

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 10:00 a.m., August 25, 2025, following an opening prayer. Notice of meeting was published August 13, 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, August 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 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 agenda, seconded by Sautter. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

No public comment on the agenda items (10:07 a.m. – 10:17 a.m.).

Sautter moved to raise the health insurance petty cash to \$300,000.00, seconded by Ditsch. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

Burke moved to approve Resolution 2025-12: Authorization/Reauthorization of Petty Cash Funds with updated numbers, seconded by Ditsch. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

Budget Consultant Caleb Johnson met with Commissioners Burke, Ditsch, and Sautter, Elected and appointed officials County Assessor Michelle Robinson, Extension Educator John Thomas, Extension Office Manager Katie Carter, County Attorney Marissa Curtiss, Veteran Service Officer Sarah Foland, Sheriff JD Sutphen, Chief Sheriff Deputy Ryan Dannar, Sheriff Administrator Melissa Galles, County Treasurer Valery Bell, County Clerk Martie Burke, and Road Superintendent Barb Keegan. The Board and Budget Consultant discussed expenditure requests from each office and fund account along with revenue estimates for the fiscal year 2025-2026.

Chairman Burke recessed at 12:15 p.m., Chairman Burke resumed the meeting at 12:24 p.m., with roll call: Mike Sautter, present; Brett Ditsch, present; Steve Burke, present.

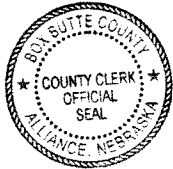
Budget discussions continued.

Chairman Burke recessed at 3:04 p.m., Chairman Burke resumed the meeting at 3:11 p.m., with roll call: Mike Sautter, present; Brett Ditsch, present; Steve Burke, present.

Budget discussions continued with budget hearings scheduled for September 17, 2025 for the Hearing to Set the Final Tax Request (8:00 a.m.) and the Budget Hearing (8:15 a.m.).

Sautter moved to approve Resolution 2025-11: Tax Allocation to Miscellaneous Districts, seconded by Ditsch. Sautter, yes; Ditsch, yes; Burke, yes. Motion carried.

With all agenda items addressed, Chairman Burke adjourned at 3:35 p.m.



Steve Burke  
Chairperson

Attest: Mike R. Burke  
County Clerk 9-3-25