

**BUFFALO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
BUFFALO COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION  
TUESDAY, JULY 12, 2016  
9:00 A.M.**

The Buffalo County Board of Commissioners and the Buffalo County Board of Equalization met on Tuesday, July 12, 2016 at 9:00 A.M. and 10:15 A.M. Chairman McMullen called the meeting to order and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. The following Board members responded to roll call: Francis Biehl, Joseph Brayton, Kent Greder, Ivan Klein, Sherry Morrow, Dennis Reiter and William McMullen. A copy of the acknowledgment and receipt of notice and agenda by the Board of Commissioners is attached to these minutes. Chairman McMullen announced that in accordance with Section 84-1412 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is available for review. County Clerk Janice Giffin took all proceedings hereinafter shown; while the convened meeting was open to the public. County Attorney Shawn Eatherton was present.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

Moved by Biehl and seconded by Brayton to approve the June 28, 2016 Board meeting minutes with the correction to Resolution 2016-25 regarding the sale and removal of personal property consisting of structures, miscellaneous items and cars on properties located at 1417 and 1423 Second Avenue, Kearney NE. (Resolution 2016-25A as amended below.) Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Biehl, Brayton, Greder, Klein, Morrow, Reiter and McMullen. None voted "Nay". Motion declared carried.

**RESOLUTION 2016-25A**

WHEREAS, Buffalo County has two residential structures located 1417 and 1423 Second Avenue, Kearney, Nebraska, and  
WHEREAS, the Board believes that the aforementioned items are of no further public use and constitute surplus property and should be sold at public auction to the highest bidder.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BUFFALO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THAT the residences situated at the 1417 and 1423 Second Avenue, Kearney, Nebraska shall offered for sale to the highest bidder, sold at public auction to be held at 6:00 o'clock, p.m. on August 25, 2016, with sale to occur on the court house south permit parking lot at 15<sup>th</sup> Street and 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue west of the Buffalo County Courthouse. The houses shall be open for inspection two hours prior to sale and from 5 to 7 o'clock p.m. August 18, 2016. All items offered for sale are sold for cash to be paid at conclusion of auction. All items sold are sold without any implied or expressed warranty. Any building, inspection, demolition, and/or moving permits will need to be handled by the purchaser(s). The residential structures, if purchased, shall be removed by purchaser prior to November 1, 2016. This sale shall be conducted on the court house south permit parking lot at 15<sup>th</sup> Street and 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue west of the Buffalo County Courthouse. Bramer Auctioneer Services is retained to conduct and clerk this sale.

Moved by Morrow and seconded by Greder to ratify the following July 8, 2016 bi-weekly payroll claims that were processed by the County Clerk. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Morrow, Greder, Biehl, Brayton, Klein, Reiter and McMullen. None voted "Nay". Motion declared carried.

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>			
NET PAYROLL			216,887.57
AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE ASSURANCE	E	PREMIUMS	1,061.65
RETIREMENT PLANS DIV OF AMERITAS	R	EMPE RET	36,556.80
BUFFALO CO TREAS/WELLNESS RESERVE	I	PREMIUMS	40.00
BUFFALO COUNTY TREASURER	I	PREMIUMS	95,321.23
LIFE INSURANCE CO NORTH AMERICA	I	PREMIUMS	372.14
FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS GROUP	E	FLEX FUNDS	4,287.85
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	T	FEDERAL TAXES	80,394.14
KEARNEY UNITED WAY	E	DONATIONS	97.84
MADISON NATIONAL LIFE	I	PREMIUMS	895.63
MASSMUTUAL FINANCIAL GROUP	R	DEFERRED COMP	804.00
METLIFE GROUP BENEFITS	E	DENTAL	2,708.80
NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT SOLUTIONS	R	DEFERRED COMP	545.32
NEBRASKA CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT	E	CHILD SUPPORT	546.98
STATE OF NEBRASKA	T	STATE TAXES	11,520.84
VISION SERVICE PLAN	E	EMPE VISION	535.63
<b>ROAD FUND</b>			
NET PAYROLL			42,299.06
AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE ASSURANCE	E	PREMIUMS	1,009.37
RETIREMENT PLANS DIV OF AMERITAS	R	EMPE RET	6,794.42
BUFFALO COUNTY TREASURER	I	PREMIUMS	2,557.00
LIFE INSURANCE CO NORTH AMERICA	I	PREMIUMS	12.00
FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS GROUP	E	FLEX FUNDS	440.34

FIRST NATIONAL BANK	T	EMPE FICA	14,268.10
MADISON NATIONAL LIFE	I	LT DISABILITY	106.34
METLIFE GROUP BENEFITS	E	DENTAL	685.90
NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT SOLUTIONS	R	DEFERRED COMP	972.50
NEBRASKA CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT	E	CHILD SUPPORT	302.50
STATE OF NEBRASKA	T	STATE TAXES	1,842.84
VISION SERVICE PLAN	E	EMPE VSP EYE C	137.67
<b>WEED DEPARTMENT</b>			
NET PAYROLL			4,051.70
RETIREMENT PLANS DIV OF AMERITAS	R	EMPE RET	651.76
BUFFALO COUNTY TREASURER	I	PREMIUMS	348.50
FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS GROUP	E	FLEX FUNDS	25.00
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	T	FEDERAL TAXES	1,277.60
MADISON NATIONAL LIFE	I	LT DISABILITY	3.26
METLIFE GROUP BENEFITS	E	DENTAL	78.45
STATE OF NEBRASKA	T	STATE TAXES	156.76

Moved by Reiter and seconded by Klein to approve the early claim submitted by the County Clerk as listed below. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Reiter, Klein, Biehl, Brayton, Greder, Morrow and McMullen. None voted "Nay". Motion declared carried.

<b>ROAD FUND</b>		
Nebraska Department of Revenue	Motor Fuels Tax	\$3,357.00

Moved by Morrow and seconded by Biehl to accept the Clerk of the District Court June 2016 Fee Report. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Morrow, Biehl, Brayton, Greder, Klein, Reiter and McMullen. None voted "Nay". Motion declared carried.

Moved by Morrow and seconded by Brayton to accept the County Treasurer June 2016 Fund Balance Report. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Morrow, Brayton, Biehl, Greder, Klein, Reiter and McMullen. None voted "Nay". Motion declared carried.

Moved by Klein and seconded by Biehl to approve the following tax refund request submitted by County Treasurer Sidwell for Beacon Sales Acquisition, Inc., in the amount of \$6,116.36 on parcel number 310000553. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Klein, Biehl, Brayton, Greder, Morrow, Reiter and McMullen. None voted "Nay". Motion declared carried.

Tammy Jeffs, NCRT Community Service Director and Libby Matthews, Community Service Coordinator were present on behalf of Mid-Nebraska Community Action Partnership for discussion of the general assistance guidelines and agreement with Buffalo County. Moved by Morrow and seconded by Klein to approve the amendments to the assistance guidelines. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Morrow, Klein, Biehl, Brayton, Greder, Reiter and McMullen. None voted "Nay". Motion declared carried.

Buffalo County Emergency Manager, Darrin Lewis was present for discussion of updates with Two Rivers Public Health Department emergency plans. Moved by Greder and seconded by Reiter to authorize the Emergency Manager Lewis to sign the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Greder, Reiter, Biehl, Brayton, Klein, Morrow and McMullen. None voted "Nay". Motion declared carried.

Emergency Manager Darrin Lewis was also present for discussion of the Everbridge Mass Notification System contract that provides services known as Buffalo Watch. Moved by Greder and seconded by Reiter to authorize Chairman McMullen to sign the agreement with Everbridge Mass Notification System. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Greder, Reiter, Biehl, Brayton, Klein, Morrow and McMullen. None voted "Nay". Motion declared carried.

Building and Grounds Superintendent, Steve Gaasch was present for discussion of setting the date to accept separate sealed bids for installing the Buffalo County Extension Buildings Office Sprinkler System, Office Fire Alarms and Office Fire Main. Moved by Klein and seconded by Brayton to set the bid date of July 26, 2016 at 9:45 A.M. for the three separate bids as indicated. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Klein, Brayton, Biehl, Greder, Morrow, Reiter, and McMullen. None voted "Nay". Motion declared carried.

Moved by Greder and seconded by Biehl to authorize the Chairman to sign the Educational Service Unit #10 contract for IT services for the fiscal year 2016-2017. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Greder, Biehl, Brayton, Klein, Morrow, Reiter and McMullen. None voted "Nay". Motion declared carried.

Commissioner Sherry Morrow reported her findings about Raymond James Financial during discussion to refinance the Buffalo County Bond issue. Moved by Morrow and seconded by Greder to authorize Chairman William McMullen to enter into negotiations

with Raymond James Financial regarding refinancing of the bond issue. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Morrow, Greder, Biehl, Brayton, Klein, Reiter and McMullen. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried.

Highway Superintendent Ron Sklenar was present for the following Agenda item.

Moved by Klein and seconded by Brayton to accept the state contract pricing from Husker Auto for a 2016 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 Pickup in the amount of \$32,999.77. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Klein, Brayton, Biehl, Greder, Morrow, Reiter and McMullen. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Greder and seconded by Biehl to approve the amendment to the previously approved Konica Minolta contract. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Greder, Biehl, Brayton, Klein, Morrow, Reiter and McMullen. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried.

Chairman McMullen reviewed the following correspondence. Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality (NDEQ) sent notice regarding 2017 Litter Reduction and Recycling Grant application availability. State of Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality (NPDES) sent a notice of General Permit issued to M & M Feeders. Chairman McMullen called on each Board member present for committee reports and recommendations.

Moved by Reiter and seconded by Biehl to recess the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners at 9:45 A.M. and reconvene as a Board of Equalization. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Reiter, Biehl, Brayton, Greder, Klein, Morrow and McMullen. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried

### **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION**

Chairman McMullen called the Board of Equalization to order in open session. County Assessor Joe Barber, Deputy County Assessor Nora Borer and County Treasurer Jean Sidwell were present.

Moved by Brayton and seconded by Greder to approve a Motor Vehicle Tax Renewal Exemption as indicated on the application by County Treasurer Sidwell for Benedictine Convent of the Sacred Heart/Benedictine Sisters on a 2007 Chevy Cobalt. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Brayton, Greder, Biehl, Klein, Morrow, Reiter and McMullen. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Biehl and seconded by Klein to approve Tax List Correction number 4232 submitted by County Assessor Joe Barber. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Biehl, Klein, Brayton, Greder, Morrow, Reiter and McMullen. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Morrow and seconded by Biehl to approve the Valuation Changes submitted by County Assessor Barber for the following list of properties and assigned parcel numbers. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Morrow, Biehl, Brayton, Greder, Klein, Reiter and McMullen. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried.

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Parcel</u></b>
ANDERSON, JAMES SCOTT & GLORIA	560402158
PLATTE RIVER RECOVERY	500122000
PLATTE RIVER RECOVERY	500067100
PLATTE RIVER RECOVERY	500121000
PLATTE RIVER RECOVERY	500125000
PLATTE RIVER RECOVERY	720119000
PLATTE RIVER RECOVERY	500120000
NEBR PUBLIC POWER DIST	380030001
HAYS, JAMES M & POLLY	560000230
HAYS, JAMES M & POLLY	560000180
POLLAT, ROGER D TRUSTEE	580170200
POLLAT, ROGER D TRUSTEE	580157410
DEETS, ALLEN R & PATRICIA R	560032010
HARTMAN, DAVID D & JOYCE A	620264000
SMITH, JODY D, TRUSTEE OF THE	620046410
KUGLER, SCOTT K	580041066
KUGLER, SCOTT K	580041030

Moved by Klein and seconded by Brayton to adjourn the Board of Equalization and return to the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners at 9:55 A.M. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Klein, Brayton, Biehl, Greder, Morrow, Reiter, and McMullen. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried.

### **REGULAR AGENDA**

Discussion with Robyn Jackson and Elected Officials regarding Authorized Representatives on accounts held at First National Bank was withdrawn from the Agenda.

Chairman McMullen called for Citizen's forum and Ronette Bush Hinrichs and Keith Stafford were present to address the Board as concerned citizens in support of 4-H programs in Buffalo County.

Chairman McMullen asked if there was anything else to come before the Board at 10:10 A.M. before he declared the meeting adjourned until the regular meeting on Tuesday July 26, 2016 at 9:00 A.M.