget for 2012-2013 because they had only approved the contract from Alvin Alms for one year. Moved Weller, second Hahn to get a bid from Alms for one year and if they want to present a contract for two that was fine. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Health Insurance: County Clerk Wichmann had received an email from Merrick County's Blue Cross Blue Shield Representative Tara Stevenson that said there would be no changes to the current policy the County has. There will be no change to the premiums either. Moved Hahn, second Weller to stay with Blue Cross Blue Shield as the medical insurance provider for the County for 2012-2013 fiscal year. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Veteran Service Inventory: County Clerk Wichmann presented the 2011 Veteran Service Officer Inventory for the Board's approval. Moved Graves, second Weller to approve the 2011 Veteran Service Officer Inventory as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

April 2012 payroll: The April 2012 payroll was presented for approval: General: Gross: \$97,104.62 Net: \$68,413.52 Roads: Gross: \$44,884.00 Net: \$29,992.48 Juvenile Diversion: Gross: \$2,331.33 Net: \$2,086.80. Moved Graves, second Hahn to approve the April 2012 payroll as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjourn: Moved Helgoth, second Jefferson to adjourn at 11:40 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

May 8, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, May 8, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Hahn, Weller, Helgoth, Husmann, Jefferson and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:00 a.m.

Moved Weller, second Husmann to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Weller led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Minutes: Moved Graves, second Jefferson to approve the minutes as published. Roll Call: Ayes: Weller, Hahn, Helgoth, Jefferson, Graves, Wiegert. Nays: None Abstain: Husmann

Tax correction: Assessor Placke presented tax correction #3621 for Wendy's as the business has closed and the building is for sale. The personal property taxes for 2012 need to be accelerated. Moved Weller, 2nd Graves to approve tax correction #3621 for Wendy's. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Tax protest dates: June 25, 2012 at 9:00 a.m., July 2, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. and July 12, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. if needed were dates for hearing tax protests. July 16, 2012 at 9:00 to hear final protests was mentioned but Assessor Placke had email Clerk Wichmann to let her know that was too early for the Assessor's office to be ready but the 20th would work. Wichmann wanted to know if the 19th would work and Placke said that Wichmann had until August 2, 2012 to get the protests ready and mailed out to the people. July 20, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. works. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the tax protest dates of June 25, 2012 at 9:00 a.m., July 2, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. and July 12, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. if needed to hear protests and July 20, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. to do the finals on protests. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjourn: Moved Husmann, second Jefferson to adjourn at 9:13 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

May 8, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, May 8, 2012 at 9:13 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Jefferson, Hahn, Helgoth, Weller, Husmann, and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

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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 9:13 a.m.

Moved Helgoth, second Husmann to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:13 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

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

Minutes: Moved Weller, second Hahn to approve the minutes as presented. Roll Call: Ayes: Helgoth, Jefferson, Graves, Hahn, Weller, and Wiegert. Nays: None Abstain: Husmann.

Meeting reports: Hahn and Husmann attended the Midland Area Agency on Aging in Hastings yesterday; Weller attended an economic development meeting; Jefferson attended a meeting of the Region III advisory board meeting and then a regular board meeting of Region III; Wiegert attended a Midland Area Agency on Aging meeting on Thursday. Helgoth requested that the board members and the committees that they are on be published in the paper.

Official's report: Treasurer Dunham told the Board that she had received her new filing cabinet. Corwin Roscoe, Weed Superintendent, said he had submitted an invoice for a camera and the County's share was \$100.00. Roscoe said if he paid the \$100.00 the camera would go back to the Platte Valley Weed Association and if the County paid the \$100.00 the camera would stay at the County. The Emergency Manager, Jan Zurcher was present and she was present in case any of the Board had any questions on her report they received in their packets.

Petty cash fund for Extension Office: County Attorney Homolka said that she had been in contact with Deanne Haeffner, Deputy State Auditor and has forwarded the information to Cindy Hostler in the Extension Office and Haeffner said the auditor's office does not feel it is appropriate to pay claims out of petty cash. Haeffner also said there are state statutes that say that the public should be able to see how the money is being spent and now it just shows that a check is going to the Extension Office but not what for. Cindy Hostler said that is what Haeffner had told her also but Hostler said she had read

through the Extension Interlocal and Constitution and in the constitution it says monitor, approve, and pay claims within the budget following approval of said budget by the County Board's and administer the extension organization's revolving account, which is authorized to accept grants and other similar gifts and in the interlocal it says under County obligation to support the Extension Program the County or the Extension Board on behalf of the County will after carefully considering the input of the University of Nebraska Lincoln Extension, develop and approve as required by Neb. Rev. Stat. 2-1607 or 2-1607, a program budget realistically designed to accomplish the goals of the program and to pay claims and expenditures made for the purposes of furthering the program. Hostler said you can read that in more than one way. Lori Johnson of the Extension Board said that the County Board appointed all of the Extension Board members. The Extension Office is asking for a \$2,000.00 petty cash account because they are always a month behind on bills because their board meets the 4th Tuesday of the month and approves the claims then which is after when the County Board approves the claims. Graves asked Jeannette Friesen, Extension Educator what they did in Hamilton County and Friesen said the claims are submitted through the Clerk's Office. Clerk Wichmann asked if they could maybe move the day of the month from the end to the beginning and Lori Johnson said that has been brought up. Wichmann said in January there were no claim turned into her office for the Extension Office and in February they turned in a bill for NT & T for a phone bill that included both January and February bills. On the checking account statement from the Extension Office the check they sent to NT & T was only for only month and every since then they have been behind in their phone bill. Hostler said that they made that up. Wichmann said that they has been a mess with phone bills and the Extension is the only one she has not gotten taken care of because she can't track payments. Moved Weller second Hahn to approve a \$2,000.00 petty cash account for the Extension Office for 6 months and within the 6 months to get the meeting date changed from every 4th Tuesday to the beginning of the month. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Weller asked Wichmann to put the review of the account on the agenda for the meeting on November 13, 2012 when the 6 months are up. County Clerk Wichmann and County Attorney Homolka will draft a resolution for the \$2,000.00 petty cash account for the Extension Office for a 6 month time period.

Court agreement addendum: Beth Pullen, Clerk Magistrate and Theresa Good, Clerk of District Court presented an addendum to the agreement for reciprocal support stating the parties agree that the Clerk of District Court and the Clerk Magistrate of the County Court shall issue either Justice or Justice emergency receipts for all money which is accepted for the other office. By issuing these receipts the offices will meet standard auditing requirements as identified by the Nebraska State Auditor. Pullen said this is so that they know who handled the money. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the Chairman signing the addendum to the agreement for reciprocal support. Roll Call: All Ayes.

General Assistance Hearing: Moved Weller second Hahn to open the public hearing to hear public input on the general assistance guidelines and county burials at 10:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. County Attorney Homolka said she used the Lancaster County guidelines and changed and added to adjust to Merrick County's size. Homolka said early on she had some concerns with the guidelines that Merrick County had been using. One concern was the right to appeal the Boards decision and Homolka said that she has tried to take care of that concern with the guidelines she presented to the Board. Homolka had sent a copy of the new guidelines to the local funeral homes and got a response that the Board may want to include a remembrance package that includes 100 folders, 25 thank you's and one register book. The Board said they thought that should be added to be included in the price. Helgoth also thought that under financial eligibility requirements, business inventory should be included. Another response from the funeral homes was on the county fee schedule for burials, the fee should be \$3,000.00 and not \$2,500.00. The City requires a steel vault if it is a burial. Under Section 4:102 there should be line H and it should read a brief newspaper notice should be a free notice only. Moved Weller, second Graves to close the public hearing at 10:09 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Weller, second Hahn to approve the Merrick County guidelines for general assistance and county burials as amended. Roll Call: All Ayes. Homolka said she would draw up a resolution for the Chairman to sign.

Liquor license for fair: The Merrick County Fair Board again requested a special liquor license for a beer garden to be located at the Merrick County Fair this year. Jess Brandes, a member of the Fair Board said that they had given the County Attorney Homolka a copy of their liquor liability insurance coverage and that there was a possibility of MAPS helping out. Brandes said the next MAPS meeting is May 21, 2012 and the next Fair Board meeting is after that. Homolka said she was a member of MAPS and she had received an email from MAPS saying that they were not trying to persuade the Boards decision in any way but MAPS would help out with wristbands, and money for training and staff. Julie Beyer, a MAPS representative was also present for questions. Dale Carlson gave his support to the Fair Board saying that they work very hard to make a good and successful fair. He feels the Fair Board should be supported because it's not like there has never been beer on those grounds. The insurance is for \$1 million per cause with a \$5 million aggregate over two day cap. Moved Weller, second Helgoth to approve the liquor license for the Fair Board for a beer garden at the County Fair. Roll Call: Ayes: Husmann, Helgoth, Weller, and Wiegert. Nays: Graves, Jefferson, and Hahn. Motion carried to approve the liquor license. Kevin Ohlman from Triangle Insurance came later and told the Board that the liquor liability coverage for the Fair Board was \$1million per cause and \$1 million aggregate not the \$1 million per cause and \$5 million. Weller said that he thought Ohlman should check to see if the Fair Board could get \$5 million aggregate.

Maintaining roads against traffic: Highway Superintendent Meyer presented a sample of a policy on road maintenance against traffic and said it was out of the NIRMA Road Manual. The sample says that the County Department of Roads prohibits the maintenance of county roads against traffic due to the increased risk of accidents and liability. The only time this practice will be allowed is when the road has been properly closed according to the most recent edition of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices. The road employees will receive a copy of this and are to sign the paper stating that they received, read, and understand the above policy. County Attorney Homolka has reviewed the policy and the sample and gave her approval. Attached to the sample was a page showing all of the signs that are to be used to close the roads being maintained. Moved Weller, second Husmann to approve the sample policy for road maintenance against traffic presented by Highway Superintendent Meyer. Roll Call: All Ayes. Helgoth asked Meyer to have the road employee's signatures on these forms by the next Board meeting.

Stanard Appraisal Contract for GI Subs: Assessor Placke presented a contract from Stanard Appraisal for \$7,685.00 for the appraisal of the GI Subs in Merrick County. The Board had approved of the Stanard Appraisal proposal for this at their last meeting and Placke was bringing the contract for the Chairman's signature. Moved Weller, second Graves to have the Chairman sign the Stanard Appraisal Contract for \$7,685.00 to do the appraisal review of the GI Subs. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Petty cash account for Sheriff: Sheriff Campbell told the Board that the State Auditor's Office said that other Sheriff Office's have a petty cash account for fees that are provided but not paid for immediately so that when the Sheriff submits the fees to the Treasurer's office for the month they are not writing checks for fees that have been rendered but not collected. Campbell said that \$500.00 should cover the amount of fees that they have billed for. Moved Weller, second Hahn to approve a \$500.00 petty cash account for the Sheriff. Roll Call: All Ayes. County Clerk Wichmann and County Attorney Homolka will draft a resolution for the Sheriff's petty cash account.

Sheriff's report: Sheriff Campbell said for the last six months they have averaged 11 to 14 inmates a day. Campbell said that all of the county fire extinguishers have been checked at the courthouse and county shop. All of the fire extinguishers have been replaced because they were all dated between 1983 and 1990. The company that checked the extinguisher will check the extinguishers every year to make sure they are all in working condition and the charge will be \$100.00 a year. Campbell said that Eric Erickson at the county shop will rotate the ones at the county shop monthly and Campbell said that maybe Dennis O'Nele could rotate the courthouse extinguishers. After rotating the extinguishers the card attached to them must be punched and they are good for six years. Campbell said that they are going to be able to use some of the E911 wireless fund money for a new recording system. Campbell said that there have been rumors of gang activity moving into the west part of Central City and Campbell said that it should be the west end of Merrick County. The Sheriff's office has made some arrests in the west end of the County and hopefully that will slow things down.

Budget preparation: County Clerk Wichmann had received a bid from Alvin Alms & Company for the budget preparation for one year and a bid for three years as the Board had requested. The bid for budget prep for the 2012-2013 year was \$3,475.00 and the bid for three years was as follows: 2012-2013 budget for \$3,300.00 (same as last year), 2013-2014 budget for \$3,475.00 and the 2014-2015 budget for \$3,475.00. Weller said he felt they did a good job last year and the other Board members agreed. Moved Weller, second Jefferson to accept the three year bid for budget preparation from Alvin Alms & Company as follows: 2012-2013 budget for \$3,300.00 (same as last year), 2013-2014 budget for \$3,475.00 and the 2014-2015 budget for \$3,475.00. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Security report: Clerk Wichmann presented the security report to the Board for their review.

April 2012 fees: The April 2012 fees from the Sheriff, Clerk of District Court, and County Clerk were presented to the Board for their approval. The March 2012 fees from the Sheriff were also presented for approval. Moved Graves, second Hahn to approve the April 2012 fees from the Sheriff, Clerk of District Court, and County Clerk and the March 2012 fees from the Sheriff. Roll Call: All Ayes.

May 2012 claims: The May 2012 claims were presented to the Board for their approval:

FUND	NAME	INVDESC	TOTCLAIMS
GENERAL			
		BACKFLOW	
	A #1 PLUMBING	CHECK	\$ 75.00
	JOHN ROSS ABOLD	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
	JULIE L BELLIS	COURT COSTS	\$ 2,563.95
	DOROTHY D BENTON	ATTY FEES	\$ 3,277.50
	GARY BERRY	MILEAGE/MEALS	\$ 119.15
	BRADLEY,ELSBERND,ANDERSEN,KNEALE	ATTY FEES	\$ 480.00
	GEORGE E BRUGH	MH BOARD 12-5	\$ 276.06
	KEVIN CAMPBELL	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00

JESSIE CARLSON	MH BOARD	\$ 75.00
CARPENTER REPORTING,INC	COURT COSTS	\$ 176.40
CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/SHERIFF ACT	CAR REPAIR	\$ 7.64
CENTRAL CITY MALL	SUPPLIES	\$ 25.50
CENTRAL CITY MALL	LAWN CARE	\$ 56.67
CENTRAL CITY MALL	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 1,362.29
CENTRAL CITY VET CLINIC	INVESTIGATIVE	\$ 93.39
CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT	\$ 2,583.33
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	\$ 39.95
STEVE CHARLESTON, NPZA TREASURER	EDUCATION	\$ 85.00
TODD CHURCH	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ MINI BUS	MINI-BUS	\$ 430.89
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	UTILITIES	\$ 2,235.10
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY	JAIL UTILITIES	\$ 71.70
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/CC	COURT COSTS	\$ 177.77
CONAWAY PLUMBING	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 471.35
DELL MARKETING L.P.	EQUIPMENT	\$ 1,297.95
DELL MARKETING L.P.	EQUIPMENT	\$ 1,269.57
RYAN DUNCAN	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 27.85
ECO WATER SYSTEMS	OFFICE WATER	\$ 124.50
	BALLOT	
ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	PRODUCT	\$ 5,718.74
FIREGUARD, INC	INSPECTION	\$ 2,843.97
GALLS, AN ARAMARK COMPANY	UNIFORM	\$ 14.18
GALUSHA ELECTRIC	PRISONER BRD	\$ 68.68
MIKE GATTO	COURT COSTS	\$ 46.64
GRAND ISLAND INDEPENDENT	COMMISSARY	\$ 150.00
LINDA GREGER	SOCIAL SERVICE	\$ 135.00
HALL COUNTY SHERIFF DEPT	COURT COSTS	\$ 47.84
HALL COUNTY CORRECTIONS	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 385.00
HANSON GRIME STOPPERS	CLEANING SRVC	\$ 1,881.00
JAMES HELGOTH	MILEAGE	\$ 153.74
LYNELLE HOMOLKA	PHONE/MILEAGE	\$ 146.88
HOST COFFEE SERVICE	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 45.95
WONDER BREAD/HOSTESS BAKERY OUTLET	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 28.23
ALEX HOSTLER	COURT COSTS	\$ 20.00
INTERSTATE ALL BATTERY CENTER	BATTERIES	\$ 51.98
JACKSON SERVICES	SUPPLIES	\$ 154.00
JEFFERSON CO CLERK OF DISTRICT CRT	REGISTRATION	\$ 100.00
JOHN JEFFERSON	MILEAGE	\$ 26.64
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLISHING	\$ 129.29
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 546.00
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 667.82
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PAPER	\$ 17.31
JENSEN PUBLISHING/P&Z	SUPPLIES	\$ 24.28
KALIE JOHNSON	COURT COSTS	\$ 43.31
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLISHING	\$ 31.53

JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	\$ 389.07
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/P&Z	PUBLISHING	\$ 25.43
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	\$ 484.50
BRIAN KLUCK	MH BOARD 12-5	\$ 248.55
LAURITSEN,BROWNELL,BROSTROM,STEHLIK	ATTY FEES	\$ 382.50
MARLENE S LEE	MEALS/MILEAGE	\$ 33.53
LEXISNEXIS	LAW LIBRARY	\$ 226.00
LITZENBERG/HOSPITAL OPERATING	SUPPORT	\$ 8,333.33
LITZENBERG CO. HOSPITAL	DRUG/ALCOHOL	\$ 53.30
MARY LIVINGSTON	MH BOARD 12-5	\$ 177.75
MAYER, BURNS, KOENIG & JANULEWICZ	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 2,157.50
MCILNAY & CO	A/C REPAIR	\$ 62.50
JOHN MEISTER	COURT COSTS	\$ 47.75
MERRICK CO. CLERK	RECORDING FEES	\$ 22.00
MERRICK CO. COURT	COURT COSTS	\$ 396.00
MERRICK CO. EXTENSION SERVICE	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 2,429.93
	TRANSFER	
MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	FUNDS	\$ 81,382.09
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 309.95
	INSURANCE	
MID AMERICAN BENEFITS,INC	DEDU	\$ 1,643.66
MIDWEST MAILING SYSTEMS INC	POSTAGE STRIPS	\$ 66.00
MIPS INC.	DATA PROCESS	\$ 61.70
MIPS INC.	12040416	\$ 140.20
MIPS INC.	SUPPLIES	\$ 251.40
JENNIFER MYERS	MEALS/MILEAGE	\$ 117.97
NACO	REGISTRATION	\$ 80.00
NEBR. CO. ATTORNEYS ASSOC.	DUES/REGISTRA	\$ 857.00
	MEMBERSHIP	
NE EMERGENCY SERVICES COMM ASSOC.	DUE	\$ 75.00
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	INSTITUTIONS	\$ 279.00
NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB	DRUG/ALCOHOL	\$ 168.00
KAREN NELSON	POSTAL	\$ 7.85
LONDON NORDLUND	COURT COSTS	\$ 20.00
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 36.41
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 54.05
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 69.76
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 69.76
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 76.19
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 60.83
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 46.17
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 126.39
	COURTHOUSE	
NT&T	FAX	\$ 49.67
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 55.38
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 85.91
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 474.64
OFFICENET	EQUIPMENT	\$ 156.80

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 MARK A PAVLIK, JR
 MARK A PAVLIK, SR
 TYLER R PAVLIK
 PINNACLE BANK CC
 JAN PLACKE
 PLATTE COUNTY DETENTION FACILITY
 PV & WC WEED MANAGEMENT AREA

 QUALIFICATION TARGETS INC
 REGION III BEHAVIORIAL HEALTH SERV

CORWIN A ROSCOE
 S&W PEST MANAGEMENT
 SACK LUMBER
 SAM'S CLUB DIRECT
 SAMPSON, CURRY & TWISS P.C.
 SEVEN SPRINGS INC
 STANARD APPRAISAL SERVICE, INC.
 MITCHELL C STEHLIK
 DAVID SULLIVAN
 SURVEY RECORD REPOSITORY
 U.S. BANK
 ULINE
 USA COMMUNICATIONS
 VISA
 WEGNER MONUMENT
 REX WELLER
 MARCIA WICHMANN
 KELLY WILLIAMS
 FLEET SERVICES
 ZEE MEDICAL SERVICE CO.

TOTAL

SUPPLIES \$ 449.38
 EQUIP RENTAL \$ 276.20
 COPIER PAPER \$ 483.57
 WITNESS FEES \$ 20.00
 WITNESS FEES \$ 20.00
 COURT COSTS \$ 20.00
 SUPPLIES \$ 193.76
 MEALS/MILEAGE \$ 66.84
 PRISONERS BRD \$ 250.00
 GPS CAMERAS \$ 100.00
 CONT
 EDUCATION \$ 725.53
 HEALTH SERVICE \$ 4,147.64
 CONTRACT
 SRVCS \$ 1,241.67
 PEST CONTROL \$ 53.25
 BLDG REPAIR \$ 11.15
 MISC EXPENSES \$ 390.75
 ATTY FEES \$ 663.75
 OFFICE WATER \$ 15.50
 REAPPRAISAL \$ 2,125.00
 ATTORNEY FEES \$ 886.53
 UNIFORM \$ 30.00
 SUPPLIES \$ 10.00
 MISCELLANEOUS \$ 154.44
 SUPPLIES \$ 47.16
 COMMISSARY \$ 55.45
 CAR REPAIR \$ 12.50
 BLDG REPAIR \$ 20.00
 MILEAGE \$ 49.95
 MILEAGE/MEALS \$ 68.16
 UNIFORM \$ 30.00
 FUEL \$ 2,197.28
 MISC EXPENSES \$ 565.04
\$ 148,673.44

ROADS

AGRICULTURAL SERVICES INC
 AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.
 BOMGAARS
 BOSSELMAN INC/ROADS
 CATERPILLAR AXCESSACCOUNT
 CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/ROADS
 CENTRAL SAND & GRAVEL
 CENTRAL TRUE VALUE
 CLARKS LUMBER CO./ROADS
 DINKEL IMPLEMENT CO
 EAKES OFFICE PLUS INC/ROADS

ROAD
 MAINTENAN \$ 362.50
 FUEL/MAINTEN \$ 3,241.75
 REPAIR/SUPPLY \$ 305.26
 OIL & GREASE \$ 304.00
 EQUIP REPAIR \$ 7,109.70
 REPAIR/SUPPLY \$ 433.06
 GRAVEL \$ 450.87
 EQUIP REPAIR \$ 6.69
 EQUIP REPAIR \$ 37.87
 EQUIP RENTAL \$ 70.80
 SUPPLIES \$ 380.07

FASTENAL CO	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 20.29
FILTER CARE	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 23.25
RANDY FUEHRER	MILEAGE	\$ 52.73
GARY SMITH CONSTRUCTION CO. INC.	ASPHALT	\$ 1,609.72
GREEN LINE EQUIPMENT OF CC/ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 68.13
H & H OWL AUTO PARTS INC	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 140.00
JIM HAAG	MILEAGE	\$ 127.10
HANSEN INTERNATIONAL TRUCK INC	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 26.51
HERK'S WELDING SHOP	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 260.89
HUSKER CO-OP	FUEL	\$ 1,139.53
CHRIS HUSTON	CDL RENEWAL	\$ 31.00
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 60.68
JACKSON LINEN SERVICE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 47.42
DICK KOHL	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 10.00
MICHAEL MEYER	MILEAGE	\$ 560.55
MID AMERICAN BENEFITS,INC	ROADS	\$ 1,065.25
NEBR. MACHINERY CO.	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 882.49
LEE NEEL	CDL RENEWAL	\$ 31.00
NT&T/SHOP	TELEPHONE	\$ 51.28
NT&T/ROADS	TELEPHONE	\$ 54.37
OVERLAND SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	\$ 10,504.55
PALMER SERVICE CENTER	FUEL/REPAIR	\$ 1,886.50
POLK COUNTY RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	ELECTRICITY	\$ 29.50
JOHN E PROSOSKI	LAND RENTAL	\$ 120.00
SACK LUMBER CO./ROADS	SIGNS & POSTS	\$ 499.78
SAPP BROS. PETROLEUM	FUEL	\$ 2,556.22
SCOTT-VAN KEPPEL-BR	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 506.43
SOURCEGAS,LLC	GAS SERVICE	\$ 116.89
SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	ELECTRICITY	\$ 487.75
STATE GLASS, INC.	REPAIR & LABOR	\$ 197.83
VEBURG SEED CO.	MAINTENANCE	\$ 280.00
VERIZON WIRELESS	TELEPHONE	\$ 46.60
VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN	ELECTRICITY	\$ 42.15
WILSON TRAILER CO-GRAND ISLAND	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 2,661.19
XEROX CORPORATION	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 112.26
TOTAL		\$ 39,012.41

JUVENILE DIVERSION

JULIE BEYER	PHONE/MILEAGE	\$ 161.20
CENTRAL CITY MALL	SUPPLIES	\$ 30.98
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	JD-POSTAGE	\$ 8.74
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 61.63
	EDUC	
WHY TRY, LLC	MATERIALS	\$ 514.00
TOTAL		\$ 776.55

STOP FUND

DIGITAL-ALLY	CAMERA SYSTEM	\$ 1,007.50
TOTAL		\$ 1,007.50

DRUG LAW ENFORCEMENT

	JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLISHING	\$ 59.85
	WEGNER MONUMENT	STMT #100	\$ 1,145.00
	TOTAL		\$ 1,204.85
INHERITANCE			
	HAMILTON TELECOMMUNICATIONS	INTERNET SRVC	\$ 154.85
	MIPS INC.	COMP SUPPORT	\$ 2,901.26
	TOTAL		\$ 3,056.11
E911			
	AS CENTRAL SERVICES OCIO	NETWORK SRVC	\$ 448.00
	CENTURYLINK	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 408.35
	CITY OF G.I. UTILITIES DEPT	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 7.11
	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE	\$ 61.90
	MCI	E911 PHONE	\$ 67.76
	NNTC	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 139.14
	NT&T	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 651.49
	TOTAL		\$ 1,783.75

Moved Weller, second Jefferson to approve the May 2012 claims as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjourn: Move Helgoth, second Husmann to adjourn at 11:43 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

May 22, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, May 22, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Hahn, Weller, Helgoth, Husmann, Jefferson and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:00 a.m.

Moved Weller, second Jefferson to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes
Helgoth led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Minutes: Moved Weller, second Hahn to approve the minutes as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Vehicle Exemption Hearing: Moved Jefferson, second Graves to open the hearing for vehicle exemptions for Covenant Cedars Bible Camp at 9:05 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Treasurer Dunham said that Covenant Cedars Bible Camp had done an application for exemption for six vehicles; 1998 Chevrolet Pickup VIN#1GCEC14WOWZ244883, 1994 Ford Sport Van VIN#1FMCA11U6RZA14653, 2004 Ford Sport Van VIN#2FMZA57644BA45387, 2003 Chevrolet Pickup VIN#1GCEK19T73Z196327, 2000 Ford Bus VIN#1FBSS31LoYHB60362 and a 1998 2500 DODGE VIN#3B7KC26Z7WM219125. Moved Husmann, second Hahn to approve the vehicle exemption application for Covenant Cedars Bible Camp for six vehicles. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Hahn, second Helgoth to go out of the vehicle exemption hearing for Covenant Cedars Bible Camp at 9:07 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Land complaint: Dale Wegner said that he had bought 40 acres in 2001 as dry land with taxes of \$372.22 now the acres are assessed as irrigated with taxes of \$1,156.48. Wegner said these 40 acres is in a program with the Department of Agriculture for four years and Mr. Wegner is being paid \$105.00 an acre not to irrigate it. He has not been paid anything and does not know when he will. He has it rented as dry land. There is a well on the property and Wegner registered it but there is no power to it. The well was done in the 1970's and is only 40 feet deep. Weller told Wegner that he would be getting a notice from the Assessor June 1, 2012 and then Wegner should go to the Clerk's Office and file a protest and come back at tax protest time. The NRD has the 40 acres listed as irrigated. Assessor Placke said that if the Board agrees to change the property from irrigated to dry land she would be notifying the NRD to start the process of recertifying the acres as dry land. Placke said Wegner could not have it both ways. Weller told Wegner he would check the well for a tag to see how many gallons it can pump.

Tax corrections: Assessor Placke presented tax corrections #3622 City of Central City ID #2665, #3623 and #3624 for the Community Redevelopment Authority ID#'s 2350 and 2351. All three properties have buildings that will be demolished so the taxes need to be accelerated. Moved Weller, second Jefferson to approve tax corrections #3622 City of Central City, #3623 and #3624 Community Redevelopment Authority and have the Chairman sign them. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Assessment roll changes: Assessor Placke presented the Board with the changes to the assessment roll made after March 19, 2012. Placke said that most of the changes were a result of the Assessor getting a new program June of last year and you can't dump all of the data into the program and expect it to go across. Some may have two parcels and they only assessed one, things like that. Moved Jefferson, second Graves to approve the changes presented by Assessor Placke to the assessment roll after March 19, 2012. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjournment: Moved Husmann, second Graves to adjourn at 9:28 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

May 22, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, May 22, 2012 at 9:29a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Jefferson, Hahn, Helgoth, Weller, Husmann, and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:29 a.m.

Moved Hahn, second Husmann to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:29 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Agenda: Chairman Wiegert said that Jennifer Myers had called and had been on the agenda but was unable to be at work

because of a sick child and asked to be taken off of the agenda and put on the agenda for the next meeting. Moved Graves, second Jefferson to approve the agenda as corrected. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Helgoth, second Husmann to approve the minutes as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting reports: Hahn and Husmann attended the Senior Center meeting; Graves had a NIRMA meeting in Lincoln last Friday; Weller attended the Mid Nebraska Individual Services meeting; Helgoth attended the emergency management meeting in Fullerton on the 17th; Jefferson attended a hospital meeting; and Wiegert attended a health department meeting last week.

Officials reports: Assessor Placke said that Jennifer Myers has been gone and the contractor is ready to remodel in her Planning and Zoning office. Placke said that all of Myers things were still in the Planning and Zoning office and that Myers should not be moving things because she has had back surgery. Sheriff Campbell said that he has 12 inmates now and the E911 funds that he thought they may be able to use for the narrow banding cannot be used for the narrow banding. Today at 3:00 p.m. members of the Sheriff's Office, the County Attorney, and Sara Klein, Probation Officer will be recognized by MADD in Lincoln today. Road Superintendent Meyer said that all of his employees except for his two secretaries have signed the policy on maintenance on the wrong side of the road.

Public Comment: Tad Hunt gave the Board a brief overview of the hospital board meeting.

Executive session: Hunt asked to go into executive session to discuss real estate purchase. Moved Husmann, second Helgoth to go into executive session to discuss strategy with respect to real estate purchases at 10:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Graves, second Hahn to go out of executive session at 10:24 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Veteran Service Board appointment: Veteran Service Officer Berry passed out a letter to the Board that he had prepared stating the Nebraska regulations on appointing members to the Veteran Service Board. It stated that on June 30th of each year a member shall be appointed to a 5 year term. The present member may elect to remain to another 5 year term is approved by the Merrick County Veteran Service Board and the Merrick County Board of Supervisors. The member must be appointed from a list from one of the four veteran organizations represented in Merrick County. Berry said that was not likely to happen because no one wants to volunteer to be on the Board. James Glasgow has agreed to replace Bill Wurtz on the Merrick County Veterans Board with the approval of the Merrick County Board of Supervisors. Wurtz has served on the Merrick County Veteran Service Board for 15 years. If approved by the Board of Supervisor's, Wurtz's term will end in 2017. Current members are President Edsel Matousek, Robert Fuelberth, Leroy Kleve, and Mike Fuehrer. Moved Jefferson, second Helgoth to appoint Jim Glasgow to the Merrick County Veteran Service Board. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Memorandum of Understanding: Veteran Service Officer Berry asked for the Boards approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between the State of Nebraska Department of Veterans Affairs (NDVA) and Merrick County for the shared use of the VETRASPEC system, which is a secure web-based application that NDVA has purchased. Berry said the cost was \$100.00 a year less than the current program he is using which costs \$900.00. Everything will be stored off site. Berry will be able to access more programs. He will have some extra cost of transferring the data to the new system, and Berry said that like any new program, give him a year to two to get it perfected. Moved Husmann, second Jefferson to approve and have the Chairman sign the Memorandum of Understanding between the NDVA and Merrick County for the VETRASPEC system for the Veteran Service Office. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Employee parking lot bid: Graves said a year ago Lesiak Construction had submitted a bid to the Board for the removal of dirt and pouring concrete in an area where a tree had been removed in the employee parking lot. The bid was for \$750.00 and Lesiak did not have time to get to it last year, but was able to do the job now. Hahn, Graves, and Weller reviewed the bid and a claim that had already been paid to Lesiak and found that they had already paid him for the removal of the dirt and pouring concrete.

RESOLUTIONS 2012-8 and 2012-9: Clerk Wichmann presented two resolutions for the Board to approve to have the Chairman sign. Wichmann said the resolutions were for petty cash funds that the Board approved at their last meeting but resolutions needed to be written for them. RESOLUTION 2012-8 is for the \$2,000.00 petty cash account for the Extension Board and RESOLUTION 2012-9 is for the \$500.00 petty cash account for the Sheriff. Moved Hahn, second Jefferson to approve the Chairman signing RESOLUTION 2012-8 approving the \$2,000.00 petty cash account for the Extension Board and RESOLUTION 2012-9 approving the \$500.00 petty cash account for the Sheriff. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Pledge security report: The pledge security report was given to the Board for their review.

Audit: Chairman Wiegert said that per the advise of County Attorney Homolka the signing of the audit representation letter needs to be tabled until the next meeting. Moved Jefferson, second Graves to table the signing of the audit representation letter until the next meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes.

May 2012 payroll: The May 2012 payroll was presented to the Board for their approval: General: Gross: \$95,598.62 Net: \$67,158.84 Roads: Gross: \$45,313.60 Net: \$ 30,362.15 Juvenile Diversion: Gross: \$2,331.33 Net: \$2,086.80. Moved Graves, second Helgoth to approve the May 2012 payroll as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Jefferson would like to have the paving of the road past the Chapman Cemetery to Hwy 30 put on the next agenda.

Adjournment: Moved Helgoth, second Weller to adjourn at 11:30 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

June 12, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, June 12, 2012 at 9:03 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Wiegert and Weller present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:03 a.m.

Moved Weller, second Helgoth to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:03 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes
Hahn led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Minutes: Moved Weller, second Jefferson to approve the minutes as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Tax Correction: Assessor Placke came before the board for approval on tax correction on #3626 for LIVE group home-personal property that has been sold. Tax correction # 3627 for Central City CRA for a building that has to be demolished. Three buildings downtown will eventually be demolished. Tax correction for #3625 will be put on the next agenda for the board meeting on June 26, 2012. Moved Weller, second Jefferson to approve the tax corrections on #3626 & # 3627. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Jefferson, second Graves to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:07 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Trisha Fate-Strobel, Deputy County Clerk

June 12, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, June 12, 2012 at 9:07 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Weller and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:07 a.m.

Moved Husmann, second Helgoth to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:07 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

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

Minutes: Moved Husmann, second Hahn to approve minutes as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting reports: Weller attended the Economic Development meeting, housing project moving along nicely with construction starting up shortly. Jefferson did not attend any meetings but did go to the Hike/Bike Trail and was very impressed with the work that has been accomplished.

Official's reports: Treasurer Dunham received another bond payment from the Ethanol Plant; payment was \$10,000 off of the second bond which leaves \$140,000 still to come. Interest payment of \$5,337.50 received, interest to date has been \$131,017.03. Second bond will be matured by December 2013.

Public Comment: Supervisor Husmann would like to know why our NRD is getting involved with draining the City of Grand Island. They want to drain the northern, western & southern parts with it all coming into Merrick County. Husmann does not feel the NRD needs to be involved.

Surplus Laptop Computer: Planning & Zoning Myers approached the board requesting permission to surplus a Dell630 Laptop Computer. The laptop is slow and Myers would like to purchase the laptop. Previously, surplus PC's were sold for \$25 in other offices of the courthouse. Moved Weller, second Graves to have Myers list the laptop computer on Craigslist for the remainder of the week, (June 12th). Myers is also eligible to bid, due to the fact it is a public item. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Update on Central District Health: Jeremy Eschliman and Theresa Anderson with Central District Health Department came before the board thanking Merrick County for their continued contribution efforts and working relationship.

Vaccine/Immunization Program clinics have been moved due to the new construction and would like to have an area that is consistent, would like to stay in the courthouse if possible. Want to provide them a welcoming environment for half a day a month, would like to have a waiting room area and a separate area to administer the shots. Concerned that when the state would come in, and the CDH was using the kitchen, it would not meet their standards. Kitchens are not able to be used to administer shots due to food and beverage being in the same room. Would like to move to a room that would meet the requirements. Need storage for cabinet, refrigerator, possible running water available, concern with the aseptic technique that

they need to observe, using Supervisors Room and kitchen would not be accepted. Hahn has met with the hospital and had a small discussion regarding options for CDH and was shown a few possibilities but unsure if those options would work for CDH. Moved Hahn, second Husmann to table the possible placement of the Central District Health until the next board meeting on June 26th. Roll Calls: All Ayes. The board was also informed that clinics are held the second Monday of the month from 12 to 6 p.m., adult vaccines are also available, which include the tetanus booster and pertussis vaccine. Anderson also stated they would like to maintain with the same budget amount as the last fiscal year.

Construction on Third Floor: John Lesiak with Lesiak Construction informed the board there will be an addition to the electrical bill. With removing a wall more outlets and moving of phone lines were needed which will create an increase.

Resolution 2012-10: Highway Department to move \$55,000 from Road Fund to the Inheritance Fund to payoff final balance of what the Roads Dept. had borrowed from the Inheritance Fund in the 2011-2012 Fiscal Year to help cover expenses. Road Superintendent, Meyers had borrowed \$175,000 and had previously paid back \$120,000. Inheritance Fund will then be fully reimbursed. Moved Graves, second Jefferson to approve Resolution 2012-10 and have Chairman Wiegert sign said Resolution. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Resolution 2012-11: Approval to transfer money from Reappraisal to the Jail Fund within the General Fund to cover expenses. \$3,900.00 is the shortage in the Jail Fund; Sheriff Campbell was unable to attend the meeting due to illness. Clerk Wichmann stated the reason for the shortage was due to unforeseen expenses with building repairs. Moved Weller, second Hahn to approve and have Chairman Wiegert sign Resolution 2012-11 transferring \$3900.00 from Reappraisal to the Jail Fund. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Subgrant Agreement between the County & Dept. of HHS: Moved by Weller, second Jefferson to approve the Chairman's signature on the Subgrant Agreement between the County and Department of Health & Human Services. Moved Weller, second Husmann to approve the signature on the Subgrant Agreement. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Townships: Weller would like to put on the General Election ballot in November on whether or not to discontinue the township form of government and dissolve the townships and maintain the seven member board. Weller stated he would like to schedule a Public Hearing at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, June 26, 2012, to hear from the residents on their opinion. County Attorney Homolka stated that a Public Hearing would not be necessary according to the statute. If a resolution is supported by the majority of the county board, then it can be submitted to the voter's on the next election. Moved Weller, second Hahn to hold a Public Hearing on June 26 at 10:00 a.m. at the next board meeting. Roll Calls: All Ayes.

Highway 30: Husmann would like to pave the Bader Park Road past the Chapman Cemetery to Hwy 30. It is a total of ¾ of a mile. Husmann wants to put this back on the June 26th board meeting agenda, so the members can also hear from Road Superintendent Mike Meyer.

Midland Area Agency of Aging: Diane Fowler, Executive Director with the Midland Area Agency on Aging and Colleen Clayton came before the board for their annual fund request. The requested amount is \$6002.00 which is an increase of \$164 from last fiscal year, which was \$5838.00. \$1902 is for the membership fee for people over 60, (this is where the increase is shown) and \$4100.00 to sponsor the senior services in Merrick County which is operated in Central City. Diane Fowler expressed her sincere appreciation and generous support over the years, Fowler will be retiring within the next two weeks. Hahn thanked Diane on behalf of Merrick County for her years of faithful service.

Audit Draft: Homolka had tabled this from the last board meeting in order to make a one word change in the letter. The letter basically states the county made available to the auditors all of the records to our knowledge and no misstatements that was kept from them. Homolka advises to sign the letter with the change. Moved Jefferson, second Husmann to sign the representation letter for the audit. Roll Calls: All Ayes.

May 2012 fees: The May 2012 fees from the Clerk of District Court, Sheriff, and County Clerk were presented to the board for approval. Moved Jefferson, second Hahn to approve the May 2012 fees from the Clerk of District Court, Sheriff, and County Clerk as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

June 2012 claims: The June 2012 claims were presented to the Board for their approval.

FUND	NAME	INVDESC	TOTCLAIMS
GENERAL			
	AMERICAN LEGION HALL	POLL RENT	\$ 50.00
	AMERICAN LEGION CLUB	POLL RENT	\$ 50.00
	JULIE L BELLIS	COURT COSTS	\$ 63.70
	DOROTHY D BENTON	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 1,822.50
	GARY BERRY	MILEAGE/EDUCA	\$ 1,646.65
	BRADLEY,ELSBERND,ANDERSEN,KNEALE	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 960.00
	BRYAN LGH MEDICAL CENTER	COURT COST	\$ 404.00
	CENTEC CAST METAL PRODUCTS	GRAVE MARKERS	\$ 623.10

CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/SHERIFF ACT	CAR REPAIR	\$ 157.84
CENTRAL CITY MALL	SUPPLIES	\$ 80.54
CENTRAL CITY MALL	FUEL	\$ 63.08
CENTRAL CITY MALL	PRISONER BOARD	\$ 1,086.77
CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT	\$ 660.61
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	BULDING REPAIR	\$ 28.04
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	\$ 23.35
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	\$ 35.97
CHAPMAN SCHOOL	POLL RENT	\$ 50.00
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	UTILITIES	\$ 2,280.59
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY	JAIL UTILITIES	\$ 71.70
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY	POLL RENT	\$ 50.00
CLERK OF DIST COURT/GI	COURT COSTS	\$ 3.25
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/CC	COURT COSTS	\$ 692.27
COMPUTERS ON THE RUN	MAINTENANCE	\$ 98.99
CONAWAY PLUMBING	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 146.95
CRISIS CENTER, INC.	2011-2012 EXP	\$ 4,000.00
DATASPEC, INC	SUPPLIES	\$ 649.00
DELL MARKETING L.P.	SUPPLIES	\$ 210.88
DELL MARKETING	SUPPLIES	\$ 105.44
DELL MARKETING L.P.	SUPPLIES	\$ 284.97
DIGITAL-ALLY	EQUIPMENT	\$ 2,842.50
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 614.95
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	EQUIPMENT	\$ 264.95
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 21.96
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 29.72
ECO WATER SYSTEMS	WATER SERVICE	\$ 165.50
ELECTION	POLL WORKER	\$ 6,088.72
ESRI	DATA PROCESS	\$ 400.00
SCOTT FRIZZELL	EDUCATION	\$ 80.00
SCOTT GRAFTON	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 12,555.67
LINDA GREGER	DIRECTOR-SS	\$ 135.00
GUARDIAN SECURITY O'NEILL	VIDEO EQUIP	\$ 1,629.50
HALL COUNTY CORRECTIONS	PRISONER BOARD	\$ 1,176.81
HAMPTON INN / KEARNEY	LODGING	\$ 149.90
HANSON GRIME STOPPERS	CLEANING SRVC	\$ 1,881.00
HERK'S WELDING SHOP	SUPPLIES	\$ 515.68
LYNELLE HOMOLKA	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 236.16
HOST COFFEE SERVICE	PRISONER BOARD	\$ 111.90
WONDER BREAD/HOSTESS BAKERY OUTLET	PRISONER BOARD	\$ 45.57
HUSTON & HIGGINS	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 1,087.50
JACKSON SERVICES	SUPPLIES	\$ 154.00
JENSEN PUBLISHING	SUPPLIES	\$ 76.78
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 678.00
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 452.96
JENSEN PUBLISHING	SUPPLIES	\$ 31.55
JENSEN PUBLISHING/P&Z	PRINTING	\$ 9.07
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	\$ 562.50

JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/P&Z	PUBLICATION	\$ 10.31
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	\$ 537.50
WILLIAM KELLEY	MILEAGE	\$ 30.54
MATT KING	BRD MILEAGE	\$ 26.10
LAURITSEN,BROWNELL,BROSTROM,STEHLIK	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 12,181.50
MARLENE S LEE	MILEAGE	\$ 184.26
LEXISNEXIS	LAW LIBRARY	\$ 226.00
LITZENBERG/HOSPITAL OPERATING	HOSPITAL SUPP	\$ 8,333.33
LITZENBERG CO. HOSPITAL	DRUG TESTING	\$ 53.30
LONE TREE MEDICAL ASSOCS.	PRISONER BOARD	\$ 419.00
MADISON COUNTY SHERIFF	COURT COSTS	\$ 27.94
MARTEL ELECTRONICS, INC.	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 195.00
MAYER, BURNS, KOENIG & JANULEWICZ	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 195.00
MERRICK CO. CLERK	RECORDING FEES	\$ 45.50
MERRICK CO. COURT	COURT COSTS	\$ 461.00
MERRICK CO. EXTENSION SERVICE	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 12,813.64
MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	PROP TX TRANS	\$ 81,382.07
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 411.10
LARRY MEYER	BRD MILEAGE	\$ 56.07
MICHAEL MEYER	MILEAGE	\$ 521.70
MID AMERICAN BENEFITS,INC	MISC	\$ 1,833.93
MIPS INC.	PRINT/SUPPLIES	\$ 274.24
MIPS INC.	12050602	\$ 31.30
Y SCOTT MOORE,MD	COURT COSTS	\$ 1,062.00
MYERS & DAUGHERTY, PC, LLO	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 5,351.88
JENNIFER MYERS	TRAVEL/SUPPLY	\$ 229.53
NACO	DUES	\$ 1,349.18
NACO	DUES	\$ 125.00
NANCE CO CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT	COURT COSTS	\$ 3.00
NE CO ASSESSORS ASSOCIATION	DUES	\$ 50.00
NEBR. CRIME COMMISSION	SUPPLIES	\$ 7.50
NE DEPT OF REVENUE	SCHOOLING	\$ 750.00
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	INSTITUTIONS	\$ 354.00
NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB	DRUG/ALCO LAB	\$ 420.00
NEBRASKA AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS	AUDIT FEE	\$ 16,420.76
NIRMA	REGISTER/INSUR	\$ 56,647.00
NORM'S U SAVE PHARMACY	PRISONER BOARD	\$ 143.72
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 36.41
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 54.86
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 77.40
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 70.57
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 74.32
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 64.01
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 45.52
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 105.91
NT&T	COURTHOUSE FAX	\$ 45.10
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 164.81
NT&T/ROADS	TELEPHONE	\$ 62.97

NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 57.80
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 79.22
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES/EQUIP	\$ 4,082.51
OFFICENET	EQUIPMENT	\$ 167.58
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 6.59
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 1,000.65
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 94.37
OFFICENET	EQUIP RENTAL	\$ 179.59
OFFICENET	EQUIPMENT	\$ 1,995.00
OFFICENET, INC.	COPY PAPER	\$ 816.62
PALSER SERVICE	CAR REPAIR	\$ 295.85
JAN PLACKE	TRAVEL/MEALS	\$ 34.70
PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	TELEPHONE	\$ 104.85
POSTMASTER	PO BOX RENT	\$ 220.00
CORWIN A ROSCOE	CONTRACT SRVC	\$ 1,241.67
S&W PEST MANAGEMENT	PEST CONTROL	\$ 53.25
SACK LUMBER	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 53.31
SAM'S CLUB DIRECT	COMMISSARY/MIS	\$ 908.05
SAMPSON, CURRY & TWISS P.C.	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 495.00
SEVEN SPRINGS INC	WATER SERVICE	\$ 15.50
SHAMBERG, WOLF, MCDERMOTT & DEPUE	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 540.00
SHAWN'S AUTO REPAIR, LLC	CAR REPAIR	\$ 1,636.84
SHRED MONSTER INC	SHREDDING	\$ 39.00
RICHARD SPIEHS	BRD MILEAGE	\$ 103.26
STANARD APPRAISAL SERVICE, INC.	REAPPRAISAL	\$ 7,685.00
CHRIS STAROSTKA	BRD MILEAGE	\$ 50.52
	MAIN	
STROMSBURG SOFT WATER	AGREEMENT	\$ 52.50
SURVEY RECORD REPOSITORY	SUPPLIES	\$ 25.00
U.S. BANK	SUPPLIES	\$ 94.92
USA COMMUNICATIONS	COMMISSARY	\$ 55.45
VERIZON WIRELESS	TELEPHONE	\$ 48.16
VISA	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 142.47
WAGNER FUNERAL HOME INC	COUNTY BURIAL	\$ 1,800.00
REX WELLER	MILEAGE	\$ 89.91
MARCIA WICHMANN	MILEAGE/PHONE	\$ 134.34
ROGER WIEGERT	MILEAGE	\$ 79.92
FLEET SERVICES	FUEL	\$ 2,306.79
TOTAL		\$ 279,150.01

ROADS

ACE IRRIGATION & MFG., CO.	CULVERTS	\$ 5,798.90
APPLIED CONTROLS EQUIPMENT CO. INC.	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 56.93
AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.	MAINTENANCE	\$ 2,896.75
BOMGAARS	REPAIR/SUPPLY	\$ 298.06
BOSELMAN INC/ROADS	REPAIR/SUPPLY	\$ 440.28
CATERPILLAR AXCESSACCOUNT	REPAIR/LABOR	\$ 7,109.70
CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/ROADS	REPAIR/SUPPLY	\$ 445.56
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE/ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 11.37

JAMES CEPLECHA	MILEAGE	\$ 12.21
DARLING SERVICE	FUEL	\$ 111.50
DINKEL IMPLEMENT CO	EQUIP RENTAL	\$ 1,026.60
EAKES OFFICE PLUS INC/ROADS	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 31.98
FASTENAL CO	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 451.12
RANDY FUEHRER	MILEAGE	\$ 197.03
GILBARCO INC	FUEL	\$ 34.00
GREEN LINE EQUIPMENT OF CC/ROADS	REPAIR/LABOR	\$ 302.35
GROSSHANS, INC./ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 245.92
H & H OWL AUTO PARTS INC	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 100.00
JIM HAAG	MILEAGE	\$ 169.28
HANSEN INTERNATIONAL TRUCK INC	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 728.98
HUSKER CO-OP	FUEL	\$ 1,313.37
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 203.42
JACKSON LINEN SERVICE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 47.99
JENSEN PUBLISHING/ROADS	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 261.00
K & S TOOL SERVICE	SUPPLIES/TOOLS	\$ 343.38
KIRKHAM MICHAEL	ENGINEER FEES	\$ 10,191.50
LITZENBERG HOSPITAL/ROADS	DRUG TESTING	\$ 53.30
MID AMERICAN BENEFITS,INC	INS DEDUCTIBLE	\$ 3,012.69
MIDWEST SERVICE & SALES CO.	STEEL PRODUCT	\$ 8,030.00
NEBR. MACHINERY CO.	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 1,368.25
NEBR. PETERBILT - FORD	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 246.75
LEE NEEL	MILEAGE	\$ 125.44
	WORKMANS	
NIRMA	COMP	\$ 70,642.00
NT&T/SHOP	TELEPHONE	\$ 51.22
OVERLAND SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	\$ 8,346.86
PALMER SERVICE CENTER	FUEL	\$ 1,801.80
PALSER SERVICE/ROADS	FUEL	\$ 101.00
POLK COUNTY RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	ELECTRICITY	\$ 29.01
JOHN E PROSOSKI	LAND RENTAL	\$ 120.00
SACK LUMBER CO./ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 27.00
SAPP BROS. PETROLEUM	FUEL/REPAIR	\$ 29,688.97
SCOTT-VAN KEPPEL-BR	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 997.00
SHAWN'S AUTO REPAIR,LLC	REPAIR & LABOR	\$ 269.10
SOURCEGAS,LLC	HEATING	\$ 114.23
SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	ELECTRICITY	\$ 514.98
VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN	ELECTRICITY	\$ 42.35
WELDON PARTS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 198.83
XEROX CORPORATION	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 56.13
TOTAL		\$ 158,666.09
BADER PARK PLATTE PEER GROUP	VISITOR PROMO	\$ 300.00
CENTRAL CITY AIRPORT	VISITOR PROMO	\$ 300.00
MERRICK CO. HISTORIC SOCIETY	VISITOR PROMO	\$ 500.00
MERRICK FOUNDATION, INC	VISITOR PROMO	\$ 100.00
TOTAL		\$ 1,200.00

JULIE BEYER	PHONE/TRAVEL	\$ 268.43
CENTRAL CITY MALL	SUPPLIES	\$ 26.30
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	JUVDIV-POSTAGE	\$ 14.06
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 61.63
QUILL	SUPPLIES	\$ 841.20
TOTAL		\$ 1,211.62
VISA	REPAIR	\$ 195.00
TOTAL		\$ 195.00
HAMILTON TELECOMMUNICATIONS	INTERNET SRVC	\$ 154.85
MIPS INC.	COMP SUPPORT	\$ 2,901.26
TOTAL		\$ 3,056.11
CARMICHAEL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	E911 EQUIPMENT	\$ 9,162.68
GEO COMM CORP	EQUIPMENT	\$ 4,884.00
TOTAL		\$ 14,046.68
AS CENTRAL SERVICES OCIO	EQUIP AGREEMEN	\$ 448.00
CARMICHAEL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	10-May-12	\$ 3,219.32
CENTURY LINK	E911 PHONE	\$ 642.39
CITY OF G.I. UTILITIES DEPT	EQUIP MAINT	\$ 7.00
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE	\$ 63.30
GEO COMM CORP	28778	\$ 1,716.00
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE	\$ 133.80
MCI	E911 PHONE	\$ 67.50
NNTC	E911 PHONE	\$ 139.14
NT&T	E911 PHONE	\$ 1,528.08
TOTAL		\$ 7,964.53

Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the June 2012 claims as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Helgoth, second Jefferson to adjourn at 11:56 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Trisha Fate-Strobel, Deputy County Clerk

June 25, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, June 25, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Wiegert and Weller present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka and County Assessor Jan Placke . Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:00 a.m.

Moved Husmann, second Hahn to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes
Graves led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Valuation protests: Don Lewis came before the Board and said that he doesn't feel the valuation of his land is right because the land itself doesn't lend itself to a pivot and because of the soil type.

Dale Wegner told the Board that he bought parcel #6022 in 2001 for \$30,000 and now is valued at \$89,530.00. Weller again that he also thought it was valued too high. The well has been there since 1957 and there are some sandy spots. Wegner said the government is going to pay him not to irrigate it for 4 years. Parcel # 6025.01 went from \$79,000.00 to \$94,000.00 and that is for 40 acres right next to parcel #6022. Parcel # 6024 went from \$179,280.00 to \$200,780.00. Weller said it was up 12% and showing 27.34 acres as irrigated. Wegner said a pivot does catch part of these 80 acres. Wegner said is he were to sell, he would sell at dry land price for the 80 acres. His other parcel is #4261 and that is the home site and that went from \$111,240.00 to \$112,695.00. That is up \$1,000.00 and Wegner said he could live with that. Gordon Schott said they had almost a \$11,000.00 increase in one year. Assessor Placke said that her office did a complete revaluation in Silver Creek and feels that is what the house is worth according to sales. Schott said the house is 50 years old and he paid \$72,500.00 and that was 100% over value. There had been water in the basement three times; culverts are plugged so water will not drain. The value is about \$70.00 a square foot and the house is 1000 square feet and measures 48 by 26 and was built in 1964. They bought the home in 2004. Graves added that all of Silver Creek was in a flood plain. Assessor Placke said they have not looked at this house this protest season.

The following protests were read into record: Richard Ahlschwede parcel #2397 was over valued because of condition; Marvin Kyes parcel #3966 the irrigated acres are incorrect there should be more; Hugh & Melba Dell parcel #1316 bought March 26, 2012 for \$16,750.00 and the property was listed with a realtor for \$18,000.00 This was a totally arms reach agreement. Helgoth said he thought the value was too high and Placke said lot prices have not changed since 2007. Marlene Lee from the Assessor's Office said that lot is pretty large because it is two lots and is very deep; James & Vickie Sich parcel #8538 this is improvements on leased land. Placke said the two detached garages that are valued under this parcel belong to the land owner not to Sich's; Gonzek LLC – Pat Ksiazek parcel #3912 protested the value of the house alone. It is valued at \$19,000.00 pictures sent shows that the house looks unliveable; James & Patricia Ksiazek parcel #972.01 the building only cost \$19,781.00 so the value should not be double that. The floor is dirt not concrete. The Assessor has it valued at \$40,645.00 and Lee said the building has electricity.

Moved Weller, second Graves to recess until Monday, July 2, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. as Board of Equalization hearing protests at 10:21 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Trisha Fate-Strobel, Deputy County Clerk

July 2, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization reconvened Tuesday, July 2, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Wiegert and Weller present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka and County Assessor Jan Placke. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 4:00 p.m.

Helgoth led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moved Weller, second Graves to reconvene as Board of Equalization to hear tax protests at 4:00 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

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

Valuation Protests: William Score, parcel # 6532 said in 2010 they bought some modular units from the trailer place here in Central City that were duplexes. Score said they put them together in Palmer because the village needed more housing. Score said they put more money into them than they ever thought they would and no one is looking at them to buy. They now are

listed with Century 21 for \$105,000.00. It is costing them \$3,865.00 a month for the units and they are only receiving \$2,850.00 so they are going in the hole \$1,015.00 a month. Score said the taxes are at \$11,266 a year. The units are currently all rented and he would like to have the units valued at what it cost to build them. Score said there is nothing in Palmer to compare to. John Arkle, parcel #2804 said this property was on the market for 9 months and when he bought it, was listed at \$35,000.00 after being dropped from \$45,000.00. The pipes all froze, no gutters, needs new roof, sewer pipes will not drain and it was vandalized right after he bought it. He had to replace all the windows, plaster around the windows, and the rain came in the broken windows after it was vandalized and the floors rotted. There are no toilet or sinks in the home. He paid \$33,000.00 for it and it is now being valued at \$75,720.00. He would like the valuation dropped down to \$35,000.00 until he gets it all done. Assessor Placke said they have not looked at this property. Don Miller, parcel #5243, said that 17.7 acres are wetland reserve property and should be valued at \$360.00 an acre. Parcels # 4296 and #4767 along with #5243, he said he had an increase of 21% and he is not happy with the increase and no one else is either. Robert Husmann, parcel #4666.02 is where he lives in Chapman and his taxes went up almost \$3,000.00 from last year. Husmann said that he does not understand why they compare sales between Chapman and Clarks. Assessor Placke said they have to have enough sales to set values and they feel Clarks and Chapman are similar. Husmann said he has a problem with combining Chapman with Clarks. Placke said if they had not compared with Clarks the values would be higher in Chapman because it goes over a three year period. Placke said that Palmer and Silver Creek are compared together. Thomas Gdowski, parcel # 97 is river property two miles from Silver Creek on the Platte River. He purchased it in 1995 and in 1995 he went to Nebraska State Game and Parks to see about an easement to his river property and Game and Parks showed him 35 to 45 acres that were undeeded. In 2010 his acres that he was taxed for dropped because the Assessor said Game and Parks had a survey that they had done in 2004 and the Game and Parks had deeds to the thread of the stream. Gdowski said he feels that what Game and Parks own is accretion. He has asked for copies of the deeds from Game and Parks but has never got them and he has looked at the records and cannot find any deeds that have been filed. James Romine, parcel # 5801 said that the valuation has the land valued at \$13,000.00 an acre and there are only two acres there and you couldn't get anything in there to farm it. The barn has holes in the roof and the house roof is falling in. No one lives in the house and they have it valued at \$13,570.00. Assessor Placke said the barn is valued at \$100.00. Romine said the trailer on the property was purchased for \$2,600.00 a year ago. They purchased the property in 2011 for \$20,000.00. Weller said it was kind of a stretch to say there are building sights there. Husmann said not one that is worth anything. Mildred Scarborough, parcel #6004 was read into record because her son called in the a.m. and said that something came up and they could not appear. The land is valued at \$336,280.00 and they are requesting it be at \$325,280.00. The building is valued at \$4,985.00 and are requesting \$1,370.00 because it is not livable. Weller said this is a house that burned and they were in last year protesting this. Read into record: Robert Murray, parcel #4315, valued at \$202,865.00 requesting \$192,000.00. a 5 to 6% decrease. Husmann said this has a drainage ditch that cannot be farmed. Kasey Dale Eddy, parcel #4101, buildings valued at \$35,810.00 requesting \$30,000.00 because of information on Nebraska Taxes Online website. Does not see why the value would increase by 79% with this new assessment. Jeremiah Hinkle, parcel #371 total valuation is \$87,365.00 and is requesting \$79,840.00. Hinkle had an appraisal done and the property was appraised at \$79,500.00. Lyle and Darlene Gee, parcel #6216, Darlene said that there is 40 acres in 5-14-8 and it is irrigated corn. She requested that they leave the taxes as they were previously because they are renting it out to a young farmer and they are trying to help young farmers get a good start and can not do that if they have to increase rent because the taxes keep going up. Lyle Gee said they built their house in 1962 and they would like to have the taxes lowered or changed because this lies on "T" Road and Highway 61 spur on the west line of Dinsdales and they are grinding at all hours of the day and dust covers everything. Wilfried & Sirinart Gratzel, parcel #204.08 was read into record because they did not appear. Land is valued at \$46,600.00 and requesting \$5,000.00; buildings valued at \$167,575.00 and requesting \$70,000.00. In 2011 the land value changed from \$5,000.00 to \$39,530.00 without any improvements to prior years and the house in 2011 went from \$111,570.00 to \$167,575.00 in 2012. The house is under construction with no electricity, plumbing, or drywall. The only improvements were \$19,000.00 worth of material. They are requesting a real valuation for this home. Assessor Placke said they would like to view the property. This is located on Fisherman's Cove by Silver Creek and is behind locked gates. Nina Pickrel, parcel #1392, said the land value is fine but the house has not had any improvements for 20 years. The value of the house went up \$8,000.00 and no one lives there. Placke said there are two houses on the property and Pickrel said that one is a trailer and it is not livable. No one has lived in the house for over three years. Read into record: Lyle and Leta Nesiba, parcel # 4598 wants to know why his taxes went up \$14,000.00. He wrote that he had went to the Assessor's Office and the two women could not figure out why it went up either. All he has done was put in two roll up garage doors for \$700.00. Placke said that the increase was due to the second house that has been painted and reroofed. The property is fenced and he leaves the porch light on so that he knows the electricity is working. Charles Homolka, parcel #1873, land is valued at \$12,610.00 requesting \$5,000.00, buildings valued at \$49,175.00 requesting \$37,500.00. All of the improvements have been removed except for the house and that is rented now. When they move out the house will be torn down also per his wife Lynelle Homolka. The property was bought at fair market value of \$42,500.00. Ardene Babb, parcel # 2557, said she has remodeled and sold more than 15 homes in Central City and has never before said anything about the taxes. She recently purchased this home and it is assessed at \$17,480.00. The most it should be valued at is \$10,000.00 because it is 900 square feet with a ¾ bath. There have

been no improvements made. Norbert Placke, parcel #5372, the 1/3 of this property is alkaline and both corners on the each 40 is almost unfarmable with the biggest complaint being water. When it rains he gets flooded out. The culverts are not big enough and now they are plugged part way because the county took trees down and left them laying in the ditch. This is the poorest ground he has got and pays the most taxes on. This land should never have been broke up but it is. Valuation at \$147,580.00 requesting \$125,000.00. Jerry Bell, parcel #100.00 said this ground gets a lot of deer damage so it doesn't produce. He has been trying to sell since 2007. It is valued as irrigated but no bank will lend money for it because the well is in the railroad right of way. He said the hunters are taking out at least 50 deer during the deer season but that is not making a difference. The deer are ruining the crops. He said he does not have any dry acres and that there was 30 foot that he sold and they have the tree hang. The farmer across the road does not have the deer problem he does and does not feel that he should be taxed like him either.

Moved Weller, second Husmann to recess until Thursday, July 12, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. to hear tax protests. Roll Call: All Ayes.
/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

July 12, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization reconvened Thursday, July 12, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Jefferson, Wiegert and Weller present. Absent were Husmann and Hahn. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka and County Assessor Jan Placke. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:00 a.m.

Graves led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moved Weller, second Graves to reconvene as Board of Equalization to hear valuation protests at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

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

Valuation Protests: Susan Royle, parcel #2696, said the house was purchased for \$27,000.00 and it is valued now at \$46,585.00. They also own the brick house across the street and it is valued at \$40,000.00 and is in much better shape. This house will be a rental and feels that it will be worth more than \$27,000.00 when they are done working in it, but will never be able to sell for more than \$35,000.00. This is by railroad tracks, grain facility and behind it is a home for mentally challenged and there is a stigma that comes with that. They have painted it, redid the bathroom and kitchen and gutted the basement that still needs to be cleaned up because of mold, and all of the carpets have to be ripped up. Assessor Placke said this was bought out of a foreclosure but Royle said it was advertised through a realtor and purchased through a realtor. Marlene Lee from the Assessors Office went and viewed the property last Saturday. H. Dwain Schultz, parcel #12.75 was built in 1909 and 10 years ago it was added onto with used lumber. Schultz bought the house for \$15,000.00 and now it is valued at \$45,170.00. There has been nothing done to it for the last five years. When the value goes up, so does his insurance. Assessor Placke has not looked at this property. Parcel # 1317 was bought for \$12,000.00 and about four years ago it was painted and a metal roof was put on. Schultz said the appraiser looked at the house five years ago and now it is up to \$17,000.00 and doesn't think he could get it sold for \$12,000.00. This is a rental and is occupied with rent of \$285.00. Parcel #1222 is a house he bought for \$12,000.00 and is valued at \$18,000.00. He bought another house next door to this one for \$11,000.00 and it is a lot better than this one. Nothing has been done to this house and would like to have someone look at it. Jack Neel, parcel #1105 said this is in Section 30, Township 15, Range 5 and there is about 10 acres of alkali on there. Ground with alkali does not produce any crops, so he would like to keep the valuation down as much as he can. He had an ASC aerial picture done in the spring and it shows all of the alkali spots. Every year the salt comes back up no matter what you do. The following protests were read into record: Leah & Ronald Luellen, parcel #4500 protesting the valuation of there home because of the condition; Elva Church, parcel #1320 protesting the valuation of her home; and Steve Kula, parcel #104, protesting land value because the south half of this farm the average is 60 bushel of corn because of poor quality of ground and it is very heavily populated with deer that ruin his crop yearly.

Adjourn: Moved Weller, second Graves to recess until Friday, July 20, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. to hear final tax decisions. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/ Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

July 20, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization reconvened Friday, July 20, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Jefferson, Wiegert and Weller present. Absent was Husmann. Also present was County Assessor Jan Placke. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican

Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:00 a.m.

Helgoth led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moved Weller, second Graves to reconvene as Board of Equalization to hear final valuation on protests at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Agenda: Moved Jefferson, second Hahn to approve the agenda. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Assessor Placke gave her recommendations on the following:

Richard Ahlschwede: reduced value based on condition; Marvin Kyes: increase irrigated acres according to the NRD certification and valued accordingly; Hugh & Melba Dell: value reduced based on sale price and condition; James Sich: removed 2 outbuildings and added to the landowners parcel. Assessor will send out notice of valuation change to the landowner; Donald Lewis: no change; valued according to the market; Dale Wegner: no change-valued according to the market; Dale Wegner: no change-valued according to market; Dale Wegner: no change-valued according to market; Dale Wegner: no change-valued according to market; Dale Wegner: no change-valued according to market; Gordon Schott: reduced based on condition; William & Dianne Score: reduced value based on quality; John Arkle: reduced value based on condition and review for 2013; James & Patricia Ksiazek: reduced value based on quality and cost of farm utility storage shed; Thomas James Gdowski: no change- boundary is a civil issue and should be addressed accordingly and not by the Board of Equalization; Robert Murray: no change- valued according to market and state regulations; Kasey Dale Eddy: corrected square footage of finish in the basement; Jeremiah Hinkle: reduced based on basement partition and condition; Donald C. Miller: no change-valued according to the market; Donald C. Miller: no change-valued according to market; Donald C. Miller: no change-valued according to the market; Robert Husmann & wife: no change to value; James & Jeanette Romine: reduced value based on condition-review again in 2013; Mildred Scarborough: reduced house on condition and adjust farm site acres; Nina Pickrel: reduced based on condition; Lyle & Leta Nesiba: reduced based on condition of small house; Wilfried & Sirinart Gratzel: reduced based on percentage complete and condition; Ardene Ann Babb: reduced value based on condition; Charles Homolka: reduced based on condition; Leah & Ronald Luellen Jr. : reduced based on condition; Elva Church: no change to value; Steve Kula: no change; Susan Royle: reduced based on condition; H. Dwain Schultz: no change to value; H. Dwain Schultz: no change to value; H. Dwain Schultz: no change to value; Gonzek LLC – Pat Ksiazek: reduced based on condition of the house; Helgoth asked if on an abandon building site that used \$13,000.00 value and Placke said that when they went out they did not remove the home site. Helgoth said they are going to burn the house and Placke said to wait until they burn it. Leave value as recommended by the Assessor; Lyle & Darlene Gee: Assessor recommends no change-valued according to market- floating fence line is a civil issue and not Board of Equalization. Weller asked the Assessor to check to see if the \$5,000.00 reduction was still on the house because it is directly across from a feedlot and Placke said it was not but that was not what the Gee's were protesting. Moved Weller, second Graves to go with the Assessor's recommendation on all protests except parcel #6022 for Dale Wegner, parcel # 5372 Norbert Placke, parcel # 1105 Jack Neel, and parcel #100 Jerry Bell. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Parcel #6022 for Dale Wegner: Assessor's recommendation is no change- valued according to market. Need to decertify irrigated acres with the NRD in order to be assessed as dry. Weller feels it should be reduced. The quality of the land and a comparable of land that recently was sold that has the same limitations brought less than the value of this ground. Weller recommends dropping the value of irrigated on 11 acres from 2A to 3A1, 1.2 acres from 2A to 3A1, 24.51 from 3A to 4A1 and 1.33 acres from 4A1 to 4A. Placke said that would reduce the value approximately \$16,000.00. Weller said that the well does not have a whole lot of water in it. Moved Weller, second Jefferson to revalue the land according to the recommendations that Weller made. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Parcel #5372 for Norbert Placke: Assessor has no recommendation as she has a conflict of interest. Weller said there use to be spot adjustments and Placke said that every one's spot adjustments were removed when they rolled over onto the new system. Weller recommends restoring the spot value adjustments they had before. Weller would like to see 2.59 acres go from 3A to 4A1, 21.73 acres from 3A to 4A1, and 52.38 acres go from 4A1 to 4A. Moved Weller, second Jefferson to go with Weller's recommendation for parcel #5372 Norbert Placke. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Parcel #100 for Jerry Bell: Assessor's recommendation is adjust easterly boundary based on survey and value accordingly. Graves said this property is different than most. He is the only one that has a game preserve next to them and a grain elevator across the road. The deer are content to be in this cornfield and he has a legitimate complaint. Placke said there is no grassland because they have it as accretion. Other ground around area is more productive and Graves feels this should be reduced. Graves said he is sure there is no one else in the county that has a deer problem like Bell does. Graves said he feels the corn ground is too high. Graves says the 1A and 2A should drop down to make up for the yield he is getting which is 35%. Graves said it should go down to 3A and that would get him closer to what his damage is. Placke said that would reduce it by \$400 an acre. Graves said 35% is \$900.00 an acre. Moved Graves, second Helgoth to reduce 19.22 acres from

1A1 to 3A, 6.72 acres from 2A to 3A, and 10.62 acres from 2A to 3A. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Parcel #1105 for Jack Neel: Assessor's recommendation is no change- valued according to the market. Helgoth had Placke pull the farm right east that sold in 2008 for \$224,000.00 or \$1,400.00 an acre. Jack's land is all 2A and next to it is 3A and 4A1. Helgoth would like to see 10 acres brought down to that value. Helgoth said he feels there should be more discrepancy on the high end and Placke said she has tried to do that but it just doesn't work out. Helgoth said he would like to see 10 acres reduced to 4A1. Placke said you really don't want to reduce that much because of the soil classification. By reducing to 4A1, would be reducing three classifications and Placke has never dropped down that many and doesn't think they should go down that much. The value would change \$900 an acre or \$9,000.00 for 10 acres. Placke suggests going down one or two classifications. Moved Helgoth, second Weller to drop 10 acres to 3A. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Weller, second Jefferson to adjourn at 10:16 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman\

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

June 26, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, June 26, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Wiegert and Weller present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:00 a.m.

Moved Hahn, second Jefferson to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Weller led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Minutes: Moved Graves, second Jefferson to approve the minutes as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Public Hearing on Vehicle Exemptions: Moved Husmann, second Graves to open the public hearing for vehicle tax exemptions for Covenant Cedars Bible Camp at 9:05 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Treasurer Dunham said the exemption was for three trailers that Covenant Cedars did not turn the paperwork in for when they did their vehicles; 1990 2 wheel trailer, 2007 homemade 2 wheel trailer, and a 1980 H&H 4 wheel trailer. Moved Husmann, second Hahn to approve the exemption for the three trailers for Covenant Cedars Bible Camp. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Jefferson, second Husmann to go out of the public hearing at 9:07 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Tax Correction: Assessor Placke came before the board for approval on tax corrections #3625 for Albin & Mary Ziembra for personal property being sold and the taxes are to be accelerated, #3628 for Virginia Paczosa for taxes on personal property to be accelerated for estate purposes and #3629 for Osceola Company for personal property ID#53 because of duplication of equipment. Moved Jefferson, second Helgoth to approve tax corrections #3625, #3628 and #3629. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Husmann, second Helgoth to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:09 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

June 26, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, June 26, 2012 at 9:11 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Weller and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:11 a.m.

Moved Jefferson, second Graves to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:11 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

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

Minutes: Moved Hahn, second Graves to approve minutes as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Mtg reports: Jefferson attended a hospital meeting and Wiegert had a Behavioral Health Care meeting last night and reported that the director had resigned and she went over the seven applications they have received.

Officials report: Clerk Wichmann handed out the completed audit to the Board and said that she would be putting a discussion on the audit on the next Board agenda. Wichmann also said that she would be sending out an email to all officials to have their budget numbers turned into her office by July 10, 2012.

Hospital update: Tad Hunt said the hospital board had voted to discontinue services at Merrick Manor and in another vote decided to close Merrick Manor. Hunt said that the hospital is losing around \$200,000.00 per their current arrangement with Merrick Manor. Hunt said he is trying to locate a deed for the Merrick Manor as it was never filed at the courthouse. Merrick Manor currently has 13 residents and their families have been notified of the decision. They are looking at the closing being January 1, 2013. It is the residents choice as to where they want to go and Hunt said they will help with relocation. Kathy Wolfe and Wade Regier both of Palmer said they are not ready to give up the Palmer Clinic so now the clinic is open two days a week. The hospital owns the Palmer Clinic. Hunt said they are also working with the auditors to see how they can separate Long Term Care from the hospital. Long term care establishments can do very well on their own and there is a need for long term care. There have been two investment companies that have called about purchasing Merrick Manor and Miles McGinnis had said there was some interest locally also. They are looking at January 1, 2013 as being the closing date of Merrick Manor. Hunt told the Board that about ten years ago they were to get a new EIN number instead of using the County's EIN and when the new paperwork was filled out a box was not checked to make the new number the hospital's. That

has been taken care of.

SCEDD: Sharon Hueftle, Executive Directive of South Central Economic Development District (SCEDD) gave the Board a handout and went over the services of the district and described some of the services to the Board and told them about the website.

Special Designated Liquor License: Zachary Zoul DBA Zoul Hospitality, Grand Island, NE came before the Board and asked for approval for a special designated liquor license for a wedding on August 4, 2012 for Nicole Lawson at the Riverside Pavilion, Central City, NE from 4:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Moved Husmann, second Hahn to approve the special designated liquor license for Zachary Zoul DBA Zoul Hospitality. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Public Hearing on the discontinuance of townships: Moved Weller, second Jefferson to open the public hearing on the discontinuance of the townships at 10:02 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Weller said that if the townships were discontinued the Highway Superintendent would take over for the townships and the Board would go to a commissioner type of county government. The money that the townships have would be spent on that specific township until it was gone. The Lone Tree Township Board consisting of Gerald Swanson, Gordon Deichmann, and Kenneth Charron were present and all said that they want to keep the townships and that by discontinuing them the Board would be taking them from the people and the people want them. The County would not be gaining anything by discontinuing the townships. Weller said that he had talked to the townships in his area and they were in favor of doing away with the townships because they are not active. Weller commended the Lone Tree Township Board for being so active in their area. Helgoth said that the Clarksville Townships gives money to the library in Clarks and helps out in other ways too and if they were discontinued that support and help would stop also. The township board said that they were the middle men for the Board, that people call them with complaints before they call the County Board members and Jefferson said he still gets his share of calls. Weller asked the Lone Tree Township Board if there would be anyone else to take over on the Board should the current members decide to not run and all said that they were sure they could find others to serve on the Board. If the Board would go to a Commissioner type of Board the concern was that people from Central City could be elected as Commissioners and have the say on the rural areas and the rural areas would not have representation. Swanson asked Weller what they did in his area and Weller said they just pick a name and put it down. Moved Weller, second Graves to close the public hearing at 10:25 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Weller, second Jefferson to put the item of discontinuing the townships on the November General Election ballot and keeping seven representatives on the Board. Roll Call: Ayes: Jefferson and Weller. Nays: Husmann, Helgoth, Hahn, Graves, and Wiegert. Motion failed 5 to 2.

Special designated liquor license: Steve Loeffelbein DBA Nitecrawlers Bar & Grill, Worms, NE came before to request approval for a liquor license for Archer Days, Archer, NE on July 14, 2012. Moved Husmann, second Weller to approve of the special designated liquor license for Steve Loeffelbein DBA Nitecrawlers Bar & Grill, Worms, NE on July 14, 2012 at Archer, NE. Roll Call: All Ayes.

RESOLUTION 2012-16: Highway Superintendent Mike Meyer presented RESOLUTION 2012-16 for approval for advanced railroad signing from the State. Meyer said that this is the round railroad signs. The signs and post will not cost the County and he will be applying to replace all round signs and posts in the County. Moved Graves, second Husmann to approve the Chairman signing RESOLUTION 2012-16 for advanced railroad signing from the State. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2012-16 is on file in the County Clerk's Office for public viewing.

Delinquent Accounts Receivable for the Road Department: Highway Superintendent Meyer said per the auditors recommendation he was to present delinquent account receivables to the County Board and have them decide what needs to be done with them. There were 7 accounts that were delinquent dating from April, 1997 to January, 2008 for a total amount of \$639.39. Two of the accounts the people are deceased. Moved Weller, second Graves to write off 5 of the statements: #3306 dated 4-22-1997 for \$40.95, #3666 dated 4-16-1999 for \$35.28, #4476 dated 1-5-2004 for \$1.00, #4346 dated 1-8-2004 for \$37.16, and #4872 dated 1-18-2008 for \$2.74. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Delinquent Accounts Receivable for the Surveyor Department: The auditors also recommended that Surveyor Meyer present delinquent account receivable to the County Board and have them decide what needs to be done with them. There were 20 delinquent accounts dating from October, 1997 to May, 2007 for a total amount of \$1,622.55. Moved Weller, second Jefferson to write off all statements prior to 2005 and 3 statements from 2006 as follows: statement #1147 dated 10-8-1997 for \$13.50, #1444 dated 4-20-1999 for \$36.14, #1685 dated 1-12-2001 for \$37.16, #1976 dated 3-25-2003 for \$167.58, #2036 dated 8-18-2003 for \$29.00, #2085 dated 2-3-2004 for \$12.88, #2132 dated 5-17-2004 for \$52.12, #3138A dated 6-8-2004 for \$140.10, #2143 dated 6-16-2004 for \$84.00, #2394 dated 6-19-2006 for \$4.49, #2413 dated 8-28-2006 for \$16.23, and #2404 dated 7-18-2006 for \$296.98. Roll Call: Ayes: Graves, Hahn, Husmann, Jefferson, Weller, and Wiegert. Nays: Helgoth. Motion Carried.

Rate Sheets for Roads and Surveyor: Highway Superintendent and Surveyor Meyer said the auditors also recommended that all rates & contracts for the road department and surveyor be approved by the County Board. Meyer said that he has the rates in his office but they are to have them approved by the Board on record. Meyer said that these will need to be reviewed yearly. Moved Husmann, second Graves to approve the rates for survey department as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes. Jefferson said according to LB1357 the highway department can not charge to make money just what it costs to do the work.

Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the rates as presented for the road department. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Board of Adjustment claims for mileage: At the last meeting Jennifer Myers asked the County Board if she could just sign off on the Board of Adjustment Board's mileage claims instead of driving around trying to collect their signatures on the mileage claims and charging her mileage to the County. Myers told the Board today that she had sent out an email and 11 board members are signing off. Moved Weller, second Husmann to allow Planning & Zoning, Myers to sign the mileage claims for the Board of Adjustment Board. Roll Call: All Ayes. Weller said they would see what the auditors say about this and Myers said that the auditors said that she just needed the County Board's approval to do it.

RESOLUTION 2012-13: County Treasurer Dunham and County Clerk Wichmann presented RESOLUTION 2012-13 directing them to create Fund #2914 to be identified as the 911 Wireless Service Holding Fund. This fund would hold the money collected for the 911 Wireless Service and not spent before the fiscal year ends. Moved Husmann, second Graves to approve RESOLUTION 2012-13 directing the County Treasurer and County Clerk to create Fund #2914 and be identified as the 911 Wireless Service Holding Fund. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2012-13 is on file in the County Clerk's Office for public viewing.

RESOLUTION 2012-14: RESOLUTION 2012-14 is directing the County Treasurer and County Clerk to create Fund #1150 identified as the Preservation and Modification (P&M) Fund. Clerk Wichmann said this is a fund being created because the Legislature passed LB14 that will increase the recording fees in her office starting January 1, 2013 and will continue for 5 years. A portion of the recording fees will still go in the General Fund but the other portion will then go into this new fund. The money can only be spent by the Register of Deeds department and only on certain things which have not been outlined as of yet. Wichmann said that at workshop the auditor told them it could not be spent on day to day operations that are being used today. She does not have a Register of Deeds budget, but instead the expenses incurred come out of her County Clerk budget. Wichmann said that as soon as she receives a list of what can be purchased with these fees she will let the Board know. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve RESOLUTION 2012-14 directing the County Treasurer and County Clerk to create Fund #1150 identified as the Preservation and Modification (P&M) Fund. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2012-14 is on file in the County Clerk's Office for public viewing.

RESOLUTION 2012-15: RESOLUTION 2012-15 directs the County Treasurer and County Clerk to create Fund #9511 identified as the Tentative Inheritance Tax Fund. Treasurer Dunham said that is where inheritance tax money is put until the estate is settled. The Fund was created on the Treasurer side but not the Clerk's and Dunham said they cannot find the resolution directing the creation. Moved Weller, second Helgoth to approve RESOLUTION 2012-15 directing the County Treasurer and County Clerk to create Fund #9511 identified as the Tentative Inheritance Tax Fund. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2012-15 is on file in the County Clerk's Office for public viewing.

RESOLUTION 2012-12: RESOLUTION 2012-12 directs the County Treasurer to purchase tax sale certificates. County Treasurer Dunham said there were 3 but one person had come in and paid so there were only 2 this year. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve RESOLUTION 2012-12 directing the County Treasurer to purchase the 2 tax sale certificates. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2012-12 is on file in the County Clerk's Office for public viewing.

Central District Health: Hahn said that the Health Department will use the Supervisors room and break room for shot clinics. Shots will be given in the Supervisors room and people waiting will wait in the hall.

Road Paving by Chapman Cemetery: Husmann said that he still wants the ¼ mile from Highway 30 to the Chapman Cemetery paved. When asked if Chapman Village was going to help pay for it, Husmann said they did not have any money to help pay for it. Graves said the road should not have been put in the Village limits. Highway Superintendent Meyer was asked if he could get this done and he said that he had 3 miles to put in coming out of Silver Creek and he would need to get with the engineer to see if they could get this ¼ mile done too. Moved Husmann, second Jefferson to pave the road past the Chapman Cemetery to Highway 30. Roll Call: Ayes: Weller, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, and Wiegert. Nays: Graves and Helgoth. Motion carried 5 to 2.

Region 3 Behavioral Health Services Budget Request: Region 3 Behavioral Health Services submitted their budget request for fiscal year 2012/2013 in the amount of \$16,590.56. This was a zero increase from the previous year. Moved Hahn, second Husmann to approve Region 3 Behavioral Health Services budget request for fiscal year 2012/2013 for \$16, 590.56. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Region 3 Behavioral Health EPC Agreement: Region 3 Behavioral Health Services submit their Letter of Agreement between them and Merrick County. This agreement will be in effect from July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013. The purpose of the agreement is to ensure proper care of those who are alleged to be mentally ill and dangerous, under the conditions described in the Behavioral Health Service Act. In this agreement Region 3 shall be responsible for day one through five of the emergency protective custody services with the County responsible for day six and more of the EPC services. Moved Husmann, second Jefferson to approve the Region 3 Behavioral Health EPC Letter of Agreement for fiscal year 2012/2013. Roll Call: All Ayes.

June 2012 payroll: The June 2012 payroll was submitted to the Board for their approval: General: Gross: \$99,894.10 Net: \$70,300.25, Roads: Gross: \$46,683.82 Net: \$31,423.38, Juvenile Diversion: Gross: \$2,331.33 Net: \$2,086.80 Moved Helgoth, second Graves to approve the June 2012 payroll as submitted. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjournment: Moved Helgoth, second Graves to adjourn at 12:00 noon. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

July 10, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, July 10, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Wiegert and Weller present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:01 a.m.

Moved Graves, second Hahn to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:01 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Jefferson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Minutes: Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the minutes as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Assessor's certification: The Board was presented with the certification from the Assessor stating that a copy of the portion of the property record file which substantiates the calculation of the protested value is maintained in the Assessor's Office in electronic and or paper form.

Adjournment: Moved Graves, second Husmann to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:03 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

July 10, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, July 10, 2012 at 9:05 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Weller and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 Hahn, second Jefferson to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:05 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

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

Minutes: Moved Weller, second Graves to approve minutes as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meetings Report: Hahn attended the Central Nebraska Joint Housing Authority meeting in Loup City and Wiegert attended the Central District Health Meeting last night.

Official report: Treasurer Dunham reported that she had made a bond payment of \$119,902.50. \$100,000.00 was the principal and \$19,902.50 was interest. Sheriff Campbell said that he heard there was some issues brought up about the jail going over in their budget and he wanted to clarify the reason for the overage. When the jail was having plumbing issues they had to send inmates to Grand Island and to Platte County and it cost over \$21,000.00 for fees, and boarding. In doing their own meals at the jail instead of having the hospital do it, it has saved over \$20,000.00. They have served over 6500 meals at an average of \$2.68 with expenses of \$17,000.00 and that was even with buying all the new appliances. If they had stayed with the hospital the meals would have averaged \$5.83 and cost \$37,400.00, so the jail did save over \$20,000.00 by doing their own meals. Campbell had sheets with figures on savings that he passed out to the Board. Campbell said that the prisoner board does not show everything such as the jail being full, there were a couple of inmates that were on breathing machines and some had to be sent to D&E (Diagnostic and Evaluation). Campbell said he thought y the County was reimbursed for some of the D&E before they go to prison. They are averaging 11 to 12 inmates per day. Prior they were averaging a little over 8. Assessor Placke requested that there be no budget session during the last week in August as she has workshop.

Revised Crime Commission Budget: Juvenile Diversion Officer Julie Beyer told the Board that the Crime Commission wanted the budget rounded to the nearest dollar so the budget was revised to the nearest dollar and Beyer said the difference was 49 cents. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve of the Chairman signing the revised budget for the Nebraska Crime Commission. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Small tract subdivision: Planning and Zoning Myers presented a small tract subdivision for Tressa O'Neill in part of the SE1/4SE1/4 of Section 3, Township 12, Range 8. Myers said this was recommended to the Board for approval. This is being done for a building loan. Moved Graves, second Jefferson to approve the small tract subdivision approval for Tressa O'Neill in part of the SE1/4SE1/4 of Section 3, Township 12, Range 8. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Small tract subdivision: Presented to the Board for approval was a small tract subdivision for Rick Wegner in the E1/2SE1/4 of Section 8, Township 13, Range 7. The purpose of the subdivision is Wegner's daughter is planning on building a house.

Moved Weller, Second Husmann to approve the small tract subdivision for Rick Wegner in the E1/2SE1/4 of Section 8, Township 13, Range 7. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Small tract subdivision: Presented to the Board for approval was a small tract subdivision in the S1/2NW1/4 & SW1/4SW1/4 & N1/2SW1/4 of Section 33, Township 14, Range 8 for Wieck Brothers L. P. There is an existing farm sight and the total farm is 200 acres and they want to sell part of the existing homestead. There is a 20 foot easement to this also. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the small tract subdivision for Wieck Brothers L.P. in the S1/2NW1/4 & SW1/4SW1/4 & N1/2SW1/4 of Section 33, Township 14, Range 8. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Semi Annual Report: Treasurer Dunham presented her semi annual report to the Board for their approval. Dunham said that things were pretty much the same as they were last year. Moved Graves, second Weller to approve the County Treasurer's semi annual report. Roll Call: All Ayes.

EC911 Board: Emergency Manager Jan Zurcher asked the Board to appoint her as the Central Region Representative to attend the EC911 meetings and Sheriff Campbell as the alternate for Merrick County. Zurcher said she would be representing the Counties of Merrick, Boone, and Nance and would get the County's in a buy in's when they come up. Moved Graves, second Helgoth to appoint Jan Zurcher as the Central Representative to the EC911 Board and Sheriff Campbell as the alternate for Merrick County. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Gravel Bid Hearing: Moved Husmann, second Jefferson to open the hearing to open gravel bids at 10:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. There are two areas being bid on. Highway Superintendent Meyer opened the first bid from Overland Sand & Gravel Company; area 1 Gravel \$14.07 cubic yard delivered and area 2 \$13.44 cubic yard, Gravel F.O.B. area 1 \$9.45 cubic yard and area 2 \$9.45 cubic yard, Fill Sand F.O.B. area 1 \$3.00 cubic yard and area 2 \$3.00 cubic yard, Mud Rock area 1 \$13.00 cubic yard and area 2 \$13.00 cubic yard, Screen Mud Rock F.O.B. area 1 \$35.00 cubic yard and area 2 \$35.00 cubic yard; Tri-County Sand & Gravel Inc., Elba, NE area 1 Gravel F.O.B. \$10.05 a cubic yard and area 2 \$10.05 cubic yard, Fill Sand F.O.B. area 1 \$6.25 cubic yard and area \$6.25 cubic yard; Hooker Brothers Sand & Gravel, Grand Island, NE, Gravel F.O.B. area 1 \$8.78 cubic yard, area 2 \$8.78 cubic yard, Fill Sand F.O.B. area 1 \$2.70 cubic yard, area 2 \$2.70, Mud Rock F.O.B. area 1 \$8.96, area 2 \$8.96 cubic yard; Johnson Sand & Gravel, Silver Creek, NE, Gravel F.O.B. area 1 \$9.20 cubic yard, \$9.20 cubic yard. Graves asked Meyer if he would like to be able to purchase from all locations and Meyer said that seems to work out the best. Moved Graves, second Hahn to approve all bids for gravel. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Graves, second Jefferson to close the gravel bid hearing at 10:11 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Beth Pullen came to the Board and said that the upper part of the old courthouse roof is falling in little pieces and onto the new addition. Graves, Hahn, Helgoth were going to take a look at it and see about contacting someone to fix it.

Stranberg Park: Jeff Brandenburg, representing the River Rats, said the River Rats had gone into Stranberg Park and cleaned it up and now there are ATV's going into the State Right of Way and causing problems in the park area, they were going into land adjacent to Stranberg Park which upset the land owner. The land owner put up a fence. Brandenburg said they could put up signs and ban the ATV's from the park and then the River Rats could work with the County Sheriff to get tickets issued for trespassing. Maybe someday they will allow the ATV's back into the park, but now they do not want any ATV's in the park. Sheriff Campbell said his office was trying to keep a closer eye on the park. Brandenburg said that the River Rats would cover the cost of the signs if the Board allowed them to put them up or they would split the cost with the County. Brandenburg said there are a lot of ATV's from out of the County because the word got out that Stranberg Park was an ATV park and it is free. Brandenburg said if they want an ATV park there is one at Genoa but Stranberg Park is not an ATV park. Moved Husmann, second Jefferson to put up signs to close Stranberg Park to ATV's. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Helgoth, second Graves to have the County spend up to \$250.00 for signs to put up at Stranberg Park. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Audit review: Chairman Wiegert asked the Board if everyone had reviewed the audit and they all said they had. Helgoth said there has been a lot of talk from the public and Attorney Homolka said that she had talked to the investigator earlier this week and the investigation is still ongoing. Sheriff Campbell said that this matter has nothing to do with the prior administration or anyone who had worked there. He wanted to make that very clear. He said that he used the methods for fees taken in by his office as what were already in place and now that has changed. Campbell said he had talked to the investigator this a.m. also and that paper tracking takes a lot longer to investigate than other things do. The investigator could not give him a time line.

Budget: Clerk Wichmann asked the Board if they wanted to schedule separate meetings for budgets or do it during regular Board meetings and Weller suggested doing a separate meeting for budget because it would work better. The rest of the Board agreed and so the County Board of Supervisors will meet on Tuesday, July 17, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. and will call the officials up when the Board is ready to go over each of their budgets.

June 2012 fees: The June 2012 fees for the Clerk of District Court, Sheriff, and County Clerk were presented to the Board for approval. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the June 2012 fees from the Clerk of District Court, Sheriff, and County Clerk as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

July 2012 claims: The July 2012 claims were presented to the Board for approval. Weller found a claim in the Road Department for Archer Oil and told Clerk Wichmann that Archer Oil is no longer in business. Wichmann told Weller that she does not change any claim that is given to her office, that she enters what that department turns in. Weller went to the Road Department and the claim was changed by the Road Department from Archer Oil to Aurora Coop. The claims are as follows:

FUND	NAME	INVDESC	TOTCLAIMS
GENERAL			
	JOHN ROSS ABOLD	UNIFORM	\$ 60.00
	DOROTHY D BENTON	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 2,668.50
	GARY BERRY	MEALS/TRAVEL	\$ 222.71
	BOONE COUNTY TREASURER	EXPENSES	\$ 679.10
	BRADLEY,ELSBERND,ANDERSEN,KNEALE	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 949.10
	GEORGE E BRUGH	MH BOARD	\$ 199.95
	KEVIN CAMPBELL	UNIFORM	\$ 60.00
	JESSIE CARLSON	MH BOARD	\$ 75.00
	CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/SHERIFF ACT	CAR REPAIR	\$ 13.49
	CENTRAL CITY MALL	JURY SUPPLIES	\$ 42.56
		PRISONER	
	CENTRAL CITY MALL	BOARD	\$ 1,172.42
	CENTRAL CITY VET CLINIC	INVEST COSTS	\$ 89.00
	CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT	\$ 2,307.06
	CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	LAWN EQUIP	\$ 70.13
	CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLY/REPAIR	\$ 12.85
	TODD CHURCH	UNIFORM	\$ 60.00
	CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	UTILITIES	\$ 2,629.99
	CITY OF CENTRAL CITY	JAIL UTILITIES	\$ 123.05
	CLARK BROS SANITATION, INC	GARBAGE SRVC	\$ 126.52
	CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/CC	COURT COSTS	\$ 453.26
	CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT	COURT COSTS	\$ 125.00
	RACHEL A DAUGHERTY	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 2,382.50
	DONNA'S PRAIRIE CAFE	JURY MEALS	\$ 156.85
	RYAN DUNCAN	UNIFORM	\$ 60.00
	EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 48.85
	EAKES OFFICE PLUS INC.	SUPPLIES	\$ 55.95
	EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 4.88
	ECO WATER SYSTEMS	OFFICE WATER	\$ 111.50
	EGAN SUPPLY CO.	SUPPLIES	\$ 579.76
	ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS,INC	FIRE ALARM INS	\$ 50.00
	THERESA GOOD	TRAVEL/MEALS	\$ 189.68
	SCOTT GRAFTON	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 2,142.50
	LINDA GREGER	SS DIRECTOR	\$ 135.00
	HAMILTON COUNTY TREASURER	COURT COSTS	\$ 839.34
	HANSON GRIME STOPPERS	CLEANING SRVC	\$ 1,881.00
	HEINS LAWN & LANDSCAPE INC	LAWN EQUIP	\$ 56.46
	LYNELLE HOMOLKA	POSTAGE/PHONE	\$ 53.20
		PRISONER	
	HOST COFFEE SERVICE	BOARD	\$ 45.95
		PRISONER	
	WONDER BREAD/HOSTESS BAKERY OUTLET	BOARD	\$ 36.94
	HOWARD CO SHERIFF	COURT EXPENSE	\$ 2.00
	JACKSON SERVICES	SERVICE SUPPLY	\$ 207.50
	JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 66.96
	JENSEN PUBLISHING	SUPPLIES	\$ 99.85

JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 245.70
JENSEN PUBLISHING	SUPPLIES	\$ 101.50
JENSEN PUBLISHING	SUPPLIES	\$ 232.17
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	\$ 25.82
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/P&Z	PUBLICATION	\$ 30.26
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	\$ 315.64
DISTRICT COURT JURY	JUROR FEES	\$ 1,974.12
KATT SURVEYING	SUPPLIES	\$ 256.33
BLENDA KEYLON	COURT COSTS	\$ 55.52
BRIAN KLUCK	MH BOARD	\$ 211.05
LARUE DISTRIBUTING	SUPPLIES	\$ 45.66
LAURITSEN,BROWNELL,BROSTROM,STEHLIK	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 1,473.75
LEXISNEXIS	LAW LIBRARY	\$ 226.00
LITZENBERG/HOSPITAL OPERATING	SUPPORT	\$ 8,333.33
LITZENBERG CO. HOSPITAL	DRUG/ALCO TEST	\$ 79.95
MARY LIVINGSTON	MH BOARD	\$ 177.25
DAVID C LONG	BAILIFF	\$ 150.00
LYNN PEAVY COMPANY	DRUG/ALC TEST	\$ 173.40
MCILNAY & CO	A/C REPAIR	\$ 700.00
MERRICK CO. CLERK	SUPPLIES	\$ 34.50
MERRICK CO. COURT	COURT COSTS	\$ 402.00
MERRICK CO. EXTENSION SERVICE	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 584.48
MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	TAX TRANSFER	\$ 81,382.09
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	POSTAGE-DC	\$ 299.84
MID AMERICAN BENEFITS,INC	INSUR REIMBURS	\$ 2,297.28
MIPS INC.	DATA PROCESS	\$ 31.30
MIPS INC.	SUPPLIES	\$ 58.83
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	INSTITUTIONS	\$ 267.00
	DRUG	
NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB	SCREENING	\$ 336.00
NORM'S U SAVE PHARMACY	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 25.00
	ELEVATOR	
NT&T	PHONE	\$ 36.41
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 76.87
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 74.14
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 71.17
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 82.74
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 68.37
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 46.43
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 111.25
	COURTHOUSE	
NT&T	FAX	\$ 46.45
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 43.19
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 57.19
OFFICENET	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 27.40
OFFICENET	EQUIPMENT	\$ 140.76
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 77.67
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 42.17

OFFICENET	EQUIP RENTAL	\$ 160.90
OFFICENET,INC.	COPIER LEASE	\$ 141.32
PALSER SERVICE	CAR REPAIR	\$ 262.90
PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	EQUIPMENT	\$ 670.00
QUALITY INN & SUITES	LODGING	\$ 154.00
REGION III BEHAVIORIAL HEALTH SERV	CONTRACT	\$ 4,147.64
CORWIN A ROSCOE	CONTRACT SRVC	\$ 1,241.63
S & W EQUIPMENT CO	PEST CONTROL	\$ 53.25
SACK LUMBER	SUPPLIES	\$ 16.47
SAM'S CLUB DIRECT	SUPPLY/BOARD	\$ 929.65
SECURUS	COMMISSARY	\$ 459.00
SEVEN SPRINGS INC	OFFICE WATER	\$ 15.50
SHRED MONSTER INC	SHREDDING	\$ 39.00
DAVID SULLIVAN	UNIFORM	\$ 60.00
SURVEY RECORD REPOSITORY	SUPPLIES	\$ 22.50
SVEHLA THOMAS RAUERT & GRAFTON PC	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 367.50
TRUELL,MURRAY & ASSOCIATES	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 1,402.50
U.S. BANK	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 120.02
USA COMMUNICATIONS	COMMISSARY	\$ 55.45
VERIZON WIRELESS	TELEPHONE	\$ 86.09
VISA	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 2,031.31
REX WELLER	MILEAGE	\$ 66.60
MARCIA WICHMANN	MEALS/TRAVEL	\$ 128.38
ROGER WIEGERT	MILEAGE	\$ 59.94
KELLY WILLIAMS	UNIFORM	\$ 60.00
FLEET SERVICES	FUEL	\$ 1,894.36
TOTAL		\$ 137,520.25

ROADS

AGRICULTURAL SERVICES INC	RD	
ALL ROADS BARRICADES, INC	MAINTENANCE	\$ 187.50
	SIGNS & POST	\$ 2,064.27
	RD	
AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.	MAINTENANCE	\$ 6,383.00
BOMGAARS	REPAIR/SUPPLY	\$ 646.78
BOSSELMAN INC/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 613.91
BUTLER COUNTY LANDFILL	TIRES	\$ 3,442.92
CATERPILLAR AXCESSACCOUNT	REPAIR/LABOR	\$ 7,109.70
CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 110.06
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 46.98
JAMES CEPLECHA	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 26.64
DAVE'S DO IT BEST CORP	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 9.99
	PAVEMENT	
DIAMOND VOGEL PAINTS	MARK	\$ 20,577.70
DINKEL IMPLEMENT CO	EQUIP RENTAL	\$ 1,752.30
EAKES OFFICE PLUS INC/ROADS	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 53.25
FASTENAL CO	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 64.15
FILTER CARE	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 9.00
FIREGUARD, INC	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 375.62

GILBARCO INC	FUEL	\$ 17.00
GROSSHANS, INC./ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 1,831.75
JIM HAAG	MILEAGE	\$ 312.47
HANSEN INTERNATIONAL TRUCK INC	REPAIR/LABOR	\$ 824.99
HERK'S WELDING SHOP	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 212.17
HUSKER CO-OP	FUEL	\$ 1,432.98
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 39.75
JACKSON LINEN SERVICE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 48.56
JENSEN PUBLISHING/ROADS	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 90.14
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/ROADS	PUBLICATION	\$ 45.00
K & S TOOL SERVICE	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 132.52
	DRUG	
LITZENBERG HOSPITAL/ROADS	SCREENING	\$ 26.65
MEDICAL ENTERPRISES, INC	DRUG SCREEN	\$ 93.00
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 923.39
MICHAEL MEYER	MILEAGE	\$ 660.45
MID AMERICAN BENEFITS,INC	ROADS	\$ 2,038.28
MIDWEST HYDRAULIC SERVICE/ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 640.00
NEBR. MACHINERY CO.	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 268.42
NEBR. TRUCK CENTER, INC.	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 230.72
NT&T/SHOP	TELEPHONE	\$ 48.37
NT&T/ROADS	TELEPHONE	\$ 68.76
OFFICENET	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 144.44
OVERLAND SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	\$ 7,120.99
PALSER SERVICE/ROADS	TIRES	\$ 52.00
POLK COUNTY RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	ELECTRICITY	\$ 28.06
JOHN E PROSOSKI	LAND RENTAL	\$ 120.00
SACK LUMBER CO./ROADS	SIGNS & POST	\$ 404.75
SAPP BROS. PETROLEUM	FUEL	\$ 5,051.44
SCOTT-VAN KEPPEL-BR	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 1,384.04
SOURCEGAS,LLC	GAS SERVICE	\$ 103.76
SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	ELECTRICITY	\$ 429.76
	PAVEMENT	
SWARCO REFLEX	MARK	\$ 2,574.00
TOOLS PLUS INDUSTRIES	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 117.79
VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN	ELECTRICITY	\$ 42.75
WELDON PARTS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 130.65
XEROX CORPORATION	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 56.13
TOTAL		\$ 71,219.70
JUVENILE DIVERSION		
JULIE BEYER	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 513.39
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	POSTAGE-JUVDIV	\$ 18.15
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 61.52
QUILL	SUPPLIES	\$ 706.11
TOTAL		\$ 1,299.17
DRUG LAW ENFORCEMENT		
	DRUG/LAW	
CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT COMPANY	EDUC	\$ 9.50

TOTAL		\$ 9.50
INHERITANCE		
	ANNUAL	
GIS WORKSHOP	SUPPORT	\$ 1,925.00
HAMILTON TELECOMMUNICATIONS	INTERNET SRVC	\$ 154.85
MIPS INC.	COMP SUPPORT	\$ 2,948.04
TOTAL		\$ 5,027.89
E911		
AS CENTRAL SERVICES OCIO	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 448.00
CENTURY LINK	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 467.71
CENTURYLINK	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 408.35
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 765.52
MCI	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 51.20
NNTC	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 139.14
NT&T	E911 PHONE	\$ 637.97
TOTAL		\$ 2,917.89

Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the July 2012 claims as presented with the correction on the vendor on the road claim. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjourn: Moved Helgoth, second Graves to adjourn as Board of Supervisors at 11:42 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

July 17, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, July 17, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Wiegert and Weller present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:00 a.m.

Moved Husmann, second Hahn to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes
Weller led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Budgets: Building and Grounds: Weller said that Dennis O'Nele, Building and Grounds keeper, under spent his budget by about \$8,000.00 last year. O'Nele said there is cement work that needs to be done in the back parking lot where snow removal knocked out the curb on the north side. The pulleys on the flag poles need to be replaced and the suggestion was to have Dennis Catlett come with his bucket truck and maybe even paint the poles. **Extension Office:** Cindy Hostler from the Extension Office came before the Board and Weller said that there were large raises given last year and this year. Hostler said that they bumped Courtney Jefferson up to 40 hours because they have no Extension Educator except for one day a week and no Extension Agent so she and Jefferson are having to do a lot of what Darrel Siekman did such as going back and forth to the 4-H Building and Jefferson works with the 4-H Council. Weller said that Hostler's raise was 5 ½ % and Jefferson's figured out to be 20.3% increase. Weller asked why they had spent over their equipment last year Hostler said they bought robotic kits and are cost sharing with the 4-H Council on them and paid \$2,000.00 and the Extension Office purchased two new printers. Hostler said that they no longer had the County's vehicle so the \$2,500.00 that was used for that was put into the mileage, because if they do get an Extension Agent they will have to pay for mileage on their personal car. Helgoth wanted to know how raises were handled, if the Board gave the officials a percentage to use for raises or if the official had the say so. Weller said the official has the say so. Wichmann said that the Board should really be telling the officials how much of a percentage they can give for raises but no one has ever told her. That way all offices would be paid the same and there would not be the big pay gaps that there are now. Weller and Graves said that the Board use to tell the officials but the officials would not listen. Weller also said that every office has different responsibilities. **Planning and Zoning:** Weller asked Myers why her wages went down and Myers said that last year for two months she was getting full pay for Planning & Zoning but now she is getting paid deputy wages in the Assessor's Office but does not have the title of deputy. The part time clerical is Marlene Lee because the Road and Surveyor Office has done this for years. Myers said that she will be getting pretty close to what she had last year. Myers said she hoped the Board recognized that she and Assessor Placke are saving the County money by having her office next to the Assessor's now and she isn't having to run back and forth to do her work. **County Court:** The County Court budget remained that same as the year before. Beth Pullen said that she has ordered monitors for the council tables. There was an estimate for \$1,331.41 for new dimmers and motion detection in the courtroom but Pullen said they could do without the dimmers and just get new motion detector for about \$1,000.00. Pullen said the Board would have to budget for electrical work to be done. **Roads:** When the Board asked Highway Superintendent Mike Meyer why his machinery and equipment was so high Meyer said it was a new grader, new shop pickup and new sign pickup. Meyer said that 4 wheel drive was an option. Hahn asked if Meyer had ever bought used pickups and Meyer said sometimes off of surplus. Overlay was down because they have a mile less to overlay this fiscal year. The grader that Meyer will trade in is a Volvo and they are going to get a Cat and the Cat will be the spare. When asked about his revenue figures, some of them were higher than last year and last year he did not bring in any revenue for some of the line items, and then he is asking for more revenue in those lines this year. Meyer said he knew that but he thought he could get the revenue in this year. The Road budget is down overall but his beginning balance is less too. The Road employees got a 1.3% increase. Road maintenance is buying spray for trees and patching is under supplies and material. **Surveyor:** Weller asked Meyer what he was buying in the equipment line because it was a \$1,000.00 last year and now went to \$14,000.00. Meyer said he purchasing GPS equipment because they have a deal to pay with no interest for two years. Meyer said he put down \$2,000.00 and so the total for this year is \$14,000.00 and next year will be \$14,000.00. The equipment is advanced and will save a lot on time, accuracy and one less person. **Assessor:** Assessor Placke said last year she had \$1,800.00 left in budget because of salaries. Placke said her budget request was \$20,000 less than it was two years ago because she reduced her office by one employee and so far it is working. She said her operating costs were less than the last two years but she would like to purchase a copier and a printer. She is now using the county's backup copier and uses the Road Department's color copier when she needs to. Placke said her people work under adverse conditions with weather, dogs, disgruntled people, etc. **Reappraisal:** Placke said they did not do the City of Central City last year and according to statute 77-1311.03 all parcels must be inspected no less than every 6 years. They also need to do the countywide commercial also and that takes more gathering of information. They

are pretty much on a 5 year rotation. Placke said the best time to do a 6 year rotation would be 2017. Last year her reappraisal budget was reduced by \$30,000.00 because she was asked to reduce it. Helgoth asked Placke if they do gravel pits and Placke said no. **Veteran Service:** Gary Berry came before the Board and Weller asked why there had been more paid out in wages last year than what was budgeted and it was determined that the County Board gave Berry a raise that was not budgeted for. Berry kept his wages at the same as he is currently making. There were no other questions. **Clerk of District Court:** When asked about budgeting for a part time person, Theresa Good, Clerk of District Court said that she would be losing her deputy sometime in the fiscal year and would need to hire someone else so that would cover that period. **Election Commissioner:** Wichmann said she reduced the budget by \$8,800.00. She was notified by the Nance County Clerk that there may be a special election for a school bond and if there is, the Nance County Clerk hopes to do an all mail. Wichmann said she does not want to increase her budget because of the special. **Treasurer:** Weller questioned Treasurer Dunham on the raises she was giving this year and Dunham said that she checked with a lot of other Treasurer's and they are paying \$14.25 an hour straight across and her office staff is not making that even with raises. She used a 2.8% raise guideline. The deputy's all get paid a portion of the Official's salary and she paid Ann a portion of the deputy's wages and Angela a portion of Ann's wages. Her equipment went down because she had to purchase new computers last year and a new printer. She has already had to replace another printer and so her supplies went up because she will be using more ink cartridges instead of ribbons because her new printer is a laser printer. **County Clerk:** Weller told Wichmann that it looked like she had done the same thing on her raises and Wichmann said that she did. Wichmann said that the Treasurer's and Clerk's offices were the lowest paid in the courthouse and had more responsibilities as far as handling money, payroll, and claims for the county. Wichmann said her supply budget went up because the books she uses for Register of Deeds are more costly and she uses more a year now than what they use to. Wichmann also had a printer go down and has ordered a new one for around \$250.00.

Juvenile Diversion: County Attorney Homolka said that the \$16,000.00 that was to be transferred from the General Fund to Juvenile Diversion was not done last year so that \$16,000.00 plus the \$16,000.00 for this fiscal year need to be budgeted out of the General Fund to the Juvenile Diversion Fund. The grant was down from last year but Julie Beyer has worked with it.

County Attorney: Attorney Homolka said that she has a 7% increase and would like to pay her office manager \$13.00 an hour for six months and then increase it to \$13.25 for the next six months. Homolka said Karen has 32 years experience and is a jack of all trades. Homolka said the coroners line item was increased because she has already spent \$6750.00 for two autopsy that needed to be done recently. Homolka said that she regrets not having the Board sign a contract with the company in Gibbon and now thinks that it would be a good idea to sign the contract for 3 autopsies for \$4600.00 next year. **Child Support:** Attorney Homolka said that she is giving Richard a raise because he does an awesome job and the postage went up because he is sending out more certified mail. **Stop Fund:** Homolka said this budget is divided between four departments; Sheriff, Police, State Patrol, and County Attorney. She divided the money that had been collected last fiscal year, split it four ways and then added it to what each department had left.

Recessed: Moved Helgoth, second Hahn to recess for lunch at 11:56 a.m.

Reconvene: Moved Jefferson, second Graves to reconvene at 1:16 a.m.

Emergency Management: Board asked Sheriff if the \$25,000.00 for wages would be enough and Sheriff Campbell said that the County Clerk had received two bills, one from Boone County and the other from Nance County. Campbell and Helgoth both said that they thought that Nance County was billing the other counties for everything and Campbell said he was going to contact the Boone County Clerk to see what was going on. Campbell said that the budget for Emergency Management would be enough money. **Sheriff:** Sheriff Campbell said that he under budgeted last year for the cost of living. This year's budget is an overall increase of 5% over last year even with adding another deputy. Weller said it will cost over \$50,000.00 to put another deputy on the road. Campbell said that the City of Central City has 6 certified officers to cover the town and he Campbell has 6 to cover the whole county. By adding another deputy it would mean more presence in villages and less time on responses. He has asked his deputies to spend more time in the small towns and the west part of the county. Husmann said that Campbell should add another deputy and by adding another officer he will need to increase his fuel and cell phone line amounts. **Communications:** There is a 12.5 % increase in communications because Howard County is paying \$11.00 an hour and they don't have a jail and we are paying \$10.00 an hour with a jail. Campbell said he is loosing employees to other counties and the state patrol because we do not pay as well. Campbell said they dispatch for all of the city departments including the police department. The police officers make more than the sheriff deputies do. Campbell said they absorb a lot of calls for the city departments. Weller thought the city should pay for some of the dispatching. Weller asked Campbell to check with other Sheriff departments and see what kind of agreement they have with their towns. **Jail:** Campbell said they brought in \$2,400.00 for housing for other counties when they had room. Homolka asked Campbell if he thought he had budgeted enough for the prisoner board at \$45,000.00. Campbell said he thought he had and Homolka said what if he had to do what he did last year when they had plumbing problems and had to house all of the inmates in Hall County at a cost of over \$750.00 a day. So it was decided to increase the prisoner board to \$55,000.00. Campbell said that he saved over \$20,000.00 by preparing the meals at the jail instead of having the hospital do it and that was with buying new appliances. This year they should save more because they will not have to buy appliances. **Civil Process:** Sheriff Campbell said they moved the clerical into other budgets and the fuel was moved to the sheriff's fuel line item. Campbell said it is hard to

separate miles for deputies and mileage for serving papers. **County Board:** Weller said that the board had a 1.9% increase. **Inheritance:** County Clerk Wichmann told Weller and Graves that they had budgeted too much for the courthouse internet service and that was changed to \$1,858.20. Graves said that Assessor Placke wanted another \$3,000.00 added to the GIS on top of the \$7,700.00 for the maintenance agreement to look at specific parcels and they had budgeted \$28,640.00 for the Moores/Prairie/Silver Creeks. Wichmann said they needed to budget \$150,000.00 for the Roads cash reserve, and the remainder of what is in the Inheritance Fund in the General Fund cash reserve in the amount of \$690,537.08. **Miscellaneous:** Graves said that he had doubled the NACO dues so that should be reduced to \$2,670.00. Homolka said that the law library needed to be increased because that is a program that her office, County Court, and Clerk of District Court uses and it will be going up in price so she suggests raising it to \$2,850.00. Homolka also advised the board to budget something in the EPCS-Region III so the board added \$1,500.00. Microfilming was at \$32,000.00 but was cut to \$15,000.00 and computer ribbons/supplies was at \$5,000.00 but was cut to \$1,000.00. MIPS computer programs was added to the Miscellaneous in the amount of \$35,000.00. Graves said that the county vehicle accident repair could be eliminated so that \$1,000.00 was taken off. Under miscellaneous transfer \$32,000.00 was added for the transfer for the Juvenile Diversion Fund. County Clerk Wichmann said that the Unemployment Fund was running low but the County could not levy for it anymore. Wichmann said the State Auditors told her that a lot of counties were doing away with their Unemployment Fund and putting it into the General Fund under Miscellaneous, so the Board budgeted \$15,000.00 for unemployment. **Debit Service:** Clerk Wichmann told the Board that \$105,000.00 was budgeted for Principal and \$39,505.00 was budgeted for Interest. **Sinking Fund:** Clerk Wichmann said there was \$133,725.56 was budgeted. **County Drainage District:** Clerk Wichmann budgeted \$734.97. **Canine K-9:** \$616.51 was budgeted. This is from donated money and cannot be used on anything but a dog. **Drug Law Enforcement & Education:** There was \$250.00 in continuing education and \$2,257.02 in miscellaneous budgeted. Homolka said that before any of this could be spent she would have to take before a committee. Clerk Wichmann told the Board that last year she had budgeted \$4,163,730.82 in revenue for the General Fund and only received \$4,031,091.99. The Board will discuss the budgets again at their next board meeting. **Adjourn:** Moved Helgoth, second Graves at 4:10 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

July 24, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, July 24, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Wiegert and Weller present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:00 a.m.

Moved Weller second Graves to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Jefferson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Minutes: Moved Helgoth, second Hahn to approve the minutes as presented. Roll Call: Ayes: Jefferson, Weller, Graves, Hahn, Helgoth, and Wiegert; Nays: None. Abstain: Husmann.

Public Hearing for vehicle exemptions: Moved Graves, second Husmann to open the public hearing for vehicle exemptions at 9:05 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. The Evangelical Free Church had applied for an exemption on a GMC 1998 Sport Van and Nebraska Christian Schools had applied for exemptions on eight vehicles. Moved Hahn, second Husmann to approve the vehicle exemption for the Evangelical Free Church and all of the vehicle exemptions for Nebraska Christian Schools that they applied for. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Tax Sale: Treasurer Dunham presented RESOLUTION 2012-17 to the Board for their approval to authorize the foreclosure and sale of Tax Sale Certificate # 541 and turn over to the County Attorney. Moved Husmann, second Graves to approve RESOLUTION 2012-17 authorizing the foreclosure and sale of Tax Sale Certificate #541 and turn over to the County Attorney. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjournment: Moved Husmann, second Graves to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:12 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

July 24, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, July 24, 2012 at 9:05 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Weller and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:12 a.m.

Moved Hahn, second Jefferson to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:12 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

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

Minutes: Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2012 minutes. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting reports: Hahn and Husmann attended the Senior Center meeting; Graves on the 18th had a claims committee with NIRMA in the morning and safety meeting at the courthouse in the afternoon; Weller attended the Mid Nebraska Individual Services meeting and they passed the budget; Jefferson attended the hospital meeting.

Hospital update: Tad Hunt said the hospital foundation award was for \$103,000.00. There is a task force that is going to meet August 22, 2012 to start brainstorming on paramedic staff, EMS service, transfer of patients, etc. The audit is scheduled for August. The hospital bylaws have been rewritten and LB995 is why some of the revisions were made. The closing of Merrick Manor was a business decision because losses have occurred annually. Hunt said they finished the year with a profit but the accounts receivables are way too high at 106 days and they should be 55. They have not been doing a good job on self pays and so they will out source for self pay. There were 13 residents at Merrick Manor and 10 went to Cottonwood, 2 went to Long Term Care and 1 went to Lexington. All of the residents were given a choice as to where they wanted to go. The hospital board offered severance packages to Merrick Manor employees. Some of the employees retired and some came over to the hospital. The doors to Merrick Manor will close August 1, 2012 and Hunt thinks the van may be sold. There are 3 or 4 people locally that have shown interest in purchasing the building. The hospital bought Merrick Manor from the Merrick Foundation in 1994.

Rezoning hearing: Moved Weller, second Graves to open the hearing for rezoning at 9:48 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. At the end of June the Planning Commission had a hearing on the application for rezoning from Ron Grigsby in Section 21, Township 13, Range 6 and no one had an issue with rezoning 34 lots from AG1 to R1 or residential. Moved Weller,

second Graves to close the hearing at 9:50 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Graves, second Husmann to grant the rezoning of 34 lots from AG1 to R1 for Ron Grigsby. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Subdivision approval: The final plat approval was needed for 34 lots to be named Grigsby Estates in Section 21, Township 13, Range 6 for Ron Grigsby. The Sportman is located by Lots 1 and 2 and there is a statute that says the subdivision has to be 300 feet from a residence with any gun handling. The Sportman overrides any new development and they can say whether or not the can be subdivided. In Grigsby Estates, Lots 1 and 2 will become common lots and no building will go on them. They are going to leave the lots to meet state statutes for the subdivision. Outlot 2 will eventually go away and Grigsby will be digging it out. All the roads will be private. Entrance will be off of "L" Road by Ron Grigsby's house. There will be 32 buildable lots and all lots are above elevation and had been approved by the DEQ. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the subdivision application for Grigsby Estates. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Official reports: Sheriff Campbell pursuit to the Board's request presented the Board with information from other city and counties with regards to what they are doing as far as dispatch costs between them. Campbell also reported that Lynn Conway was at the jail now because they are having plumbing issues again. The repairs could cost around \$5,000.00 to fix. The Sheriff has received several calls from property owners concerning the Jeeps and ATV from Bader Park down to Silver Creek accessing the river. The Board wants the Sheriff to let people know that when the water is down the property owners own to the middle of the river. The owners can post no trespassing signs.

Lights on highways: Graves said the state has a project going on and the state engineers would pay for installing and bringing electricity to two lights on two intersection on Highway 14 and Highway 92. All the county would have to do is pay for the electricity and maintenance. Moved Graves, second Jefferson to allow Highway Superintendent Mike Meyer to sign the agreement with the state to install two lights and electricity to two intersections on Highway 14 and Highway 92 and the county will pay the electricity and maintenance. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Tax requests: The County Clerk presented the Board with preliminary tax requests for budget year 2012-2013 from Central City Rural Fire District, Prairie Island Township, Clarksville Township, Lone Tree Township, Silver Creek Township, Vieregg Township, Prairie Creek Township, Chapman Rural Fire District, and Palmer Rural Fire District.

Surplus: County Clerk Wichmann has a Dell printer purchased in 2007 that no longer prints. Clerk would like to surplus. Wichmann said it is not good for anything. Moved Weller, second Husmann to have the County Clerk surplus the 2007 Dell printer by disposing of it. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Budget: Board would like to know where they are at as far as revenue and expenditure budgets and would like the County Clerk to take the estimated numbers to the accountant and have him work up and report back to the Board as to where the County stands with the estimated figures.

Grading against traffic: Helgoth said he witnessed a road employee in a grader, grading the wrong the direction on a county road and there were no signs put up closing the road. Helgoth wanted to know why and Highway Superintendent Meyer said that after Helgoth told him, he talked to the guy. Meyer said he had explained what needed to be done to the grader and the employee had signed the directive. Helgoth said he would like this put on the next agenda to be discussed and would like Meyer to bring all the signed directives to the next board meeting.

County Attorney Homolka had received an email from the Probation Officer saying that she wants the Child Support Office moved out of her office by August 1, 2012. There is no place to move the office to. There would be two to three different probation officers in and out of the probation office from now on. They will not all be there on the same days or the same time. The Board would like this matter put on the agenda for the next Board meeting.

July 2012 payroll: The July 2012 payroll was presented to the Board for their approval: General: Gross: \$96,799.86 Net: \$68,944.52; Roads: Gross: \$46,075.93 Net: \$30,924.84; Juvenile Diversion: Gross: \$2,684.77 Net: \$ 2,417.11. Moved Jefferson, second Husmann to approve the July 2012 payroll as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjourn: Moved Helgoth, second Graves to adjourn at 11:35 a.m. subject to inspection of the County Jail. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

August 14, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, August 14, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Wiegert and Weller present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:00 a.m.

Moved Jefferson, second Graves to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes
Hahn led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Minutes: Weller said on the July 20, 2012 minutes that it should say he recommends a 5% correction on Lyle Gee property not \$5,000.00. Moved Graves, second Jefferson to approve the minutes of June 25, 2012, July 2, 2012, July 12, 2012, July 20, 2012 with the correction, and July 24, 2012. Roll Call: Ayes: Jefferson, Hahn, Helgoth, Graves, Weller, and Wiegert. Nays: None. Husmann vote Ayes on all of the minutes except for July 20, 2012 and he abstained.

Cemetery real property: Assessor Placke said there were no changes to her cemetery real property list which she had filed with the County Clerk on July 30, 2012. Moved Weller, second Jefferson to accept the cemetery real property list from the County Assessor. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Tax corrections: Assessor Placke presented tax correction #3630 for Craig & Shauna Czarnick ID 516 for a mobile home that is being moved, tax correction #3631 for the American Legion Lone Tree Post #6, ID 3092 for a building being demolished, and tax correction #3632 for Bosselman Inc. ID 4687 for a building that was demolished. The taxes on all of these are being accelerated. Moved Graves, second Hahn to approve tax correction #3630 for Craig and Shauna Czarnick, #3631 for the American Legion Lone Tree Post #6, and tax correction #3632 for Bosselman Inc. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Assessor Placke told the Board that Bill Stovall had asked TERC for a continuance.

Adjournment: Moved Husmann, second Helgoth to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:10 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

August 14, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, August 14, 2012 at 9:11 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Weller and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:11 a.m.

Moved Husmann, second Jefferson to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:11 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

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

Minutes: Moved Helgoth, second Graves to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2012 and July 24, 2012 minutes. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting reports: Hahn and Husmann attended a Midland Area Agency on Aging meeting and Wiegert on August 2, 2012 also attended a Midland Area Agency on Aging.

Officials reports: Jennifer Myers requested an executive session to discuss personnel in her office. Moved Weller, second Graves to go into executive session at 9:17 a.m. for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Jefferson, second Husmann to go out of executive session at 9:23 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Myers said she has issued 63 building permits in the county this year.

Jail plumbing: Sheriff Campbell said that Lynn Conaway was back at the jail for plumbing problems again but the problem was now solved and would not involve tearing up to the street to fix. They figure that when the snow was removed at some point there was a cap removed and a piece got lodged in and they finally got it removed and everything is working fine now.

Special meeting for budget: Clerk Wichmann said that Alvin Almquist had called and said he would not have figures ready for the Board by today and requested to met with them on Tuesday, August 21, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. Wichmann said the Board needed to approve the meeting. Moved Husmann, second Graves to approve a special meeting for the budget on Tuesday, August 21, 2012. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Keystone pipeline: Max Nelson came before the Board and asked the Board to provide a letter to Governor Dave Heineman

asking to keep the pipeline out of the Ogallala Aquifer. Moved Weller, second Graves to take no action on Max Nelson's request to have the Board write a letter to Governor Heineman concerning the pipeline. Roll Call: Ayes: Jefferson, Helgoth, Husmann, Weller, Graves, and Wiegert. Nays: None. Abstain: Hahn.

Interlocal Overlay Responsible Charge with Nance County: Highway Superintendent Meyer said that he needed the Chairman's signature with the Board's approval on the interlocal overlay responsible charge agreement with Nance County appoint himself, Meyer as charge person. They need copies of the agreement in Lincoln for a federal aide project. Moved Graves, second Jefferson to approve of the Chairman signing the interlocal overlay responsible charge agreement with Nance County appointing Highway Superintendent Meyer as charge person. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Irrigation pipe line agreement: Highway Superintendent Meyer presented an irrigation pipe line agreement for Mike Santin between Section 15 and 22, Township 15, Range 6. This is to install a pipeline under the road. Moved Graves, second Helgoth to approve the irrigation pipeline agreement for Mike Santin between Section 15 and 22, Township 15, Range 6. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Electrical line agreement: Highway Superintendent Meyer presented an electrical agreement for Michael and Debra Husman between Section 32 and 5, Township 12 and 13, Range 7. This is to run an electrical line to there home. Moved Hahn, second Jefferson to approve the electrical agreement for Michael and Debra Husman between Section 32 and 5, Township 12 and 13, Range 7. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Hearing to open asphalt bids: Moved Weller, second Husmann to open the hearing to open asphalt bids at 10:30 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Bids were received from three companies; Gary Smith Construction, Werner Construction, and Vontz Paving of Hastings. The bids were for the 2012 asphaltic concrete resurfacing for Chapman South which was bid schedule A, Clarks North and Silver Creek West which was bid schedule B and Chapman South, Clarks North and Silver Creek West which was bid schedule C. bids were as follows:

Bid Schedule A Gary Smith Construction

Chapman South Unit Total

Asphaltic Concrete Type SPR – 1,125 ton \$63.75 per ton \$71,718.75
Tack Coat – 1,000 gallons \$2.00 per gallon \$ 2,000.00
Millings Asphaltic for Inlays – 1.00 each \$1,600.00 per each \$ 1,600.00
Total for Bid A \$75,318.75

Start of Construction Date for Bid A September 10, 2012
End of Construction Date for Bid A October 5, 2012

Bid Schedule B

Clarks North and Silver Creek West

Asphaltic Concrete Type SPR – 7,465 ton \$68.56 per ton \$511,800.40
Tack Coat – 8,000 gallons \$ 2.00 per gallon \$ 16,000.00
Millings Asphaltic for Inlays – 4.00each \$1,600.00 per each \$ 6,400.00
Cold Milling, Class 3 – 161 square yards \$10.00 square yard \$ 1,610.00
Adjust Manhole to Grade – 1.00 each \$500.00 each \$ 500.00
Total for Bid B \$536,310.00

Start of Construction Date for Bid B September 10, 2012
End of Construction Date for Bid B October 5, 2012

Bid Schedule C

Chapman South, Clarks North, & Silver Creek West

Asphaltic Concrete Type SPR – 8,590 ton \$67.93 per ton \$583,518.70
Tack Coat – 9,000 gallons \$2.00 per gallon \$ 18,000.00
Millings Asphaltic for Inlays – 5.00 each \$1,600.00 per each \$ 8,000.00
Cold Milling, Class 3 – 161 square yards \$ 10.00 square yard \$ 1,610.00
Adjust Manhole to Grade – 1.00 each \$500.00 each \$ 500.00
Total for Bid C \$611,628.70

Start of Construction Date for BidC September 10, 2012
End of Construction Date for Bid C October 5, 2012

Bid Schedule A Werner Construction

Chapman South Unit Total

Asphaltic Concrete Type SPR – 1,125 ton \$98.34 per ton \$110,632.50
Tack Coat – 1,000 gallons \$2.00 per gallon \$ 2,000.00
Millings Asphaltic for Inlays – 1.00 each \$2,500.00 per each \$ 2,500.00
Total for Bid A \$115,132.50

Start of Construction Date for Bid A November 5, 2012 weather permitting if not spring

End of Construction Date for Bid A November 30, 2012

Bid Schedule B

Clarks North and Silver Creek West

Asphaltic Concrete Type SPR – 7,465 ton \$70.70 per ton \$527,775.50

Tack Coat – 8,000 gallons \$ 2.00 per gallon \$ 16,000.00

Millings Asphaltic for Inlays – 4.00each \$2,500.00 per each \$ 10,000.00

Cold Milling, Class 3 – 161 square yards \$20.00 square yard \$ 3,220.00

Adjust Manhole to Grade – 1.00 each \$2,000.00 each \$ 2,000.00

Total for Bid B \$558,995.50

Start of Construction Date for Bid B November 5, 2012 weather permitting if not spring

End of Construction Date for Bid B November 30, 2012

Bid Schedule C

Chapman South, Clarks North, & Silver Creek West

Asphaltic Concrete Type SPR – 8,590 ton \$74.32 per ton \$638,408.80

Tack Coat – 9,000 gallons \$2.00 per gallon \$ 18,000.00

Millings Asphaltic for Inlays – 5.00 each \$2,500.00 per each \$ 12,500.00

Cold Milling, Class 3 – 161 square yards \$ 20.00 square yard \$ 3,220.00

Adjust Manhole to Grade – 1.00 each \$2,000.00 each \$ 2,000.00

Total for Bid C \$674,128.80

Start of Construction Date for BidC November 5, 2012 weather permitting if not spring

End of Construction Date for Bid C November 30, 2012

Bid Schedule A Vontz Paving, Hastings, NE

Chapman South Unit Total

Asphaltic Concrete Type SPR – 1,125 ton \$106.10 per ton \$119,362.50

Tack Coat – 1,000 gallons \$2.20 per gallon \$ 2,200.00

Millings Asphaltic for Inlays – 1.00 each \$2,500.00 per each \$ 2,500.00

Total for Bid A \$124,062.50

Start of Construction Date for Bid A May 2013

End of Construction Date for Bid A May 2013

Bid Schedule B

Clarks North and Silver Creek West

Asphaltic Concrete Type SPR – 7,465 ton \$75.72 per ton \$565,249.80

Tack Coat – 8,000 gallons \$ 2.20 per gallon \$ 17,600.00

Millings Asphaltic for Inlays – 4.00each \$2,500.00 per each \$ 10,000.00

Cold Milling, Class 3 – 161 square yards \$15.00 square yard \$ 2,415.00

Adjust Manhole to Grade – 1.00 each \$650.00 each \$ 650.00

Total for Bid B \$595,914.80

Start of Construction Date for Bid B May 2013

End of Construction Date for Bid B May 2013

Bid Schedule C

Chapman South, Clarks North, & Silver Creek West

Asphaltic Concrete Type SPR – 8,590 ton \$79.70 per ton \$684,623.00

Tack Coat – 9,000 gallons \$2.20 per gallon \$ 19,800.00

Millings Asphaltic for Inlays – 5.00 each \$2,500.00 per each \$ 12,500.00

Cold Milling, Class 3 – 161 square yards \$ 15.00 square yard \$ 2,415.00

Adjust Manhole to Grade – 1.00 each \$650.00 each \$ 650.00

Total for Bid C \$719,988.00

Start of Construction Date for BidC May 2013

End of Construction Date for Bid C May 2013

It was brought up that there is only \$420,000.00 budgeted and Meyer said these projects are a mile less total than last year.

Graves suggested tabling the bids until they figure out if they will increase the budgeted amount and they will not know that until the Board meets with the accountant on Tuesday, August 21, 2012. Husmann said he did not know why they did not just do \$420,000.00 of work and carry the rest of the project out next fiscal year. If they did that the companies would have to rebid the work and Jefferson said that it would probably cost more. Moved Graves, second Hahn to table the asphalt bids until Tuesday, August 21, 2012. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Road directives: Helgoth had asked Highway Superintendent Meyer to bring the road directives that he had road department employees sign. Helgoth asked Meyer if he had talked to his guys about grading roads going in the wrong direction and

Meyer said that he talked to the guy that was involved and had told him that there was no tolerance for not following the rules and directives. Helgoth asked Meyer why the guy was doing it again last Tuesday on "T" Road between 19th and 20th and there were no signs because he had witnessed this and a rural mail carrier had told Helgoth he was doing it again yesterday. Helgoth said there needs to be something done and doesn't understand why we are putting the county at such risk. Meyer said he would have to write the guy up. Helgoth said that they should suspend the guy without pay for 2 weeks and if caught again it should be immediate termination. Meyer said he would rather write the guy up first. County Attorney Homolka said the Board could direct Meyer in what he should do with his employees because the position of Highway Superintendent is an appointed position. If it was an elected position they could suggest but nothing more. Moved Helgoth, second Hahn to suspend the guy without pay for 2 weeks and if caught again immediate termination. Roll Call: Ayes: Hahn and Helgoth. Nays: Graves, Jefferson, Husmann, Weller, and Wiegert. Motion denied. Moved Weller, second Graves to have Meyer give the employee a written reprimand because Meyer knows the severity. Roll Call: Ayes: Husmann, Jefferson, Hahn, Graves, Weller, and Wiegert. Nays: Helgoth.

Motion carried. Helgoth said he wanted it on public record that he will take no responsibility if any accident happens in the mean time concerning grading against traffic.

Stanard Appraisal contract: Assessor Placke asked the Board to approve the annual contract with Stanard Appraisal Services, Inc. for \$17,088.00 for one year. This is for 24 days and anything beyond that the County will be charged \$89.00 per hour. If the assessor does not have to use Stanard all 24 days they will only be billed for the days used. Placke said they have already used 1 ½ days. Stanard reviews the sales, maintains sale files, and performs several other tasks which are outlined in the contract. Moved Weller to approve the annual Stanard Appraisal Contract. County Attorney Homolka said her concern of approving the contract is that the budget has not been approved yet. Weller said he withdrew his motion. Weller said that they should put it on the next agenda for approval and Placke said that she wanted it on the agenda for Tuesday, August 21, 2012. Moved Weller, second Graves to put the annual Stanard Appraisal contract on the agenda for Tuesday, August 21, 2012. Roll Call: All Ayes. Husmann said that in her budget, she budgeted over \$72,000.00 for Stanard Appraisal work which includes this contract.

Liquor License: Jason VanHoosen was requesting approval from the Board for a special liquor license for the Luebbe and Kennedy wedding at Riverside on September 1, 2012. Moved Helgoth, second Husmann to approve the special liquor license for Jason VanHoosen for the Luebbe and Kennedy wedding at Riverside on September 1, 2012. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Distress warrants: County Treasurer Dunham had turned over 56 distress warrants in the amount of \$27,057.14 to the sheriff for collection in October 2011. There are 12 of those warrants in the amount of \$5,060.18 that have not been collected. Sheriff Campbell said that collection percentage was 81% and most of the distress warrants are on trailer houses and most people do not realize that when they sell a trailer house the title needs to be changed into the new owners name.

Tax requests: More tax requests from county entities were presented to the Board. Helgoth asked if Wichmann had received all of them and she had not. Wichmann said the last day to turn in tax requests was August 1, 2012.

RESOLUTION 2012-18: Clerk Wichmann told the Board that she had gotten a reply from the Emergency Manager, Jan Zurcher that RESOLUTION 2012-18 was ready for the Board's approval. The resolution is from the Central Platte Natural Resources District so that the County will be eligible for future hazard mitigation grant funding. Moved Weller, second Jefferson to approve and sign RESOLUTION 2012-18 from the Central Platte NRD. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Probation Office: Shane Stutman with District 5 Probation would like the second office in the Probation Office back. It is currently occupied by Child Support. Stutman said they let Child Support use it with the understanding it was to be temporary. Stutman said that District 5 covers 11 counties. They will have four officers working five counties and they will all specialize in different types of cases. This all took place on August 1, 2012. County Attorney Homolka had received notice that the Child Support Office was to be vacated by August 1, 2012 and there is nowhere to go with it. Both Probation and Child Support need privacy because of the information they work with. Homolka asked if the South side of the office where filing cabinets are now could be remodeled to make another office for probation and Homolka said she knows it would be a small office but asked if they could move the filing cabinets into another area in the office. Stutman said that they could, that they have several offices that have a lot of stuff. The hearing room on first floor was mentioned and Beth Pullen said it could be used except when they need to have court in there. Pullen said that County Court could probably help Probation with storing filings cabinets. Homolka said she had room in her reception area but walls would have to be put up because of privacy issues. Pullen said that the next thing to think about is the electrical and data lines that would probably need to be put in. The Juvenile Diversion Office could also be used if walls could be put up. Jefferson said they should have built more onto the courthouse when they remodeled because there were some areas that had not been taken into consideration or provided for. Stutman said whatever the County can do they will make work. Weller suggested getting the Child Support Officer a laptop. There are days now that there is no one in the probation office. The Board will look into remodeling and a laptop for Child Support.

August 2012 claims: Graves said that he would like the bill submitted from Ed Sweet for upkeep on the Fairview Cemetery by Clarks held back because Sweet has the cemetery books from that cemetery and will not allow people to see them. Helgoth said he has had families that would like information on their relatives and Sweet will not allow them access to the cemetery

records. Graves said that he would like to have the County Attorney draft a letter to Sweet asking him to bring the cemetery books to the courthouse to be kept in the Register of Deeds Office for public viewing. County Attorney Homolka said she would look into the matter. The August 2012 claims that were submitted to the Board for approval:

FUND	NAME	INVDESC	TOTCLAIMS
GENERAL			
	JOHN ROSS ABOLD	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00
	ANDERSON BROS ELECTRIC	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 536.23
	AUTO GLASS PROS HASTINGS	CAR REPAIR	\$ 189.00
	AVCOMM SOLUTIONS, INC	SUPPLIES	\$ 16.70
	BAMFORD INC.	SUPPLIES	\$ 200.00
	JULIE L BELLIS	COURT COSTS	\$ 2,076.50
	DOROTHY D BENTON	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 3,442.50
	GARY BERRY	BOARD MEALS	\$ 57.19
	BOB BARKER COMPANY, INC	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 900.51
	BRADLEY,ELSBERND,ANDERSEN,KNEALE	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 4,928.75
	GEORGE E BRUGH	MH BOARD	\$ 237.45
	BUG BUSTERS	PEST CONTROL	\$ 125.00
	KEVIN CAMPBELL	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
	KIM CAMPBELL	REGISTRATION	\$ 30.00
	CENTRAL CITY FAMILY DENTAL CENTER	PRISONER BRD	\$ 92.00
	CENTRAL CITY MALL	PRISONER BRD	\$ 927.38
	CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT	\$ 2,307.10
	CENTRAL DISTRICT CO OFFICIALS ASSOC	REGISTRATION	\$ 300.00
	CENTRAL NE CREMATION & MORTUARY	CORONER	\$ 500.00
	CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 64.48
	TODD CHURCH	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00
	CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ MINI BUS	MINI-BUS	\$ 433.22
	CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	UTILITITES	\$ 3,479.72
	CITY OF CENTRAL CITY	JAIL UTILITIES	\$ 24.81
	CLERK OF DIST COURT/GI	COURT EXPENSE	\$ 3.00
	CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/CC	COURT COSTS	\$ 593.13
	CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT	COURT EXPENSE	\$ 5.82
	COMPUTERS ON THE RUN	EQUIPMENT	\$ 4,797.00
	CONAWAY PLUMBING	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 225.00
	CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT COMPANY	MEALS	\$ 19.00
	CVSOAN TREASURER	CONTINUING ED	\$ 35.00
	DATASPEC, INC	IMPORT DATA	\$ 100.00
	RACHEL A DAUGHERTY	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 574.50
	DELL MARKETING L.P.	EQUIPMENT	\$ 301.98
	DELL MARKETING L.P.	EQUIPMENT	\$ 536.12
	DISTRICT 5 PROBATION	SUPPORT	\$ 4,821.53
	RYAN DUNCAN	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00
	CHARLES DUVALL	VOLUNTEERS MIL	\$ 100.00
	EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 50.77
	EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 37.98
	ECO WATER SYSTEMS	OFFICE WATER	\$ 137.50
	ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS,INC	MISC	\$ 90.00
	JOHN FILIPPI,DDS D-ABFO	CORONER	\$ 2,175.90
	GRAND ISLAND EAR, NOSE & THROAT	PRISONER BRD	\$ 497.00

THERESA GOOD	MH BOARD	\$ 75.00
LINDA GREGER	SERVICE DIRECT	\$ 135.00
HALL COUNTY COURT-DISTRICT NINE	COURT EXPENSE	\$ 4.75
HAMILTON CO SHERIFF	COURT EXPENSE	\$ 28.19
HANSEN MEDICAL	COURT EXPENSE	\$ 30.00
HANSON GRIME STOPPERS	CLEANING SRVC	\$ 1,881.00
HEINS LAWN & LANDSCAPE INC	LAWN CARE	\$ 53.97
JAMES HELGOTH	MILEAGE	\$ 109.89
HOLIDAY INN LINCOLN-DOWNTOWN	LODGING	\$ 84.00
LYNELLE HOMOLKA	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00
HOST COFFEE SERVICE	PRISONER BRD	\$ 15.95
WONDER BREAD/HOSTESS BAKERY OUTLET	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 43.44
ROBERT HUSMANN	MILEAGE	\$ 79.92
HUSTON & HIGGINS	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 405.00
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES, INC	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 500.00
JACKSON SERVICES	SERVICE SUPPLY	\$ 177.50
JOHN JEFFERSON	MILEAGE	\$ 81.03
JENSEN PUBLISHING	SUPPLIES	\$ 134.50
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 747.08
JENSEN PUBLISHING/P&Z	PUBLICATION	\$ 9.03
JOE'S PLUMBING	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 331.00
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/P&Z	PUBLICATION	\$ 10.31
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	\$ 768.00
BRIAN KLUCK	MH BOARD	\$ 248.55
LAURITSEN,BROWNELL,BROSTROM,STEHLIK	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 202.50
MARLENE S LEE	MILEAGE	\$ 27.20
LEXISNEXIS	LAW LIBRARY	\$ 226.00
LITZENBERG/HOSPITAL OPERATING	SUPPORT	\$ 8,333.33
LITZENBERG CO. HOSPITAL	PRISONER BRD	\$ 734.85
MARY LIVINGSTON	MH BOARD	\$ 177.75
LONE TREE MEDICAL ASSOCS.	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 195.00
MAYER, BURNS, KOENIG & JANULEWICZ	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 450.00
MCILNAY & CO	A/C REPAIR	\$ 559.96
MERRICK CO. CLERK	RECORDING FEES	\$ 16.50
MERRICK CO. COURT	COURT COSTS	\$ 365.75
MERRICK CO. EXTENSION SERVICE	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 2,072.60
MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	FUNDS TRANSFER	\$ 81,382.09
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 364.02
MID AMERICAN BENEFITS,INC	INS REIMBURSE	\$ 2,699.09
MID NEBR. INDIVIDUAL SERVICES	FISCAL YR SUPP	\$ 7,845.00
MIDWEST MAILING SYSTEMS INC	METER REPAIR	\$ 175.00
MIPS INC.	SUPPLIES	\$ 31.95
MIPS INC.	COMP SUPPORT	\$ 2,948.04
MYERS & DAUGHERTY, PC, LLO	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 667.50
NACO	REGISTRATION	\$ 40.00
	EMR MGT	
NANCE COUNTY TREASURER	SALARY	\$ 4,693.37
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	INSTITUTION	\$ 180.00

NE INSTITUTE OF FORENSIC SCIENCES	CORONER	\$ 3,600.00
NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB	DRUG/ALCO TEST	\$ 196.00
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NIRMA	PAYMENT	\$ 2,017.42
NORM'S U SAVE PHARMACY	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 128.48
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 36.41
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 59.32
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 70.10
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 70.03
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 81.63
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 55.35
NT&T	DC FAX	\$ 44.86
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 103.41
	COURTHOUSE	
NT&T	FAX	\$ 45.56
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 44.56
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 53.24
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 142.01
OFFICENET	SUPPLY/EQUIP	\$ 372.18
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 337.80
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 65.42
	COURTHOUSE	
OFFICENET,INC.	EQP	\$ 149.11
PALSER SERVICE	CAR REPAIR	\$ 115.00
POC REGISTRAR	CONTINUING ED	\$ 75.00
REGION III BEHAVIORIAL HEALTH SERV	SUPPORT	\$ 4,147.64
CORWIN A ROSCOE	CONTRACT SRVC	\$ 1,241.67
S&W PEST MANAGEMENT	PEST CONTROL	\$ 53.25
SACK LUMBER	SUPPLIES	\$ 3.58
SAM'S CLUB DIRECT	SUPPLIES	\$ 742.94
SECURUS	COMMISSARY	\$ 459.00
SHRED MONSTER INC	SHREDDING	\$ 58.00
SOFTWARE UNLIMITED CORPORATION	EQUIPMENT	\$ 1,440.00
ST FRANCIS MEDICAL CENTER	DRUG TESTING	\$ 40.20
STANARD APPRAISAL SERVICE, INC.	BOE REVIEWS	\$ 1,157.00
DAVID SULLIVAN	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00
SVEHLA THOMAS RAUERT & GRAFTON PC	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 3,578.00
TRIANGLE INSURANCE	NOTARY BOND	\$ 40.00
TRUELL,MURRAY & ASSOCIATES	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 1,635.00
U.S. BANK	MEALS/SUPPLY	\$ 72.81
USA COMMUNICATIONS	COMMISSARY	\$ 55.45
VISA	FUEL/REPAIR	\$ 39.55
WEGNER MONUMENT	SIGNS	\$ 200.00
REX WELLER	MILEAGE	\$ 99.90
MARCIA WICHMANN	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 176.16
ROGER WIEGERT	MILEAGE	\$ 119.88
KELLY WILLIAMS	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
FLEET SERVICES	FUEL	\$ 2,393.95

TOTAL**\$ 182,137.25****ROADS**

AGRICULTURAL SERVICES INC	SUPPLIES	\$ 334.00
APPLIED CONTROLS EQUIPMENT CO. INC.	EQUIP REPAIRS	\$ 204.90
AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.	FUEL	\$ 5,350.78
B & B TECHNOLOGIES, INC	MAINTENANCE	\$ 167.07
BILL'S VOLUME SALES	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 58.30
BOMGAARS	SUPPLY/REPAIR	\$ 298.62
BOSELMAN INC/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 18.64
CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/ROADS	SUPPLY/REPAIR	\$ 217.58
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 20.45
CENTRAL VALLEY AG	MAINTENANCE	\$ 36.18
DINKEL IMPLEMENT CO	EQUIP RENTAL	\$ 908.60
EAKES OFFICE PLUS INC/ROADS	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 48.52
FASTENAL CO	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 20.96
FILTER CARE	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 77.10
GILBARCO INC	FUEL	\$ 17.00
GRAND ISLAND CLINIC/ROADS	DRUG TESTING	\$ 25.00
GREEN LINE EQUIPMENT OF CC/ROADS	REPAIR/LABOR	\$ 1,220.55
GROSSHANS, INC./ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 79.38
JIM HAAG	MILEAGE	\$ 59.94
HANSEN INTERNATIONAL TRUCK INC	REPAIR & LABOR	\$ 2,403.21
HUSKER CO-OP	FUEL	\$ 1,343.58
CHRIS HUSTON	MILEAGE	\$ 30.53
INTERSTATE BATTERY SYSTEM	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 180.62
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 224.16
JACKSON LINEN SERVICE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 48.56
JENSEN PUBLISHING/ROADS	PUBLISHING	\$ 87.44
KIRKHAM MICHAEL	ENGINEER SRVC	\$ 1,853.00
LITZENBERG HOSPITAL/ROADS	DRUG TESTING	\$ 79.95
MICHAEL MEYER	MILEAGE	\$ 430.13
MID AMERICAN BENEFITS,INC	ROADS	\$ 55.53
MIDWEST HYDRAULIC SERVICE/ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 839.00
NEBR. MACHINERY CO.	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 345.62
NT&T/SHOP	TELEPHONE	\$ 47.60
NT&T/ROADS	TELEPHONE	\$ 58.43
OVERLAND SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	\$ 12,071.36
PALMER SERVICE CENTER	FUEL	\$ 1,775.40
PALSER SERVICE/ROADS	TIRE REPAIR	\$ 50.00
	PVMNT	
POGUE CONSTRUCTION INC	MARKINGS	\$ 4,933.50
POLK COUNTY RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	ELECTRICITY	\$ 29.11
JOHN E PROSOSKI	LAND RENTAL	\$ 120.00
SACK LUMBER CO./ROADS	SIGNS & POSTS	\$ 387.81
SAPP BROS. PETROLEUM	FUEL	\$ 3,388.81
SCOTT-VAN KEPPEL-BR	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 1,952.66
SOURCEGAS,LLC	GAS SERVICE	\$ 98.79
SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	ELECTRICITY	\$ 428.35

STATE STEEL SUPPLY CO.	PRODUCT/REPAIR	\$ 1,022.93
STRAIGHT LINE STRIPING INC	PAVE MARKINGS	\$ 15,204.78
THERMO KING CHRISTENSEN	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 387.86
TRIPLE E ENTERPRISES, LLC	REPAIR & LABOR	\$ 18.24
VERIZON WIRELESS	TELEPHONE	\$ 51.89
VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN	ELECTRICTY	\$ 42.35
XEROX CORPORATION	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 61.73
TOTAL		\$ 59,216.50
JUVENILE DIVERSION		
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	POSTAGE-JUV	\$ 10.80
TOTAL		\$ 10.80
INHERITANCE		
CENTRAL PLATTE RESOURCE	MOORES CREEK	\$ 480.76
HAMILTON TELECOMMUNICATIONS	INTERNET SRVC	\$ 154.85
TOTAL		\$ 635.61
BUILDING PROJECT		
LESIAK CONSTRUCTION, LLC	CONSTRUCTION	\$ 4,741.86
TOTAL		\$ 4,741.86
E911		
CENTURY LINK	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 240.60
CENTURYLINK	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 408.35
CITY OF G.I. UTILITIES DEPT	UTILITIES	\$ 14.00
NE DAS COMMUNICATIONS	EQUIP AGRMENT	\$ 448.00
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 126.60
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 61.92
MCI	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 55.71
NNTC	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 139.14
NT&T	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 666.67
TOTAL		\$ 2,160.99

Moved Helgoth, second Graves to approve the August 2012 claims as presented except the bill from Ed Sweet for the upkeep of the Fairview Cemetery by Clarks. Roll Call: All Ayes.

July 2012 fees: The July 2012 fees from the Clerk of District Court, County Sheriff, and County Clerk were submitted to the Board for approval. Moved Graves, second Jefferson to approve as presented from the Clerk of District Court, County Sheriff, and County Clerk. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjourn: Moved Helgoth, second Weller to adjourn at 12:28 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/c/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/c/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

August 21, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, August 21, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Wiegert and Weller present. Absent was Helgoth. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:00 a.m.

Moved Weller, second Husmann to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Graves led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Agenda: Clerk Wichmann said there was a correction on the agenda of the meeting time. It was advertised in the paper for a starting time of 9:00 a.m. but on the agenda it said 9:10 a.m. It should be 9:00 a.m. Helgoth present at 9:01 a.m. Moved Jefferson, second Hahn to approve the agenda with the correction. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Budget discussion: Alvin Alms, with Alvin Alms and Company, told the Board that the numbers he was given show a \$282,333.00 deficit. There are more disbursements than revenue budgeted. Helgoth said if the valuation is going up, taxes will go up. The Board said they would have to cut \$170,000.00 to stay under the lid and by doing that they will not use up all of the restricted funds. The Board will go over all budgets at the next board meeting on Tuesday, August 28, 2012. Moved Weller, second Graves to move onto the next agenda item. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Stanard Appraisal contract: Moved Weller to approve the Stanard Appraisal contract for \$17,088.00. Graves said that the County Attorney had said that it was not wise to approve this contract until the budget was adopted. Weller withdrew his motion.

Overlay bids: Highway Superintendent Meyer said that in reviewing the overlays he said that the Chapman overlay would have to stay at 3 inches because it was a new overlay but the Silver Creek and Clarks could be rebid at 1 ½ inches. By doing them 1 ½ inches they may be able to get them done cheaper. Moved Weller, second Husmann to approve bid schedule A for Chapman South from Gary Smith Construction and to have rebids on Clarks and Silver Creek. Roll Call: Ayes: Jefferson, Hahn, Graves, Husmann, Weller, and Wiegert. Nays: Helgoth. Weller asked Meyer if he could get used deals on pickups and grader instead of new. Meyer said that he may be able to get by with just getting a sign pickup. Sheriff Campbell was called in and Weller said that Campbell's budget was for the hiring of another deputy and would like Campbell to redo his budget without the additional deputy. Clerk Wichmann said that \$5,000.00 would be omitted from the Sheriff's budget as this amount should have been in a separate fund of its own and not out of the Sheriff's budget. Wichmann said that she could go over the revenue figures again and see if she could increase any of them more. She said that just by looking now she could increase the revenue figures by \$37,000.00 but would need to take a closer look at all of the figures. Placke asked the Board if her Assessor and Reappraisal budget were in question and if they were she would come back Tuesday from her meeting in Kearney. Weller said that as far as he was concerned they were because he knows what all her office has to do and what it takes. Weller said that a notice should be put out to all of the departments that all of the budgets will be looked at the next board meeting. Another board meeting will be needed because the Board needs to get moving on the budget because it has to be in Lincoln at the auditor's office by September 20, 2012 and the budget hearing to adopt the budget needs to be published 5 days before the hearing. The Board said they could meet on September 4, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.

Adjournment: Moved Helgoth, second Helgoth to adjourn as Board of Supervisors at 12:15 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

August 28, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, August 28, 2012 at 9:02 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Wiegert and Weller present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka. Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:02 a.m.

Moved Weller, second Hahn to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:02 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Weller led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Minutes: Moved Weller, second Jefferson to approve the minutes of the August 14, 2012 meeting as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjourn: Moved Husmann, second Graves to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:04 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

August 28, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, August 28, 2012 at 9:09 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Weller and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:09 a.m.

Moved Weller, second Graves to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:09 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

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

Minutes: Moved Jefferson, second Husmann to approve the minutes of the August 14, 2012 and August 21, 2012 meetings as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting reports: Hahn attended the hospital board meeting and Jefferson attended the Region III Behavioral Health meeting.

Official reports: Weed Superintendent Corwin Roscoe reported to the board that there was a helicopter that flew over the river all the way to North Platte last Saturday. Roscoe said there was a lot of purple loose strife and phragmites.

Hospital update: Tad Hunt told the board that the hospitals by laws had been updated and that the EMS had a task force meeting and they are doing a business plan and will have it ready hopefully by January. They are looking at using the hospital staff to help with transfers. Merrick Manor is empty now and is ready to put on the market. Merrick Manor will be represented by Steve Twiss. Proceeds from the sale of Merrick Manor will be put into a restricted account. The hospital audit was finished last Friday and the final report will be done in October. The hospital board turned down option B of the land acquisition.

Bader Park: Pat Carlson told the board that there needs to be a stronger partnership between Merrick County and the Platte Peer Group. Ten years ago the Platte Peer Group took over the upkeep of the park and the money received from Merrick County was \$10,000.00 and today it is considerably less. Today she proposed that the County Board raise that amount back up to \$10,000.00. The budget for Bader Park last year was \$91,300.00 and there are a lot of things at the park that require improvements. The house which is the office needs new siding, windows, etc. and there are other things also. Attendance is up 20% but the gas and electric go up too. The Merrick Foundation gave them \$35,000.00 last year and the years before it is usually \$25,000.00. Carlson said that she has one full time host, 1 part time person on the weekends, one full time maintenance person, herself and her husband.

Juvenile Diversion grant award and special conditions: Juvenile Diversion Officer Julie Beyer presented paperwork showing that she had been awarded a grant and the special conditions for it. Beyer was asking the approval of the Board for the Chairman to sign the paperwork. Moved Weller, second Jefferson to approve the Chairman signing of the grant award and special conditions. Roll Call: All Ayes.

RESOLUTION 2012-19: Treasurer Dunham presented RESOLUTION 2012-19 to have the Treasurer and County

Clerk create Fund 2375 Drug and Alcohol Testing Costs. This is not a tax asking fund but is money from court fees. Clerk Wichmann said that the Board will need to take \$1,700.00 from the Inheritance Fund to start this funds because cost are incurred before the court fees are collected. Weller asked if the \$1,700.00 would ever be paid back to the Inheritance Fund and Wichmann said that she was not sure as of yet how this was all going to work but would hope that it would be able to be paid back at some point. Moved Weller, second Graves, to approve RESOLUTION 2012-19 for the Treasurer and Clerk to create the Drug and Alcohol Testing Costs Fund 2375 and to take \$1,700.00 from the Inheritance Fund to start the Fund with the understanding that it will be looked into for the reimbursement of the \$1,700.00 to the Inheritance Fund for the new Funds start up. Roll Call: All Ayes.

County Treasurer budget: Weller said that the Treasurer had a 10% increase in wages and Weller asked Treasurer Dunham to explain about clerk two. Dunham said that Angela is carrying a load similar to Ann and is still way below in wages. She will go from \$10.40 to \$12.08 this budget. Husmann said that he has heard from the public that they like Angela working in the Treasurer's Office. Dunham said that her equipment budget went down and her mileage went down because she doesn't go to meetings in Ogallala.

Associated cost for operation of County Dispatch: City Administrator Chris Anderson and Chief of Police Dennis Waggoner were present. Weller asked Anderson if there was an interlocal between the City of Central City and the County for dispatch and Anderson's reply was no. The County Board had asked Sheriff Campbell to do a study and the study was given to the County Board and Anderson. Anderson said that the city residents pay the same as the county so he doesn't know why that would be split out. Anderson said he felt the study was misleading because he knows of eight counties that the county provides dispatch for the cities and that it is not extra. Anderson doesn't understand why the County would want the City to pay now. The Sheriff has approached Anderson about the proposal of the city paying for dispatch. Calls come into the city office Monday thru Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. but after that the county does the dispatching. Anderson doesn't think it is fair that people pay twice; the people of Central City pay 13% of the property taxes and Helgoth said that is 13% of the valuation. Weller said that they just wanted to talk face to face and to have good communication. Anderson said he thought the City and the County worked good together. The dispatch will stay the same as it is now.

Overlay bids: Highway Superintendent Meyer told the Board that he had looked through the general conditions according to state statute and that they could accept the bid and change the quantity but not the unit. County Attorney Homolka said that she had not been able to find that statute. Graves said he always thought you could go up 20% or down 20%. Gary Smith Construction had the lowest bid at \$611,628.70 and 20% off of that total would be \$489,403. Meyer said he change his budget figure for bituminous from \$420,000.00 to \$490,000.00 and lowered his structures and pipes budget from \$145,000.00 to \$75,000.00 and would still be able to do the bridges he planned on. Meyer said he shifted numbers in his budget and his total budget went down \$20,000.00. Helgoth moved to rescind the Chapman bid and start all over. Graves said that 90% of the work done with money from aide was on federal aide routes. Weller called for a point of order that Helgoth's motion died for lack of second. Moved Weller, second Graves to accept the unit price in schedule B of the Gary Smith Construction bid for the purpose of completing Clarks North and Silver Creek West with the combination of three inch asphalt overlay and 1 ½ inch asphalt overlay to meet the budget and authorize the Chairman to sign the contract. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Liquor License: Jason Van Hoosen with the Don't Care Bar & Grill asked for the Board's approval for a special liquor license for a wedding reception at Riverside Park Pavillion on Saturday, September 29, 2012. Moved Weller, second Jefferson to approve the special liquor license for the Don't Care Bar & Grill. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Yearly reviews for appointed officials: Moved Weller, second Graves to go into executive session for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual during personnel reviews at 11:42 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Weller, second Husmann to go out of executive session at 11:57 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Recess: Moved Weller, second Helgoth to recess for lunch at noon till 1:00 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Reconvene: Moved Weller, second Graves to reconvene at 1:02 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

August 2012 payroll: The August 2012 payroll was presented to the Board for approval: General: Gross: \$97,772.25 Net: \$69,988.82; Roads: Gross: \$43,730.37 Net: \$29,142.82; Juvenile Diversion: Gross: \$2,898.64 Net: \$2,601.71. Moved Helgoth, second Hahn to approve the August 2012 payroll as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Budget discussion: The County Clerk had added over \$105,000.00 to the revenue. Clerk Wichmann told the Board that because of the Secretary of State granting more all mail precincts she is able to reduce her election budget by \$4,740.00. There were no changes made to the Planning and Zoning, Assessor, or Reappraisal budgets. The Building and Grounds was reduced by \$36.97. Sheriff Campbell said he reduced his budget and gave a figure of \$212,788.00 for officer wages without hiring another officer and \$252,000.00 with the hiring of an officer. His previous figure was \$275,000. The Board said they would meet half way with him adding another officer in January putting his figure at

\$227,788.00. There was also \$5,000.00 subtracted from his budget for drug and alcohol costs because it will be taken out of a separate fund now instead of his sheriff budget. His budget was reduced by \$52,212.00. The County Clerk budget was reduced by \$3,639.00 in wages and \$800.00 in lodging and travel, for a total of \$4,439.00. Helgoth was absent at 3:04 p.m. The County Attorney budget was reduced by \$1,000.00 off of the coroner line, \$1,000 off of continued education, and \$1,000.00 off of travel for a total reduction of \$3,000.00. Weller said there were no other budgets that he saw a problem with. Husmann said that he didn't understand why the County Attorney and County Clerk had to cut their budgets when he felt there were other offices that should also be cut. Wichmann said the County Treasurer budget is budgeted tight. Treasurer Dunham bought new computers last year because she couldn't get parts anymore for the old computers she was using and when her printer was acting up she really was worried about spending \$300.00 for a printer for her front office. Dunham is not a person who buys new every three years. Cindy Hostler came before the Board for the extension office. The Extension budget was cut by \$1,530.00 in wages. The Miscellaneous budget was decreased by \$15,246.28 because the Road Department was asking for less tax dollars. The Inheritance Tax Fund had \$1,700.00 added as a transfer to be transferred into Fund 2375 Drug/Alcohol Costs to cover expenses until revenue comes in from fines collected. Weller did not see anything else in the other budgets to discuss. Clerk Wichmann will change the figures and take them to the accountant as the proposed budget numbers so that the accountant will be ready to meet with the Board on Tuesday, September 4, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.

Adjournment: Moved Weller, second Jefferson to adjourn at 4:26 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

September 4, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, September 4, 2012 at 9:01 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Weller and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:01 a.m.

Moved Weller, second Jefferson to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:01 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Pledge: Husmann led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Budget: Alvin Alms came before the Board and with the budget numbers that were proposed by the Board. Graves said he had the NIRMA insurance dividend figure for the revenue side of \$3,800.00 so that figure was changed on the budget from \$6,000.00 to \$3,800.00. The 2011-2012 property tax request was \$2,888,477.43 with a tax rate of 0.299129 and the 2012-2013 proposed property tax request is \$2,729,500.00 with a proposed tax rate of 0.258157. Moved Weller, second Graves to have a public hearing on the budget and budget summary and to set the final tax request on Tuesday, September 11, 2012 at 9:30 a.m. at the regular Board meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjourn: Moved Weller, second Graves to adjourn at 9:41 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

September 11, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, September 11, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Wiegert and Weller present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Moved Weller, second Graves to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Jefferson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:00 a.m.

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

Minutes: Moved Husmann, second Jefferson to approve the minutes as presented for August 28, 2012. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Tax Correction: Assessor Placke came before the board for approval on tax correction on #3633 for Anthony & Elaine Paczosa ID#423, Homestead Exemption adjusted per Department of Revenue. Tax correction #3634 for Craig & Shauna Czarnick ID #516 for a correction to a correction. Previously, they had said everything would be removed, however, only the mobile home has been removed. Tax corrections for #3635 for XME, Inc ID #2462, #3636 for Xavier Sliva ID #2463 and #3637 for Gary & Gerald Jones ID #2722, the city of Central City will eventually have in their name and the buildings will be demolished. Corner of 13th Street & 17th Avenue and the Jones building. Moved Hahn, second Husmann to approve of the tax corrections as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Graves, second Helgoth to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:05 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Trisha Fate-Strobel, Deputy County Clerk

September 11, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, September 11, 2012 at 9:10 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Weller, Husmann and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Moved Jefferson, second Graves to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:10 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:10 a.m.

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

Minutes: Moved Jefferson, second Weller to approve the minutes as presented for August 28th and September 4th. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting Reports: Hahn attended the Central Nebraska Joint Housing Authority meeting. Graves attended NIRMA meetings on Thursday & Friday of last week. Weller was in attendance at the Economic Development. Jefferson was at the Regional III & Advisory Board meetings. Wiegert was present at the Midland Area on Aging, he informed the board that the CEO, resigned at the meeting. He also attended the Central District Health Meeting on Monday evening.

Public Comment: Tammy Stuhr introduced herself as the new Extension Educator, she has worked in Extension Office in Seward County for thirteen years. This is a new position which she has held since August 20th and does not replace Darrell Siekman. 4-H will be her primary responsibility. She has extensive background working with county boards. Tammy will be working also with Polk, Hamilton and York counties. Training will be done by the end of October/beginning of November, she plans to be in Merrick County 3 days a week, work with the other counties on different days and work from home one day a week.

Public Hearing: Motion Weller, second Hahn to open the Public Hearing at 9:30 a.m. to discuss the adoption of the budget and set the final tax request for fiscal year 2012-2013. Roll Call: All Ayes. County Clerk Wichmann presented the board with the Levy Limit Form. The levy went down from last year. Last year was 0.299233 and this year it is 0.25817. Moved Weller, second Graves to go the extra 1% to 3.5%. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Hahn, second Jefferson to sign the resolution to adopt the budget. Husmann still does not agree with the money that went to the Assessor's office for the reappraisal. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Husmann, second Helgoth to adjourn from the Public Hearing at 9:42 a.m. Weller wanted to thank County Clerk Wichmann for her extensive work she did on the budget. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Woods & Aitken, LLP Contract: County Attorney Homolka stated the letter which was received from Woods & Aitkens,

LLP, basically says it is used for assistance regarding procedures for Grievance Board Hearings. Motion Husmann, second Graves to accept and have the Chairman sign the contract with Woods & Aitken, LLP. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Sophie Acres Subdivision: Planning & Zoning, Jennifer Myers came before the board for the approval of Sophie Acres Subdivision. This is a result of the interjurisdictional agreement with Hall County. Tract of land on Gunbarrel Road and south of Stolley Park Road. The boards approval will then be taken to the City Council in Grand Island tonight. Motion Husmann, second Graves to approve the Sophie Acre Subdivision in 19-11-8. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Clarks Lakes: Denny Walker met with the board and asked if there would be a way the county could help with snow removal at the Clarks Lakes when there is a considerable amount of snow that he would not be able to move himself. There are around 160 lots/homes at the lakes with approximately 16 owners that live there year round. Helgoth stated the board should at least consider it due to the large amount of taxes the owners pay. Walker stated he does have his own piece of equipment, but with large amounts of snow he would not be able to handle that. The land owners would be willing to pay the county for such a service. Not all of the roads would need to be addressed and he could also put up Snow Removal Signs. Walker said he could be a contact person for the lakes and he realizes they wouldn't be the first area to be addressed, but they would call when help is needed. Mike Meyers said the contract out for \$50/hr. Motion Hahn, second Helgoth to approve the road department to help the Clarks Lake area with snow removal when needed for \$50/hr. Roll Call: All Ayes. Walker then informed the board there were trimmed trees left in a ditch right south and east of Clarks. He said he could move them to the trash pile on Hwy 92/30. Meyers said he will look into the issue.

Silver Creek/Island: Tim Brock appeared to ask for advice & council regarding the islands west of the bridge on Hwy 39 has increased dramatically in size. The concern is with the property owners along the river & in Silver Creek with the issue of possible flooding & ice jams. Several years ago the NRD came out with very limited funding and made attempts to try and clear some of the foliage off of the islands. The islands have since grown along with trees & more foliage. They have contacted the Army Corp of Engineers, the Dept. of Roads and the NRD and at this particular time there is basically no money available. When he spoke with the Army Corp of Engineers they suggested a public sponsorship in order to get a study done to determine the severity of the problem and some remedy or relief as far as flood control. Brock wanted to invite anyone who could attend a meeting tomorrow, Wednesday, September 12th with the NRD at 10:30 a.m. at the Silver Creek Fire Hall. NRD will probably inform them what may be available as far as funding. Also, he invited anyone on the board to at least take the time to drive across the bridge and see the gravity of the situation. If possible, if the board is in agreement that there is a possible issue, to ask for a formal statement from the board to present to any entities that are available to us with funding, so the process can get started to get it cleaned out. The meeting was set up by State Senator Greg Adams and will most likely be in attendance. Homolka suggested the Emergency Management Director be called and invited to the meeting as well. Mike Meyer, Jim Helgoth and Jim Graves will plan on attending the meeting, Helgoth will give the EMD a call to inform her of the meeting.

2012 Inventories: Inventories that were due into the County Clerk's office by August 31, 2012 were presented for approval. Inventories were received from the County Attorney, Juvenile Diversion, Child Support, Treasurer, Assessor, Sheriff, Clerk of District Court, County Court, Probation, County Clerk, Building & Grounds, and Election Commissioner offices. Motion Graves, second Hahn to approve the inventories for the offices presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

RESOLUTION 2012-21: County Treasurer Dunham came before the board for approval of transferring \$32,000.00 from the General Fund to the Juvenile Diversion Fund that was budgeted and approved by Resolution. Motion Husmann, second Jefferson to approve the Resolution. Roll Call: All Ayes.

RESOLUTION 2012-20: County Treasurer Dunham asked for the approval for petty cash fund already approved by County Board in April, 2012 for \$500.00 at the suggestion of the State Auditor. Motion Weller, second Graves to approve Resolution 2012-20 for the petty cash. Roll Call: All Ayes.

The Security Report from the Treasurer was presented to the Board for their review.

August 2012 fees: The August 2012 fees from the Sheriff, Clerk of District Court, and County Clerk were presented to the Board for approval. Moved Hahn, second Graves to approve the August 2012 fees from the Sheriff, Clerk of District Court, and County Clerk as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

September 2012 claims: The September 2012 claims were submitted to the Board for their approval:

FUND	NAME	INVDESC	TOTCLAIMS
GENERAL			
	JOHN ROSS ABOLD	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
	JULIE L BELLIS	COURT COSTS	\$ 390.00
	DOROTHY D BENTON	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 2,696.25
	BOB BARKER COMPANY, INC	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 84.92
	BRADLEY,ELSBERND,ANDERSEN,KNEALE	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 142.50
	KEVIN CAMPBELL	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00

CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/SHERIFF ACT	CAR REPAIR	\$ 116.28
CENTRAL CITY MALL	FUEL	\$ 64.73
CENTRAL CITY MALL	POSTAL/SUPPLY	\$ 1,028.92
CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT	\$ 2,307.10
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	\$ 20.99
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	\$ 13.96
RYLLIE CHRISTENSON	PT JANITOR	\$ 210.00
TODD CHURCH	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	UTILITIES	\$ 3,952.16
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY	JAIL UTILITIES	\$ 24.81
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/CC	COURT COSTS	\$ 297.69
DELL MARKETING L.P.	SUPPLIES	\$ 738.08
RYAN DUNCAN	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES/EQUIP	\$ 308.49
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 9.87
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 13.18
ECO WATER SYSTEMS	OFFICE WATER	\$ 185.00
FARM & HOME PUBLISHERS LTD	PLAT BOOKS	\$ 333.00
FLEET SERVICES	FUEL	\$ 2,168.19
	CO	
MIKE FUEHRER/CO LEGION COMMANDER	GOVERNMENT	\$ 236.49
GRAND ISLAND RADIOLOGY ASSOCIATES	PRISONER BRD	\$ 31.00
LINDA GREGER	DIRECTOR-SS	\$ 135.00
D.L. HAHN	MILEAGE	\$ 66.60
HALL COUNTY CORRECTIONS	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 275.00
HANSON GRIME STOPPERS	CLEANING SRVC	\$ 1,862.56
HAYS SURVEYING LLC	GIS	\$ 25.30
HERK'S WELDING INC	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 70.00
HOLIDAY INN OF KEARNEY	LODGING	\$ 218.85
LYNELLE HOMOLKA	POSTAGE/PHONE	\$ 35.75
HOST COFFEE SERVICE	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 75.95
WONDER BREAD/HOSTESS BAKERY OUTLET	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 47.82
IBM CORPORATION	AS400 LEASE	\$ 5,197.72
IT INNOVATIONS	DATA RECOVERY	\$ 50.00
JACKSON SERVICES	SERVICE SUPPLY	\$ 154.00
JENSEN PUBLISHING	SUPPLIES	\$ 131.53
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 549.11
JENSEN PUBLISHING	NOTICE/SUPPLY	\$ 324.50
JENSEN PUBLISHING	NOTARY STAMP	\$ 33.02
JENSEN PUBLISHING/P&Z	PUBLICATION	\$ 22.81
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/P&Z	PUBLICATION	\$ 15.12
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	\$ 487.76
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	\$ 30.00
LAURITSEN,BROWNELL,BROSTROM,STEHLIK	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 2,977.50
MARLENE S LEE	MILEAGE	\$ 148.74
LEXISNEXIS	LAW LIBRARY	\$ 226.00
LITZENBERG/HOSPITAL OPERATING	SUPPORT	\$ 8,333.33
MAYER, BURNS, KOENIG & JANULEWICZ	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 1,790.00

MCILNAY AND COMPANY	PLUMBING	\$ 65.49
MERRICK CO. CLERK	SUPPLIES	\$ 16.00
MERRICK CO. COURT	COURT COSTS	\$ 301.00
MERRICK CO. EXTENSION SERVICE	PHONE/TRAVEL	\$ 544.10
MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	PROP TX TRANS	\$ 81,382.09
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 385.67
MID AMERICAN BENEFITS,INC	INS DEDUCT	\$ 1,040.14
	MEMBER	
MIDLAND AREA AGENCY ON AGING	SUPPORT	\$ 6,002.00
MIDWEST MAILING SYSTEMS INC	SUPPLIES	\$ 235.00
MIPS INC.	COMP SUPPORT	\$ 2,948.04
MIPS INC.	SUPPLIES	\$ 250.88
NACO	REGISTRATION	\$ 40.00
NE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT ASSOC	EDUCATION	\$ 140.00
NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB	DRUG TESTING	\$ 196.00
NEBRASKA SHERIFF'S ASSOC.	DUES	\$ 195.00
NEBRASKA HEATING & AIR, INC	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 266.27
KAREN NELSON	SUPPLIES	\$ 26.37
NORM'S U SAVE PHARMACY	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 6.49
NSBA	EDUCATION	\$ 55.00
	ELEVATOR	
NT&T	PHONE	\$ 36.41
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 59.18
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 71.65
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 70.19
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 94.27
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 56.92
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 47.64
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 108.72
	COURTHOUSE	
NT&T	FAX	\$ 45.40
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 45.84
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 56.15
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 189.99
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES/EQUIP	\$ 180.62
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 251.87
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 92.97
OFFICENET	EQUIP RENTAL	\$ 428.50
OFFICENET,INC.	SUPPLIES	\$ 1,033.65
C. JO PETERSEN	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 435.00
JAN PLACKE	TRAVEL/MEALS	\$ 101.74
PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	REPAIR/EQUIP	\$ 481.00
BETH PULLEN	SUBSCRIPTION	\$ 179.40
	CONTRACT	
CORWIN A ROSCOE	SRVCS	\$ 1,241.67
S&W PEST MANAGEMENT	PEST CONTROL	\$ 53.25
SAM'S CLUB DIRECT	SUPPLIES/MISC	\$ 524.82
SECURUS	COMMISSARY	\$ 459.00

SEVEN SPRINGS INC	OFFICE WATER	\$ 31.00
SHAWN'S AUTO REPAIR,LLC	CAR REPAIR	\$ 538.44
SIRCHIE FINGERPRINT LABORATORIES	SUPPLIES	\$ 68.90
SOFTWARE UNLIMITED CORPORATION	EQUIPMENT	\$ 256.00
DAVID SULLIVAN	UNIFORM/MEALS	\$ 150.21
SURVEY RECORD REPOSITORY	SUPPLIES	\$ 20.00
SVEHLA THOMAS RAUERT & GRAFTON PC	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 4,328.82
T.O. HAAS TIRE CO.	CAR REPAIR	\$ 91.65
TEXT & DATA TECHNOLOGIES INC.	VINE	\$ 1,000.00
TYCO INTEGRATED SECURITY LLC	ADT SECURITY	\$ 1,418.85
U.S. BANK	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 245.39
USA COMMUNICATIONS	COMMISSARY	\$ 55.45
VISA	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 368.31
WAGNER FUNERAL HOME INC	CORONER	\$ 300.00
REX WELLER	MILEAGE	\$ 49.95
MARCIA WICHMANN	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 109.92
YORK CO. SHERIFF	COURT COSTS	\$ 7.50
TOTAL		\$ 148,259.36

ROADS

AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.	FUEL	\$ 3,381.80
BOMGAARS	SUPPLY/REPAIR	\$ 265.27
BOSSELMAN INC/ROADS	FUEL-OIL	\$ 32,812.30
CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/ROADS	REPAIR/SUPPLY	\$ 49.10
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 9.75
JAMES CEPLECHA	MILEAGE	\$ 12.21
DINKEL IMPLEMENT CO	EQUIP RENTAL	\$ 1,805.40
FASTENAL CO	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 37.91
FILTER CARE	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 31.60
GARY SMITH CONSTRUCTION CO. INC.	ASPHALTIC	\$ 464.15
GILBARCO INC	FUEL	\$ 17.00
JIM HAAG	MILEAGE	\$ 66.60
HANSEN INTERNATIONAL TRUCK INC	REPAIR & LABOR	\$ 2,255.25
HERK'S WELDING SHOP	REPAIR & LABOR	\$ 233.64
HUSKER CO-OP	FUEL	\$ 1,230.23
CHRIS HUSTON	MILEAGE	\$ 5.55
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 39.75
JACKSON LINEN SERVICE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 72.84
SCOTT JORGENSON	CDL RENEWAL	\$ 31.25
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/ROADS	PUBLISHING	\$ 99.41
K & S TOOL SERVICE	SHOP TOOLS	\$ 148.00
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	ROADS-POSTAGE	\$ 200.00
MICHAEL MEYER	MILEAGE	\$ 463.43
MID AMERICAN BENEFITS,INC	ROADS	\$ 61.21
MILLER & ASSOCIATES	ENGINEER FEES	\$ 5,127.04
NE DEPT. OF ROADS	SIGNS & POSTS	\$ 982.96
NEBR. MACHINERY CO.	RENTAL/REPAIR	\$ 11,901.40
NEBR. PETERBILT - FORD	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 53.25
NT&T/SHOP	TELEPHONE	\$ 48.42

NT&T/ROADS	TELEPHONE	\$ 55.64
OVERLAND SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	\$ 8,532.72
PALMER SERVICE CENTER	FUEL	\$ 1,875.60
PALSER SERVICE/ROADS	TIRES	\$ 303.80
POLK COUNTY RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	ELECTRICITY	\$ 29.46
JOHN E PROSOSKI	LAND RENTAL	\$ 120.00
RADIANT HEATING SYSTEMS INC	BLDGING REPAIR	\$ 812.15
SAPP BROS. PETROLEUM	FUEL	\$ 1,731.12
SHAWN'S AUTO REPAIR,LLC	REPAIR & LABOR	\$ 135.95
SOURCEGAS,LLC	HEATING	\$ 104.83
SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	ELECTRICITY	\$ 395.77
VERIZON WIRELESS	TELEPHONE	\$ 48.75
VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN	ELECTRICITY	\$ 41.55
WELDON PARTS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 285.87
XEROX CORPORATION	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 61.73
YANT EQUIPMENT	FUEL	\$ 40.00
ZEE MEDICAL SERVICE CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 113.25
TOTAL		\$ 76,594.91

LODGING

ABC CLUB	VISITORS PROMO	\$ 150.00
CC AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	VISITORS PROMO	\$ 1,750.00
CHAPMAN C.I.A. C/O LARRY COATES	VISITORS PROMO	\$ 150.00
CLARKS BEAN DAYS	VISITORS PROMO	\$ 150.00
JENSENS PUBLISHING	PUBLISHING	\$ 3.45
PALMER COMMERCIAL CLUB	VISITORS PROMO	\$ 150.00
RIVER RATS JEEP JAMBOREE	VISITORS PROMO	\$ 100.00
TOTAL		\$ 2,453.45

JUVENILE DIVERSION

JULIE BEYER	CELL PHONE	\$ 30.00
CNCAA	EDUCATION	\$ 28.00
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	JUVDIV-POSTAGE	\$ 14.00
QUILL	SUPPLIES	\$ 196.52
SEARCH INSTITUTE	SUPPLIES	\$ 107.40
VISTAPRINT USA	SUPPLIES	\$ 32.04
TOTAL		\$ 407.96

INHERITANCE

CENTRAL PLATTE RESOURCE	FLOOD CONTROL	\$ 7,701.26
	ANNUAL	
GIS WORKSHOP	SUPPORT	\$ 1,925.00
HAMILTON TELECOMMUNICATIONS	INTERNET SRVC	\$ 154.85
TOTAL		\$ 9,781.11

BUILDING PROJECT

LOVE SIGNS	CONSTRUCT	
	COST	\$ 502.41
TOTAL		\$ 502.41

E911

AS CENTRAL SERVICES OCIO	EQUIP SERVICES	\$ 448.00
CENTURY LINK	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 236.48

CENTURYLINK	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 414.27
CITY OF G.I. UTILITIES DEPT	UTILITIES	\$ 7.00
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE	\$ 63.30
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 91.91
MCI	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 51.07
NNTC	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 139.14
NT&T	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 632.71
TOTAL		\$ 2,083.88

Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the September 2012 claims as submitted. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjournment: Moved Helgoth, second Husmann to adjourn at 11:42 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Trisha Fate-Strobel, Deputy County Clerk

September 25, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, September 25, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Wiegert and Weller present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Moved Weller, second Graves to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Hahn led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:00 a.m.

Agenda: Moved Jefferson, second Helgoth to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes. Husmann present at 9:03 a.m.

Minutes: Moved Graves, second Helgoth to approve the minutes as presented for September 11, 2012. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Vehicle Exemption: Moved Graves second Hahn to move into open hearing for a vehicle exemption at 9:05 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Ann Borgheiinck from the Treasurer's Office brought before the board an exemption request for a 2005 GMC Crew Pickup for Covenant Cedars Bible Camp. Moved Husmann, second Jefferson to approve the exemption request for Covenant Cedars Bible Camp. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Graves, second Jefferson to go out of public hearing at 9:07 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Husmann, second Helgoth to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:07 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Trisha Fate-Strobel, Deputy County Clerk

September 25, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, September 25, 2012 at 9:10 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Weller, Husmann and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Moved Weller, second Graves to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:10 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:10 a.m.

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

Minutes: Moved Weller, second Husmann to approve the minutes as presented for September 11, 2012. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting Reports: Hahn, Graves & Wiegert went to Kearney last Thursday for the Central District Fall Meeting with the main topic being the Inheritance Fund which Gov. Dave Heineman is pushing. Senators Dubas, Adams and Carlson were speakers. Weller attended the Economic Development meeting. Helgoth, Graves were in attendance in Silver Creek along with Surveyor Mike Meyer to discuss the island situation under Hwy 39. Helgoth thought it was a very productive meeting. The brush will be removed and the island will be disked over under Hwy 39. The impression was the project was going to start right away. Helgoth also attended the Central Nebraska Community Service meeting last Tuesday. Jefferson had a hospital meeting, but will be unable to attend Wednesday morning's meeting. Helgoth had missed the Emergency Management meeting on Monday, but he did phone Dennis Jarecke to be informed on what had transpired. The main concern was the Emergency Management Officer using the car for personal use.

Officials Reports: Weed Superintendent Corwin Roscoe presented the board with the Helicopter and Airboat Reports for the river, from Columbus to Central City and Central City to Grand Island. The helicopter approximate costs are 12.2 hrs/300 acres from Columbus to Central City for \$24,095.00 with herbicide an estimated cost of \$9,750.00. Central City to Grand Island is approximately 2.9 hrs/30 acres for \$5,727.50 and herbicide costs at \$975.00 which will be furnished by Platte County Weed Control Association of which they do have grants. Airboat approximate costs for Silver Creek to Clarks is 300 gallons/6 acres at 12.10/hrs with estimated cost at \$3,025.00. Clarks to Central City was not completed due to lack of water in the Platte River. County Attorney Homolka attended a conference called, "Protect Our Children" in Omaha from Wednesday to Friday of last week. It covered investigating and prosecuting child abuse. Dave Pelzer, Author of "A Child Called It" was the motivational speaker. Homolka also stated Julie Beyer with Juvenile Diversion is talking with Hamilton County. They are attempting to create a Juvenile Diversion program and may ask Beyer to oversee the program.

Delinquent Tax List: Ann Borgheiinck from the Treasurer's Office, passed around to the board the Delinquent Tax list for

them to sign.

Pledge Security Agreement: Ann Borgheiinck from the Treasurer's Office submitted the Pledge Security report for the board's viewing.

Interlocal Agreement: Road Superintendent Mike Meyer stated the Interlocal Agreement with Nance County for the overlay at site 1, Silver Creek NW, Project #RUR-2490(4) needed to be signed by the Chairman. This Agreement simply states Merrick County would reimburse Nance County for Merrick County's share. Motion Jefferson, second Helgoth to sign the Interlocal Agreement with Nance County. Roll Call: All Ayes.

2012 Inventories: Inventories were received from Planning & Zoning, Roads & Surveyor which were due August 31, 2012 in the County Clerk's Office, were brought before the board for approval. Mike Meyer said there was a correction on his inventory for roads. The 143H Motor Grader was traded in for the 140M Motor Grader and is no longer in his inventory. Moved Hahn, second Graves to approve the 2012 inventories for Planning & Zoning, Roads & Surveyor with Roads correction of the of the addition of the 140M motor grader and the deletion of the 143M motor grader. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Stanard Appraisal: Assessor Placke provided Stanard Appraisal's contract for maintenance for \$17,088.00, residential appraisals for Central City for \$34,782.00 and commercial appraisals for \$55,556.00. Husmann stated he did not understand how the budget versus the proposed budget went up \$3,000.00. Placke said she had underestimated the number of parcels, so the contract states if there are more parcels looked at than what is in the contract, the county is charged for those at an extra cost. Placke lowered the number of parcels and if there are not that many parcels looked at, the contract remains the same. This year there is an increase due to commercial reappraisals and the City of Central City reappraisal, which was not done last year and costs are going up. Placke has cut her budget \$20,000 this year and is operating with less help. Motion Hahn, second Weller to approve the contract's for Stanard Appraisal. Roll Call: Helgoth, Husmann, Graves, Wiegert Ayes. Nays: Husmann. Motion Carried.

Bader Park: Weller wanted to talk about the budget for Bader Park. The Platte Peer Group has a budget that is over \$90,000.00. Merrick County budgets for \$5000.00 for the park and then Bader Park works with income from the park. Homolka stated Pat Carlson thought the contract/Interlocal Agreement needed to be reviewed 2013.

Part Time Deputy: Sheriff Campbell approached the board of the possibility of hiring a part-time female Deputy. The individual is a FTO (Field Training Officer) and was previously a Sergeant in Schuyler. To maintain the Nebraska Certification, the officer would have to work a minimum of 101 hrs. Campbell feels having a female hold this position would be beneficial for any female prisoner and/or victim. There is funding in the Sheriff's Deputy budget to uphold this part-time deputy position. This would basically be an on-call type of position. The only other expense would be a female bullet proof vest, the standard uniform would be used from inventory currently on hand. Campbell has offered a full-time Chief Deputy position to a person, and he has accepted the position, however, he has not started as of today. The tentative start date will be Oct. 15, 2012.

September 2012 Payroll: The September 2012 payroll was presented to the board for their approval.

The September 2012 payroll was as follows: General: Gross: \$95,529.29 Net: \$68,155.53; Roads: Gross: \$44,271.72 Net: \$29,502.81; Juvenile Diversion: Gross: \$2,331.33 Net: \$2,086.80. Motion Weller, second Graves to approve the September 2012 payroll as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjourn: Motion Helgoth, second Weller to adjourn at 11:16 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Trisha Fate-Strobel, Deputy County Clerk

October 9, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, October 9, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Wiegert and Weller present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Moved Graves, second Helgoth to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Weller led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:00 a.m.

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

Minutes: Moved Jefferson, second Hahn to approve the minutes as presented for September 25, 2012. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Vehicle Exemption Hearing: Moved Graves second Hahn to move into open hearing for a vehicle exemption at 9:05 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Treasurer Dunham presented the board with an application for exemption for Central City Baptist Church for a 1989 Chevrolet Sport van and a 1999 Ford Econoline Wagon. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the vehicle exemptions for Central City Baptist Church. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Jefferson, second Graves to go out of the vehicle exemption hearing at 9:06 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Levies RESOLUTION 2012-24: Clerk Wichmann presented RESOLUTION 2012-24 approving the Merrick County levies.

Moved Weller, second Helgoth to approve the signing of RESOLUTION 2012-24 to approve the Merrick County levies. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjournment: Moved Hahn, second Jefferson to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:09 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

October 9, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, October 9, 2012 at 9:12 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Weller, Husmann and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Moved Weller, second Graves to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:12 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:12 a.m.

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

Minutes: Husmann said there was an error that needed to be corrected on the minutes from September 25, 2012. He said that he did not vote to approve the Stanard Appraisal contracts, in fact he voted against them. Weller and Jefferson's names were omitted from the aye vote. Moved Hahn, second Graves to approve the September 25, 2012 minutes with the corrections. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting reports: Graves attended the September 26, 2012 hospital meeting and the NIRMA meeting October 3, 4, and 5th; Weller attended the SCEDD district meeting at Aurora ; Helgoth and Wiegert attended the NIRMA Self Defense meeting in Kearney on October 4th and 5th; Husmann and Hahn attended the Senior Center meeting.

Officials reports: Corwin Roscoe, Weed Superintendent, said he would be in Hastings 3 days next week for fall training. County Attorney Homolka and County Clerk Wichmann attended the NIRMA Self Defense meeting in Kearney and Wichmann said that they were told at the meeting that the IRS is auditing counties. Hamilton was just audited and they advised to have Pam Bourne, who is an attorney out of Omaha and she has the NIRMA hotline, come out and audit before the IRS comes. Wichmann thought the fee would be \$4,000.00 to \$5,000.00 to have Bourne come out. Board would like Wichmann to find out what Bourne would charge and to put this on the next agenda.

Hospital update: Tad Hunt did not attend the board meeting today. Graves reported that the hospital had hired an outside company to handle the hospitals account receivables and the company receives a certain percentage of what they collect.

Vending machine: The Litzenberg Hospital had a vending machine at the courthouse and they filled it. The hospital is no longer doing that and Beth Pullen said that Lori Johnson from the hospital had called her a few months ago and asked if she thought the county would like to have a cold vending machine with healthier options. Pullen said that she took a poll of the county offices and found out they would. Boyd's came to the courthouse and put in a machine with the junk food that they

had before and doubled the prices. The hospital gets 5% of the profits. Pullen also said that the hospital had Boyd's put in a cold vending machine at the hospital. Pullen didn't think the hospital should be able to bring in an outside vendor without prior board approval. Graves said that he thought the county should be a portion of the profits not the hospital. Johnson had told Pullen that the old machine would be given to the 4H. The Board asked Pullen to contact Boyd's to see about getting a cold vending machine and see about getting the 5% percent instead of the hospital and come back to the next board meeting with the information. Graves told Pullen that they would like to close a corner of the hearing room to make another room. Graves wanted to know if the judge would be O.K. with that. Pullen said that the last three times they have had to use the hearing room because District Court was in session there were people standing in the back because there was not enough room for more chairs. They also have mental health hearings in there.

Surplus in store room on second floor: There are empty computer boxes, old computers, table and metal cabinet in the second floor store that need to be surplused and moved. The room is and will be used for elections and there will not be enough room if these things are not removed. Hahn asked if Wichmann had contacted the offices that had things in there about removing them and Wichmann said no that was up to the Board to do. The offices that have items that need to be removed are the Assessor and Planning and Zoning. Moved Weller, second Jefferson to give the County Clerk the directive to send out letters to the other offices to remove the extra surplus in the second floor storage room. Roll Call: All Ayes. Weller asked Wichmann to put the surplus of the copy machine that is in the Supervisors Room on the next agenda.

Fairview Cemetery management: Homolka said that she had been approached by a couple of people that were trying to get records of their family in the Fairview Cemetery. Homolka had contacted Ed Sweet and Sweet informed Homolka that he no longer wants to take care of the cemetery. Sweet was to have turned in the cemetery records to the County Clerk's Office by last Monday and there is an account at a bank with \$100.00. Nothing has been turned in as of yet. Helgoth asked Homolka to contact James Papik the attorney for Clarks and talk to him about Clarks taking care of the cemetery.

Child Support Office: Julie Beyer, Juvenile Diversion Officer had been approached about sharing part of her office with Child Support. Beyer said there has been a new development. Hamilton County is looking at contracting with Merrick County to handle their Juvenile Diversion and the Hamilton County Attorney has told Beyer that there could be as many as 30 referrals a year. Beyer said that if they would contract with Merrick County she would need to hire a part time person to help her and she would need all of her room. Another problem is that the furniture currently in her office was paid for by grant money from the Nebraska Crime Commission. It will not fit in any smaller space and she would have to contact the Crime Commission to see what she would have to do with the furniture. Beyer had drawn up a blueprint of how to divide her current space to make room for Child Support but both would have to be entered from the County Attorney's Office. Helgoth said he did not like the idea of people having people going through the County Attorney's Office to get to Child Support and Juvenile Diversion. Beyer meets with most of her clients in the late afternoon and evenings. The Child Support Office currently has 136 square feet but needs to move because of Probation. Hahn, Graves, and Helgoth will look into this and discuss it with the rest of the Board at the next Board meeting.

RESOLUTION 2012-23: RESOLUTION 2012-23 is for the Nance County resurfacing project and this resolution is needed to make Highway Superintendent Mike Meyer the responsible charge person. Nance County has already signed their part. Moved Graves, second Husmann to approve and have the Chairman sign RESOLUTION 2012-23 for the Nance County resurfacing project making Highway Superintendent Mike Meyer the responsible charge person. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2012-23 is on file in the County Clerk's Office for public viewing.

Road equipment costs: Highway Superintendent Meyer presented the Board with the equipment cost report from July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012. Meyer told the Board the everything stayed the same or were lower.

Bids for overhead doors for County Shop: Highway Superintendent Meyer presented two bids for two overhead doors on the east side of the main shop because the tracks on the old ones are shot and a bid on the south overhead door. The bids came from Pioneer and Overhead Door. The openers are \$800.00 a piece and Meyers said they do not need new openers at this time. Pioneer wants the shop to prep the openings for each door and Overhead said they will do their own. There are two doors that measure 14.2 by 12 and one that is 16.2 by 12.10. Meyer said it would cost the County \$2,000.00 to prep the openings for all three doors. The bids were Pioneer \$6,668.00 and the County prep openings and Overhead Door for \$7,943.00. Moved Weller, second Husmann to accept the bid from Overhead Door for \$7,943.00 for all three shop doors. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Helgoth said that he would like to have a yearly building inspection done at the County Shop by the County Board.

Minimum maintenance road: The road in question is a minimum maintenance road between 6th and 7th Roads on "K" Road. Weller said that the road is in Husmann's area but Palmer Public School got ahold of him and asked if the minimum maintenance road could be reclassified so the bus routes can be shortened and the school bus can use this road. Highway Superintendent Meyer said that the will have to do a resolution asking for the reclassification of the road, why they want to change it and the legal description and then the resolution if passed by the County Board will have to be sent to Lincoln. Meyer said that he will have a resolution at the next board meeting for this.

RESOLUTION 2012-22: RESOLUTION 2012-22 is to proclaim the month of October 2012 as Cyber Security Awareness Month. Moved Weller, second Jefferson to approve RESOLUTION 2012-22 proclaiming October 2012 as Cyber Security

Awareness Month. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2012-22 is on file in the County Clerk's Office for public viewing.

Extension Inventory: County Clerk Wichmann presented the Extension 2012 Inventory to the Board for their approval.

Moved Helgoth, second Weller to approve the Extension 2012 Inventory. Roll Call: All Ayes.

September 2012 fees: The September 2012 fees from the Sheriff, Clerk of District Court, and County Clerk were presented to the Board for their approval. Moved Helgoth, second Graves to approve the September 2012 fees from the Sheriff, Clerk of District Court, and County Clerk. Roll Call: All Ayes.

October 2012 claims: The October 2012 claims were presented to the Board for approval:

FUND	NAME	INVDESC	TOTCLAIMS
GENERAL			
	JOHN ROSS ABOLD	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
	ALVIN P ALMS & COMPANY	BUDGET ASSIST	\$ 3,300.00
	ANDERSON BROS ELECTRIC	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 736.13
	AURORA COOPERATIVE	LAWN CARE	\$ 204.90
	DOROTHY D BENTON	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 1,050.00
	GARY BERRY	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 252.42
	BRADLEY,ELSBERND,ANDERSEN,KNEALE	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 405.00
	KEVIN CAMPBELL	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
	JESSIE CARLSON	MH BOARD	\$ 75.00
	CENTEC CAST METAL PRODUCTS	GRAVE MARKERS	\$ 488.72
	CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/SHERIFF ACT	CAR REPAIR	\$ 14.26
	CENTRAL CITY MAIN ST	LAWN CARE	\$ 64.73
	CENTRAL CITY MALL	SUPPLIES	\$ 5.59
	CENTRAL CITY MALL	FUEL	\$ 64.73
	CENTRAL CITY MALL	PRISON BRD/POS	\$ 610.97
	CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT	\$ 2,307.10
	CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	PLAT BOOKS	\$ 12.37
	CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	LAWN CARE	\$ 255.29
	CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	\$ 45.16
	TODD CHURCH	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
	CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	UTILITIES	\$ 3,000.34
	CITY OF CENTRAL CITY	JAIL UTILITIES	\$ 86.47
	CLARK BROS SANITATION, INC	GARBAGE SRVC	\$ 129.52
	CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/CC	SUPPLIES	\$ 709.80
	RACHEL A DAUGHERTY	MH BOARD	\$ 208.83
	DEPARTMENT OF PATHOLOGY	CORONER	\$ 250.00
	DES MOINES STAMP MANUFACTURING INC	SUPPLIES	\$ 54.95
	AMANDA DJERNES	MEALS	\$ 17.25
	DRUG FUND	PUBLICATION	\$ 254.85
		BALLOT	
	DUGAN BUSINESS FORMS	PRODUCT	\$ 3,179.30
	RYAN DUNCAN	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
	KAREN DUNHAM	SUPPLIES/MLG	\$ 92.95
	EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 16.60
	ECO WATER SYSTEMS	OFFICE WATER	\$ 131.00
	JAMES M EGR	MH BOARD	\$ 133.83
		BALLOT	
	ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	PRODUCT	\$ 2,370.13
	FLEET SERVICES	FUEL	\$ 1,651.49
	THERESA GOOD	MILEAGE/DUES	\$ 261.35

GRAND ISLAND INDEPENDENT	COURT COSTS	\$ 43.80
JIM L GRAVES	MILEAGE	\$ 74.93
LINDA GREGER	SERVICE DIRECT	\$ 135.00
D.L. HAHN	MILEAGE	\$ 66.60
HALL COUNTY CORRECTIONS	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 55.00
HALL COUNTY COURT-DISTRICT NINE	COURT EXPENSE	\$ 7.75
HAMPTON INN / KEARNEY	LODGING	\$ 154.00
HANSON GRIME STOPPERS	CLEANING SRVC	\$ 1,881.00
HERK'S WELDING SHOP	SUPPLIES	\$ 268.50
LYNELLE HOMOLKA	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 291.92
HOST COFFEE SERVICE	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 48.00
WONDER BREAD/HOSTESS BAKERY OUTLET	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 18.00
HOWARD CO SHERIFF	COURT COSTS	\$ 19.17
ROBERT HUSMANN	MILEAGE	\$ 133.20
HUSTON & HIGGINS	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 2,670.00
ISLAND GLASS CO	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 410.00
JACKSON SERVICES	SERVICE SUPPLY	\$ 154.00
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 36.62
JENSEN PUBLISHING	SUPPLIES	\$ 60.00
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 655.50
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 230.93
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 43.80
JENSEN PUBLISHING/P&Z	PUBLICATION	\$ 10.37
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	\$ 97.50
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	ELECTION PUB	\$ 429.38
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/P&Z	PUBLICATION	\$ 10.31
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	\$ 16.20
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	\$ 414.98
BRIAN KLUCK	MH BOARD	\$ 459.60
LAURITSEN,BROWNELL,BROSTROM,STEHLIK	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 1,950.00
MARLENE S LEE	MLG/EDUC MLG	\$ 182.46
LEXISNEXIS	LAW LIBRARY	\$ 226.00
LITZENBERG/HOSPITAL OPERATING	SUPPORT	\$ 8,333.33
MARY LIVINGSTON	MH BOARD	\$ 177.75
MAYER, BURNS, KOENIG & JANULEWICZ	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 405.00
MCI	TELEPHONE	\$ 52.16
MCILNAY & CO	PLUMBING REPR	\$ 112.35
MERRICK CO. CLERK	RECORDING FEES	\$ 5.50
MERRICK CO. COURT	COURT COSTS	\$ 346.00
MERRICK CO. EXTENSION SERVICE	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 2,001.82
MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	PROP TX TRANS	\$ 81,496.64
MERRICK CO. HISTORIC SOCIETY	SUPPORT	\$ 5,500.00
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 211.80
MICHAEL MEYER	EDUCATION/MLG	\$ 100.00
MID AMERICAN BENEFITS,INC	INSURANCE REIM	\$ 1,409.91
MIPS INC.	COMP SUPPORT	\$ 2,948.04
MIPS INC.	EQUIPMENT	\$ 122.80
MYERS & DAUGHERTY, PC, LLO	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 645.00

JENNIFER MYERS	MILEAGE	\$ 237.54
NACO	REGISTRATION	\$ 522.00
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NACO/NAT'L ASSOC. OF COUNTIES	DUES	\$ 400.00
NE EMERGENCY SERV COMMUN ASSOC	EDUCATION	\$ 170.00
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	INSTITUTIONS	\$ 555.00
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 36.41
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 70.13
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 70.12
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 66.77
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 57.06
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 43.27
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 104.58
	COURTHOUSE	
NT&T	FAX	\$ 43.77
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 652.89
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 53.49
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 75.08
OFFICE SYSTEMS CO.	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 300.00
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 278.13
OFFICENET	EQUIPMENT	\$ 148.68
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 73.06
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 62.20
OFFICENET,INC.	RENTAL/SUPPLY	\$ 344.95
C. JO PETERSEN	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 480.00
PINNACLE BANK CC	SUPPLIES	\$ 73.79
PINNACLE BANK	SUPPLIES	\$ 45.31
RAMADA INN	LODGING	\$ 138.00
JAN I REEVES	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 1,642.50
REGION III BEHAVIORIAL HEALTH SERV	2ND QTR SUPP	\$ 4,147.64
	CONTRACT	
CORWIN A ROSCOE	SRVCS	\$ 1,241.67
S&W PEST MANAGEMENT	PEST CONTROL	\$ 53.25
SAM'S CLUB DIRECT	COMMISSARY	\$ 955.21
SAMPSON, CURRY & TWISS P.C.	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 292.50
SECURUS	COMMISSARY	\$ 485.63
SEVEN SPRINGS INC	OFFICE WATER	\$ 8.00
SHRED MONSTER INC	SHREDDING	\$ 58.00
STANARD APPRAISAL SERVICE, INC.	REAPPRAISAL	\$ 10,036.00
	MAINT	
STROMSBURG SOFT WATER	AGREEMNT	\$ 63.00
DAVID SULLIVAN	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
SVEHLA THOMAS RAUERT & GRAFTON PC	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 540.00
U.S. BANK	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 572.34
USA COMMUNICATIONS	COMMISSARY	\$ 55.45
VISA	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 196.77
REX WELLER	MILEAGE	\$ 102.12
MARCIA WICHMANN	TRAVEL/SUPPLY	\$ 79.92

ROGER WIEGERT	MILEAGE	\$ 178.71
WOODS & AITKEN LLP	MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 1,790.50
TOTAL		\$ 165,315.09

ROADS

	RD	
AGRICULTURAL SERVICES INC	MAINTENANCE	\$ 34.00
AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.	FUEL	\$ 3,258.00
BOMGAARS	SUPPLIES/SIGNS	\$ 258.17
BOSSELMAN INC/ROADS	OIL & GREASE	\$ 341.84
CALIFORNIA CONTRACTORS SUPPLIES INC	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 238.80
CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 7.99
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 12.98
CLARKS LUMBER CO./ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 24.00
COMPUTER CONCEPTS INC.	OFFICE REPAIR	\$ 80.00
DINKEL IMPLEMENT CO	EQUIP RENTAL	\$ 1,490.34
FILTER CARE	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 42.50
RANDY FUEHRER	MILEAGE	\$ 71.61
GARY SMITH CONSTRUCTION CO. INC.	ASPHALTIC SURF	\$ 245,000.00
GILBARCO INC	FUEL	\$ 17.00
GREEN LINE EQUIPMENT OF CC/ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 70.05
GROSSHANS, INC./ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 8.18
JIM HAAG	MISC EXPENSE	\$ 55.42
HERK'S WELDING SHOP	39037	\$ 361.47
HUSKER CO-OP	FUEL	\$ 1,460.78
ISLAND SUPPLY CO.	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 125.24
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 39.75
JACKSON LINEN SERVICE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 24.28
K & S TOOL SERVICE	SHOP TOOLS	\$ 79.98
MICHAEL MEYER	1190 @ .555/ML	\$ 660.45
MID AMERICAN BENEFITS,INC	ROADS	\$ 194.49
NEBR. MACHINERY CO.	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 303.40
NE MOTOR FUELS DIVISION	RD FUEL TAX	\$ 829.00
NT&T/SHOP	TELEPHONE	\$ 47.96
NT&T/ROADS	TELEPHONE	\$ 50.75
OFFICENET	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 209.43
OVERLAND SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	\$ 2,741.55
PALSER SERVICE/ROADS	TIRES	\$ 26.00
POLK COUNTY RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	ELECTRICITY	\$ 29.93
JOHN E PROSOSKI	LAND RENTAL	\$ 120.00
SACK LUMBER CO./ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 69.99
SAPP BROS. PETROLEUM	FUEL	\$ 5,387.71
SOURCEGAS,LLC	HEATING	\$ 44.97
SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	ELECTRICITY	\$ 408.89
TOOLS PLUS INDUSTRIES	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 95.93
TRIPLE E ENTERPRISES, LLC	REPAIR & LABOR	\$ 40.88
VERIZON WIRELESS	TELEPHONE	\$ 49.33
VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN	ELECTRICITY	\$ 41.95
TOTAL		\$ 264,454.99

JUVENILE DIVERSION

MERRICK CO. TREASURER JUV DIV-POSTAL \$ 5.71
TOTAL \$ 5.71

STOP FUND

CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/STREET DEPT CAMERA SYSTEM \$ 1,997.50
TOTAL \$ 1,997.50

DRUG TESTING FUND

ANNIE JEFFREY HEALTH CENTER ALCOHOL COSTS \$ 91.00
DRUG FUND REIMBURSE \$ 79.80
LITZENBERG CO. HOSPITAL ALCOHOL COSTS \$ 186.55
LYNN PEAVY COMPANY ALCOHOL TESTS \$ 79.80
NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB ALCOHOL COSTS \$ 882.00
TOTAL \$ 1,319.15

DARE FUND

DRUG FUND SUPPLIES/EDUCA \$ 1,717.90
TOTAL \$ 1,717.90

INHERITANCE

HAMILTON TELECOMMUNICATIONS INTERNET SRVC \$ 154.85
TOTAL \$ 154.85

E911

AS CENTRAL SERVICES OCIO AGREEMENTS \$ 448.00
CENTURY LINK E911 PHONE SRV \$ 236.88
CENTURYLINK E911 PHONE SRV \$ 410.39
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS E911 PHONE SRV \$ 63.30
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS E911 PHONE SRV \$ 61.91
NNTC E911 PHONE SRV \$ 139.14
TOTAL \$ 1,359.62

Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the October 2012 claims as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjourn: Moved Helgoth, second Jefferson to adjourn as Board of Supervisors at 11:48 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

October 23, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, October 23, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Wiegert and Weller present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Convene: Moved Jefferson, second Helgoth to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes
Helgoth led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:00 a.m.

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

Minutes: Moved Hahn, second Husmann to approve the minutes as presented for October 9, 2012. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Levies: The levies from other counties were presented to the Board for their acceptance. Moved Graves, second Helgoth to accept the levies from the other counties. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjournment: Moved Husmann, second Jefferson to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:03 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

October 23, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, October 23, 2012 at 9:10 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Weller, Husmann and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Convene: Moved Jefferson, second Husmann to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:10 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

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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 9:10 a.m.

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

Minutes: Moved Husmann, second Hahn to approve the minutes as presented for October 9, 2012. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting reports: Wiegert attended the Mid Plains Behavioral Health meeting Monday, October 22, 2012.

Official's reports: Planning and Zoning Myers gave her overview of Trans Canada Pipeline that was discussed at the Legislative Conference. Sheriff Campbell introduced the new Chief Deputy John Westman to the Board. Sheriff Campbell said he had talked with Jeff Brandenburg about putting up more signs at Stranberg Park. They are still having a problem with ATV's, and Campbell said that the Board needs to make a clarification on whether or not they can be unloading ATV's in Stranberg Park and the Board said there is to be no unloading of ATV's in Stranberg Park. Campbell said they may have to site and prosecute people for this.

Hospital update: Tad Hunt, with Litzenberg Hospital said the hospital's accounts receivables have dropped from triple digits to 97 days and they are at seventeen days of cash. The audit is still not finalized for fiscal year end June 2012. The hospital employee's health insurance is totally self funding. They did try to get other fully insured plans but were turned down by every company. Merrick Manor is still vacant with a fair market value of \$320,000.00. They went from three days open at the Palmer Clinic to two days open. Arlen Johnson with the Howard County Hospital is interested in working with the Litzenberg Hospital to keep the clinic in Palmer open. Hunt said Litzenberg would lease space to Howard County. Johnson will have to approach his board about doing this. Hunt had brought Lori Johnson with him from the hospital and said that there were some concerns about the vending machine at the courthouse. The hospital has a vending machine at the courthouse which the hospital kept filled. The hospital is no longer furnishing meals for their employees so they were going to get a cold vending machine from Boyd's. Johnson had called the courthouse and wanted to know if the courthouse wanted to get a machine with healthier food. Johnson understands that the machine brought to the courthouse has the same junk food that was in the machine the hospital maintained. Hunt said the hospital was not in the vending machine business and that it must have been something that had been set up awhile ago. Hunt said the hospital receives 5% of the profit from the machines that Boyd's own. Johnson said that if the board wanted to get out of the Boyd machine they could have the keys. Clerk Wichmann said that Beth Pullen was dealing with Boyd's and was to be on the agenda today but canceled until the next board meeting because she did not have figures ready to approach the board with. Johnson said that Pullen had her number; she just needed to call her. Hunt said they are having delays in transfer for patients to bigger hospitals so they are working with Mid West

Medical to see what can be done. D.L. (Shorty) Hahn will be taking John Jefferson's spot on the hospital board because Jefferson is stepping down from it. Graves will become the alternate.

Vlassy Patsios Subdivision: Jennifer Myers, Planning and Zoning Administrator presented the final plat for approval for Vlassy Patsios Subdivision in part of Lot 4, in the SW1/4 of Section 4, Township 11, Range 8. This is on 3rd and B Road. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the final plat for Vlassy Patsios Subdivision in part of Lot 4, in the SW1/4, Section 4, Township 11, Range 8. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Distress warrants: Deputy Treasurer Pat Bolte presented the list of new distress warrants that were turned over to the Sheriff on October 15, 2012 for the boards review.

RESOLUTION 2012-25: Deputy Treasurer Pat Bolte presented RESOLUTION 2012-25 to the board for their approval to transfer \$1,700.00 from the Inheritance Fund to the Drug/Alcohol Fund which the board had budgeted for. Moved Husmann, second Jefferson to approve RESOLUTION 2012-25 to transfer \$1,700.00 from the Inheritance Fund to the Drug/Alcohol Fund. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2012-25 is on file in the County Clerk's Office for public viewing.

Weller wanted to know why some offices had given raises to their employees before January. County Attorney Homolka said that she had done that the year before and that she gives her employees their raises a little every few months. Clerk Wichmann said that when the board approved the budgets the elected officials could spend their budgets when they wanted to and the board would have no say but they do have a say over the offices that are not run by elected officials. Weller said what is good for one office is good for all offices. Husmann said that if it was in the budget the official could give the raise when they wanted to because by waiting to give raises in January they were only getting the raise for 6 months. Weller and Graves said that the raises have always been given in January. Weller said this would have to be looked at next budget season so that all of the offices are doing the same.

Child Support Office bid: Graves said that he was given a bid by Lesiak Construction to renovate the Juvenile Diversion Office to accommodate the Child Support Office. The total bid was for \$9,243.87 and is good for 120 days. Moved Husmann, second Weller to approve the construction bid from Lesiak Construction to renovate the Juvenile Diversion Office to accommodate the Child Support Office for \$9,243.87. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Wage and hour audit: County Clerk Wichmann had given the Board a copy of an email from Pam Bourne who is an attorney with Woods & Aitken LLP, Omaha, NE. Bourne emailed Wichmann saying that a wage and hour audit typically costs \$8,000.00 to \$10,000.00. She also said that is difficult to give a more precise estimate as it depends on the results of the audit and how much additional work would be necessary to make the required adjustments. Bourne also said that she is accustomed to working with budgets and would be happy to tailor her services to make this audit possible. The board thought that \$4,000.00 sounded better. Weller wondered why they would pay someone \$8,000.00 to \$10,000.00 when the IRS would come and let you know what was done wrong and not charge you for it. Wichmann said they use to do that but now they charge you and fine you. County Attorney Homolka said the IRS has hired a lot of young auditors and they will always find something and this audit would help them from finding anything and Chairman Wiegert agreed with her as that was what Bourne had told them at the NIRMA Self Defense Conference they attended. Weller asked if the NIRMA Insurance for Errors and Omissions would cover any fines and Graves said he did not know and that he knew Bourne pretty well and she was good at her job. She works with NIRMA. The board said that they wanted to know what Bourne would do for the money. Moved Weller, second Graves to request more information from Pam Bourne on a wage and hour audit. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Surplus: There is a copy machine that has been in the Supervisors Room for a very long time and needs to be surplus. Moved Weller, second Graves to surplus the copy machine in the Supervisor's Room. Roll Call: All Ayes.

UPRR crossing on 22nd Road: Beau Hepler with Gavilon said that he was there to talk to the board about the UPRR crossing on 22nd Road which is by Gavilon Elevator and the viaduct. The Union Pacific Railroad wants to add another side rail on the viaduct and close 22nd Road. Gavilon would like temporarily close the road for 24 to 36 hours when needed. The County would supply the barricades for the Gavilon employees to put up when temporarily closing. Moved Weller, second Jefferson to go on record supporting the temporary closing solution on 22nd Road and that this would be on a six month trial and the trial would start when the track is completed and read to go with the County supplying the barricades. Roll Call: All Ayes. County Attorney Homolka said that she has concerns with the Gavilon employees placing the barricades, but Graves said he thinks it can be dealt with if it becomes a problem.

Annual Road, Street, and Highway Program: Highway Superintendent Meyer presented the Annual Road, Street, and Highway Program to the Board for the Chairman's signature. The program is in compliance with the provisions of the State of Nebraska Statutes that require annual reporting to the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards. The report certifies that the minimum standards of design, construction and maintenance have been met and all tax revenues has been spent in accordance to the plans, rules, standards, and regulations of the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards. Moved Husmann, second Graves to approve the Chairman signing the Annual Road, Street, and Highway Program. Roll Call: All Ayes.

RESOLUTION 2012-26: Highway Superintendent Meyer presented RESOLUTION 2012-26 to the board for the approval to

reclassify a minimum maintenance road located ½ mile east of “K” Road and between 6th and 7th Roads. Moved Husmann, second Jefferson to approve RESOLUTION 2012-26 to the board for the approval to reclassify a minimum maintenance road located ½ mile east of “K” Road and between 6th and 7th Roads. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2012-26 is on file in the County Clerk’s Office for public viewing.

DHHS Subgrant Agreement for Child Support Enforcement: The DHHS Subgrant Agreement for Child Support Enforcement for the Clerk of the District Court was presented to the Board for their approval and the signature of the Chairman. Moved Weller, second Husmann to approve the DHHS Subgrant Agreement for Child Support Enforcement for the Clerk of the District Court and to approve the Chairman to sign. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Fairview Cemetery: At the August 28, 2012 Board meeting, the County Board tabled a \$500.00 claim from Ed Sweet for the upkeep of the Fairview Cemetery because some of the Board members had been contacted by people wanting records of the cemetery. There is also money in a bank account for the Fairview Cemetery Association. County Attorney Homolka said that she had located a deed from 1892 where the ground was deeded to the Fairview Cemetery Association. There needs to be people to form the association and Helgoth said that there were people in Clarks that would be interested in being in the association. Homolka said that according to State Statute 12-501 there must be 5 people, the minutes must be published and turned into the County Clerk, the members must be residents of Merrick County. The Board can give the money to the association and the association can pay Mr. Sweet. The Fairview Cemetery Association will have to hold a meeting to elect officers and take possession of the records and bank account. The Board agreed to reconsider Mr. Sweet’s claim if it is represented through the Fairview Cemetery Association. Homolka said that Mr. Sweet had brought the records to the courthouse and Homolka advised the Board to have the records sent to the State Historical Society. The Board said they would secure them in the County Clerk’s Office in the vault until such time the association reorganizes.

October 2012 payroll and Nebraska U.C. Fund Claim: The October 2012 payroll and a Department of Labor claim were presented to the Board for approval: General: Gross: \$95,228.85 Net: \$68,539.52, Roads: Gross: \$43,921.77 Net: \$29,070.99, Juvenile Diversion: Gross: \$2,331.33 Net: \$2,086.80. Claim: Nebraska U.C. Funds for unemployment; \$5,067.78. Moved Jefferson, second Graves to approve the October 2012 payroll and Nebraska U.C. Funds for unemployment claim for \$5,067.78 as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Executive session: Sheriff Campbell requested an executive session to discuss possible litigation and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual. Moved Weller, second Graves to go into executive session at 11:40 a.m. to discuss possible litigation and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Weller, second Hahn to go out of executive session at 12:11 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Quarterly jail inspection: The board decided to postpone the quarterly jail inspection until the next meeting.

Adjournment: Moved Helgoth, second Weller to adjourn at 12:15 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

November 13, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, November 13, 2012 at 9:01 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Husmann, Wiegert and Weller present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Convene: Moved Jefferson, second Helgoth to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:01 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Jefferson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:01 a.m.

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

Minutes: Moved Husmann, second Jefferson to approve the minutes as presented for October 23, 2012. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjournment: Moved Husmann, second Graves to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:03 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

November 13, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, November 13, 2012 at 9:05 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Hahn, Jefferson, Weller, Husmann and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

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

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:05a.m.

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

Minutes: Moved Graves, second Jefferson to approve the minutes as presented for October 23, 2012. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting reports: Hahn and Husmann attended the Midland Area Agency on Aging meeting in Hastings and reported that a new director was hired and her name is Sandy Stevens. Graves subbed for Hahn at the hospital meeting on October 24, 2012; Weller attended the Economic Development meeting; and Wiegert attended the Midland Area Agency on Aging on November 1, 2012.

Official reports: County Attorney Homolka and her deputy attended the County Attorney Association training in Omaha on November 4, 5, and 6th and on November 2 they attended the training in Kearney for disaster management with Jan Zurcher. Clerk Wichmann said they were just about done with the election. Sheriff Campbell and his Chief Deputy attended the Sheriff Association training in Kearney. Campbell also reported that they have 10 inmates.

Last meeting in December 2012: County Clerk Wichmann asked the Board for their approval to move the last meeting in December from the 27th to the 20th. Wichmann said that if the County or the Bank would have computer problems the payroll could be late getting out if the meeting remained on the 27th but the 20th would give her office plenty of time to get the payroll out on schedule. Moved Husmann, second Graves to approve of moving the last meeting in December from Thursday, December 27 to Thursday, December 20, 2012. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Light installation agreement for the junction of Highway 92 and Highway 14: Highway Superintendent Meyer presented an agreement with the State of Nebraska Department of Roads to install lighting at the junction of Highway 14 and Highway 92 for the Board's approval and the Chairman's signature. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the agreement and have the Chairman sign it. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Public notice for special purchase of used sign truck: Highway Superintendent Meyer handed out a copy of State Statute 23-3109 which says the governing body may waive the bidding requirements of the County Purchasing Act if the county can save a significant amount of money by entering into a special purchase. The county board shall five days prior to such special purchase, publish a notice of its intention to make the special purchase, stating the items considered and inviting informal quotes. The county board must approve of the special purchase. Meyer has located a tire truck with a tommy gate and hoist that he would like to purchase to use as a sign truck and he needs the board to approve of him putting the notice in the papers for the special purchase. Moved Husmann, second Jefferson to approve of the Highway Superintendent putting a notice in the county papers for the special purchase of a sign truck. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Vending machine: Beth Pullen presented a contract from Boyd's for the vending machine. Pullen said that Boyd's pay once

a year and it would be the 5% but it would be after sales tax. The new Boyd machine doesn't work and Boyd's have been to the courthouse twice already to fix it. The old vending machine is owned by the hospital and they would give it to the county if they wanted it but the county would have to fill it themselves and it works. Pullen said that she would help in keeping it filled if the county board decided to keep the old machine. Pullen said she thought it would be cheaper to have the county fill the old machine and the county would make more than 5%. Pullen said that she had talked to Weller earlier and they have made enough money on the pop machine to cover the cost of filling the old vending machine. Moved Weller, second Jefferson to accept the vending machine from the hospital and have the county maintain it themselves. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Correspondence regarding the Sheriff: Hahn moved to go into executive session at 9:33 a.m. to discuss the correspondence regarding the sheriff regarding potential investigation and litigation to protect the public interest, second Graves. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Graves, second Jefferson to go out of executive session at 11:02 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Husmann said that this is the first time in twenty years that they have had a county attorney set in on every meeting and that he doesn't feel the County Attorney gets paid enough for everything she is doing. Husmann said that when they did the budget this year the whole board did not have a lot to do with the budget. Husmann said he hollered about the money the County Assessor was getting and the board told him they had cut \$3,000.00 off of it but Husmann said that they gave her \$13,000.00 more. Weller said that Husmann sat right there and voted for what they did and Husmann said he did not and Weller said that Husmann had voted for the final product. Husmann said that Weller and Graves sat there and the only thing he heard was that they cut the Clerk budget and the County Attorney budget and Weller said they cut \$3,000.00 off of the Assessor's budgets but you turned around and gave her \$13,000.00 that Husmann did not know anything about and Husmann doesn't think anyone else did either. Weller said and that is relevant now that the budget passed and Husmann said that he couldn't help it. Husmann said that it bothers him and Weller said that he thought Husmann had made note of that.

Electrical and radio problems at Sheriff's Office: Sheriff Campbell said there are fluorescent lights in the sheriff's office that they have put new bulbs in and in a few minutes, sometimes in a few seconds they start humming and burn out. Campbell said he thought the housing unit maybe be bad and the radios were made in 1996 and there is currently two circuits that are out and the cost to replace the circuits would be \$1,700.00 a piece. They are finding it hard to replace parts on the radios because they are so old. The jail replaced a couple of cameras that went out this summer and now they have a couple more that are going out. Campbell said the tile in the office is not healthy to the environment by jail standards and they are still having issues with the plumbing in the laundry room. The bottom of the front entrance door is rusting out. They are looking at about \$6,000.00 to put safety glass in the window for dispatch. There are plumbing issues with the outside drain and the lights on the outside of the jail do not work. The generator batteries were replaced a week ago and they are dead again. Campbell has a guy coming to look at it. Campbell said that the E911 funds cannot be used to fix these problems and to replace the radio system will cost around \$40,000.00. Campbell said he knew there was money left from the renovation of the courthouse. Campbell has about \$11,000.00 in all his budgets for repairs Weller said. Clerk Wichmann said that it is up to the Board to budget for repairs such as these and not up to the elected officials to budget such repairs in their budgets. Weller told Campbell that he will have to prioritize and Hahn said that the building is old and just like a house things start to go bad and need to be replaced.

Letter of Support for Central Nebraska Community Services: Clerk Wichmann informed the Board that the Central Nebraska Community Service had requested a letter of support from the Board like they have in past years. It is not tax asking money just a letter of support. Moved Husmann, second Helgoth to approve the clerk to send a letter of support to Central Nebraska Community Services. Roll Call: All Ayes.

October 2012 fees: The October 2012 fees from the Sheriff, Clerk of District Court, and County Clerk were given to the Board for their approval and signatures. Moved Helgoth, second Husmann to approve the October 2012 fees from the Sheriff, Clerk of District Court, and County Clerk as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

November 2012 claims: The November 2012 claims were presented to the Board for their approval:

FUND	NAME	INVDESC	TOTCLAIMS
GENERAL			
	JOHN ROSS ABOLD	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
	AMERICAN RED CROSS	EDUCATION	\$ 38.00
	JEFF BECKSTROM	BOARD MILEAGE	\$ 12.21
	JULIE L BELLIS	COURT EXPENSES	\$ 40.30
	DOROTHY D BENTON	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 3,667.50
	GARY BERRY	MILEAGE/LODGE	\$ 174.46
	BILL NESIBA SIGN STUDIO	CAR REPAIR	\$ 400.00
	BOMGAARS	SUPPLIES	\$ 35.07
	BOONE COUNTY TREASURER	EQUIPMENT	\$ 997.48
	BRADLEY,ELSBERND,ANDERSEN,KNEALE	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 322.50

KEVIN CAMPBELL	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/SHERIFF ACT	CAR REPAIR	\$ 104.92
CENTRAL CITY MALL	SUPPLIES	\$ 56.52
CENTRAL CITY MALL	PRISONERS BRD	\$ 442.38
CENTRAL CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY	SUPPORT	\$ 7,000.00
CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT	\$ 2,307.10
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE	CAR REPAIR	\$ 35.27
TODD CHURCH	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ MINI BUS	MINI-BUS	\$ 676.29
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	UTILITIES	\$ 2,146.19
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY	JAIL UTILITIES	\$ 24.81
CLARKS PUBLIC LIBRARY	SUPPORT	\$ 1,000.00
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/CC	COURT COSTS	\$ 484.34
CODY'S COMPUTER REPAIR SERVICE	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 144.00
CONAWAY PLUMBING	BLDG REPAIR	\$ 208.70
D & M SECURITY	INSPECTION	\$ 50.00
DELL MARKETING	SUPPLIES	\$ 72.00
DELL COMPUTERS	SUPPLIES	\$ 72.00
DOUGLAS COUNTY COURT	COURT EXPENSES	\$ 2.80
RYAN DUNCAN	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$ 100.22
ECO WATER SYSTEMS	WATER SERVICE	\$ 172.00
ELECTION	POLL WORKER	\$ 3,832.22
	BALLOT	
ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	PRODUCT	\$ 4,764.34
FLEET SERVICES	FUEL	\$ 1,984.74
GARY'S BODY SHOP/SHERIFF	CAR REPAIR	\$ 413.68
GRAND ISLAND INDEPENDENT	SUBSCRIPTION	\$ 156.00
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	TELEPHONE	\$ 83.91
LINDA GREGER	DIRECTOR	\$ 135.00
HALL COUNTY COURT-DISTRICT NINE	COURT EXPENSES	\$ 10.75
	CONTRACT	
HANSON GRIME STOPPERS	CLEAN	\$ 1,881.00
HOLIDAY INN OF KEARNEY	LODGING	\$ 269.85
LYNELLE HOMOLKA	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 770.23
	PRISONER	
HOST COFFEE SERVICE	BOARD	\$ 48.00
	PRISONER	
WONDER BREAD/HOSTESS BAKERY OUTLET	BOARD	\$ 42.76
HUSTON & HIGGINS	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 300.00
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES, INC	MAINTENANCE	\$ 2,751.00
JACKSON SERVICES	SERVICE SUPPLY	\$ 231.00
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 1,743.00
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$ 315.47
JENSEN PUBLISHING	SUPPLIES	\$ 566.74
JENSEN PUBLISHING/P&Z	PUBLICATION	\$ 25.57
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION-EL	\$ 894.38
JOURNAL PRINT SHOP/P&Z	PUBLICATION	\$ 25.43

JOURNAL PRINT SHOP	PUBLICATION	\$ 309.69
WILLIAM KELLEY	BRD MILEAGE	\$ 54.42
MATT KING	BOARD MILEAGE	\$ 26.10
KRIZ-DAVIS CO	SUPPLIES	\$ 80.85
AARON J KUNZ	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 308.00
MARVIN KYES	BOARD MILEAGE	\$ 24.42
LANCASTER CO YOUTH SERVICES CENTER	INSTITUTION	\$ 1,062.00
LAURITSEN,BROWNELL,BROSTROM,STEHLIK	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 3,588.75
MARLENE S LEE	MILEAGE	\$ 402.93
LEXISNEXIS	LAW LIBRARY	\$ 226.00
LITZENBERG/HOSPITAL OPERATING	SUPPORT	\$ 8,333.33
LITZENBERG CO. HOSPITAL	A00187575	\$ 1,065.90
	PRISONER	
LONE TREE MEDICAL ASSOCS.	BOARD	\$ 369.26
ROSS A LUZUM, ATTORNEY AT LAW	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 225.00
	PRISONER	
MARY LANNING HOSPITAL	BOARD	\$ 50.00
MATTHEW BENDER & CO., INC	LAW MANUAL	\$ 223.13
MAXIMUS CONSULTING SERVICES, INC	CONSULTANT	\$ 2,100.00
MAYER, BURNS, KOENIG & JANULEWICZ	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 1,085.78
MCI	TELEPHONE	\$ 104.30
MCILNAY & CO	SUPPLIES	\$ 112.83
MERRICK CO. COURT	COURT COSTS	\$ 412.00
MERRICK CO. EXTENSION SERVICE	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 2,206.74
MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	PROP TAX	\$ 81,496.64
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 15,669.40
LARRY MEYER	BOARD MILEAGE	\$ 112.14
MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS, INC	IMAGING SCAN	\$ 70.00
MID AMERICAN BENEFITS,INC	INS DEDUCTIBLE	\$ 3,147.34
MIPS INC.	SUPPLIES	\$ 69.21
MIPS INC.	COMP SUPPORT	\$ 2,948.04
MIPS INC.	SUPPLIES	\$ 276.87
Y SCOTT MOORE,MD	COURT COSTS	\$ 1,125.00
MYERS & DAUGHERTY, PC, LLO	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 281.25
JENNIFER MYERS	MILEAGE	\$ 85.47
NACO	REGISTRATION	\$ 522.00
NANCE COUNTY COURT	COURT EXPENSES	\$ 10.75
NANCE COUNTY TREASURER	EQUIPMENT	\$ 4,510.73
NATIONAL DIST. ATTORNEY'S ASSOC.	DUES	\$ 170.00
	CONT	
NEBRASKA SHERIFF'S ASSOC.	EDUCATION	\$ 315.00
KAREN NELSON	POSTAGE	\$ 9.65
	PRISONER	
NORM'S U SAVE PHARMACY	BOARD	\$ 90.10
	ELEVATOR	
NT&T	PHONE	\$ 36.41
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 111.35
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 70.13

NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 70.12
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 96.13
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 70.00
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 45.53
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 114.78
	COURTHOUSE	
NT&T	FAX	\$ 45.18
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 94.39
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 648.42
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 56.20
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 156.37
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 425.68
OFFICENET	SUPPLY/EQUIP	\$ 296.22
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$ 139.12
OFFICENET	EQUIP RENTAL	\$ 177.89
	LEASE	
OFFICENET,INC.	AGREEMNT	\$ 150.42
RICHARD OGDEN	BOARD MILEAGE	\$ 23.31
KEVIN OHLMAN	BRD MILEAGE	\$ 11.10
PALMER PUBLIC LIBRARY	SUPPORT	\$ 1,000.00
PALSER SERVICE	CAR REPAIR	\$ 457.20
PLATTE PEER GROUP	SUPPORT	\$ 5,000.00
PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	RADIO REPAIR	\$ 610.00
PAT ROBINSON	BOARD MILEAGE	\$ 51.06
CORWIN A ROSCOE	CONTRACT	\$ 1,241.67
GEORGE RUTTEN	BOARD MILEAGE	\$ 23.31
S&W PEST MANAGEMENT	PEST CONTROL	\$ 55.25
SALINA BLUEPRINT & MICROGRAPHIC SYS	SUPPLIES	\$ 69.86
SAM'S CLUB DIRECT	SUPPLIES/MISC	\$ 841.89
SAMPSON, CURRY & TWISS P.C.	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 202.50
SECRETARY OF STATE/ELECTION DIV	COURT EXPENSES	\$ 20.00
SEVEN SPRINGS INC	WATER SERVICE	\$ 15.50
SILVER CREEK TOWNSHIP LIBRARY	SUPPORT	\$ 1,000.00
RICHARD SPIEHS	BOARD MILEAGE	\$ 103.26
STANARD APPRAISAL SERVICE, INC.	REAPPRAISAL	\$ 10,036.00
CHRIS STAROSTKA	BRD MILEAGE	\$ 166.32
DAVID SULLIVAN	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
TRUELL,MURRAY & ASSOCIATES	ATTORNEY FEES	\$ 1,905.00
U.S. BANK	SUPPLIES	\$ 433.11
USA COMMUNICATIONS	COMMISSARY	\$ 55.45
VISA	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 556.13
REX WELLER	MILEAGE	\$ 33.30
JOHN WESTMAN	UNIFORM	\$ 30.00
MARCIA WICHMANN	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 1,859.84
LYNN WIEGERT	BOARD MILEAGE	\$ 54.39
ROGER WIEGERT	MILEAGE	\$ 162.06
RICHARD WISCHMEIER	TRAVEL-CS	\$ 73.73
WOODS & AITKEN LLP	MISC EXPENSES	\$ 936.00

ZEE MEDICAL SERVICE CO.	SUPPLIES	\$ 36.85
TOTAL		\$ 205,331.58

ROADS

ACE IRRIGATION & MFG., CO.	CULVERTS	\$ 5,261.96
AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.	FUEL	\$ 2,902.50
BOMGAARS	42045095	\$ 333.96
BOSSelman INC/ROADS	SUPPLY/REPAIR	\$ 5,259.96
CALIFORNIA CONTRACTORS SUPPLIES INC	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 133.60
CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/ROADS	REPAIR/SUPPLY	\$ 183.78
CENTRAL TRUE VALUE/ROADS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 12.39
DINKEL IMPLEMENT CO	EQUIP RENTAL	\$ 243.08
EAKES OFFICE PLUS INC/ROADS	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 131.95
FILTER CARE	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 49.05
RANDY FUEHRER	MILEAGE	\$ 85.47
GARY SMITH CONSTRUCTION CO. INC.	SURFACING	\$ 177,058.51
GILBARCO INC	FUEL	\$ 17.00
	DRUG	
GRAND ISLAND CLINIC/ROADS	SCREENING	\$ 25.00
JIM HAAG	MILEAGE	\$ 77.15
HANSEN INTERNATIONAL TRUCK INC	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 61.13
HUSKER CO-OP	FUEL	\$ 1,333.83
INTERSTATE BATTERY SYSTEM	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 157.44
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 61.46
JACKSON LINEN SERVICE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 72.84
	DRUG	
LITZENBERG HOSPITAL/ROADS	SCREENING	\$ 26.65
	DRUG	
MEDICAL ENTERPRISES, INC	SCREENING	\$ 93.00
MICHAEL MEYER	MILEAGE	\$ 441.23
MID AMERICAN BENEFITS, INC	ROADS	\$ 2,989.14
MIDWEST SERVICE & SALES CO.	LUMBER	\$ 5,705.60
NE DEPT. OF ROADS	SURFACING	\$ 48,832.80
NEBR. MACHINERY CO.	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 152.76
NEBR. TRUCK CENTER, INC.	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 284.86
NORFOLK CONTRACTING, INC	BRIDGE REPAIR	\$ 19,230.00
NT&T/SHOP	TELEPHONE	\$ 47.02
NT&T/ROADS	TELEPHONE	\$ 54.33
OFFICENET	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 4.96
OVERLAND SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	\$ 8,166.13
PALMER SERVICE CENTER	FUEL	\$ 1,951.20
PALSER SERVICE/ROADS	TIRES	\$ 42.00
	PAVEMENT	
POGUE CONSTRUCTION INC	MARK	\$ 1,501.50
POLK COUNTY RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	ELECTRICITY	\$ 29.40
JOHN E PROSOSKI	LAND RENTAL	\$ 120.00
SACK LUMBER CO./ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$ 162.98
SAPP BROS. PETROLEUM	FUEL	\$ 26,951.86
SCOTT-VAN KEPPEL-BR	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 517.10

SOURCEGAS,LLC	GAS SERVICE	\$ 103.11
SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	ELECTRICITY	\$ 431.88
VERIZON WIRELESS	TELEPHONE	\$ 49.50
VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN	ELECTRICITY	\$ 41.95
WELDON PARTS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$ 352.91
XEROX CORPORATION	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 123.46
TOTAL		\$ 311,869.39
JUVENILE DIVERSION		
JULIE BEYER	PHONE/MILEAGE	\$ 68.63
CNCAA	EDUCATION	\$ 29.00
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	POSTAGE-JUVDIV	\$ 5.20
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$ 246.28
QUILL	SUPPLIES	\$ 100.67
TOTAL		\$ 449.78
DRUG TESTING FUND		
LITZENBERG CO. HOSPITAL	BAC/BOARDING	\$ 293.15
NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB	DRUG TESTING	\$ 196.00
ST FRANCIS MEDICAL CENTER	BAC TESTING	\$ 41.90
TOTAL		\$ 531.05
INHERITANCE FUND		
HAMILTON TELECOMMUNICATIONS	INTERNET	\$ 154.85
TOTAL		\$ 154.85
BUILDING PROJECT		
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	CONSTRUCTION	\$ 68.20
TOTAL		\$ 68.20
E911		
	E911	
AS CENTRAL SERVICES OCIO	AGREEMENT	\$ 448.00
CENTURYLINK	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 410.59
CITY OF G.I. UTILITIES DEPT	UTILITIES	\$ 14.22
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 63.30
NNTC	E911 PHONE SRV	\$ 139.14
TOTAL		\$ 1,075.25

Moved Jefferson, second Helgoth to approve the November 2012 claims as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Quarterly jail visit: The Board went to the jail for their quarterly visit required by state statute 47-109.

Adjourn: Moved Husmann, second Graves to adjourn at 12:10 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

November 27, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, November 27, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Husmann, Jefferson, and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka. Absent were Hahn and Weller.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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 9:00 a.m.

Moved Husmann second Graves to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes
Husmann led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Minutes: Moved Graves, second Husmann to approve the minutes as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Moved Jefferson, second Graves to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:02 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Trisha Fate-Strobel, Deputy County Clerk

November 27, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, 2012 at 9:07 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Jefferson, Husmann and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka. Absent: Hahn and Weller.

Moved Jefferson, second Graves to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:07 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

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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 9:07 a.m.

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

Minutes: Moved Helgoth, second Graves to approve the minutes as presented for November 11, 2012. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting Reports: Graves attended the Claims Committee with NIRMA yesterday, Monday, November 26th. Helgoth met Monday, the 26th with the Clarks Cemetery Board, appears the Association can move forward.

Subdivision Approval 18-14-4: Planning & Zoning Jen Myers came before the board for approval of a small tract subdivision in 18-14-4 owned by Java Properties LLC to be known as Overland Subdivision Lot 1. This is a replat of a subdivision out at the Clarks Lakes. Java Properties owns this part of Overland wants to subdivide Lot , this is the part which is north of the road where you enter into Clarks Lakes. Basically, it is breaking the lot into two equal halves, each having 2.65 acres on both sets. Motion Helgoth, second Graves to approve the Overland Subdivision as presented to the board. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Hospital Update: Tad Hunt gave an update on the hospital. Hospital Board Meeting is this Wednesday. Palmer Clinic still trying to work with St. Paul as an LLC with the Howard County Hospital. Plan on doing a Health Fair in Palmer in January with possible blood screenings, and a physician present. Merrick Manor had a loss of \$1,600.00 as an empty building compared to \$25,000.00. The building is still vacant. Merrick County Development Corp has their monthly meeting Dec. 7th and Tad will be on agenda to discuss possibilities to work with them. Possibly the lower level could be the Senior Center. \$1,600.00 is mostly utility expense for winterized and heating. The hospital hosted 25 kids on a tour of the hospital from around the county. Participated in the Veteran's Parade and attended the Palmer Endowment Pancake Feed. Plan to head to the Clarks area for a community forum meeting. Account receivable days are at 61, previously at 94. They have wrote off \$403,000 in charity care, from 5 years and beyond. Untimely filings for insurance claims dating back 6 years ago, \$442,000.00 was also written off. Obviously, showed a loss for the month, but there is \$800,000.00 in operating expenses in the bank, which is the best it has been in 3 years. Account Payables are up to date. The cost report is complete; audit is also complete and will be presented to the Board of Directors tomorrow. They are still looking into acquiring land, south of Southern Power, of approximately 19 acres.

RESOLUTION 2012-27: Highway Superintendent Mike Meyer found out there needed to be a resolution for the lighting project on Junction Hwy 92 & Hwy 14, which had previously been approved. Motion Husmann, second Jefferson to approve the RESOLUTION 2012-27. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2012-27 is on file in the County Clerk's Office for public viewing.

Interlocal Agreement: The Interlocal Agreement with the City of Central City for dirt work and snow removal when needed.

Graves mentioned this is something the county has done for several years and the county does charge the city a regular rate. Husmann stated he has a problem with having an Interlocal Agreement with the city because when it comes to the jail, the city does not want to have anything to do with it. The county handles the cities work from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00a.m. until the city comes to work. Graves replied that the city helps the county with snow removal and stripping the parking lot. Helgoth said he saw no problem as long as the city was paying the regular rate to the county. Motion Jefferson, second Graves to approve the Interlocal Agreement with the City of Central City. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Wood River & 7th Road Bridge: Gary Fredrick, son of Clarence Fredrick, approached the board concerning the bridge on Wood River and 7th road. Mike Meyer handed out a 2008 Load Rating Summary Sheet regarding the bridge. Fredrick's concern is their equipment weight is heavier than the bridge capacity. This is the only way in and out for them; they couldn't have gravel delivered because the delivery did not meet the weight requirements. Fredrick is very concerned regarding the safety of anyone traveling over the bridge. The tonnage on this particular bridge has been going down; Fredrick said it really needs to be set at 25 ton. Meyer is waiting to hear back from the State regarding the tonnage weight. Meyer will give a report to the board from the State at the next board meeting.

Repairs to Jail: Sheriff Campbell came before the board regarding some repair work that needs to be done in the jail. There have only been two estimates received so far, due to the holiday, so Campbell stated this should be tabled until the next meeting. He did state the front furnace over at the jail has had some issues last week, it was running at 63degrees and the dispatch area was running at 90 degrees. Nebraska Heating and Air came and replaced the valve. Nebraska Heating & Air stated that both furnaces at the jail were purchased in 2000 and are of residential grade and not commercial grade. The issue is the venting system, not necessarily the furnace unit. \$4,700.00 was the bid to correct the ductwork/airflow. There was one bid in for plumbing work from McInnays for \$4,320.00, but this does not include any underground issues. They are currently waiting for a bid from Conaway Plumbing. There has not been any bids for the electrical and flooring as of yet.

Certification of County Highway Superintendent: The Certificate of County Highway Superintendent for determining incentive payment for January 2012 to December 2012 was presented to the Board. Motion Graves, second Husmann to approve the chairman to sign the Certification of County Highway Superintendent. Roll Call: All Ayes.

County Government Day: Cindie Hostler with the Merrick County Extension Office informed the board there will be 65 students from Central City, Palmer & Nebraska Christian schools attending this year's County Government Day on November 29. They will be broke into groups of 6 & 7 individuals and they will be in there will be five groups in the morning and five in the afternoon. Hostler asked if the Clerk and Treasurer's office would be participating, Fate-Strobel said the Clerks office would have a hand out for the students and couldn't speak for the Treasurer's office as she did not know what their intentions were. Hostler stated it would be nice for all of the Supervisors & Elected Officials to meet at the City Hall at 9:15a.m. for introductions. There will be one hour and 45 minutes allotted for a mock trial and 15 additional minutes for the County Attorney. The mock trial will be held in the Hearing Room due to a jury trial taking place at that time. Hostler also stated she is planning a Power Point presentation at lunch time.

Mini-Wage Audit: Pam Bourne with Woods & Aitken LLP was made available via telephone to answer any questions regarding conducting a mini wage and hour audit. Bourne stated how important it is to have I9 Forms filled out correctly with every employee within three days of hire. On average they find at least five errors on the I9 Forms with the offices they have audited, which the penalty is approximately \$11,000 per I9. Bourne believes with the wage and hour, the basic issue is that things are done correctly so the mistakes will not lead to potential liability. The mini wage audit could be done quarterly if there were any budget concerns. The fiscal years the IRS is currently auditing are 2009, 2010 and 2011. Bourne's audit would be different than the IRS audit, she would basically be concentrating on the wage/hour, verify record keeping and making sure classifications are done properly. Example being, are time records being kept correctly for nonexempt employees, is overtime being paid correctly for nonexempt employees, is the classification correct of employees that "should be "nonexempt , are they being taxed if they are taking a county vehicle home? Graves asked if she thought they should do a full audit or if a mini audit would be acceptable. Bourne believes a full wage/hour audit would be a good recommendation with the issues she has seen with other counties. A full wage/audit would be close to \$10,000 and could possibly do two departments at a time and then possibly another two a few months later for any cost concerns. Helgoth stated the board never sees timecards from the Sheriff's office, and Homolka said this is what this particular audit would look into is the record keeping. Graves said in the roads department when he was in office he had two or three audit done with the wage and hour. The gentleman told him if you overpaid that would not be a problem the problem is underpaying. If Graves was going to do anything he would suggest going through the Sheriff's Department. Fate-Strobel commented that she has seen time sheets come through where some employees borrow against their sick or vacation time before it is even earned. Graves said that never happened when he was in office. Helgoth passed around a copy of roads pay sheet and wanted to know how anyone can get a good hourly account. He did say there are some that are good; the one he passed along, he stated there is no way it would pass the handbook. The handbook states you must put when you arrive to work, the lunch hour and when you leave work. Graves said the road department is different because they get a monthly salary, so the only time there would be an audit is if they worked any overtime. He thought since the county had waited this long to do the audit that maybe they should wait until the next meeting

to discuss. Husmann believes everyone should turn in a timesheet. Placke said she thought it was discrimination if the Sheriff's office didn't have to turn in timesheets but her nonexempt employees do. Fate-Strobel said if she happened to be 15 minutes late to work, she needs to document that and show where she made that 15 minutes up and she is salary as well. Placke thought maybe everyone should go to hourly and Graves said that would be more bookkeeping and possibly create more problems. Homolka said the consensus is to have County Clerk Wichmann speak with Pam Bourne and ask what the cost would be to audit one or two departments and table the discussion until the next board meeting. The mini wage/hour audit would be a telephone conversation over the phone with the County Clerk & anyone else that wants to participate. Graves said a telephone conversation would not save any money. Helgoth & Husmann believe they should do a full audit. This audit with Bourne would not have anything to do with what the IRS would look into. It was decided to table until the next board meeting and have pricing available for one to two departments for review.

November 2012 Payroll: The November 2012 payroll was presented to the Board for their approval: General: Gross: \$98,534.52 Net: \$71,155.47 Roads: Gross: \$43,921.30 Net: \$29,239.56 Juvenile Diversion: Gross: \$2,331.33 Net: \$2,086.80. Moved Jefferson, second Graves to approve the November 2012 payroll as submitted. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjournment: Moved Graves, second Husmann to adjourn at 11:23 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Trisha Fate-Strobel, Deputy County Clerk

December 11, 2012
MERRICK COUNTY
AGENDA FOR THE COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

9:00 A.M.

-----NOTE to Citizens: Any agenda item may be moved down at any time at the discretion of the Chairman of the Board of Equalization

Call to Order/Convene as Board of Equalization

Pledge of Alliegence

Inform the public of the location of the Open Meetings Act (outside the door on the wall)

Inform the public the notice of the meeting has been published in the Palmer Journal and the Republican Nonpareil

Possible action on the agenda

Possible action on the minutes of November 27, 2012

Possible Action: Need approval of correction #3638 for Rich Wall who received homestead exemption inadvertently

Adjourn

The board reserves the right to go into executive session if such session is clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest or for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual.

AGENDA
Merrick County Board of Supervisors
Tuesday, December 11, 2012

9:05 A.M.

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Possible action on the agenda

Possible action on the minutes of November 27, 2012

Meeting reports from Supervisors

Official's reports if needed

Public Comment

Possible Action: Appoint Kelly Wichmann to the Planning Commission

Possible Action: Discussion of correspondence regarding the sheriff's office

Possible Action: Executive session to discuss possible litigation and for the protection of the public

interest

Possible Action: Discussion of Pam Bourne doing a wage audit of some type

Possible Action: Need approval for the Chairman to sign and agreement to be presented by Emergency Manager Jan Zurcher for the East Central PET Region

Possible Action: Approval and Chairman's signature needed on agreement to let grant company do grant writing for \$1,000.00 like last year.

Possible Action: Discussion on the bids for the repairs at the Sheriff's office

Possible Action: Discussion on the possibility of hiring a new deputy

Possible Action: Highway Superintendent Meyer to give a report on finds from the state regarding tonnage weight for the bridge at Wood River and 7th Road for Gary and Clarence Fredrick

Possible Action: Need approval of two electrical agreements for Doug and Laurie Retzlaff. One in Section 9 & 10, Township 14, Range 8 and the other in Section 1 and 12, Township 14, Range 8.

Possible Action: Approval needed on the November 2012 fees from the Sheriff, Clerk of District Court, and County Clerk

Possible Action: Approval needed on the December 2012 claims

Adjourn

The board reserves the right to go into executive session if such session is clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest or for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual.

December 21, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Friday, December 21, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Husmann, Jefferson, Hahn, Weller, and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

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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 9:00 a.m.

Moved Jefferson, second Graves to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes
Graves led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Minutes: Moved Graves, second Husmann to approve the minutes as published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Tax Correction: Assessor Placke presented tax correction #3639 to the Board for the Chairman's signature and Board approval. The correction is for Farm Credit Leasing on Personal Property ID #1266 for a pivot that should have been on Lucille Denning's Personal Property only so the Assessor was double taxing for the pivot. Moved Husmann, second Jefferson to approve tax correction #3639 for Farm Credit Leasing and have the Chairman sign it. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjourn: Moved Hahn, second Jefferson to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 9:05a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk

December 21, 2012

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Friday, December 21, 2012 at 9:05 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Jefferson, Husmann, Hahn, Weller, and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

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

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal. 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.

Chairman Wiegert presented a plaque for 20 years of service to the County to Robert Husmann. Hahn thanked Husmann for all his work and wished him well.

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

Minutes: Moved Husmann, second Jefferson to approve the minutes as presented for December 11, 2012. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting reports: Helgoth, Graves and Wiegert attended the NACO County Officials Convention in Kearney and Graves also attended a hospital meeting.

Official reports: There were no official reports.

Public Comment: There were no public comments.

Hospital update: Tad Hunt did not attend the Board meeting.

Odor concern: Jeff Beckstrom said he was at the meeting to address the Board about the odor coming from property owned by Les Denning from product that was being stockpiled by Soil Builders. The product was put on the property the day prior to Thanksgiving so it has been there for a month. Beckstrom had contacted Jennifer Myers and she contacted Soil Builders. There is more product being added to the pile. They say it is not paunch and Beckstrom said it is commercial biodegradable waste. The regulations say it needs to be worked in 48 hours after application or spreading, but nothing about stock piling it. Myers was not present at the meeting. Beckstrom said Myers said the regulations need to be tweaked and he is on the Planning and Zoning Board. The Board said that it needed to go to the Planning and Zoning Board and they will then give their recommendation to the County Board. Denning was also present and said that he had to fill out a permit. The Planning and Zoning Board will meet on December 27, 2012 and Beckstrom was going to put this on the agenda for that meeting.

Appreciation dinner for Planning and Zoning Board members: County Attorney Homolka said that Jennifer Myers had approached her about the County paying for an appreciation dinner for two of her Planning and Zoning Board members that are retiring. Homolka said statute 13-2203 allows the Board to provide for one appreciation dinner for elected or appointed officials, employees, or volunteers and the maximum cost per person shall not exceed \$25.00 and does not include spouses or alcoholic beverages. Moved Weller, second Helgoth to approve the use of County funds to provide an appreciation dinner for

the Planning and Zoning Board. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Planning and Zoning Board appointment: Moved Weller, second Graves to appoint Greg Ferris to the Planning and Zoning Board to replace Marvin Kyes. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Extension Board appointments: Three Extension Board members' terms are expiring and they are Paul Jarecke, Lori Johnson, and Elton King. All three agreed to serve another term if appointed. Moved Hahn, second Husmann to reappoint Paul Jarecke, Lori Johnson, and Elton King to the Extension Board for another term. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Juvenile Diversion Interlocal: The interlocal agreement (MOU) between Merrick, Polk, and Nance County for Juvenile Diversion was presented to the Board for the Chairman's signature. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the Chairman signing the interlocal agreement (MOU) between Merrick, Polk, and Nance County. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Crime Commission Grant: The application for the grant from the Crime Commission was presented to the Board for the approval of the Chairman signing it. This year Julie Beyer, Juvenile Diversion Officer applied for a little under \$14,000.00. Moved Jefferson, second Graves to approve the Chairman signing the application for the Crime Commission grant. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Bridge tonnage: Highway Superintendent Mike Meyer has met with Jeff Pollock with Olsson Association in Grand Island to get his opinion on the bridge at Wood River and 7th Road. Meyer said they both agree that the second stringer in is the bad stringer and they think it can be replaced rather than tearing the whole bridge up and they can also add another stringer. Meyer said he would have the bridge rerated after they replace the stringer. Meyer will keep the Board updated.

Overlay Project by Silver Creek: Highway Superintendent Meyer presented a form for the Board to approve the Chairman signing for the new design for the Silver Creek overlay. The Board has approved the original and the Chairman signed it but there were a couple of minor changes made and so the Board needed to approve the Chairman signing for the couple of minor changes. Moved Helgoth, second Graves to approve the Chairman signing the Silver Creek overlay design with the couple of minor changes. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Purchasing Agent Form 17: County Clerk Wichmann presented Purchasing Agent Appointment Form 17 appointing Lesiak Construction as purchasing agent for exempt status for the courthouse for the renovation of the Juvenile Diversion Office to add a Child Support Office. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the Chairman signing the Purchasing Agent Appointment Form 17 appointing Lesiak Construction as purchasing agent for exempt status for the renovation of the Juvenile Diversion Office. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Security report: County Clerk Wichmann presented the security report from the Treasurer to the Board for their review.

Radio in Sheriff Office: Sheriff Campbell said they have been having trouble with the radio in the Sheriff Office that is about 20 years old. This radio is used for all the fire departments, towns, law enforcement, ambulances, etc. If they lose a circuit board they will not be able to use the radio at all and have no other way besides telephones to reach out. Sheriff Campbell is going to use the E911 funds to replace the radio at a cost of \$19,695.05.

Jail repairs: Sheriff Campbell presented bids to the Board for asbestos removal, heating and air conditioning, plumbing, electrical, front door replacement, windows, carpet, and awning. Moved Weller, second Graves to accept the following six bids for jail repairs: Nebraska Heating and Air for the heating and air conditioning for a bid of \$4,712.85, Stuart Plumbing for plumbing repairs for \$4,368.85, Kucera Electric for electrical repairs for \$3,219.00, Island Glass for replacing the front door for \$2,250.00, Hedglin Flooring for \$3,155.00 for carpet, and Tri City for \$2,975.00 for the awning for a total of \$20680.70. Roll Call: All Ayes. This will come out of the Building Fund.

December 2012 payroll: The December 2012 payroll was presented to the Board for approval: General: Gross: \$99,681.55 Net: \$71,954.38 Roads: Gross: \$44,748.88 Net: \$29,860.98 Juvenile Diversion: Gross: \$2,331.33 Net: \$2,086.80. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the December 2012 payroll as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

County Clerk Wichmann told the Board that York County had been notified that they would be audited by the IRS in January and Wichmann said that every County would probably be audited some time in the future by the IRS.

Adjourn: Moved Helgoth, second Weller to adjourn at 11:16 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk