

**BUFFALO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2026**

The Buffalo County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, March 24, 2026 at 9:00 A.M. Chairperson Morrow called the meeting to order and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. The following Board members responded to roll call: Ivan Klein, Myron Kouba, Ronald Loeffelholz, Daniel Lynch, Bill Maendele and Sherry Morrow. 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 March 19, 2026. Chairperson Morrow 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. Deputy County Attorney Andrew Hoffmeister was present.

REGULAR AGENDA

Moved by Maendele and seconded by Kouba to approve the March 10, 2026 Board meeting minutes. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Maendele, Kouba, Klein, Loeffelholz, Lynch and Morrow. Absent: Higgins. Motion declared carried.

Commissioner Maendele read into the record Employee Recognitions for the following County Employees: Clayton Edwards for 5 years of service, David Sesna for 5 years of service, Nicolas Smith for 5 years of service and Donnie Fishel for 10 years of service.

Moved by Loeffelholz and seconded by Lynch to ratify the following March 20, 2026 payroll claims that were processed by the County Clerk: Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Loeffelholz, Lynch, Klein, Kouba, Maendele and Morrow. Absent: Higgins. Motion declared carried.

MARCH 20, 2026 PAYROLL

GENERAL FUND			
NET PAYROLL			381,884.45
AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE	I	PREMIUMS	1,335.75
RETIREMENT PLANS AMERITAS	R	EMPE RET	67,057.73
BUFFALO CO TREASURER	I	PREMIUMS	183,376.00
DAWSON CO COURT	E	GARNISHMENT	302.13
EMPOWER ANNUITY INS	R	DEFERRED COMP	1,075.00
FIRST CONCORD	E	FLEX FUNDS	7,685.20
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	T	FEDERAL TAXES	124,818.91
KEARNEY UNITED WAY	E	DONATIONS	40.00
MADISON NATIONAL	I	PREMIUMS	1,201.64
MADISON NATIONAL	I	LT DISABILITY	324.31
METLIFE	E	DENTAL	4,599.33
NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT	R	DEFERRED COMP	2,382.00
NE CHILD SUPPORT	E	CHILD SUPPORT	876.50
STATE OF NE	T	STATE TAXES	17,631.19
VISION SERVICE PLAN	E	EMPE VSP EYE	1,274.00
ROAD FUND			
NET PAYROLL			68,508.91
AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE	I	PREMIUMS	873.38
RETIREMENT PLANS AMERITAS	R	EMPE RET	10,955.52
BUFFALO CO TREASURER	I	PREMIUMS	5,236.00
FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTRY	E	GARNISHMENT	75.00
FIRST CONCORD	E	FLEX FUNDS	1,087.46
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	T	FEDERAL TAXES	19,440.95
MADISON NATIONAL	I	PREMIUMS	219.25
MADISON NATIONAL	I	LT DISABILITY	96.48
METLIFE	E	DENTAL	1,029.14
NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT	R	DEFERRED COMP	272.50
STATE OF NE	T	STATE TAXES	2,648.55
VISION SERVICE PLAN	E	EMPE VSP EYE	319.85
WEED FUND			
NET PAYROLL			6,048.95
RETIREMENT PLANS AMERITAS	R	EMPE RET	952.19
BUFFALO CO TREASURER	I	PREMIUMS	423.00
FIRST CONCORD	E	FLEX FUNDS	33.33

FIRST NATIONAL BANK	T	FEDERAL TAXES	1,861.61
MADISON NATIONAL	I	LT DISABILITY	4.18
METLIFE	E	DENTAL	66.92
STATE OF NE	T	STATE TAXES	252.48

Moved by Loeffelholz and seconded by Klein to approve the following transfer of County funds all per budget. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Loeffelholz, Klein, Kouba, Lynch, Maendele and Morrow. Absent: Higgins. Motion declared carried.

FROM	0100	GENERAL FUND	TO	5400	WEED DISTRICT FUND	\$125,000.00
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Moved by Klein and seconded by Lynch to approve the following March 2026 vendor claims submitted by the County Clerk. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Klein, Lynch, Kouba, Loeffelholz, Maendele and Morrow. Absent: Higgins. Motion declared carried.

GENERAL FUND			
ABTECH TECHNOLOGIES	EQ	EQUIP	2,311.43
ADAMS CO SHERIFF	E	FEES	22.00
ADVANCED CORRECTIONAL HEALTHCARE	MC	MEDICAL	20,717.42
AG LAND ATV	S	REPAIRS	340.62
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	E	EXPENSES	2,408.63
AMERICAN ELECTRIC COMPANY	SU	SUPPLIES	358.07
MANDI J AMY	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
ANTELOPE CO SHERIFF	E	FEES	54.92
APPLE MARKET	SU	SUPPLIES	54.07
AREA SERVICES	S	SERVICE	1,037.50
NATHAN AREHART	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
AT&T MOBILITY	U	PHONE SVC	3,003.94
ATS	S	SVC	770.58
JOHN AUPPERLE	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
MELODIE TURNER BELLAMY	S	LEGAL	768.00
MEGAN L BELLAMY	S	SVC	163.80
BENCHMARK GOVERNMENT SOLUTIONS	S	SVC	616.45
DREW BOHL	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
BOYS TOWN	S	YOUTH SVC	4,082.82
NATHAN BRECHT	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
D. BRANDON BRINEGAR	RE	REIMBURSE	216.78
STANLEY BRODINE	RE	REIMBURSE	15.81
BRUNER FRANK SCHUMACHER	S	LEGAL	26,280.53
BUFFALO CO COMMUNITY PARTNERS	S	YOUTH SVC	579.94
BUFFALO CO BAR ASSOCIATION	D	DUES	720.00
BUFFALO CO CLERK	E	EXPENSES	102.00
BUFFALO CO COURT	E	EXPENSES	30.57
BUFFALO CO COURT	E	EXPENSES	3,927.83
BUFFALO CO FACILITIES	E	EXPENSES	61.30
BUFFALO CO SHERIFF	E	EXPENSES	915.20
BUFFALO CO SHERIFF	E	EXPENSES	3,322.46
BUILDERS WAREHOUSE	SU	SUPPLIES	34.97
CANON U.S.A.	EQ	MAINT	230.97
CAPITAL CITY TRANSFER SERVICE	E	TRANSPORT	549.40
CARPENTER & SKALKA COURT	S	SVC	188.80
MICHAEL D CARPER	S	LEGAL	1,395.00
CARPET PROS	SU	SUPPLIES	290.00
CENTRAL MEDIATION CENTER	S	JUV SVCS	1,288.00
CENTRAL NE REPORTING	S	SVC	1,105.00
CENTURY LUMBER CENTER	SU	SUPPLIES	23.85
CENTURY 21 MIDLANDS	RT	RENT	290.00
CHARM-TEX	SU	SUPPLIES	158.70
CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	S	SVC	1,586.57
CHEMSEARCHFE	S	SERVICE	1,004.49
CHEROKEE BUILDING MATERIALS	SU	SUPPLIES	436.00
CHI HEALTH GOOD SAMARITAN	MC	MEDICAL	81.69
JENNIFER CHURCH	RE	REIMBURSE	129.83

CITY OF KEARNEY	U	UTILITES	3,768.50
CITY OF KEARNEY	AP	BOND	87,465.00
CITY OF KEARNEY	E	FUEL	244,325.03
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT	E	EXPENSES	1,934.00
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT	E	FEE	447.57
CNA SURETY	S	SVC	40.00
COCHRAN LAW	S	LEGAL	3,746.65
KATHARINE COLLINS	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
COLUMN SOFTWARE	A	PUBLICATION	834.25
COMFY BOWL	RT	EQUIP RENT	110.00
COMPASS FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES	S	FAMILY SVC	825.00
COMPSYCH CORPORATION	S	SVC	1,882.32
CONSTRUCTION RENTAL INC	EQ	EQUIP	521.97
COPYCAT PRINTING CENTER	SU	SUPPLIES	1,180.50
COPYCAT PRINTING	E	PRINTING	3,559.42
COUNTRY PARTNERS COOPERATIVE	F	PROPANE	855.91
DR. ANTHONY TATMAN	MC	MEDICAL	25.00
CULLIGAN OF KEARNEY	S	SVCS	508.50
CUSTOM CAGE OF MISSOURI	SU	SUPPLIES	2,175.00
WENDY C CUTTING	S	SVC	192.10
CVSOAN	E	REGISTRATION	120.00
DAN'S SANITATION	S	SVC	23.25
DENNISE DANIELS	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
HEIDI DARBY	RE	REIMBURSE	13.50
DAS ST ACCOUNTING	S	SVC	150.00
DAS STATE ACCTNG-CENTRAL FINANCE	S	SVC	1,536.00
DATASHIELD CORPORATION	S	SVC	60.31
DATAVANT	S	SVC	20.00
JOSIAH DAVIS	RE	REIMBURSE	108.05
LYDIA DAVIS	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
DAWSON CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	E	FEES	46.88
DAWSON PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	U	UTILITIES	4,786.43
DIAMOND DRUGS	MC	MEDICAL	4,737.51
DIER, OSBORN & COX	S	LEGAL	2,278.00
DOUGLAS CO SHERIFF	E	FEES	24.26
DOWHY TOWING & RECOVERY	S	SVC	218.50
DR GAGE STERMENSKY II	MC	MEDICAL	625.00
JESSICA DREIER	S	SVC	448.20
BRANDON DUGAN LAW	S	LEGAL	3,370.00
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SU	SUPPLIES	3,463.16
SHAWN EATHERTON	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	SU	SUPPLIES	250.00
KERRY ELSEN	RE	REIMBURSE	27.54
FAMILY PRACTICE ASSOCIATES	MC	MEDICAL	422.00
FARMERS COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION	F	FUEL	43.73
PAUL FARRELL	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
FATHER FLANAGAN'S BOYS'HOME	S	SUPPORT	7,463.45
FRANKLIN CO SHERIFF	E	FEES	18.50
FRITSON PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES	MC	MEDICAL	4,000.00
TAMARA FRIZANE	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
FRONTIER	U	PHONE SVC	2,962.35
FYE LAW OFFICE	S	LEGAL	12,949.10
GARCIA CLINICAL LABORATORY	MC	MEDICAL	38.00
GARY MICHAELS CLOTHIERS	S	REPAIRS	357.50
GOVERNMENTAL LAW	S	LEGAL	1,189.84
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	S	SVC	1,207.25
GREAT PLAINS UNIFORMS	EQ	EQUIP	1,246.54
LISA M HAGMAN	S	SVC	235.25
HALL CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	E	FEES	76.32
LARRY HARDESTY	RE	REIMBURSE	37.70
HAYES & ASSOCIATES	S	CONSULT	5,000.00
ANDREW W HOFFMEISTER	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
HOMETOWN LEASING	EQ	LEASE	5,916.02

HORNER, LIESKE, MCBRIDE & KUHL	E	EXPENSES	400.00
LISA R HUERTA	RE	REIMBURSE	94.29
ERIC INGEBRETSEN	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
INTEGRATED SECURITY SOLUTIONS	EQ	EQUIP	208.00
DEPT OF THE TREASURY	T	TAXES	2,800.03
JACK'S UNIFORMS AND EQUIPMENT	EQ	EQUIP	268.84
JACOBSEN ORR LAW FIRM	S	LEGAL	19,758.20
JOHNSTONE SUPPLY	SU	SUPPLIES	720.00
JUSTICE WORKS	E	SUBSCRIPTION	234.00
KEARNEY CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	E	FEES	34.50
KEARNEY TOWING & REPAIR CENTER	S	SVC	268.60
KEARNEY WINNELSON CO	SU	SUPPLIES	300.21
NICK KILLOUGH	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
KLEIN BREWSTER BRANDT & MESSERSMITH	S	LEGAL	24,430.00
JEFFREY C KNAPP	S	LEGAL	1,112.20
DOUG KRAMER	RE	REIMBURSE	94.53
KRONOS	S	SVC	1,383.99
L-TRON CORPORATION	SU	SUPPLIES	414.00
LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES	S	SVC	46.00
ANGEL LAWSON	E	FEES	20.00
DR MICHAEL LAWSON	E	MH BOARD	300.00
JULIA LAWSON	E	FEES	20.00
LINCOLN JOURNAL STAR	A	PUBLICATION	910.00
LIESKE, LIESKE & ENSZ	S	LEGAL	3,143.93
LINCOLN CO SHERIFF	E	FEES	21.65
STEPHEN G LOWE	S	LEGAL	2,500.00
JOHN MARSH	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
MARSHALL & SWIFT/BOECKH	E	SUBSCRIPTION	565.66
LYNN MARTIN	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
MASTERS TRUE VALUE	SU	SUPPLIES	116.58
SHARON MAULER	E	MH BOARD	300.00
JENNIFER R MCCARTER REPORTING	S	SVC	464.30
MCKESSON MEDICAL SURGICAL	SU	SUPPLIES	747.78
MENARDS	SU	SUPPLIES	862.91
MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS	S	SVC	730.00
MIDWAY CHEVROLET	S	REPAIRS	7.21
MIDWAY CHRYSLER DODGE JEEP	S	REPAIRS	88.30
MIDWEST CONNECT	S	MAIL SVC	18,406.70
MIDWEST SPECIAL SERVICES	E	TRANSPORT	306.00
MIGHTY DUCTS	S	SVC	1,150.00
MIPS INC.	E	SUPPORT	6,128.66
MIRROR IMAGE CAR WASH	S	SVC	518.43
MOLLY BOMBERGER COUNSELING SERVICES	MC	MEDICAL	1,322.50
MOONLIGHT CUSTOM SCREENPRINT	SU	SUPPLIES	185.50
KOLTON MORSE	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
NACEB	D	DUES	100.00
NACO	E	REGISTRATION	100.00
NAPA AUTO PARTS	E	EXPENSES	1,410.16
NE CENTRAL TELEPHONE CO	S	PHONE SVC	213.65
NEBR CLERKS OF DISTRICT COURT ASSN	E	REGISTRATION	75.00
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	S	PATIENT SVC	1,197.12
NE LAW ENFORCEMENT	E	FEES	175.00
NE PLANNING & ZONING ASSOC	E	REGISTRATION	1,540.00
NE PUBLIC POWER DIST	E	UTILITIES	84.52
NE PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	U	UTILITIES	13,319.43
NE STATE FIRE MARSHAL	S	SVC	216.00
NE STATE PATROL	E	FEES	1,050.00
NE UC FUND	E	FEES	1,678.67
NE INTERACTIVE	E	EXPENSES	17.00
OPTK NETWORKS	E	INTERNET SVC	1,253.24
ROBERT NELSON	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
NEW WEST SPORTS MEDICINE	MC	MEDICAL	1,084.20
NORTHEAST NE JUVENILE SER	S	JUV SVCS	16,317.50

NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	U	UTILITIES	6,549.07
O'BRIEN STRAATMANN REDINGER FUNERAL	E	CREMATION	1,500.00
OWENS EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	S	YOUTH SVC	375.00
PAPER TIGER SHREDDING	S	SVC	55.00
PARKER GROSSART BAHENSKY BEUCKE	S	LEGAL	1,501.90
PHYSICIANS LABORATORY	MC	MEDICAL	6,362.41
PICTOMETRY INTERNATIONAL CORP	E	EXPENSES	56,896.67
PLAINS RADIOLOGY	MC	MEDICAL	37.80
PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	S	REPAIRS	2,110.00
PLATTE VALLEY DENTAL CLINIC	MC	MEDICAL	525.00
ANA POST	RE	REIMBURSE	23.14
POWER DMS	E	SUBSCRIPTION	498.46
PSYCHOLOGICAL RESOURCES	MC	MEDICAL	500.00
PYE-BARKER FIRE & SAFETY	SU	PARTS	2,765.44
QUADIENT LEASING USA	EQ	LEASE	214.53
QUILL CORPORATION	S	SUPPLIES	290.46
KANE M RAMSEY	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
RAVENNA SANITATION	S	SVC	1,094.00
JAMES RAYBURN	RT	RENT	330.00
REDMAN'S SHOES	E	EXPENSES	75.00
REDWOOD TOXICOLOGY LABORATORY	S	SVC	213.87
ROBERT RICH	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
REBECCA RILEY	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
JOSE RODRIGUEZ	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
BRENDA ROHRICH	RE	REIMBURSE	129.10
RUDOLPH LAW LLC	S	LEGAL	530.00
RICHARD SERR	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
SHERWIN WILLIAMS	SU	SUPPLIES	304.03
SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP	SU	SUPPLIES	6,927.00
MARTI SLEISTER	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
TRENTON SNOW, LLC	RT	RENTAL	1,000.00
SOLID WASTE AGENCY LANDFILL	C	DEMO	15.21
CHERYL STABENOW	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
STAMM ROMERO & ASSOC	S	LEGAL	14,104.20
STANTON CO SHERIFF	E	FEES	18.50
THOMAS S STEWART	S	LEGAL	3,036.71
SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE	S	SVC	34,065.27
MICHAEL J SYNEK	S	LEGAL	4,398.63
THE LOCKMOBILE	SU	SUPPLIES	129.00
THOMSON REUTERS - WEST	E	SUBSCRIPTION	4,657.84
THOMSON REUTERS - WEST	E	SUBSCRIPTION	654.15
THOMSON REUTERS-WEST	E	SUBSCRIPTION	1,075.10
THOMSON REUTERS - WEST	E	SUBSCRIPTION	930.86
THURSTON HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING	S	REPAIRS	809.70
TK ELEVATOR CORPORATION	S	MAINT	128.22
REBECCA TVRDIK ANDERSON	S	LEGAL	2,225.00
TYE & ROWLING	S	LEGAL	402.00
U S POSTMASTER	E	MAIL FEE	670.00
U.S. BANK	E	EXPENSES	29,600.08
U.S. BANK	E	EXPENSES	730.35
U.S. POSTAL SERVICE (QUADIENT-POC)	E	POSTAL SVC	1,000.00
UNIVERSITY OF NE-LINCOLN	S	INTERNET SVC	1,200.00
REGAN VAN MATRE	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
TIM VANCE	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
VERIZON	E	EXPENSES	1,330.25
VERIZON WIRELESS	U	PHONE SVC	639.39
VIGILNET AMERICA	S	SVC	158.20
VILLAGE OF MILLER	U	UTILITIES	25.00
VILLAGE UNIFORM	RT	RENTAL	201.63
THE WALDINGER CORPORATION	S	REPAIRS	6,065.41
WEBSTER CO SHERIFF	E	FEES	19.00
WELLS FARGO BANKS ACCT ANALYSIS	E	FEES	70.02
WELLS FARGO	E	EXPENSES	1,197.48

WELLS FARGO	E	EXPENSES	1,383.22
WELLS FARGO	E	EXPENSES	119.32
WELLS FARGO	SU	SUPPIES	328.90
WELLS FARGO	E	FEES	35.00
AARON WENTZ	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
RICH WHITE	RE	REIMBURSE	7.25
WILKE'S TRUE VALUE	SU	SUPPLIES	34.47
WILKINS ARCHITECTURE DESIGN	S	SVC	8,079.67
MELISSA L WILLIS	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
WOODS & AITKEN	S	SVC	380.00
WPCI	E	EXPENSES	466.00
MELANIE R YOUNG	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
ROAD FUND			
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	E	EXPENSES	278.11
AURORA COOPERATIVE ELEVATOR COMPANY	F	FUEL	92.53
AUSSIE HYDRAULICS	S	REPAIRS	256.43
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY/AUTO VALUE PART	S	REPAIRS	9,629.88
BOSELMAN ENERGY	F	FUEL	240.00
CHS INC	F	FUEL	31.03
CFP-C-T	F	FUEL	80.06
COLONIAL RESEARCH CHEMICAL COR	SU	SUPPLIES	374.14
COMFY BOWL	RT	RENT	105.00
CONSTRUCTION RENTAL	S	REPAIRS	487.52
CURLY'S RADIATOR SERVICE	S	SVC	151.00
DAKOTA FLUID POWER	S	REPAIRS	835.00
ED BROADFOOT & SONS SAND & GRAVEL	G	GRAVEL	41,439.37
FARM PLAN	S	REPAIRS	2,944.52
FARMERS CO-OP ASSOCIATION	F	FUEL	96.92
FLOYD'S TRUCK CENTER	S	REPAIRS	758.49
FRIESEN CHEVROLET	S	REPAIRS	1,350.49
GLASS DOCTOR OF CENTRAL NE	S	REPAIRS	310.00
GRAHAM TIRE CO	S	REPAIRS	364.49
JIM HAWK TRUCK TRAILERS	S	REPAIRS	235.18
JOHN'S AUTO BODY	S	REPAIRS	1,000.00
K & B PARTS	S	REPAIRS	46.94
KEARNEY TRAILERS	S	REPAIRS	74.99
KIMBALL MIDWEST	SU	SUPPLIES	207.51
KULLY PIPE AND STEEL SUPPLY	SU	SUPPLIES	1,335.30
MATHESON TRI-GAS	SU	SUPPLIES	364.58
MENARDS	SU	SUPPLIES	128.75
MID STATE ENGINEERING & TESTING	S	SVC	120.00
MIDWEST PETROLEUM EQUIPMENT	S	SVC	67.72
MIDWEST SERVICE & SALES CO	SU	SUPPLIES	75.00
NAPA AUTO PARTS	S	REPAIRS	614.85
NMC, INC.	S	REPAIRS	4,232.21
OAK CREEK ENGINEERING	S	ENGINEERING	12,270.07
PEERLESS MACHINE & MFG	S	SVC	2,998.47
POWERPLAN-MURPHY TRACTOR	S	REPAIRS	2,238.09
SAHLING KENWORTH	S	REPAIRS	77.02
SAUL RAMOS CONSTRUCTION	C	CONCRETE	86,542.34
SIMON CONTRACTORS	C	CONCRETE	138,136.05
STERN OIL COMPANY	SU	SUPPLIES	1,493.41
TBK TRANSMISSIONS	S	REPAIRS	6,567.84
TROTTER	F	FUEL	214.00
TRUCK CENTER COMPANIES	S	REPAIRS	480.52
U.S. BANK	E	EXPENSES	5,748.35
VERMEER HIGH PLAINS	S	REPAIRS	911.80
WILKE'S TRUE VALUE	S	REPAIRS	33.99
WINZER	SU	SUPPLIES	1,508.35
VISITOR'S PROMOTION			
KEARNEY VISITOR'S BUREAU	E	EXPENSES	58,688.00
VISITOR'S IMPROVEMENT			
KEARNEY VISITOR'S BUREAU	E	EXPENSES	58,688.00

<u>DEEDS PRESERVATION & MODERNIZATION</u>			
MIPS INC.	S	CONVERSION	294.19
MORRIS PRESS	SU	SUPPLIES	502.94
<u>HEALTH INSURANCE FUND</u>			
BCBS HEALTH CLAIM EXPENSE	I	HEALTH	331,671.94
HM LIFE MELLON GLOBAL CASH MGNT	I	HEALTH	100,863.84
<u>FEDERAL GRANTS</u>			
L-TRON CORPORATION	SU	SUPPLIES	1,242.00
<u>KENO LOTTERY</u>			
BUFFALO CO BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS	E	FEES	100.00
CITY OF KEARNEY	E	EXPENSES	17,500.00
<u>WEED DISTRICT FUND</u>			
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY/AUTO VALUE PART	SU	SUPPLIES	416.53
DULTMEIER SALES	SU	SUPPLIES	135.00
GRAHAM TIRE CO	SU	SUPPLIES	118.75
KELLY SUPPLY COMPANY	SU	SUPPLIES	26.31
NAPA AUTO PARTS	SU	PARTS	210.44
NORFOLK LODGE & SUITES	E	LODGING	260.00
PLATTE VALLEY AUTO	SU	PARTS	49.38
TRI CITY AUTO PARTS	SU	PARTS	950.00
<u>911 EMERGENCY SERVICE</u>			
CENTURYLINK	S	SUPPORT	21,447.09
CENTURYLINK	S	DATA SVC	1,823.66
FIBER PLATFORM	S	SVC	255.90
FRONTIER	U	PHONE SVC	625.48
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	S	SVC	440.00
LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES	S	SVC	94.35
NE CENTRAL TELEPHONE CO	U	PHONE SVC	109.99
PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	S	MAINT	1,417.67

Buffalo County Treasurer Brenda Rohrich was present for the following agenda items. Moved by Maendele and seconded by Loeffelholz to approve the addition of pledged collateral in the amount of \$23,261.64 to Firstier Bank for the Buffalo County Treasurer. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Maendele, Loeffelholz, Klein, Kouba, Lynch and Morrow. Absent: Higgins. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Klein and seconded by Maendele to approve the following Resolution 2026-09 to instruct County Treasurer Rohrich, to issue Tax Sale Certificates in the name of the County. The list of legal descriptions mentioned in the Resolution are on file with the Buffalo County Clerk's office. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Klein, Maendele, Kouba, Loeffelholz, Lynch and Morrow. Absent: Higgins. Motion declared carried.

RESOLUTION 2026-09

WHEREAS, The Revised Statutes of Nebraska, Sec. 77-1809 and 77-1918, provides that upon the direction of the County Board of Commissioners, for the County Treasurer to issue Tax Sales Certificates in the name of the County, and

WHEREAS, the following list of legal descriptions have either delinquent taxes for the years 2022, 2023 and 2024 and have been offered for sale at Public Sale, and have remained unsold for want of bidders,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Buffalo County Board directs the County Treasurer of Buffalo County, to place Tax Sale Certificates on all delinquent taxes and special assessments for 2022, 2023 and 2024 and to maintain such Certificates in her custody, and to purchase all subsequent taxes thereon as the same may become delinquent.

Hayes and Associates shareholder Austin Hanke appeared via zoom to present the 2024-2025 Annual Audit report. Moved by Lynch and seconded by Klein to accept the Annual Audit for 2024-2025 completed by Hayes and Associates for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Lynch, Klein, Kouba, Loeffelholz, Maendele and Morrow. Absent: Higgins. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Klein and seconded by Loeffelholz to accept Community Action Partnership of Mid-Nebraska's February 2026 RYDE report. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Klein, Loeffelholz, Lynch, Maendele and Morrow. Abstain: Kouba. Absent: Higgins. Motion declared carried.

Transportation Director Charles McGraw from the Community Action Partnership of Mid Nebraska was present to review the funding matches required for the operations RYDE Transit-Community Action Partnership of Mid Nebraska. Moved by Maendele and

seconded by Klein to approve the Local Funding Match for RYDE Transit Public Transportation with the following Resolution 2026-10. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Maendele, Klein, Loeffelholz, Lynch and Morrow. Abstain: Kouba. Absent: Higgins. Motion declared carried.

RESOLUTION 2026-10

WHEREAS, there are federal funds available under Section 5311 of the Federal Transit Act and for the Nebraska Public Transportation Assistance Program, and

WHEREAS, the RYDE Transit-Community Action Partnership of Mid Nebraska desires to apply for said funds to provide public transportation in (transit system's service area).

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED; the Buffalo County Board of Commissioners hereby instructs the RYDE Transit to apply for said funds.

Said funds are to be used for the RYDE Transit transportation operations in the FY 2026-2027 Application for Public Transportation Assistance. Local Funding Amount Match for 2026-2027: \$103,916.00

Following discussion, it was moved by Kouba and seconded by Klein to direct Board Administrator Lynn Martin, with the assistance of the Sheriff's Office, to obtain no less than three informal proposals for county vehicle maintenance; the specifics of the level of services will be available at the Buffalo County Clerk's Office with review to begin on Wednesday, April 22, 2026. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Kouba, Klein, Loeffelholz, Lynch, Maendele and Morrow. Absent: Higgins. Motion declared carried.

Chairperson Morrow reviewed the following correspondence. Concerned Citizens sent a letter requesting Buffalo County and the City of Kearney to Protect the Trust, Transparency and Community Safety regarding rejecting any 287(g) agreement with ICE and to adopt a local policy requiring that all law enforcement officers clearly display identification and refrain from wearing masks that obstruct their identity. Chairperson Morrow called on each Board member present for committee reports and recommendations.

Health Director Jeremy Eschliman, Environmental Health Supervisor Ashley Green presented the semiannual update from Two Rivers Public Health Department and a copy of the presentation is on file with the County Clerk.

Facilities Director Stephen Gaasch was present for the following agenda items.

After discussion it was moved by Kouba and seconded by Lynch to approve the Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Pickleball Courts at the Buffalo County Recreation area and to set bid date of Tuesday, April 14, 2026. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Kouba, Lynch, Klein, Loeffelholz, Maendele and Morrow. Absent: Higgins. Motion declared carried.

Following discussion, it was moved by Lynch and seconded by Kouba to approve the purchase of a pickup from the State Purchasing Contract. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Lynch, Kouba, Klein, Loeffelholz, Maendele and Morrow. Absent: Higgins. Motion declared carried.

Chairperson Morrow called for Citizen's forum. County Clerk Christensen reminded everyone of the Medicare Educational Event happening tomorrow Wednesday, March 25, 2026 at the Highway department and the Courthouse. No one else addressed the Board.

At 10:02 A.M., Chairperson Morrow asked if there was anything else to come before the Board before she declared the meeting adjourned until the regular meeting at 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, April 14, 2026.

ATTEST:

Sherry L. Morrow, Chairperson
Buffalo County Board of Commissioners

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Heather A. Christensen
Buffalo County Clerk