

Chairman Burke called the meeting to order in the Board Room, second floor of the County Courthouse, 515 Box Butte Ave., Alliance, NE at 9:05 a.m., December 7, 2022, following an opening prayer. Notice of meeting was published November 23, 2022, in the Alliance Times Herald. Affidavit of publication had been received in the office of the County Clerk. Agenda was emailed and posted on the county's website: boxbuttecountyne.gov, December 6, 2022. Roll call: Patricia Johnston; Mike McGinnis; Steve Burke, present. Martie Burke, Office Clerk, recorded the proceedings of the meeting. County Attorney Terry Curtiss present. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Chairperson Burke acknowledged that this meeting will follow the open meeting act posted on the North wall of the County Board Room. Burke moved to accept the agenda as printed, seconded by Johnston. Johnston, yes; McGinnis, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried. Johnston moved to approve November 21, 2022 minutes as written, seconded by Burke. Johnston, yes; McGinnis, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried. McGinnis moved to accept and sign Clerk of District Court and County Clerk/Register of Deeds monthly reports, seconded by Burke. Johnston, yes; McGinnis, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

Burke moved to approve monthly payroll and claims as presented, seconded by Johnston. Johnston, yes; McGinnis, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried. **GENERAL:** Net payroll 123,818.93; AFLAC 2,739.86; Ameritas Life Insurance Corp 462.12; Bank of the West 40,473.39; Box Butte County Treasurer 83,896.00; Credit Management Services, Inc 509.69; Family Support Registry 25.00; Lincoln National Life Insurance 212.76; MASA Global Building 153.00; Retirement Plans Division/Ameritas 23,123.51; State of Nebraska Dept of Revenue 5,786.99; Independent Eye Care Professionals 26.92. **ROAD:** Net payroll 37,289.60; AFLAC 239.32; Ameritas Life Insurance Corp 126.18; Bank of the West 7,072.72; Box Butte County Treasurer 2,044.00; Lincoln National Life Insurance 3.40; MASA Global Building 50.00; NE Child Support Payment Center 1,117.00; Retirement Plans Division/Ameritas 2,333.61; State of Nebraska Dept of Revenue 1,617.95; Independent Eye Care Professionals 24.06.

Correspondence was acknowledged and available for public inspection. The Commissioners had no information to report on board meetings.

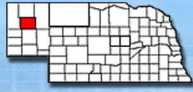
Johnston moved to appoint Paul Millwood II as the VFW representative on the Veteran's Board, seconded by Burke. Johnston, yes; McGinnis, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

Following review of Box Butte County Surveyor Scott Bossé's response to the proposed Master Agreement Land Survey Corner Preservation & Resolution, the board asked County Attorney Curtiss to formally contact the state, requesting they contact Scott Bossé about modifications to the Agreement and Resolution. Burke moved to table the Master Agreement and Resolution until the January 5, 2023 board meeting, seconded by Johnston. Johnston, yes; McGinnis, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

Chairman Burke spoke with John Christensen, NIRMA Claims Manager, in regards to the roof requirements for the Courthouse and Law Enforcement Center. Christensen advised that NIRMA does not have a 30-year requirement and will not pay for such warranty. The bid submitted by Twin City Roofing meets all of NIRMA's requirements. Burke moved to accept the roof repair bid submitted by Twin City Roofing for the Courthouse and Law Enforcement Center, seconded by McGinnis. Johnston, yes; McGinnis, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

Chairman Burke also spoke with John Christensen about the Courthouse chimney damage and if it would be covered by insurance. Christensen reported that NIRMA does not see this as an insurance issue, as it is a direct result of a lack of maintenance. NIRMA would be willing to pay a small portion of the repair, but will not cover the cost in its entirety. Burke moved to pay for the chimney repair bid out of the Inheritance Fund less NIRMA's contribution, seconded by Johnston. Johnston, yes; McGinnis, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Johnston reported that KONE has been unresponsive to her attempts to contact them about the Courthouse elevator. Architect Jerry Berggren has reviewed the building layout and has suggested that expanding the elevator shaft to the North is a more practical option than expanding the shaft to the East. A traction style elevator has also been presented as a possible alternative option to the hydraulic elevator. Burke moved to have an engineer study conducted to determine the total cost to make the elevator ADA compliant, seconded by McGinnis. Johnston, abstain; McGinnis, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.



Building and Grounds employee Lori White has been in contact with Jock Faris/Faris Plumbing on an estimate for a water bottle fountain unit in the lobby. The Commissioners would like Ms. White to get a second bid for a regular fountain unit. Ms. White provided an update on the HVAC for the Slagle building, stating everything is installed and they will complete the AC hookup in the spring.

Road Superintendent Barb Keegan provided a road and equipment report. Ms. Keegan is going to return the 1991 John Deere Backhoe to the yard for further evaluation and direction from the Board. Keegan has a fuel bid request prepared and is waiting for Board authorization.

Burke moved to accept Koke's filter bid for a two-year period, seconded by Johnston. Johnston, yes; McGinnis, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

With all agenda items addressed, Chairman Burke adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Attest: _____

Chairperson

County Clerk