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 8:00 a.m., July 23, 2025, following an opening prayer. Notice of meeting was published July 9, 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, July 22, 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.

Sautter moved to accept the Consent Calendar, seconded by Burke. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried. The Consent Calendar included the following items: Agenda – July 23, 2025; Minutes – July 2, 2025; Claims; Elected Officials and Office Reports – Sheriff; Correspondence.

No public comment on the agenda items (8:06 a.m. - 8:25 a.m.).

Burke moved to open BOARD OF EQUALIZATION at 8:15 a.m., seconded by Sautter. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried. Burke moved to approve submitting the petition to TERC regarding the 1st acre value of rural residential, to be sent as soon as possible, seconded by Ditsch. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried. County Assessor Michelle Robinson presented Board Notices for properties identified to be over/under valued. Burke moved to approve the Board Notices for Property IDs 070047596, 070046891, and 070096988, seconded by Sautter. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried. Burke moved to close BOARD OF EQUALIZATION at 8:32 a.m., seconded by Ditsch. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

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

Road Superintendent Barb Keegan provided a road and equipment report. Burke moved to approve the Annual Certification Form for the County Buyback Funds, seconded by Sautter. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried. Burke moved to approve Walter Mischnick Contractors and Builders Inc. Change Order (#1) in the amount of \$8,690.75, seconded by Sautter. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

Building and Grounds employee, Lori White, gave an elevator progress update. Burke moved to approve the estimate from Faris Plumbing and Heating Inc. (Old Sump Pump #2) in the amount of \$4,991.25, seconded by Sautter. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried. Burke moved to approve Architectural Glassarts reinforcement proposal in the amount of \$120.00, seconded by Ditsch. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried. Architectural Glassarts is to coordinate with White on the color of the frame.

Sautter moved to accept the State of Nebraska Crime Commission Grant 26-CB-0501, Agreement 2025-10, seconded by Ditsch. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

Sautter moved to approve the City of Alliance Purchase Agreement 2025-11 (Lot 6, Block 5, First Addition of South Alliance, an addition to the City of Alliance, Box Butte County, Nebraska), seconded by Ditsch. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

Burke moved to table the health insurance premium plan conversion to August 6, 2025, seconded by Ditsch. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

Sautter moved to approve the rehire of a former treasurer employee, seconded by Ditsch. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

With all agenda items addressed, Chairman Burke adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

Sur Mucha Attest: Mato R Bloom
Chairperson County Clerk 8-6-25