

**BUFFALO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
BUFFALO COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2023**

The Buffalo County Board of Commissioners and the Buffalo County Board of Equalization met on Tuesday, December 26, 2023 at 1:00 P.M. Chairperson Klein called the meeting to order and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. The following Board members responded to roll call: Myron Kouba, Ronald Loeffelholz, Daniel Lynch, Bill Maendele, Sherry Morrow and Ivan Klein. Absent: Timothy Higgins. A copy of the acknowledgment and receipt of notice and agenda by the Board of Commissioners is attached to these minutes. Public notice of this meeting was published/posted in the Kearney Hub, on the Buffalo County website, and the bulletin boards located outside the County Clerk’s office and County Board Room on December 21, 2023. Due to weather notice was published on NTV News and the Buffalo County Website on December 25, 2023 that the meeting was postponed until 1:00 P.M. Chairperson Klein 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 and posted at the back of the Board Room. County Clerk Heather Christensen took all proceedings hereinafter shown; while the convened meeting was open to the public. County Attorney Shawn Eatherton was present.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

Moved by Lynch and seconded by Loeffelholz to approve the December 12, 2023 Board meeting minutes. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Lynch, Loeffelholz, Kouba, Maendele, Morrow and Klein. Absent: Higgins. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Morrow and seconded by Lynch to ratify the following December 15, 2023 payroll claims processed by the County Clerk. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Morrow, Lynch, Kouba, Loeffelholz, Maendele and Klein. Absent: Higgins. Motion declared carried.

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>			
NET PAYROLL			331,933.46
AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE	I	PREMIUMS	1,256.48
RETIREMENT PLANS AMERITAS	R	EMPE RET	58,522.49
BUFFALO CO TREASURER	I	PREMIUMS	137,491.00
EMPOWER ANNUITY INS	R	DEFERRED COMP	1,075.00
FIRST CONCORD	E	FLEX FUNDS	5,004.50
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	T	FEDERAL TAXES	113,913.46
KEARNEY UNITED WAY	E	DONATIONS	61.00
MADISON NATIONAL	I	PREMIUMS	1,109.88
MADISON NATIONAL	I	LT DISABILITY	289.23
ERIN M MCCARTNEY	E	GARNISHMENT	402.00
NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT	R	DEFERRED COMP	425.00
NE CHILD SUPPORT	E	CHILD SUPPORT	1,200.00
PRINCIPAL	E	DENTAL	3,511.81
STATE OF NE	T	STATE TAXES	19,660.09
VISION SERVICE PLAN	E	EMPE VSP EYE	1,049.77
<b>ROAD FUND</b>			
NET PAYROLL			65,497.98
AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE	I	PREMIUMS	747.72
RETIREMENT PLANS AMERITAS	R	EMPE RET	10,415.72
BUFFALO CO TREASURER	I	PREMIUMS	4,079.50
FIRST CONCORD	E	FLEX FUNDS	914.92
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	T	FEDERAL TAXES	19,256.02
MADISON NATIONAL	I	PREMIUMS	202.99
MADISON NATIONAL	I	LT DISABILITY	125.39
NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT	R	DEFERRED COMP	272.50
PRINCIPAL	E	DENTAL	1,141.97
STATE OF NE	T	STATE TAXES	3,000.71
VISION SERVICE PLAN	E	EMPE VSP EYE	304.01
<b>WEED FUND</b>			
NET PAYROLL			5,459.98
RETIREMENT PLANS AMERITAS	R	EMPE RET	859.32
BUFFALO CO TREASURER	I	PREMIUMS	281.00
FIRST CONCORD	E	FLEX FUNDS	25.00
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	T	FEDERAL TAXES	1,740.71
MADISON NATIONAL	I	LT DISABILITY	3.82
PRINCIPAL	E	DENTAL	61.00
STATE OF NE	T	STATE TAXES	279.44

Moved by Maendele and seconded by Loeffelholz to ratify the early claim that was previously submitted with incorrect Vendor Oak Creek Engineering to the County Clerk, to be Vendor Adams Construction using American Rescue Plan Act 2021 Funds in the amount of \$86,088.60. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Maendele, Loeffelholz, Kouba, Lynch, Morrow and Klein. Absent: Higgins. Motion declared carried.

FROM	OAK CREEK ENGINEERING	TO	ADAMS CONSTRUCTION	\$86,088.60
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Moved by Morrow and seconded by Lynch to approve the following December 2023 vendor claims submitted by the County Clerk. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Morrow, Lynch, Kouba, Loeffelholz, Maendele and Klein. Absent: Higgins. Motion declared carried.

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>			
ADVANCED CORRECTIONAL HEALTHCARE	MC	MEDICAL	12,748.25
AG LAND ATV	S	SVC	596.93
ALL SAFE INDUSTRIES	EQ	HAZMAT	35.00
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	EQ	EQUIP	9,982.45
AMERICAN ELECTRIC COMPANY	EQ	EQUIP	13.39
MANDI J AMY	RE	REIMBURSE	217.92
ANDERSON, KLEIN, BREWSTER & BRANDT	S	LEGAL	16,781.92
NATHAN AREHART	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
AT&T MOBILITY	S	TELE SVC	3,246.21
ATS	S	SVC	1,891.36
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	U	UTILITIES	846.89
DREW BOHL	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
BOYS TOWN	S	SVC	4,712.51
NATHAN BRECHT	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
D. BRANDON BRINEGAR	RE	REIMBURSE	191.34
BRUNER FRANK SCHUMACHER	S	LEGAL	21,411.94
BS & K SIGNS	S	SVC	1,778.40
BUFFALO CO COMMUNITY PARTNERS	E	EXPENSES	490.06
BUFFALO CO ATTORNEY	SU	SUPPLY	43.00
BUFFALO CO ATTORNEY'S OFFICE	RE	REIMBURSE	262.49
BUFFALO CO CLERK	E	EXPENSES	206.50
BUFFALO CO COURT	S	LEGAL	2,413.50
BUFFALO CO SHERIFF	E	EXPENSES	786.37
BUFFALO CO SHERIFF	E	EXPENSES	2,225.40
BUFFALO SURVEYING CORP	E	PROJECT	5,265.00
BUILDERS WAREHOUSE	SU	SUPPLIES	118.95
CANON SOLUTIONS AMERICA	E	MAINT	190.39
CAPITAL CITY TRANSFER SERVICE	E	TRANSPORT	1,062.00
MICHAEL D CARPER	S	LEGAL	460.00
RYAN C CARSON	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
CASH WA DISTRIBUTING	SU	SUPPLIES	45.05
CENTRAL MEDIATION CENTER	S	SVC	1,840.00
CENTRAL NE RENTALS	RT	RENT	250.00
CENTURY LUMBER CENTER	SU	SUPPLIES	68.90
CHARLESWORTH CONSULTING	S	CONSULT	1,050.00
CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	U	CABLE	375.08
CHEMSEARCHFE	S	SVC	883.70
CHEROKEE BUILDING MATERIALS	SU	SUPPLIES	506.68
JENNIFER CHURCH	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
CIOX HEALTH	E	COPIES	20.00
CITY OF KEARNEY	U	UTILITIES	3,208.58
CITY OF KEARNEY	E	EXPENSES	727,707.04
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT	S	LEGAL	2,985.00
CLIPPER PUBLISHING	SU	SUPPLIES	140.00
COCHRAN LAW PC	S	LEGAL	5,035.00
KATHARINE COLLINS	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
COMFY BOWL	RT	RENTAL	110.00
COMPASS FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES	S	SVC	2,015.00
COMPSYCH CORPORATION	MC	HEALTH	1,920.27
CONNECTWISE	E	SOFTWARE	900.00
COPYCAT PRINTING CENTER	SU	SUPPLIES	857.59
COUNTRY PARTNERS COOPERATIVE	U	UTILITIES	560.00
DR. ANTHONY TATMAN	S	PYSCH TESTS	25.00
CULLIGAN OF KEARNEY	S	SVC	501.00

CUSTER CO SHERIFF	E	FEES	75.54
CUSTOM CAGE OF MISSOURI	EQ	EQUIP	3,125.00
WENDY C CUTTING	S	SVC	165.65
DAN'S SANITATION	S	SVC	18.75
DENNISE DANIELS	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
DAS ST ACCOUNTING	S	IT SUPPORT	150.00
DAS STATE ACCTNG-CENTRAL FINANCE	S	TELE SVC	1,792.00
DAWSON PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	U	UTILITIES	4,866.54
DEWALD DEEVER L'HEUREUX LAW FIRM	S	LEGAL	681.00
DIAMOND DRUGS	MC	MEDICAL	157,067.52
DIER, OSBORN & COX, P.C., L.L.O.	S	LEGAL	631.00
DOUGLAS CO SHERIFF	S	SVC FEE	22.74
DOWHY TOWING & RECOVERY	S	TOWING	153.05
BRANDON DUGAN LAW	S	LEGAL	3,320.00
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SU	SUPPLIES	5,125.06
SHAWN EATHERTON	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
ELN, LLC	RT	RENT	290.00
ENT PHYSICIANS OF KEARNEY PC	MC	MEDICAL	104.03
ENTERPRISE ELECTRIC KEARNEY	SU	SUPPLIES	6,280.56
MARSHA FANGMEYER, ESQ.	S	LEGAL	1,160.00
FARMERS COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION	F	FUEL	51.00
PAUL FARRELL	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
FATHER FLANAGAN'S BOYS'HOME	S	SVC	5,638.60
FILLMAN LAW OFFICES	S	LEGAL	930.00
FIRST CARE MEDICAL PC	MC	MEDICAL	111.22
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA	E	COPIES	85.80
ANA FLORES CARDENAS	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
FORESTRY SUPPLIERS	SU	SUPPLY	47.60
FRONTIER	U	PHONE SVC	2,905.86
FYE LAW OFFICE	S	LEGAL	9,154.09
GALLS	EQ	EQUIP	450.49
RODNEY GANGWISH	RE	REIMBURSE	23.58
GARCIA CLINICAL LABORATORY	MC	MEDICAL	139.50
GARFIELD CO SHERIFF	S	SVC FEE	18.50
MICHELLE GERDES	RE	REIMBURSE	399.20
GOVCONNECTION INC	E	SOFTWARE	861.27
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	U	TELE SVC	1,388.55
HALL CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	S	SVC FEE	47.65
REBECCA HANCOCK	RE	REIMBURSE	461.72
HANDY ANDY RENTALS	RT	RENT	250.00
JENNIFER HAZUKA	RE	REIMBURSE	88.50
ANDREW W HOFFMEISTER	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
HOLIDAY INN	E	EXPENSES	6,402.74
HOLT CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	E	SVC FEE	30.33
HOMETOWN LEASING	EQ	LEASE	5,916.02
HOMETOWN SMOKEHOUSE	E	FOOD	545.90
LISA R HUERTA	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS	D	MEMBERSHIP	380.00
IDEABANK MARKETING	E	EXPENSES	5,177.00
IHS PHARMACY	MC	MEDICAL	113.68
ERIC INGEBRETSEN	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
INTEGRATED SECURITY SOLUTIONS	EQ	EQUIP	929.04
JACOBSEN ORR LAW FIRM	S	LEGAL	20,635.86
EVE JARBOBE	RE	REIMBURSE	325.61
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	S	REPAIR	39.08
JOHNSTONE SUPPLY	SU	SUPPLIES	1,176.60
LINDA JONES	RE	REIMBURSE	108.86
SHARON JOSEPH	RE	REIMBURSE	13.83
JUSTICE WORKS	E	SUBSCRIPTION	176.00
KEARNEY CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	E	SVC FEE	37.50
KEARNEY HOUSING AGENCY	RT	RENT	444.00
KEARNEY HUB	E	SUBSCRIPTION	537.99
KEARNEY TOWING & REPAIR CENTER	S	TOWING	672.00
KEARNEY WINNELSON CO	SU	SUPPLIES	1,804.31
KEITH CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	E	SVC FEE	26.00
KELLY KENNEDY	RE	REIMBURSE	25.00

NICK KILLOUGH	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
JEFFREY C KNAPP	S	LEGAL	976.60
DOUG KRAMER	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
KRONOS	S	MAINT	1,252.26
LANCASTER CO SHERIFF	E	SVC FEE	18.69
LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES	S	SVC	62.00
DR MICHAEL LAWSON	E	MH BOARD	200.00
LINCOLN JOURNAL STAR	A	PUBLICATION	2,797.47
LIESKE, LIESKE & ENSZ, PC	S	LEGAL	1,698.00
STEPHEN G LOWE	E	MB BOARD	1,775.00
LUTHERAN FAMILY SERVICES	RE	REIMBURSE	1,234.50
MAGNET FORENSICS USA	S	SVC	4,345.00
JOHN MARSH	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
LYNN MARTIN	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
SHARON MAULER	E	MB BOARD	200.00
REBECCA M. MCCRACKEN	E	TRANSCRIPT	95.90
SUZANNE MCKELVEY	E	FEES	75.02
MCKESSON MEDICAL SURGICAL	SU	SUPPLIES	568.64
MICHAEL MEFFERD	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
MENARDS	SU	SUPPLIES	1,677.10
PENNY METHENY	E	FEES	215.19
MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS	E	SCANNING	730.00
MIDWAY CHEVROLET	EQ	EQUIP	229.80
MIDWEST CONNECT	E	MAIL SVC	7,418.87
MIDWEST DOOR & HARDWARE	EQ	EQUIP	25,318.00
MIDWEST SPECIAL SERVICES	E	TRANSPORT	205.35
MIGHTY DUCTS	S	SVC	1,000.00
MIPS INC.	SU	SUPPORT	5,838.20
MIRROR IMAGE CAR WASH	S	SVC	372.77
MOONLIGHT CUSTOM SCREENPRINT	EQ	UNIFORM	806.00
KOLTON MORSE	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS	EQ	EQUIP	475.00
NAPA AUTO PARTS	EQ	EQUIP	1,553.49
NATIONAL SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION	D	MEMBERSHIP DUE	142.00
NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB	MC	MEDICAL	105.00
NE CENTRAL TELEPHONE CO	U	PHONE SVC	183.20
NE FLOODPLAIN & STORMWATER	D	MEMBERSHIP	35.00
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	S	PT SVCS	342.00
NE LAW ENFORCEMENT	S	TRAINING	480.00
NE PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	U	UTILITIES	13,720.43
NE STATE FIRE MARSHAL	EQ	EQUIP	120.00
OPTK NETWORKS	S	SVC	1,203.24
KRISTI NEWMAN	RE	REIMBURSE	57.12
NORTHEAST NE JUVENILE SER	S	SVC	1,982.50
NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	U	UTILITIES	5,323.06
O'BRIEN STRAATMANN REDINGER FUNERAL	E	CREMATION	4,500.00
JAKE ONDRAK	E	FEES	20.00
PARK MEADOW PARTNERS	RT	RENT	210.00
PARKER GROSSART BAHENSKY BEUCKE	S	LEGAL	410.63
BARBARA J PEMBERTON RIEGE	RE	REIMBURSE	14.41
PHYSICIANS LABORATORY P.C.	MC	MEDICAL	8,578.00
RICHARD PIERCE	RE	REIMBURSE	40.61
PIKE REPORTING COMPANY	S	SVC	1,781.25
PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	S	SVC	15.00
PLATTE VALLEY DENTAL CLINIC	MC	MEDICAL	1,860.00
PLATTE VALLEY MEDICAL CLINIC	MC	MEDICAL	170.71
POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION	D	MEMBERSHIP DUE	840.00
POWER DMS	EQ	EQUIP	7,108.28
PSYCHOLOGICAL RESOURCES	E	PSYCH TESTING	300.00
ROLAND WHITNEY	EQ	EQUIP	175.00
QUADIENT LEASING USA	EQ	LEASE	214.53
KANE M RAMSEY	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
REDWOOD TOXICOLOGY LABORATORY	MC	MEDICAL	393.62
REGION 6 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH	RE	REIMBURSE	229.25
RUDOLPH LAW	S	LEGAL	975.00
BOWEN SCHOEN	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00

CONNIE S SCHUMAN	E	TRANSCRIPT	404.25
SHERMAN CO SHERIFF	E	SVC FEE	35.95
CAROL SHERMAN	E	FEES	149.69
SHERWIN WILLIAMS	SU	SUPPLIES	3,207.61
CRAIG SLEICHER	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
MARTI SLEISTER	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
TRENTON SNOW	S	SURVEY	2,550.00
TRENTON SNOW, LLC	RT	RENTAL	1,000.00
SOLID WASTE AGENCY LANDFILL	E	LANDFILL	88.62
CHERYL STABENOW	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
STAMM ROMERO & ASSOC, P.C., L.L.O.	S	LEGAL	17,657.65
THOMAS S STEWART	S	LEGAL	2,835.00
SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE	S	SVC	32,094.67
MICHAEL J SYNEK	S	LEGAL	1,901.23
THE CORNHUSKER MARRIOTT HOTEL	E	LODGING	1,228.00
THE LAWN BUILDERS	S	SVC	996.78
THE LOCKMOBILE	EQ	EQUIP	11.00
THOMSON REUTERS - WEST	E	SUBSCRIPTION	953.45
THOMSON REUTERS - WEST	E	SOFTWARE	3,158.41
THOMSON REUTERS-WEST	E	SUBSCRIPTION	795.79
THOMSON REUTERS - WEST	E	SUBSCRIPTION	677.53
TK ELEVATOR CORPORATION	S	REPAIRS	123.90
REBECCA TVRDIK ANDERSON	S	LEGAL	2,675.00
TWO RIVERS PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT	MC	MEDICAL	2,330.00
TYE & ROWLING, PC, LLO	S	LEGAL	4,127.50
U S POSTMASTER	E	FEES	424.00
U S POSTMASTER	S	MAINT	910.00
U.S. BANK	E	EXPENSES	16,412.29
JERRY A. VAN WINKLE, PSYD	S	EVALUATION	1,942.50
VERIZON	U	TRACKERS	770.95
VERIZON WIRELESS	U	TELE SVC	1,538.14
RANDALL VEST	RE	REIMBURSE	37.99
VILLAGE OF MILLER	U	UTILITIES	25.00
VILLAGE UNIFORM	RT	RENTAL	102.08
THE WALDINGER CORPORATION	S	REPAIR	3,992.00
WELLS FARGO BANKS ACCT ANALYSIS	E	FEES	69.71
WELLS FARGO	E	EXPENSES	1,071.96
WELLS FARGO	E	EXPENSES	1,778.29
MELISSA WENTLING	RE	REIMBURSE	399.43
AARON WENTZ	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
WILKE'S TRUE VALUE	SU	SUPPLIES	13.87
WILKINS ARCHITECTURE DESIGN	S	ARCHITECT	26,300.00
MELISSA L WILLIS	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
WINZER	SU	SUPPLIES	197.77
WOODS & AITKEN	S	LEGAL	615.70
WPCI	S	SCREENING	124.00
YELLOW ROBE CONSULTING	S	CONSULTING	1,500.00
YOUNG ELECTRIC	S	SVC	6,804.00
MELANIE R YOUNG	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
ERIC ZIKMUND	RE	REIMBURSE	135.00
LUKE ZINNELL	S	LEGAL	960.63
<b>ROAD FUND</b>			
ACE IRRIGATION & MFG CO	SU	SUPPLIES	834.90
AUSSIE HYDRAULICS	S	REPAIRS	41.81
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY/AUTO VALUE PART	S	REPAIRS	4,234.76
BIG RED AUTO GLASS	S	REPAIRS	150.00
ROGER MORGAN	S	SERVICE	127.50
BOSELMAN ENERGY	F	DEF BULK	819.00
BROADFOOT SAND & GRAVEL CO	G	GRAVEL	2,896.51
CHS INC	F	FUEL	65.06
COMFY BOWL	RT	RENTAL	105.00
CONSTRUCTION RENTAL	S	REPAIRS	26.00
DENT POPPER	S	SVC	575.00
ED BROADFOOT & SONS SAND & GRAVEL	G	GRAVEL	6,672.63
FARM PLAN	S	REPAIRS	2,287.29
FARMERS CO-OP ASSOCIATION	F	FUEL	124.01

FASTENAL COMPANY	S	REPAIRS	52.00
GARRETT TIRES & TREADS	S	REPAIRS	4,806.79
GLASS DOCTOR OF CENTRAL NE	S	SVC	85.20
GRAHAM TIRE CO	S	REPAIRS	1,091.99
HALL CO HIGHWAY DEPT	S	REPAIRS	671.89
JACK LEDERMAN CO	SU	SUPPLY	263.58
KIMBALL MIDWEST	SU	SUPPLY	356.99
KONECRANES	S	REPAIR	342.00
BRIAN KUGLER	D	DUES	31.25
MASTERS TRUE VALUE	S	REPAIR	70.67
MATHESON TRI-GAS	SU	SUPPLY	207.20
MENARDS	SU	TOOLS	453.80
MID NE AGGREGATE	G	GRAVEL	4,051.50
NAPA AUTO PARTS	S	REPAIRS	718.45
OLMSTEAD DEVELOPMENT	G	GRAVEL	11,827.44
POWERPLAN-MURPHY TRACTOR	S	REPAIR	915.22
SAHLING KENWORTH INC	S	REPAIRS	1,964.72
STERN OIL COMPANY	F	FUEL	1,221.40
TRUCK CENTER COMPANIES	S	REPAIRS	2,965.88
U.S. BANK	E	EXPENSES	1,151.17
WERNER CONSTRUCTION CO	C	ASPHALT	258,986.50
WILKE CONTRACTING CORP	C	CONCRETE	98,449.92
WINZER	SU	SUPPLIES	156.01
<b><u>VISITOR'S PROMOTION</u></b>			
KEARNEY VISITOR'S BUREAU	E	EXPENSES	84,777.00
<b><u>VISITOR'S IMPROVEMENT</u></b>			
KEARNEY VISITOR'S BUREAU	E	EXPENSES	84,778.00
<b><u>DEEDS PRESERVATION &amp; MODERNIZATION</u></b>			
MIPS INC.	S	PRESERVATION	514.06
<b><u>HEALTH INSURANCE FUND</u></b>			
BCBS HEALTH CLAIM EXPENSE	MC	HEALTH	190,808.28
HM LIFE MELLON GLOBAL CASH MGNT	MC	HEALTH	55,745.47
<b><u>DRUG FORFEITURES</u></b>			
CITY OF KEARNEY	S	SVC	2,970.00
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SU	SUPPLY	3,301.96
NE STATE PATROL	RE	REIMBURSE	3,780.02
U.S. BANK	E	EXPENSES	1,580.39
<b><u>COVID AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN</u></b>			
ADAMS CONSTRUCTION	C	ROAD CONTRACT	251,722.80
OAK CREEK ENGINEERING	S	ENGINEERING	49,000.00
<b><u>WEED DISTRICT FUND</u></b>			
AUSSIE HYDRAULICS	SU	SUPPLY	12.30
NE WEED CONTROL ASSOC	D	DUES	360.00
U.S. BANK	E	EXPENSES	25.62
<b><u>911 EMERGENCY SERVICE</u></b>			
CENTURYLINK	S	SVC	1,781.04
FRONTIER	U	TELE SVC	715.19
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	S	FIBER SVC	460.00
LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES	S	SVC	132.60
NE CENTRAL TELEPHONE CO	U	TELE SVC	109.99
PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	S	SVC	1,417.67
STANCIL CORPORATION	S	MAINT	2,436.00

Chairperson Klein read into the record Employee Recognitions for the following County Employees: Community Service Officer Nickolas Hancock for 5 years of service, Administrative Assistant/ Bailiff/ Deputy Marci Gilbertson for 5 years of service, Legal Secretary/ Office Manager Angela McInay for 5 years of service, Secretary/ Receptionist Ana Post for 5 years of service, Deputy Sheriff Caleb Wilson for 10 years of service and Jail Sergeant Tyson Linn for 10 years of service.

After discussion, it was determined that the Funds transfer agenda item was not necessary this month.

Moved by Morrow and seconded by Loeffelholz to approve the release of pledged collateral in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 for the Buffalo County Treasurer at NebraskaLand Bank. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Morrow, Loeffelholz, Kouba, Lynch, Maendele and Klein. Absent: Higgins. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Morrow and seconded by Maendele to approve the release of pledged collateral in the amount of \$275,000.00 for the Buffalo County Treasurer at Firstier Bank. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Morrow, Maendele, Kouba, Loeffelholz, Lynch and Klein. Absent: Higgins. Motion declared carried.

Chairperson Klein instructed County Clerk Christensen to open and read aloud the submitted bids for the Request for Proposal (RFP) for a facilities condition and needs assessment. Bids were submitted from the following companies: Prochaska & Associates, Wilkins Architecture Design Planning+ Parkhill and Davis Design. Bids will be reviewed by the committee and report back to this Board on Tuesday, January 23, 2024.

Chairperson Klein reviewed the following correspondence. National Association of Counties (NACo) sent an E-Mail thanking Buffalo County for their 2024 membership dues payment. Aflac sent an Account Review for Buffalo County. South Central Economic Development District (SCEDD) sent a letter to remind the Board to designate a representative to represent them on the Board of Directors for 2024 and attached a form to be completed. Buffalo Co. Emergency Manager (Darrin Lewis) sent a Holiday greeting card including a NIMS (National Incident Management System) training reminder. Holmes Murphy sent a Holiday greeting card. First National Capital Markets sent a Holiday greeting card including a post card stating that they are combining strengths with Northland Securities to produce greater results for their clients. Wilkins Architecture Design Planning sent a Holiday greeting card. Kearney Police Department sent a Holiday greeting card. Exchange Bank sent a Holiday greeting card. Lisa Huerta sent a card thanking the Board and Board Administrator for the Christmas party. Nancy Freburg sent a Holiday greeting card. Chairperson Klein called on each Board member present for committee reports and recommendations.

Moved by Loeffelholz and seconded by Maendele to recess the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners at 1:14 P.M. and reconvene as a Board of Equalization. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Loeffelholz, Maendele, Kouba, Lynch, Morrow and Klein. Absent: Higgins. Motion declared carried.

### **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION**

Chairperson Klein called the Board of Equalization to order in open session. County Treasurer Brenda Rohrich was present.

Moved by Maendele and seconded by Loeffelholz to approve the Motor Vehicle Tax Exemption renewal as indicated on the application by the County Treasurer Rohrich for Faith United Methodist Church for a 2012 United Enclosed Trailer. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Maendele, Loeffelholz, Kouba, Lynch, Morrow and Klein. Absent: Higgins. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Loeffelholz and seconded by Lynch to approve the Motor Vehicle Tax Exemption renewal as indicated on the application by the County Treasurer Rohrich for First Lutheran Church for a 2005 Ford F350 Bus. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Loeffelholz, Lynch, Kouba, Maendele, Morrow and Klein. Absent: Higgins. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Loeffelholz and seconded by Kouba to approve the Motor Vehicle Tax Exemption renewal as indicated on the application by the County Treasurer Rohrich for Goodwill Industries of Greater Nebraska Inc. for a 2013 Hyundai Accent, a 2013 Dodge Grand Caravan, a 2016 Chrysler Town & Country, two 2017 Chevy Cruzes, a 2017 Dodge Grand Caravan, a 2018 Dodge Grand Caravan, a 2018 Chrysler Pacifica and a 2019 Dodge Grand Caravan. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Loeffelholz, Kouba, Lynch, Maendele, Morrow and Klein. Absent: Higgins. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Loeffelholz and seconded by Kouba to adjourn the Board of Equalization and return to the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners at 1:16 P.M. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Loeffelholz, Kouba, Lynch, Maendele, Morrow and Klein. Absent: Higgins. Motion declared carried.

### **REGULAR AGENDA**

Assessor's Office update was delayed until later in the meeting.

Moved by Maendele and seconded by Kouba to enter into Executive Session at 1:30 P.M. regarding contract negotiations. In addition to the Board members responding to roll call, Buffalo County Sheriff Neil Miller, County Attorney Eatherton, Board Administrator Lynn Martin and Facilities Director Stephen Gaasch were present. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Maendele, Kouba, Loeffelholz, Lynch, Morrow and Klein. Absent: Higgins. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Loeffelholz and seconded by Kouba to move out of Executive Session at 1:45 P.M. and resume the open meeting. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Loeffelholz, Kouba, Lynch, Maendele, Morrow and Klein. Absent: Higgins. Motion declared carried.

County Assessor Roy Meusch presented the Assessor's Office update. A copy will be on file in the County Clerk's Office.

Chairperson Klein called for Citizen's forum and no one addressed the Board.

Chairperson Klein asked if there was anything else to come before the Board at 2:13 P.M before he declared the meeting adjourned sine die until the reorganization meeting on Tuesday, January 9, 2024 at 9:00 A.M. and instructed County Clerk to publish notice for the same according to Nebraska Law.

ATTEST:

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Ivan H. Klein, Chairperson  
Buffalo County Board of Commissioners

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Heather A. Christensen  
Buffalo County Clerk

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