

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., February 5, 2025, following an opening prayer. Notice of meeting was published January 22, 2025, 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, February 4, 2025. 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 and Deputy County Attorney Terry Curtiss were 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 approve the Consent Calendar, seconded by Ditsch. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried. The Consent Calendar included the following items: Agenda – February 5, 2025; Minutes – January 21, 2025; Payroll/Claims/Invoices - **GENERAL:** AFLAC 2511.32; AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP 240.16; BMO BANK NA 50531.58; BOX BUTTE COUNTY TREASURER 92852.00; EQUITABLE FINANCIAL LIFE INSURANCE 236.07; LINCOLN NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE 212.86; MASA 178.00; VISION SERVICE PLAN (IC) 274.96; RETIREMENT PLANS DIVISION/AMERITAS 28151.00; STATE OF NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE 6851.73 **ROAD:** AFLAC 355.91; AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP 32.04 BMO BANK NA 8915.26; BOX BUTTE COUNTY TREASURER 2490.00; LINCOLN NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE 5.44; MASA 62.50; VISION SERVICE PLAN (IC) 171.43; NE CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER 895.00; RETIREMENT PLANS DIVISION/AMERITAS 3031.41; STATE OF NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE 2030.87 **NET PAYROLL:** 190115.50; Office Reports – Clerk, Clerk of the District Court, Extension, and Zoning; Correspondence.

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

No public comment on the agenda items (9:06 a.m. – 9:17 a.m.).

Zoning Administrator Mike Johnson discussed the terms of his contract and proposed changes. No action taken.

Larry Bolinger, 507 Niobrara Ave, Alliance, NE 69301, presented his energy efficiency plan. No action taken.

Burke moved to open SURPLUS REAL ESTATE PUBLIC HEARING at 9:40 a.m., seconded by Ditsch. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried. County Attorney Curtiss discussed potential sale options of either the sealed bid process or a Sheriff's sale. Burke moved to close SURPLUS REAL ESTATE PUBLIC HEARING at 9:51 a.m., seconded by Sautter. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried. Sautter moved to sell the listed surplus properties via sealed bid due March 28, 2025 by 11:30 a.m. to the Clerk's office with action to be taken during the April 2, 2025 meeting, seconded by Ditsch. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

Burke moved to amend the Box Butte County Health Plan to be in compliance with the Children of Nebraska Hearing Aid Act to include the minimum coverage of up to \$3,000.00 in hearing aids for individuals under age 19, seconded by Sautter. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

Chairman Burke recessed at 9:59 a.m. Chairman Burke resumed the meeting at 10:03 a.m., with roll call: Mike Sautter, present; Brett Ditsch, present; Steve Burke, present.

Colin with Fuller Construction conducted the February elevator progress meeting. Jerry Berggren and Leroy Svatora, Berggren Architects, attended via zoom. Burke moved to approve CCP#10 and CCP#12 to be signed on AIA forms and deny CCP#11, seconded by Ditsch. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

Road Superintendent Keegan provided a road and equipment report. Burke moved to allow Keegan to go out for bid for aggregate hauling, seconded by Sautter. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried. Bids must be received in the Clerk's office by February 27, 2025 by 3:30 p.m. with action to be taken during the March 5, 2025 meeting. Sautter moved to allow Keegan to go out for bid for armour coat application, seconded by Burke. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried. Bids must be received in the Clerk's office by February 27, 2025 by 3:40 p.m. with action to be taken during the March 5, 2025 meeting.

Burke moved to have MC Schaff put the CR71 culvert project out to bid and be the acting project manager, seconded by Sautter. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

Burke moved to approve Pipe Works Plumbing Estimate 16114 in the amount of \$15,722.80, seconded by Ditsch. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried. Final labor costs will be billed at time of job completion.

With all agenda items addressed, Chairman Burke adjourned at 11:31 a.m.

Steve Burke
Chairperson

Attest: Mike R. Bates
County Clerk

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