

Chairman Burke called the meeting to order in the Board Room, second floor of the County Courthouse, 515 Box Butte Ave., Ste 202, Alliance, NE at 9:00 a.m., April 3, 2024, following an opening prayer. Notice of meeting was published March 20, 2024, in the Alliance Times Herald. Affidavit of publication has been received in the office of the County Clerk. Agenda was emailed and posted on the county's website: boxbuttecountyne.gov, April 2, 2024. Roll call: Mike Sautter, present; Brett Ditsch, present; Steve Burke, present. Martie Burke, County Clerk, recorded the proceedings of the meeting. County Attorney Marissa Curtiss was 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.

Road Superintendent Barb Keegan went out for three informal quotes for a ¾ Ton truck, one was received from Chadron Motor Co. Burke moved to approve the bid from Chadron Motor Co. for a 2016 Dodge Ram 2500 in the amount of \$19,096.00, seconded by Ditsch. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

Burke moved to accept the Consent Calendar, seconded by Sautter. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried. The Consent Calendar included the following items: Agenda – April 3, 2024; Minutes – March 20, 2024; Payroll/Claims/Invoices - **GENERAL:** ACCELERATED RECEIVABLES SOLUTIONS 24.07; AFLAC 2722.01; AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP 292.20; BMO BANK NA 43208.49; BOX BUTTE COUNTY TREASURER 90786.00; CHADRON MOTOR CO. 19096.00; CREDIT MANAGEMENT SERVICES, INC. 399.93; EQUITABLE FINANCIAL LIFE INSURANCE 232.20; KANSAS PAYMENT CENTER 350.00; LINCOLN NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE 209.56; MASA GLOBAL BUILDING 229.50; VISION SERVICE PLAN (IC) 297.11; NE CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER 433.00; RETIREMENT PLANS DIVISION/AMERITAS 24777.04; STATE OF NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE 6039.30; TX CHILD SUPPORT SDU 700.00; **ROAD:** AFLAC 239.32 AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP 32.04; BMO BANK NA 6940.43; BOX BUTTE COUNTY TREASURER 1858.00; LINCOLN NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE 4.08; MASA GLOBAL BUILDING 25.00; VISION SERVICE PLAN (IC) 139.59; NE CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER 895.00; RETIREMENT PLANS DIVISION/AMERITAS 2377.14; STATE OF NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE 1591.13; **NET PAYROLL:** 165,329.60; Elected Officials and Office Reports – Clerk, Clerk of the District Court, and Sheriff; Correspondence.

Commissioners reported on meetings they had recently attended and upcoming meetings.

Burke moved to open BOARD OF EQUALIZATION at 9:15 a.m., seconded by Ditsch. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried. The permissive exemption Form 451 extension request for East Point Horspice was previously granted by the Commissioners on March 20, 2024. Sautter moved to approve the Form 451 Exemption Application for East Point Horspice as presented by Deputy County Assessor Tiffany Elkins, seconded by Ditsch. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried. Burke moved to close BOARD OF EQUALIZATION at 9:16 a.m., seconded by Sautter. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

The next ARPA Committee meeting has been scheduled for April 15, 2024 at 10:30 a.m. The Commissioners would like the committee to present a list of potential projects during the April 17, 2024 Commissioner meeting.

Road Department Office Manager Karna Hansen and operator John Maser provided a road and equipment report. Seven radios have been transferred from the Sheriff's office to be reprogrammed for use by the Road Department.

The Road Department continues to monitor the activity on Perkins Road where the 10-Ton weight restriction limit signs were placed. Sautter moved to table the Weight Restriction Signs on Perkins Road Removal Resolution 2024-04 until May 6, 2024, seconded by Ditsch. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

Burke moved to proclaim May 2024 Mental Health Month, seconded by Sautter. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

With upcoming legislative requirements regarding public comment, Burke moved to set the agenda order to include public comment five minutes after the Board meeting is called to order, seconded by Ditsch. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

Peltz Companies, Inc. submitted Change Order Request #01 to account for additional curb and gutter, increasing the linear feet from 150 LF to 155 LF and project cost by \$1,375.00. Sautter moved to approve Change Order Request #01 from Peltz Companies, Inc., to be paid out of the Inheritance fund, to be repaid by the City of Alliance pending approval by the City Council, seconded by Ditsch. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

The payment breakdown approved March 20, 2024 for the Courthouse sidewalk project remains \$77,694.00 to be paid for with ARPA funds and the remaining \$33,530.00 and the change order amount of \$1,375.00 are to be paid out of the Inheritance fund. The ADA Warning Panel Ramp should not be included with the curb and gutter costs.

Building and Grounds employee, Lori White, gave an elevator progress update, discussing the basement stairwell lighting and fourth floor accessibility issues created by limited overhead clearance.

Chairman Burke recessed at 10:21 a.m. Chairman Burke resumed the meeting at 10:26 a.m., with roll call: Mike Sautter, present; Brett Ditsch, present; Steve Burke, present.

Zoning Administrator Mike Johnson provided a zoning report and would like to see a Board of Adjustment established. Sautter moved to begin advertising for opening on the Board of Adjustment to include four at-large members, one alternate and one member from the Planning Commission to remain open until all the positions have been filled, seconded by Ditsch. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

No public comment on the agenda items.

With all agenda items addressed, Chairman Burke adjourned at 10:57 a.m.



Steve Burke
Chairperson

Attest:

Michelle R. Bledsoe
County Clerk 4-17-24