

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 8:04 a.m., August 5, 2024, following an opening prayer. Notice of meeting was published July 24, 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, August 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.

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 – August 5, 2024; Minutes – July 15, 2024, July 17, 2024; Payroll/Claims/Invoices - **GENERAL:** ACCELERATED RECEIVABLES SOLUTIONS 24.07; AFLAC 2505.67; AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP 260.16; BLACK HILLS ENERGY 125.17; BLACK HILLS ENERGY 153.59; BMO BANK NA 48109.37; BOX BUTTE COUNTY TREASURER 93012.00; CREDIT MANAGEMENT SERVICES, INC. 414.90; EQUITABLE FINANCIAL LIFE INSURANCE 239.94; LINCOLN NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE 216.16; MASA GLOBAL BUILDING 203.00; VISION SERVICE PLAN (IC) 306.73; NE CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER 433.00; RETIREMENT PLANS DIVISION/AMERITAS 26687.34; STATE OF NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE 6789.22 **ROAD:** AFLAC 239.32; AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP 32.04; BMO BANK NA 8047.60; BOX BUTTE COUNTY TREASURER 1858.00; LINCOLN NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE 4.76; MASA GLOBAL BUILDING 50.00; VISION SERVICE PLAN (IC) 152.12; NE CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER 895.00; RETIREMENT PLANS DIVISION/AMERITAS 2672.84; STATE OF NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE 1872.78 **NET PAYROLL:** 180,564.77; Elected Officials and Office Reports – Clerk and Clerk of the District Court; Correspondence.

No public comment on the agenda items (8:05 a.m. – 8:15 a.m.).

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

TK Elevator Corporation has two additional parts to replace before modernization will be required. Burke moved to approve the repair work order with TK Elevator Corporation for the Slagle elevator in the amount of \$3,068.44, seconded by Ditsch. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

Fuller Construction presented elevator change orders for door modification (CCP 1), AIA Construction Change Directives for conduit rerouting PR#001, a secure elevator disconnect space PR#002, and elevator car card reader wiring/software PR#003. Burke moved to approve the signature to AIA Construction Change documents previously approved PR#001, PR#002, PR#003, and CCP 1 door modification, seconded by Sautter. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

Building and Grounds employee, Lori White, provided a building report identifying the need for a replacement timer for the Slagle sprinkler system, upgraded door handles and a tension adjustment on the Slagle front door. The Commissioners would like White to move forward with repairing the identified items.

Road Superintendent Barb Keegan provided a road and equipment report. Keegan would like to pursue continued education in the form of tanker endorsements for several employees. The Commissioners have authorized reimbursement in the amount of \$15.00 for employees to obtain the tanker endorsement. Burke moved to declare the 2000 Ford F150 surplus to be sold on Purple Wave, seconded by Sautter. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried. Burke moved to approve the Alliance Road Shop paint proposal in the amount of \$3,245.00, seconded by Ditsch. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

Burke moved to adopt the County Annual Certification of Program Compliance Resolution 2024-06, seconded by Ditsch. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

John Thomas, Extension Educator and the Box Butte County Extension Board have recommended a pay increase for Macala Hood. Burke moved to approve the pay rate of \$12.50/hr. for Macala Hood effective May 2024, seconded by Sautter. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

Sautter moved to appoint Tonya Mayer to the Box Butte County Planning Commission, seconded by Ditsch. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

County Attorney Curtiss and Sheriff JD Sutphen presented six autopsy providers for future consideration, as Regional West is no longer providing this service. After review of the information provided, the Board advised Curtiss to present a contract with her preferred provider. No action taken.

Sheriff Sutphen confirmed the 2007 White Dodge Durango is no longer in use by law enforcement. The vehicle type on the insurance will be updated to reflect the vehicle being utilized for general county use. No action taken.

The Commissioners reviewed the previously submitted quote submitted by Flannel Brothers in April of 2024. Commissioner Burke will reach out to Flannel Brothers to see if the quote has expired and if the price is negotiable. No action taken.

Burke moved to accept Amendment Number 6 to the Box Butte County Medical Benefit Plan to exclude Gene Therapy from coverage, seconded by Sautter. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

Chairman Burke recessed at 10:10 a.m. Chairman Burke resumed the meeting at 11:03 a.m., with roll call: Mike Sautter, present; Brett Ditsch, absent; Steve Burke, present.

Colin with Fuller Construction conducted the August elevator progress meeting. Leroy Svatora and Jerry Berggren, Architects, Berggren Architects attended via zoom.

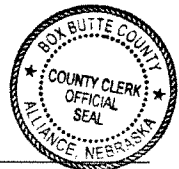
Sautter moved to give Chairman Burke the authority to sign a change order in the amount of \$1,000.00 or less to move the boiler, seconded by Burke. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, absent; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

With all agenda items addressed, Chairman Burke adjourned at 11:43 a.m.

Steve Burke
Chairperson

Attest:

Matt R. Bledsoe
County Clerk



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