

**BUFFALO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BUFFALO COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2023**

The Buffalo County Board of Commissioners and the Buffalo County Board of Equalization met on Tuesday, November 28, 2023 at 9:00 A.M. and 9:40 A.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: Timothy Higgins, Myron Kouba, Ronald Loeffelholz, Daniel Lynch, Bill Maendele, Sherry Morrow and Ivan Klein. 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 November 23, 2023. 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 Higgins to approve the November 14, 2023 Board meeting minutes. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Lynch, Higgins, Kouba, Loeffelholz, Maendele, Morrow and Klein. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Morrow and seconded by Loeffelholz to ratify the following November 17, 2023 payroll claims processed by the County Clerk. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Morrow, Loeffelholz, Higgins, Kouba, Lynch, Maendele and Klein. Motion declared carried.

<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
NET PAYROLL			339,620.81
AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE	I	PREMIUMS	1,256.48
RETIREMENT PLANS AMERITAS	R	EMPE RET	60,091.86
BUFFALO CO TREASURER	I	PREMIUMS	136,466.00
EMPOWER ANNUITY INS	R	DEFERRED COMP	1,150.00
FIRST CONCORD	E	FLEX FUNDS	5,179.50
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	T	FEDERAL TAXES	116,706.38
KEARNEY UNITED WAY	E	DONATIONS	61.00
MADISON NATIONAL	I	PREMIUMS	1,108.98
MADISON NATIONAL	I	LT DISABILITY	297.63
ERIN M MCCARTNEY	E	GARNISHMENT	402.00
NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT	R	DEFERRED COMP	375.00
NE CHILD SUPPORT	E	CHILD SUPPORT	1,200.00
PRINCIPAL	E	DENTAL	3,481.54
STATE OF NE	T	STATE TAXES	20,306.72
VISION SERVICE PLAN	E	EMPE VSP EYE	1,049.77
<u>ROAD FUND</u>			
NET PAYROLL			67,339.69
AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE	I	PREMIUMS	747.72
RETIREMENT PLANS AMERITAS	R	EMPE RET	10,559.33
BUFFALO CO TREASURER	I	PREMIUMS	4,079.50
FIRST CONCORD	E	FLEX FUNDS	914.92
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	T	FEDERAL TAXES	19,788.10
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	3,104.45
VISION SERVICE PLAN	E	EMPE VSP EYE	304.01
<u>WEED FUND</u>			
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

Chairperson Klein read into the record Employee Recognitions for the following County Employees: Legal Assistant Kim McKeon for 1 year of service, Corrections Officer Yessenia Castellanos for 1 year of service, Corrections Officer Rylie Kellison for 1

year of service, Corrections Officer Zerron Schroder for 1 year of service, Clerk Assistant Katie Vanslyke for 1 year of service, Juvenile Diversion Administrator Doug Kramer for 20 years of service and Register of Deeds Elected Official Kellie John for 50 years of service.

Moved by Loeffelholz and seconded by Lynch to approve the following November 2023 vendor claims submitted by the County Clerk. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Loeffelholz, Lynch, Higgins, Kouba, Maendele, Morrow and Klein. Motion declared carried.

GENERAL FUND			
ADVANCED CORRECTIONAL HEALTHCARE	MC	MEDICAL	15,914.01
AIRDATA UAV	E	SUBSCRIPTION	1,520.00
ALEGENT CREIGHTON CLINIC	MC	MEDICAL	187.78
ALL SAFE INDUSTRIES	EQ	HAZMAT	8,385.84
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SU	SUPPLIES	497.16
AMERICAN ELECTRIC COMPANY	S	PARTS	503.29
AMERICAN RED CROSS	E	TRAINING	2,808.00
MANDI J AMY	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
ANDERSON, KLEIN, BREWSTER & BRANDT	S	LEGAL	17,175.00
NATHAN AREHART	RE	REIMBURSE	215.30
AT&T MOBILITY	S	PHONE SVC	3,436.16
ATS	S	MAINT	1,098.92
B & S CONCRETE	S	REPAIRS	49,000.00
FRANCIS BIEHL	RE	REIMBURSE	4.59
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	U	UTILITIES	475.41
DREW BOHL	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
BOKF, NA	E	PROJECT	413,805.00
BOYS TOWN	S	SVC	6,784.38
SCOTT BRADY	RE	REIMBURSE	23.58
NATHAN BRECHT	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
D. BRANDON BRINEGAR	RE	REIMBURSE	25.22
STANLEY BRODINE	RE	REIMBURSE	14.28
BRUNER FRANK SCHUMACHER	S	LEGAL	32,032.69
BS & K SIGNS	S	SVC	6,364.80
BUFFALO CO COMMUNITY PARTNERS	E	EXPENSES	1,117.57
BUFFALO CO ATTORNEY	E	DUBBING FEE	5.00
BUFFALO CO ATTORNEY'S OFFICE	RE	REIMBURSE	970.43
BUFFALO CO CLERK	RE	REIMBURSE	1,069.25
BUFFALO CO COURT	S	LEGAL	4,535.98
BUFFALO CO HISTORICAL SOCIETY	AP	BUDGET	76,500.00
BUFFALO CO PUBLIC DEFENDER	E	NOTARY FEE	30.00
BUFFALO CO SHERIFF	E	EXPENSES	621.27
BUFFALO CO SHERIFF	E	EXPENSES	2,347.54
BUILDERS WAREHOUSE INC	SU	SUPPLIES	240.40
CANON SOLUTIONS AMERICA	S	MAINT	351.98
CAPITAL CITY TRANSFER SERVICE	E	TRANSPORT	2,986.50
CARPENTER & SKALKA COURT	E	TRANSCRIPT	43.75
MICHAEL D CARPER	S	LEGAL	960.00
RYAN C CARSON	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
CASA	AP	BUDGET	11,670.00
CASH WA DISTRIBUTING	SU	SUPPLIES	122.69
CENTRAL NE REPORTING	E	DEPOSITION	385.00
CENTURY LUMBER CENTER	SU	SUPPLIES	1,604.06
CHARLESWORTH CONSULTING	S	CONSULTING	1,050.00
CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	U	CABLE	475.06
CHEROKEE BUILDING MATERIALS	SU	SUPPLIES	1,608.68
JENNIFER CHURCH	RE	REIMBURSE	108.21
CITY OF KEARNEY	U	UTILITIES	3,613.80
CITY OF KEARNEY	E	EXPENSES	253,673.43
CITY OF KEARNEY	EQ	EQUIP	136.21
CITY OF KEARNEY	U	UTILITIES	508.13
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT	S	LEGAL	1,813.00
CMH INTERIORS	SU	SUPPLIES	240.00
COCHRAN LAW PC	S	LEGAL	7,068.33
KATHARINE COLLINS	RE	REIMBURSE	215.30
COMFY BOWL	EQ	EQUIP	310.00
COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP	AP	BUDGET	86,900.00
COMPASS FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES	S	FAMILY SVC	2,567.50
CONNECTWISE	E	SOFTWARE	847.16

CONSTRUCTION RENTAL	SU	SUPPLIES	90.65
COPYCAT PRINTING CENTER	S	PRINTING	568.19
DR. ANTHONY TATMAN	S	PSYCH TESTS	75.00
CULLIGAN OF KEARNEY	S	SVC	447.00
CUSTER CO SHERIFF	E	SVC FEE	75.54
WENDY C CUTTING	E	TRANSCRIPT	50.00
DAN'S SANITATION	S	SVC	18.75
DENNISE DANIELS	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
HEIDI DARBY	RE	REIMBURSE	123.17
DAS ST ACCOUNTING	S	IT SUPPORT	150.00
DAS STATE ACCTNG-CENTRAL FINANCE	S	NETWORK SVC	1,280.00
DAVE WAGGONER PLUMBING & HEATING	S	SVC	11,490.00
DAWSON CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	E	SVC FEE	52.03
DAWSON PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	U	UTILITIES	3,874.37
DEWALD DEEVER L'HEUREUX LAW FIRM	S	LEGAL	1,420.00
DIAMOND DRUGS	MC	MEDICAL	5,363.42
DIER, OSBORN & COX, P.C.	S	LEGAL	1,500.00
DOMINION REAL ESTATE KEARNEY	RT	RENT	210.00
DOUBLE J PLUMBING & CONTRACTING	S	SVC	85.00
DOUGLAS CO SHERIFF	E	SVC FEE	61.12
BRANDON DUGAN LAW	S	LEGAL	3,740.00
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SU	SUPPLIES	10,141.21
SHAWN EATHERTON	RE	REIMBURSE	385.60
ENTERPRISE ELECTRIC KEARNEY	SU	SUPPLIES	6,438.31
FAMILY PRACTICE ASSOCIATES	MC	MEDICAL	155.00
FARMERS COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION	F	FUEL	74.00
PAUL FARRELL	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
FATHER FLANAGAN'S BOYS'HOME	S	SVC	5,638.60
FIRST CARE MEDICAL PC	MC	MEDICAL	382.21
KARI FISK	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
ANA FLORES CARDENAS	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
FRANKLIN CO SHERIFF	E	SVC FEE	48.66
TRACEE FRANSSSEN	S	LEGAL	75.02
FREMONT CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	E	SVC FEE	48.44
FRONTIER	U	PHONE SVC	2,906.26
FYE LAW OFFICE	S	LEGAL	10,293.23
GALLS, LLC	EQ	EQUIP	436.62
GARCIA CLINICAL LABORATORY	MC	MEDICAL	938.00
GARRETT TIRES & TREADS	S	REPAIRS	113.45
CYNTHIA GEMBALA HUGG	E	TRANSCRIPT	18.75
JOSHUA GESINSKI	E	WITNESS	20.00
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	S	TOWER SVC	1,388.55
GREAT PLAINS UNIFORMS	EQ	EQUIP	4,602.72
GUARDIAN RFID	SU	SUPPLY	90.00
HALL CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	E	SVC FEE	93.98
HAMILTON CO SHERIFF'S DEPT	E	SVC FEE	28.28
WENDY HANSEN	E	FEES	75.02
HAYES & ASSOCIATES	S	SVC	2,000.00
ANDREW W HOFFMEISTER	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
HOMETOWN LEASING	EQ	LEASE	5,916.02
LISA R HUERTA	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
IHS PHARMACY	MC	MEDICAL	389.86
ERIC INGEBRETSEN	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
INTOXIMETERS	EQ	EQUIP	799.97
ISAAC CONSTRUCTION	S	SVC	12,950.00
JACK LEDERMAN CO, INC	S	SVC	159.12
JACK'S UNIFORMS AND EQUIPMENT	EQ	EQUIP	756.27
JACOBSEN ORR LAW FIRM	S	LEGAL	12,327.56
JOHNSTONE SUPPLY	SU	SUPPLIES	419.76
SHARON JOSEPH	RE	REIMBURSE	238.12
JUSTICE WORKS	E	DEFENDER DATA	202.00
KEARNEY CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	E	SVC FEE	60.00
KEARNEY CRETE & BLOCK CO	SU	SUPPLIES	22.54
KEARNEY HOUSING AGENCY	RT	RENT	162.00
KEARNEY PLAZA TOWNHOMES	RT	RENT	210.00
KEARNEY TOWING & REPAIR CENTER	E	TOWING	277.40

KEARNEY WINNELSON CO	SU	SUPPLIES	806.66
WILLIE KEEP	RE	REIMBURSE	22.27
KELLY KENNEDY	RE	REIMBURSE	25.00
KIDWELL, INC.	S	REPAIR	300.00
NICK KILLOUGH	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
JEFFREY C KNAPP	S	LEGAL	671.24
DOUG KRAMER	RE	REIMBURSE	227.75
KRONOS	S	MAINT	1,238.49
LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES	S	LANG LINE	32.00
LINCOLN JOURNAL STAR	A	PUBLICATION	1,233.43
LIESKE, LIESKE & ENSZ	S	LEGAL	2,714.00
MOIRA LINNER	RE	REIMBURSE	10.00
LIPS PRINTING SERVICE	S	SVC	165.86
STEPHEN G LOWE	S	LEGAL	1,800.00
MADISON CO SHERIFF	E	FEES	41.29
BILL MAENDELE	RE	REIMBURSE	127.66
JOHN MARSH	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
LYNN MARTIN	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
ERIC INGEBRETSEN	SU	SUPPLIES	90.10
JENNIFER R MCCARTER REPORTING	E	TRANSCRIPT	117.00
MCKESSON MEDICAL SURGICAL	SU	SUPPLIES	380.03
MICHAEL MEFFERD	RE	REIMBURSE	215.30
MENARDS	SU	SUPPLIES	3,855.44
MERRICK CO SHERIFF	E	SVC FEE	18.50
MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS	S	SCANNING	1,225.00
MIDDLETON ELECTRIC	SU	SUPPLIES	5,209.38
MIDWEST ALLERGY AND ASTHMA CLINIC	MC	MEDICAL	119.86
MIDWEST CONNECT	E	MAIL SVC	7,955.30
MIDWEST SPECIAL SERVICES	E	TRANSPORT	408.10
MIPS INC.	S	PRESERVATION	5,838.20
MIRROR IMAGE CAR WASH	S	SVC	415.94
MORRIS PRESS	S	PRINTING	138.50
KOLTON MORSE	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES	D	DUES	922.00
NACO	D	DUES	4,630.31
NACO	E	CONFERENCE	450.00
NAPA AUTO PARTS	S	SVC	640.16
NE ARBORIST ASSOCIATION	D	DUES	75.00
NE CENTRAL TELEPHONE CO	S	SVC	183.20
NE GENERATOR SERVICE	S	MAINT	22,206.75
NE GLASS COMPANY	S	REPAIR	119.85
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	S	PT SVCS	372.00
NE PUBLIC POWER DIST	U	UTILITIES	330.00
NE PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	U	UTILITIES	16,857.13
NE SHERIFF'S ASSOC	D	DUES	1,450.00
NE INTERACTIVE	E	COPIES	35.00
OPTK NETWORKS	S	SVC	1,203.24
KRISTI NEWMAN	RE	REIMBURSE	72.84
NIRMA	SU	SUPPLIES	253.00
NMC, INC.	RT	RENTAL	4,650.00
ROBERT NORDHUES	RT	RENT	250.00
THE NORTH PLATTE TELEGRAPH	A	PUBLICATION	54.07
NORTHEAST NE JUVENILE SER	S	SVC	9,455.00
NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	U	UTILITIES	2,058.31
NP REALTY	RT	RENT	420.00
O'BRIEN STRAATMANN REDINGER FUNERAL	E	CREMATION	2,375.00
OMAHA WORLD-HERALD	E	SUBSCRIPTION	1,079.00
OVERHEAD DOOR CO OF KEARNEY	SU	SUPPLIES	292.00
OWENS EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	S	SVC	6,401.66
PAPER TIGER SHREDDING	S	SVC	191.15
PARKER GROSSART BAHENSKY BEUCKE	S	LEGAL	477.09
PHYSICIANS LABORATORY	S	SVC	804.00
PLATINUM AWARDS & GIFTS	S	SVC	50.00
PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	S	ALARM SYS	893.82
PLATTE VALLEY DENTAL CLINIC	MC	MEDICAL	1,564.00
PLATTE VALLEY MEDICAL CLINIC	MC	MEDICAL	145.59

ANA POST	RE	REIMBURSE	36.32
PRECISION DYNAMICS CORP	SU	SUPPLIES	1,555.71
PRIME SECURED	EQ	EQUIP	10,112.54
PUBLIC AGENCY TRAINING COUNCIL	E	TRAINING	595.00
ROLAND WHITNEY	RT	RENT	175.00
QUEST DIAGNOSTIC	MC	MEDICAL	147.83
QUILL CORPORATION	SU	SUPPLIES	941.25
KANE M RAMSEY	RE	REIMBURSE	215.30
RAPID FIRE PROTECTION	S	SVC	19,395.50
RAVENNA SANITATION	U	UTILITIES	1,094.00
REGION III BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SVCS	E	EXPENSES	49,049.00
RUDOLPH LAW	S	LEGAL	1,580.00
SAUNDERS CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	E	SVC FEE	15.59
BOWEN SCHOEN	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
CONNIE S SCHUMAN	S	LEGAL	334.75
SCOTTS BLUFF CO SHERIFF	E	SVC FEE	20.64
SHERWIN WILLIAMS	SU	SUPPLIES	645.55
SHREDDING SOLUTIONS	S	SVC	54.53
CRAIG SLEICHER	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
MARTI SLEISTER	RE	REIMBURSE	215.30
TRENTON SNOW	S	SURVEY	1,300.00
TRENTON SNOW, LLC	RT	RENTAL	1,000.00
SOFTWARE UNLIMITED CORPORATION	E	SOFTWARE	11,770.44
SOLID WASTE AGENCY LANDFILL	E	DEMO	43.60
CHERYL STABENOW	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
STAMM ROMERO & ASSOC, P.C.	S	LEGAL	17,346.60
THOMAS S STEWART	S	LEGAL	2,285.00
SCOTT STUBBLEFIELD	RE	REIMBURSE	24.89
SUBURBAN FIRE PROTECTION DIST #1	SU	SUPPLIES	93.97
WILLIAM SULEIMAN MD PC	MC	MEDICAL	121.98
SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE	S	SVC	41,495.25
SUNBELT RENTALS	RT	RENTAL	2,129.07
MICHAEL J SYNEK	S	LEGAL	1,658.11
THE LOCKMOBILE	SU	SUPPLIES	101.70
THOMSON REUTERS - WEST	E	SUBSCRIPTION	231.93
THOMSON REUTERS - WEST	E	SUBSCRIPTION	3,158.41
THOMSON REUTERS-WEST	E	SUBSCRIPTION	795.79
THOMSON REUTERS - WEST	E	SUBSCRIPTION	677.53
TK ELEVATOR CORPORATION	S	MAINT	371.70
TURNER BODY SHOP OF KEARNEY	S	TOWING	55.00
REBECCA TVRDIK ANDERSON	S	LEGAL	1,795.00
TYE & ROWLING, PC	S	LEGAL	3,677.75
U.S. BANK	E	EXPENSES	25,277.79
U.S. POSTAL SERVICE (QUADIENT-POC)	E	POSTAGE	1,500.00
U.S DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	AP	BUDGET	1,465.53
MARC VACEK	RE	REIMBURSE	38.65
JERRY A. VAN WINKLE, PSYD	S	EVALUATION	1,557.70
VERIZON	U	TRACKERS	770.95
VERIZON WIRELESS	U	PHONE SVC	671.62
RANDALL VEST	RE	REIMBURSE	72.71
VILLAGE OF MILLER	U	UTILITIES	25.00
VILLAGE UNIFORM	RT	RENTAL	131.60
THE WALDINGER CORPORATION	S	REPAIRS	18,147.58
WEISER PRODUCTS, INC.	EQ	EQUIP	160.00
WELLS FARGO BANKS ACCT ANALYSIS	E	FEES	69.72
WELLS FARGO	E	EXPENSES	44.17
WELLS FARGO	E	EXPENSES	1,190.57
WELLS FARGO	E	EXPENSES	593.74
WELLS FARGO	SU	SUPPLIES	255.86
MELISSA WENTLING	RE	REIMBURSE	315.89
AARON WENTZ	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
WILKE'S TRUE VALUE	SU	SUPPLIES	82.44
WILKINS ARCHITECTURE DESIGN	E	RENOVATIONS	18,300.00
MELISSA L WILLIS	RE	REIMBURSE	215.30
WINCHESTER TRIM SHOP	S	REPAIR	644.97
WJE CONSULTING	S	CONSULTING	2,352.00

LOYE WOLFE	RE	REIMBURSE	86.46
WOODS & AITKEN LLP	S	LEGAL	547.10
WPCI	S	SCREENING	429.00
YELLOW ROBE CONSULTING	S	CONSULTING	1,500.00
LEILA LUFT	E	TRAINING	237.60
YORK CO SHERIFF	E	SVC FEE	18.50
MELANIE R YOUNG	RE	REIMBURSE	250.37
ZIEMBA ROOFING COMPANY	SU	SUPPLIES	953.00
ERIC ZIKMUND	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
ZOUL PROPERTIES	RT	RENT	330.00
ROAD FUND			
ACE HARDWARE & GARDEN CENTER	S	REPAIRS	73.96
ARROW SEED CO	S	SVC	792.00
AUSSIE HYDRAULICS	S	REPAIRS	139.80
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY	S	REPAIRS	5,058.08
BOSELMAN ENERGY	F	FUEL	1,288.41
BUFFALO CO TREASURER	E	EXPENSES	15.00
CENTRAL AG AND SHOP SUPPLY	EQ	TOOLS	279.90
CHS INC	F	FUEL	73.97
CFP-C-T	F	FUEL	116.48
COMFY BOWL	EQ	EQUIP	105.00
CORNHUSKER CLEANING SUPPLY	SU	SUPPLIES	328.55
CUMMINS SALES AND SERVICE	S	REPAIRS	720.49
CURLY'S RADIATOR SERVICE	S	REPAIRS	277.00
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SU	SUPPLIES	232.18
EASTWOOD CONTRACTING	G	GRAVEL	7,019.28
FARM PLAN	S	REPAIRS	17,055.84
FARMERS CO-OP ASSOCIATION	F	FUEL	106.04
FRIESEN CHEVROLET INC	S	REPAIRS	1,251.98
GARRETT TIRES & TREADS	S	REPAIRS	1,999.87
GLASS DOCTOR OF CENTRAL NE	S	REPAIRS	1,303.09
KELLY SUPPLY COMPANY	S	REPAIRS	32.50
KIMBALL MIDWEST	SU	SUPPLIES	1,111.52
LINCOLN JOURNAL STAR	A	PUBLISHING	56.16
MASTERS TRUE VALUE	S	REPAIRS	152.36
MATT FRIEND TRUCK EQUIPMENT	EQ	EQUIP	3,166.92
MENARDS	SU	SUPPLIES	503.10
MID NE AGGREGATE	G	GRAVEL	22,703.16
MIDWEST PETROLEUM EQUIPMENT	S	REPAIRS	175.89
MIDWEST SERVICE & SALES CO	S	REPAIRS	2,285.50
NMC, INC.	S	REPAIRS	58,590.06
OAK CREEK ENGINEERING	S	ENGINEERING	47,130.00
OLMSTEAD DEVELOPMENT	G	GRAVEL	3,949.68
PLATTE VALLEY AUTO	S	REPAIRS	233.36
POSTLE INDUSTRIES	SU	SUPPLIES	638.48
POWERPLAN-MURPHY TRACTOR	S	REPAIRS	9,640.22
SAHLING KENWORTH INC	S	REPAIRS	53.90
STERN OIL COMPANY	F	FUEL	6,454.50
THE LOCKMOBILE	SU	SUPPLIES	37.00
TROTTER INC	F	FUEL	66.52
TRUCK CENTER COMPANIES	S	REPAIRS	3,340.42
U.S. BANK	E	EXPENSES	5,510.04
WERNER CONSTRUCTION CO	C	ASPHALT	750,190.50
WILKE CONTRACTING CORP	C	CONCRETE	92,968.65
WILKE'S TRUE VALUE	SU	SUPPLIES	31.78
WINZER	SU	SUPPLIES	2,579.15
VISITOR'S PROMOTION			
KEARNEY VISITOR'S BUREAU	E	EXPENSES	88,802.00
VISITOR'S IMPROVEMENT			
KEARNEY VISITOR'S BUREAU	E	EXPENSES	88,802.00
HEALTH INSURANCE FUND			
BCBS HEALTH CLAIM EXPENSE	MC	HEALTH	311,213.83
HM LIFE MELLON GLOBAL CASH MGNT	MC	HEALTH	54,771.75
VETERAN'S RELIEF			
CO VETERANS AID FUND	E	EXPENSES	4,417.43

<u>DRUG FORFEITURES</u>			
CITY OF KEARNEY	SU	SUPPLIES	6,667.84
U.S. BANK	E	EXPENSES	1,633.89
<u>KENO LOTTERY</u>			
BUFFALO CO BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS	T	KENO TAXES	3,790.00
KSO CPAS + ADVISORS	S	SVC	4,950.00
<u>WEED FUND</u>			
KELLY SUPPLY COMPANY	SU	SUPPLIES	282.81
U.S. BANK	E	EXPENSES	150.00
<u>911 EMERGENCY SERVICE</u>			
CENTURYLINK	S	SVC	1,781.04
FRONTIER	S	SVC	716.06
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	S	SVC	1,080.82
LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES	S	LANG LINE	124.35
NE CENTRAL TELEPHONE CO	S	SVC	109.99
PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	S	MAINT	1,417.67
POLICE LEGAL SCIENCES	E	SUBSCRIPTION	1,800.00

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

FROM	100	GENERAL FUND	TO	200	ROAD FUND	\$500,000.00
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Moved by Morrow and seconded by Kouba to approve the following transfer of County funds all per budget. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Morrow, Kouba, Higgins, Loeffelholz, Lynch, Maendele and Klein. Motion declared carried.

FROM	2700	INHERITANCE FUND	TO	3700	COUNTY BOND LEVY FUND	\$350,000.00
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Moved by Loeffelholz and seconded by Maendele to approve the Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Management Association (NIRMA) / Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Management Association II (NIRMA II) Amendment and Addendum to Interlocal Agreements with the following Resolution 2023-57. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Loeffelholz, Maendele, Higgins, Kouba, Lynch, Morrow and Klein. Motion declared carried.

**RESOLUTION 2023-57
FOR AMENDMENT AND ADDENDUM TO
NIRMA/NIRMA II INTERGOVERNMENTAL/INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS**

WHEREAS, Buffalo County has previously entered into Intergovernmental/Interlocal Agreements with various other Nebraska Counties and other public agencies to form and participate in the Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Management Association (NIRMA) and the Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Management Association II (NIRMA II) as authorized by the Intergovernmental Risk Management Act (Neb.Rev.Stat. § 44-4301 et seq.) and the Nebraska Interlocal Cooperation Act (Neb.Rev.Stat. §13-801 et seq.); and

WHEREAS, Counties and other Public Agencies as defined in Neb. Rev.Stat. § 44-4303 are allowed to participate in said cooperative undertakings; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature has found that proper risk management requires the spreading of risk so as to minimize fluctuation in insurance needs and that benefits can be derived through the pooling of insurance purchasing by local government, and

WHEREAS, NIRMA and NIRMA II have provided coverages to the County in a cost effective way which meet and exceed that provided by standard insurance carriers; and

WHEREAS, NIRMA and NIRMA II provide risk management services such as loss prevention, safety audits, claims and litigation management, and coverages tailored to address loss exposures counties and other related public entities face not economically available from other sources; and

WHEREAS, these coverages and risk management services are essential for the continued effective and efficient use of county taxpayer dollars; and

WHEREAS, the current Intergovernmental/Interlocal Agreements will expire on June 30, 2024, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Buffalo County Board hereby:

1. Extends its commitment to participate in NIRMA and NIRMA II for the period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027; and
2. Declares that this Resolution shall serve as an amendment and addendum to the previous Intergovernmental/Interlocal Agreements entered into by the County Board said Intergovernmental/Interlocal Agreements readopted by and incorporated herein by this reference as amended.

Deputy County Attorney Andrew Hoffmeister arrived at 9:08 A.M.

Aravind Menon, PhD, Epidemiologist presented the quarterly update from Two Rivers Public Health Department and a copy of the presentation is on file with the County Clerk.

Buffalo County Sheriff Neil Miller, Kearney Police Chief Brian Waugh and Facilities Director Steve Gaasch were present for discussion of the Request for Proposal (RFP) for a facilities condition and needs assessment. Following discussion it was moved by Morrow and seconded by Lynch to approve the RFP for a facilities condition and needs assessment and to set bid due date of Friday, December 22, 2023 at 12:00 P.M. to open bids on the Tuesday December 12, 2023 Board Meeting. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Morrow, Lynch, Higgins, Kouba, Loeffelholz, Maendele and Klein. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Morrow and seconded by Maendele to amend the Buffalo County Purchase Card Program. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Morrow, Maendele, Higgins, Kouba, Loeffelholz, Lynch and Klein. Motion declared carried.

ZONING

Zoning Administrator Dennise Daniels and Deputy County Attorney Hoffmeister were present for the following Zoning agenda items.

Chairperson Klein continued the discussion and decision from November 14, 2023 public hearing for a Special Use Permit application filed by Mark Morten, to operate a commercial dog business performing training, breeding, and limited small scale boarding services, for tax parcel 380081010, located at 29235 145th Road, Kearney, Nebraska, and described as Part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, situated in Section Twenty-five (25), Township Ten (10) North, Range Sixteen (16) West of the Sixth Principal Meridian, Buffalo County, Nebraska. Mark Morten and Attorney Nick Ridgeway of Jacobsen Orr Law Firm were present to answer questions. Moved by Maendele and seconded by Morrow to approve the Special Use Permit to operate a commercial dog business performing training, breeding, and limited small scale boarding services at the said address with the conditions the Zoning Commission set forth, which included, signage with an address, one structure addition as presented and have the dogs enclosed, or kenneled, no later than 30 minutes after sunset until sunrise and with the exception of a maximum occupancy of 10 dogs allowance, including any puppy or dog aged 13 weeks or older with the following Resolution 2023-58. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Maendele, Morrow, Higgins, Kouba, Loeffelholz, Lynch and Klein. Motion declared carried.

RESOLUTION 2023-58

WHEREAS, Mark Morten has filed for a Special Use Permit, with the Buffalo County Clerk and/or Zoning Administrator.

WHEREAS, one application, which shows an application date of September 18, 2023, was filed with the Zoning Administrator on September 19, 2023, to operate a commercial dog business performing training, breeding, and limited small scale boarding services on the following legal description:

A tract of land being part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 25, Township 10 North, Range 16 West of the 6th p.m., Buffalo County, Nebraska, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the Northeast Corner of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 25; thence Southerly on the East line of said Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter a distance of 916.55 feet to a point, said point being 407.0 feet North of the Southeast Corner of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of said section; thence Westerly parallel with and 407.0 feet Northerly of the South line of said Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter a distance of 617.84 feet; thence Northerly a distance of 916.66 feet to a point that intersects on the North line of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of said Section; thence Easterly on the North line of said Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter a distance of 617.84 feet to the place of beginning. Containing 13.00 acres, more or less, of which 0.47 acres, more or less, are presently being used for road purposes on the North side. hereinafter referred to as the "subject property".

WHEREAS, on October 19, 2023, the Buffalo County Planning and Zoning Commission conducted a public hearing on such Special Use Permit and on a 5-0 vote with four absent and no abstentions, voted favorably to forward this application to the County Commissioners, with this Board noting that it reviewed the minutes of the Planning and Zoning Commission for that meeting, and

WHEREAS, on November 14, 2023, the Buffalo County Board of Commissioners held a public hearing on this Special Use Permit and,

WHEREAS, the following exhibits were received by this Board, with four of the following exhibits being attached to the application:

1. The Application of the Special Use Permit.
2. Project Description.
3. Site Plan.
4. Parking Plan.
5. Square Footage Kennel Requirements for Various Dog Sizes.
6. Indoor/Outdoor Photos of Completed Addition/Facility.
7. Neighbor Signatory and Verbal "No Objection" Submissions.

WHEREAS, only a simple majority is required by this Board to approve this Special Use Permit because no protests against issuance of this permit have been filed, and

WHEREAS, the Board, after public hearing and review of the Special Use application, finds that the application should be approved, based upon the following findings and conditions:

- The subject property abuts on the south side of 145th Road, which is a county-maintained road.
- Maximum occupancy of ten dogs held for commercial purposes, which includes any puppy or dog aged thirteen weeks or older.
- This facility is comprised of a thirty-foot-by-twelve-foot metal addition to an existing structure together with a fenced exercise area for the dogs all as described in the application. This would also include the sanitary sewer system needed to handle waste from the facility.
- The facility, thirty-foot-by-twelve-foot metal addition to existing structure, is permitted to be used for the purposes described in this Resolution.
- Signage, with an address, is required along the subject property's north side where it abuts 145th Road. A sign no greater in square footage than 32 square feet is allowed as an amendment to the application. This sign shall be added to the special use permit's application. Additionally, this sign shall be subject to setback rules regarding signage as provided in Buffalo County's Zoning Resolution.
- As per Resolution 2023-10, the facility will be situated, at a minimum, of 100 feet from any property line and 300 feet from any neighboring residence. The plans submitted comply with this distancing requirement.
- All dogs must be enclosed, or kenneled, no later than 30 minutes after sunset until 30 minutes prior to sunrise.
- No one present at public hearing before the Planning and Zoning Commission or this Board spoke in opposition to this application.
- Based upon information from the Applicant, this facility/use is subject to regular and unscheduled on-site inspections from the United States Department of Agriculture and State animal care inspectors. Therefore, there is no need for county review/inspection of the facility beyond that of issuance of this special use permit.

WHEREAS, this special use permit complies with Section 6.2 of Buffalo County's Zoning Regulations because with the below stated conditions contained in this Resolution, the requested use/structure(s) would:

1. Be compatible with and similar to the use permitted in the district, and
2. Not be a matter which should require re-zoning of the property, and
3. Not be detrimental to adjacent property, and
4. Not tend to depreciate the value of the surrounding structures or property, and
5. Be compatible with the stated intended use of the district, and
6. Not change the character of the district, and
7. Be in accordance with the Comprehensive Plan.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT BY THE BUFFALO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS by a majority vote of its members, approves the applicant's requested Special Use Permit, subject, however, to the following:

1. The facility, and applicant, shall adhere to the conditions as previously set out in this Resolution.
2. The facility shall remain in compliance with any and all State and Federal regulations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Board reserves the power to revoke such special use permit for failure to comply with such terms, conditions and requirements, or take such other action as it may deem necessary to obtain compliance. If the Zoning Administrator or any two members of this Board find at any time that the terms, conditions and requirements of this special use permit have not been complied with, or that any phase thereof has not been completed within the time required under said special use permit or any amendment thereto, the Zoning Administrator or any two members of this Board shall report this fact to the County Commissioners, and thereafter this Board may conduct review of compliance by public hearing with notice given to applicant(s) and/or entity using the subject property. Following such public meeting this Board may take any action it may deem necessary to secure compliance including revocation and termination of this special use permit.

RESOLVED FURTHER that a copy of this Resolution shall be filed against the subject property as described above.

Zoning Administrator Daniels presented the Trileaf Corporation revised telecommunication project known as "Trileaf Project #731659". After discussion it was moved by Loeffelholz and seconded by Higgins to authorize Chairperson Klein to sign letter of response to Trileaf Corporation regarding the revisions to the proposed telecommunication project known as "Trileaf Project #731659", located in part of the Southeast Quarter of Section 17, Township 9 North, Range 18 West of the 6th P.M., Buffalo County Nebraska. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Loeffelholz, Higgins, Kouba, Lynch, Maendele, Morrow and Klein. Motion declared carried.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Highway Superintendent John Maul was present for the following agenda items.

The Road Committee and Highway Superintendent Maul reviewed the final tabulations for the Project No. C10 (1007) Daykin Road starting at 325th Road. Moved by Loeffelholz and seconded by Kouba to accept the low bid of Van Kirk Bros. Contracting, for Project No. C10 (1007) Daykin Road starting at 325th Road and going north for two miles. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Loeffelholz, Kouba, Higgins, Lynch, Maendele, Morrow and Klein. Motion declared carried.

The Road Committee and Highway Superintendent Maul reviewed the final tabulations for the Project No. C10 (1012) Coal Chute Road from Keystone Road to Lowell Road. Moved by Lynch and seconded by Loeffelholz to accept the low bid of Adams

Construction Co. for Project No. C10 (1012) Coal Chute Road from Keystone Road to Lowell Road. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Lynch, Loeffelholz, Higgins, Kouba, Maendele, Morrow and Klein. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Loeffelholz and seconded by Morrow to recess the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners at 9:51 A.M. and reconvene as a Board of Equalization. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Loeffelholz, Morrow, Higgins, Kouba, Lynch, Maendele and Klein. 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 Lynch and seconded by Loeffelholz to approve the Motor Vehicle Tax Exemption renewal as indicated on the application by the County Treasurer Rohrich for Mount Carmel Home for a 2003 Ford Passenger Van, a 2005 Toyota Camry, a 2007 Ford Pickup Supercrew, a 2013 Ford Passenger Van and a 2019 Dodge Passenger Van. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Lynch, Loeffelholz, Higgins, Kouba, Maendele, Morrow and Klein. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Loeffelholz and seconded by Lynch to adjourn the Board of Equalization and return to the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners at 9:52 A.M. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Loeffelholz, Lynch, Higgins, Kouba, Maendele, Morrow and Klein. Motion declared carried.

REGULAR AGENDA

Chairperson Klein reviewed the following correspondence. Chesterman Coca-Cola Company sent a letter regarding the discontinuation of service for the Coca-Cola vending equipment, due to the current case sales not meeting the Sales and Delivery Standards of Coca-Cola. Development Council for Buffalo County Kearney Nebraska sent a card thanking the Board for their continued support. Kearney Family YMCA sent an invitation to an Open house held on December 10, 2023 to thank the Board for their donations. Chairperson Klein called on each Board member present for committee reports and recommendations.

Moved by Morrow and seconded by Maendele to enter into Executive Session at 9:58 A.M. regarding contract negotiations. In addition to the Board members responding to roll call, Buffalo County Sheriff Miller, County Attorney Eatherton and Board Administrator Lynn Martin were present. Facilities Director Gaasch joined the session at 10:23 A.M. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Morrow, Maendele, Higgins, Kouba, Loeffelholz, Lynch and Klein. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Maendele and seconded by Loeffelholz to move out of Executive Session at 10:31 A.M. and resume the open meeting. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Maendele, Loeffelholz, Higgins, Kouba, Lynch, Morrow and Klein. Motion declared carried.

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 10:32 A.M before he declared the meeting adjourned until the regular meeting at 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, December 12, 2023.

ATTEST:

Ivan H. Klein, Chairperson
Buffalo County Board of Commissioners

Heather A. Christensen
Buffalo County Clerk

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