

**BUFFALO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BUFFALO COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2024**

The Buffalo County Board of Commissioners and the Buffalo County Board of Equalization met on Tuesday, September 24, 2024 at 9:00 A.M. and 9:30 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, Daniel Lynch, Bill Maendele, Sherry Morrow and Ivan Klein. Absent: Ronald Loeffelholz. 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 September 19, 2024. 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. Deputy County Attorney Josiah Davis and Deputy County Clerk Rachelle Warner were present. County Attorney Shawn Eatherton arrived at 9:05 A.M. and Deputy County Attorney Andrew Hoffmeister arrived at 9:06 A.M.

REGULAR AGENDA

Moved by Maendele and seconded by Lynch to approve the September 10, 2024 Board meeting minutes. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Maendele, Lynch, Higgins, Kouba, Morrow and Klein. Absent: Loeffelholz. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Higgins and seconded by Kouba to ratify the following September 20, 2024 payroll claims processed by the County Clerk. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Higgins, Kouba, Lynch, Maendele, Morrow and Klein. Absent: Loeffelholz. Motion declared carried.

SEPTEMBER 20, 2024 PAYROLL

<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
NET PAYROLL			334,259.33
AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE	I	PREMIUMS	1,541.09
RETIREMENT PLANS AMERITAS	R	EMPE RET	59,473.66
BUFFALO CO TREASURER	I	PREMIUMS	163,247.70
EMPOWER ANNUITY INS	R	DEFERRED COMP	1,075.00
FIRST CONCORD	E	FLEX FUNDS	7,112.97
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	T	FEDERAL TAXES	111,980.71
KEARNEY UNITED WAY	E	DONATIONS	55.00
MADISON NATIONAL	I	PREMIUMS	1,146.03
MADISON NATIONAL	I	LT DISABILITY	298.27
ERIN M MCCARTNEY	E	GARNISHMENT	402.00
METLIFE	E	DENTAL	3,866.69
NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT	R	DEFERRED COMP	1,469.50
NE CHILD SUPPORT	E	CHILD SUPPORT	1,200.50
STATE OF NE	T	STATE TAXES	18,588.55
VISION SERVICE PLAN	E	EMPE VSP EYE	1,221.29
<u>ROAD FUND</u>			
NET PAYROLL			65,377.86
AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE	I	PREMIUMS	733.69
RETIREMENT PLANS AMERITAS	R	EMPE RET	10,148.32
BUFFALO CO TREASURER	I	PREMIUMS	4,110.14
FIRST CONCORD	E	FLEX FUNDS	816.24
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	T	FEDERAL TAXES	18,917.93
MADISON NATIONAL	I	PREMIUMS	181.36
MADISON NATIONAL	I	LT DISABILITY	118.83
METLIFE	E	DENTAL	964.54
NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT	R	DEFERRED COMP	272.50
STATE OF NE	T	STATE TAXES	2,860.04
VISION SERVICE PLAN	E	EMPE VSP EYE	304.49
<u>WEED FUND</u>			
NET PAYROLL			5,489.94
RETIREMENT PLANS AMERITAS	R	EMPE RET	872.87
BUFFALO CO TREASURER	I	PREMIUMS	320.65
FIRST CONCORD	E	FLEX FUNDS	104.16

FIRST NATIONAL BANK	T	FEDERAL TAXES	1,720.65
MADISON NATIONAL	I	LT DISABILITY	3.81
METLIFE	E	DENTAL	56.94
STATE OF NE	T	STATE TAXES	265.06
VISION SERVICE PLAN	E	EMPE VSP EYE	4.81

Chairperson Klein read into the record Employee Recognitions for the following County Employees: Katharine Collins for 1 year of service, Eric Rerucha for 1 year of service and Craig Sleicher for 1 year of service.

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

Moved by Lynch and seconded by Higgins to approve the following September 2024 vendor claims submitted by the County Clerk. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Lynch, Higgins, Kouba, Maendele, Morrow and Klein. Absent: Loeffelholz. Motion declared carried.

GENERAL FUND			
ADVANCED CORRECTIONAL HEALTHCARE	MC	MEDICAL	19,520.75
AKRS EQUIPMENT RAVENNA JOHN DEERE	S	MAINT	170.48
ALL SAFE INDUSTRIES	SU	SUPPLIES	6,259.30
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SU	SUPPLIES	5,107.23
AMERICAN ELECTRIC COMPANY	SU	SUPPLIES	970.84
MANDI J AMY	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
APPLE MARKET	SU	SUPPLIES	43.23
AREA SERVICES	S	SVC	1,195.00
NATHAN AREHART	RE	REIMBURSE	488.54
AT&T MOBILITY	E	EXPENSE	3,322.03
ATS	EQ	EQUIP	366.77
MARVCO ENTERPRISED	EQ	EQUIP	293.26
B & S CONCRETE	C	CONCRETE	51,450.00
BARENT'S OUT ON A LIMB TREE SERVICE	S	SVC	7,500.00
DELANEY BEHRENDT	RE	REIMBURSE	359.66
KORINNE BENSON	E	FEE	20.00
DREW BOHL	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
BOMGAARS SUPPLY	S	REPAIRS	32.77
BOONE CO SHERIFF	E	FEE	19.00
BOYS TOWN	S	SVC	2,660.94
NATHAN BRECHT	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
D. BRANDON BRINEGAR	RE	REIMBURSE	69.92
STANLEY BRODINE	RE	REIMBURSE	14.61
BRUNER FRANK SCHUMACHER	S	LEGAL	20,529.42
BSBB, LLP	RT	RENT	410.00
BUFFALO CO COMMUNITY PARTNERS	S	SVC	840.77
BUFFALO CO ATTORNEY	SU	SUPPLIES	20.00
BUFFALO CO CLERK	E	PER DIEM	496.50
BUFFALO CO COURT	E	EXPENSES	40.46
BUFFALO CO COURT	E	FEE	3,723.17
BUFFALO CO SHERIFF	E	EXPENSES	851.00
BUFFALO CO SHERIFF	E	EXPENSES	4,032.39
BUILDERS WAREHOUSE	SU	SUPPLIES	4,336.94
CANON SOLUTIONS AMERICA	S	MAINT	190.39
CAPITAL CITY TRANSFER SERVICE	S	SVC	1,022.40
MICHAEL D CARPER	S	LEGAL	1,820.00
RYAN C CARSON	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
CENTRAL MEDIATION CENTER	S	SVC	1,610.00
CENTURY LUMBER CENTER	SU	SUPPLIES	129.71
CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	U	PHONE SVC	912.46
CHEMSEARCHFE	S	SVC	928.69
CHEROKEE BUILDING MATERIALS	SU	SUPPLIES	224.64
JENNIFER CHURCH	RE	REIMBURSE	97.93
CIOX HEALTH	E	EXPENSES	20.00
CITY OF KEARNEY	U	UTILITIES	10,315.35
CITY OF KEARNEY	E	EXPENSES	207,695.22
CITY OF KEARNEY	EQ	EQUIP	109.99
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT	S	LEGAL	1,557.22
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT	E	FEE	475.27

CLIPPER PUBLISHING	SU	SUPPLIES	147.00
COCHRAN LAW PC	S	LEGAL	5,689.03
KATHARINE COLLINS	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
COLUMN SOFTWARE PBC	A	PUBLISHING	805.36
COMPASS FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES	S	SVC	204.00
COMPSYCH CORPORATION	E	EXPENSES	1,859.55
CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT CO	S	SVC	69.10
CONSTRUCTION RENTAL INC	RT	RENTAL	35.00
COPYCAT PRINTING CENTER	SU	SUPPLIES	625.06
CORNHUSKER STATE INDUSTRIES	SU	SUPPLIES	432.00
CULLIGAN OF KEARNEY	S	SVC	411.50
WENDY C CUTTING	S	SVC	299.10
DAN'S SANITATION	S	SVC	22.25
DENNISE DANIELS	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
DAS ST ACCOUNTING	SU	SUPPORT	150.00
DAS STATE ACCTNG-CENTRAL FINANCE	S	DAS	1,536.00
JOSIAH DAVIS	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
DAWSON PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	U	UTILITIES	4,472.92
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	E	REGISTRATION	540.00
DEWALD DEEVER L'HEUREUX LAW FIRM	S	LEGAL	60.00
DIER, OSBORN & COX, P.C.	S	LEGAL	1,992.00
DON WASSON CO	SU	SUPPLIES	14,543.00
DOUGLAS CO SHERIFF	E	FEE	71.20
DOWHY TOWING & RECOVERY	S	TOWING	321.00
BRANDON DUGAN LAW	S	LEGAL	4,652.50
DUNCAN THEIS CONSTRUCTION	C	CONSTRUCTION	116,497.80
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SU	SUPPLIES	12,170.34
SHAWN EATHERTON	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
EGAN SUPPLY COMPANY	SU	SUPPLIES	516.38
ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS	EQ	EQUIP	20,000.00
ENTERPRISE ELECTRIC	U	UTILITIES	341.95
FAMILY PRACTICE ASSOCIATES	MC	MEDICAL	91.00
MARSHA FANGMEYER, ESQ.	S	LEGAL	540.00
FARMERS COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION	F	FUEL	78.42
PAUL FARRELL	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
FATHER FLANAGAN'S BOYS'HOME	S	SVC	3,300.00
FIRST CARE MEDICAL PC	MC	MEDICAL	557.90
FORTITUDE COUNSELING SERVICES	S	PT SVCS	450.00
FRONTIER	U	PHONE SVC	3,877.74
FYE LAW OFFICE	S	LEGAL	15,374.09
GALLS, LLC	EQ	EQUIP	523.24
GARCIA CLINICAL LABORATORY	MC	MEDICAL	111.50
CYNTHIA GEMBALA HUGG	S	SVC	273.00
GOVCONNECTION	E	EXPENSES	853.65
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	S	TOWER SVC	1,060.22
GUARDIAN ALLIANCE TECHNOLOGIES	E	FEE	1,000.00
ANDREW W HOFFMEISTER	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
ALEJANDRA HOLGUIM	E	FEE	53.50
HOMETOWN LEASING	EQ	LEASE	5,916.02
DONIELLE HOPKINS	E	FEE	20.00
HORNER, LIESKE, MCBRIDE & KUHL	E	CREMATION	1,500.00
LISA R HUERTA	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
IHS PHARMACY	MC	MEDICAL	292.34
ERIC INGEBRETSEN	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
INTEGRATED SECURITY SOLUTIONS	SU	SUPPLIES	488.00
JACK LEDERMAN CO	SU	SUPPLIES	45.72
JACK'S UNIFORMS AND EQUIPMENT	EQ	EQUIP	65.74
JACOBSEN ORR LAW FIRM	S	LEGAL	17,131.90
JEFFERSON CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	E	FEE	33.00
JOHNSTONE SUPPLY	SU	SUPPLIES	2,250.70
JUSTICE WORKS	E	DEFENDER DATA	216.00
KEARNEY COUNSELING ASSOCIATES	S	SVC	250.00
KEARNEY CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	E	FEE	18.75
KEARNEY TOWING & REPAIR CENTER	S	TOWING	906.80

KEARNEY WINNELSON CO	SU	SUPPLIES	1,449.56
KELLY KENNEDY	RE	REIMBURSE	25.00
NICK KILLOUGH	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
KLEIN BREWSTER BRANDT & MESSERSMITH	S	LEGAL	39,310.68
JIRSIE KLEIN	E	FEE	20.00
JEFFREY C KNAPP	S	LEGAL	1,215.34
JOHNATHON KOUTRAS	E	FEE	20.00
DOUG KRAMER	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
KRONOS	S	SVC	1,300.82
LANCASTER CO SHERIFF	S	SVC	18.70
LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES	S	SVC	38.00
LINCOLN JOURNAL STAR	A	PUBLISHING	1,108.18
RYANN LEWIS	E	FEE	71.59
LIESKE, LIESKE & ENSZ, PC	S	LEGAL	2,455.50
LINCOLN CO SHERIFF	E	FEE	19.00
LMN GRAPHICS	S	SVC	5,810.46
STEPHEN G LOWE	S	LEGAL	2,900.00
JOHN MARSH	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
LYNN MARTIN	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
MASTERS TRUE VALUE	SU	SUPPLIES	40.62
JENNIFER R MCCARTER REPORTING	S	SVC	83.70
MCKESSON MEDICAL SURGICAL	SU	SUPPLIES	265.28
MENARDS - KEARNEY	SU	SUPPLIES	1,682.58
MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS	S	SVC	730.00
MIDWEST CARD & ID SOLUTIONS	S	SVC	306.00
MIDWEST CONNECT	S	SVC	7,451.66
MIPS INC.	S	PRESERVATION	5,961.03
MIRROR IMAGE CAR WASH	S	SVC	579.09
MICHELLE MITCHELL	RE	REIMBURSE	68.85
KOLTON MORSE	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS	EQ	EQUIP	6,400.00
NACO	E	REGISTRATION	155.00
NAPA AUTO PARTS	SU	SUPPLIES	2,892.26
NE CENTRAL TELEPHONE CO	U	PHONE SVC	183.20
NE DEPT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS	AP	BUDGET	50,000.00
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	S	PT SVCS	1,656.00
NE PUBLIC POWER DIST	U	UTILITIES	370.00
NE PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	U	UTILITIES	25,037.65
NE INTERACTIVE	S	SVC	25.50
NE TITLE	E	PROPERTY	115,000.00
OPTK NETWORKS	E	INTERNET SVC	1,253.24
BRAD NEGRETE	E	TRAVEL	567.92
NELSEN LAW OFFICE	S	LEGAL	1,027.30
ROBERT NORDHUES	RT	RENT	370.00
NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	U	UTILITIES	1,194.47
NSA/POAN CONFERENCE	A	REGISTRATION	1,600.00
O'BRIEN STRAATMANN REDINGER FUNERAL	E	CREMATION	1,500.00
OLD TOWN HALL KEARNEY	D	DUES	50.00
OVERTON VETERINARY SERVICES	S	SVC	270.00
OWENS EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	S	SVC	1,166.29
PARKER GROSSART BAHENSKY BEUCKE	S	LEGAL	295.69
PELL REPORTING	S	SVC	647.40
PHYSICIANS LABORATORY P.C.	MC	MEDICAL	5,324.00
PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	EQ	EQUIP	4,147.21
PLATTE VALLEY DENTAL CLINIC	MC	MEDICAL	1,285.00
PRAIRIE VIEW APARTMENTS	RT	RENT	740.00
QUADIENT LEASING USA	EQ	LEASE	214.53
QUILL CORPORATION	SU	SUPPLIES	109.46
KANE M RAMSEY	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
RAVENNA SANITATION	S	SVC	1,094.00
RED WILLOW CO SHERIFF	S	SVC FEE	20.10
REGION III BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SVCS	E	EXPENSES	9,416.00
REBECCA RILEY	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
ROCK SOLID RENTALS	RT	RENT	410.00

JOSE RODRIGUEZ	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
BRENDA ROHRICH	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
RUDOLPH LAW	S	LEGAL	940.00
SAYLER SCREENPRINTING	S	SUPPLIES	161.00
BOWEN SCHOEN	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
SHERIDAN CO SHERIFF	S	SVC FEE	40.50
SHERWIN WILLIAMS	SU	SUPPLIES	270.71
JEFF SHIELD	E	FEE	20.00
SHREDDING SOLUTIONS	S	SVC	67.59
CRAIG SLEICHER	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
MARTI SLEISTER	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
DRAYDAN SMEDRA	E	FEE	20.00
TIERRA SMEDRA	E	FEE	20.00
TRENTON SNOW	S	SVC	2,300.00
TRENTON SNOW, LLC	RT	RENTAL	1,000.00
SOLID WASTE AGENCY LANDFILL	C	CONSTRUCTION	53.34
CHERYL STABENOW	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
STAMM ROMERO & ASSOC, P.C	S	LEGAL	13,715.08
THOMAS S STEWART	S	LEGAL	2,766.55
STITCH 3	S	SVC	470.00
SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE	S	SVC	35,870.00
SUPERION	S	MAINT	5,981.01
MICHAEL J SYNEK	S	LEGAL	2,658.28
THE LAWN BUILDERS	SU	SUPPLIES	1,096.36
THE LOCKMOBILE,	SU	SUPPLIES	6.50
THOMSON REUTERS - WEST	E	SUBSCRIPTION	5,028.55
THOMSON REUTERS-WEST	E	SUBSCRIPTION	891.28
THOMSON REUTERS - WEST	E	SUBSCRIPTION	813.05
TK ELEVATOR CORPORATION	S	MAINT	123.90
TURNER BODY SHOP	S	TOWING	150.00
REBECCA TVRDIK ANDERSON	S	LEGAL	3,375.00
TYE & ROWLING, PC, LLO	S	LEGAL	1,741.00
U.S. BANK	E	EXPENSES	10,500.55
VERIZON	U	TRACKERS	834.87
VERIZON WIRELESS	U	PHONE SVC	714.85
VILLAGE OF MILLER	U	UTILITIES	25.00
VILLAGE UNIFORM	S	SVC	102.08
THE WALDINGER CORPORATION	SU	SUPPLIES	12,029.34
WELLS FARGO BANKS ACCT ANALYSIS	E	FEE	69.71
WELLS FARGO	E	EXPENSES	1,172.39
WELLS FARGO	E	INTERNET	140.00
WELLS FARGO	U	PHONE SVC	116.06
WELLS FARGO	SU	SUPPLIES	188.36
AARON WENTZ	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
WILKE'S TRUE VALUE	SU	SUPPLIES	221.21
WILKINS ARCHITECTURE DESIGN	C	RENOVATION	5,826.93
MELISSA L WILLIS	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
WINZER	SU	SUPPLIES	55.52
WPCI	E	SCREENING	67.00
DANIEL WURTZ	E	FEE	20.00
YORK CO SHERIFF	E	FEE	23.36
YOUNG ELECTRIC	C	RENOVATION	32,009.35
MELANIE R YOUNG	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
MARIAH ZAPATA	RE	REIMBURSE	225.12
SAMANTHA ZIEBARTH	E	FEE	20.00
ZIEMBA ROOFING COMPANY	S	SVC	11,294.00
ERIC ZIKMUND	RE	REIMBURSE	45.00
1000 PLUS	D	MEMBERSHIP	100.00
ROAD / HWY DEPT			
ACE IRRIGATION & MFG CO	EQ	EQUIP	2,630.80
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SU	SUPPLIES	41.85
ASK SUPPLY CO.	EQ	EQUIP	1,937.99
AUSSIE HYDRAULICS	S	REPAIRS	450.26
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY/AUTO VALUE PART	S	SVC	5,984.06

BOSELMAN ENERGY	F	FUEL	603.00
BROADFOOT SAND & GRAVEL CO	G	GRAVEL	3,080.00
BUFFALO CO CLERK	E	PER DIEM	324.50
CONSTRUCTION RENTAL	S	REPAIRS	101.28
CORNHUSKER CLEANING SUPPLY	SU	SUPPLIES	506.36
CULLIGAN OF KEARNEY	SU	SUPPLIES	18.50
CUMMINS SALES AND SERVICE	S	REPAIRS	44.80
DPF ALTERNATIVES/DUECK ENTERPRISES	SU	SUPPLIES	655.00
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SU	SUPPLIES	22.75
FARM PLAN	S	REPAIRS	2,331.68
FARMERS CO-OP ASSOCIATION	F	FUEL	65.01
FASTENAL COMPANY	S	REPAIRS	378.28
FRIESEN CHEVROLET	F	FUEL	202.50
GARRETT TIRES & TREADS	S	REPAIRS	1,362.35
GLASS DOCTOR OF CENTRAL NE	S	REPAIRS	767.42
HANSEN INTERNATIONAL TRUCK	S	REPAIRS	193.78
J-SPOT SERVICES	S	SVC	2,670.60
CORY JENSEN	E	REGISTRATION	119.00
K & B PARTS	EQ	TOOLS	245.70
KELLY SUPPLY COMPANY	S	REPAIRS	12.61
KIMBALL MIDWEST	SU	SUPPLIES	286.49
KONECRANES	S	SVC	1,859.00
MASTERS TRUE VALUE	S	REPAIRS	100.91
MENARDS	E	EXPENSES	334.95
MID NE AGGREGATE	G	GRAVEL	104,079.79
MID STATE ENGINEERING & TESTING	E	LABOR	120.00
MIDWEST PETROLEUM EQUIPMENT	EQ	EQUIP	1,673.10
NE TRUCK CENTER	E	EXPENSES	5,770.99
NMC	S	REPAIRS	2,562.07
PAULSEN	G	GRAVEL	38,538.00
POWERPLAN-MURPHY TRACTOR	S	REPAIRS	8,571.04
SAHLING KENWORTH INC	SU	SUPPLIES	8.13
SOUTHWEST GRAVEL PRODUCTS	G	GRAVEL	13,689.98
SUNBELT RENTALS	RT	RENTAL	748.15
TRUCK CENTER COMPANIES	S	REPAIRS	6,052.29
U.S. BANK	E	EXPENSES	901.17
VONTZ PAVING	G	GRAVEL	38,307.80
WINZER	SU	SUPPLIES	1,626.69
<u>VISITOR'S PROMOTION</u>			
KEARNEY VISITOR'S BUREAU	E	EXPENSES	97,741.00
<u>VISITOR'S IMPROVEMENT</u>			
KEARNEY VISITOR'S BUREAU	E	EXPENSES	97,741.00
<u>DEEDS PRESERVATION & MODERNIZATION</u>			
MIPS INC.	S	PRESERVATION	259.60
<u>HEALTH INSURANCE FUND</u>			
BCBS HEALTH CLAIM EXPENSE	MC	HEALTH	289,067.89
HM LIFE MELLON GLOBAL CASH MGNT	MC	HEALTH	61,616.88
<u>VETERAN'S RELIEF</u>			
U.S. BANK	E	EXPENSES	600.00
<u>DRUG FORFEITURES</u>			
ADVANCED LPR SOLUTIONS	E	TRAINING	4,500.00
<u>INHERITANCE TAX</u>			
ADAMS CONSTRUCTION	C	CONSTRUCTION	387,622.35
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SU	SUPPLIES	13.50
<u>WEED DISTRICT FUND</u>			
PLATTE VALLEY WEED MANAGEMENT AREA	D	DUES	300.00
<u>911 EMERGENCY SERVICE</u>			
CENTURYLINK	S	SVC	1,788.18
FIBER PLATFORM	EQ	EQUIP	261.70
FRONTIER	U	PHONE SVC	830.42
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	E	INTERNET	545.60
LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES	S	SVC	132.40
MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS	S	SVC	19,300.00
MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS	EQ	EQUIP	8,719.36

NE CENTRAL TELEPHONE CO	U	PHONE SVC	109.99
PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	S	SVC	2,211.25

Moved by Morrow and seconded by Higgins to approve the release of pledged collateral in the amount of \$200,000.00 from FirstTier Bank for the Buffalo County Treasurer. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Higgins, Kouba, Lynch, Maendele, Morrow and Klein. Absent: Loeffelholz. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Morrow and seconded by Maendele to approve the additional pledged collateral in the amount of \$250,000.00 to FirstTier Bank for the Buffalo County Treasurer. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Morrow, Maendele, Higgins, Kouba, Lynch, Maendele, Morrow and Klein. Absent: Loeffelholz. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Higgins and seconded by Lynch to approve the following tax refund request submitted by County Treasurer Brenda Rohrich for Pauline T Chavez % Juan L Micaela T Chavez (LE) in the amount of \$4,243.20 for parcel number 680187000. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Higgins, Lynch, Kouba, Maendele, Morrow and Klein. Absent: Loeffelholz. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Morrow and seconded by Higgins to accept the Keno audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Morrow, Higgins, Kouba, Lynch, Maendele and Klein. Absent: Loeffelholz. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Morrow and seconded by Higgins to ratify the property purchase contract with the following Resolution 2024-42. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Morrow, Higgins, Kouba, Lynch, Maendele and Klein. Absent: Loeffelholz. Motion declared carried.

RESOLUTION 2024-42

WHEREAS, this Board has been negotiating the purchase of the following described real estate hereinafter referred to as “subject property”:

Lot 1499, in the Original Town of Kearney Junction, now the City of Kearney, Buffalo County, Nebraska, and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest of Buffalo County to obtain ownership of the subject property, and

WHEREAS, Buffalo County desires to purchase the subject property for the price of Two Hundred Ten Thousand and no/100 (\$210,000.00) Dollars, all in accordance with contract entered into between Buffalo County and John C. Gifford and Leila J. Gifford, which said contract has previously been signed by the Board’s Chairperson, and

WHEREAS, this Board should ratify the prior acts of the Board Chairperson in signing the agreement of purchase the subject property for the agreed upon price together with the payment of earnest money for consideration on the parties’ signatures on the contract.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY BUFFALO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THAT the prior actions of the Board Chairperson of signing the contract to purchase the subject property are ratified by this Board, and

ALSO RESOLVED that Buffalo County, Nebraska, shall purchase the subject property under terms and conditions of contract mentioned, paying \$210,000.00 for the purchase the subject property, plus associated closing costs all as set forth in the contract of purchase, and

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT all appointed and elected officials of Buffalo County, including but not limited to the Chairperson of this Board and County Clerk, may approve on behalf of Buffalo County any deed prepared for the transfer of the subject property, and execute on behalf of Buffalo County any and all other documents necessary for Buffalo County to complete and close upon purchase of the subject property.

Moved by Morrow and seconded by Kouba to approve an additional 1% Board approved increase in the prior year’s budgeted restricted funds subject to limitation as allowed by law. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Morrow, Kouba, Higgins, Lynch, Maendele and Klein. Absent: Loeffelholz. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Morrow and seconded by Lynch to approve the Buffalo County Budget for the fiscal year 2024-2025 (Public Hearing held September 10, 2024) with the following Resolution of Adoption and Appropriations 2024-43. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Morrow, Lynch, Higgins, Kouba, Maendele and Klein. Absent: Loeffelholz. Motion declared carried.

RESOLUTION 2024-43

WHEREAS, a proposed County Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025, prepared by the Budget Making Authority, was transmitted to the Buffalo County Board of Commissioners on the 10th day of September 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Buffalo County, Nebraska as follows:

SECTION 1. That the budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025 as categorically evidenced by the Budget Document be, and the same hereby is, adopted as the budget for Buffalo County for said fiscal year.

SECTION 2. That the offices, departments, activities, and institutions herein named are hereby authorized to expend the amounts herein appropriated to them during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025.

SECTION 3. That the income necessary to finance the appropriations made and expenditures authorized shall be provided out of the unencumbered cash balance in each fund, revenues other than taxation to be collected during the fiscal year in each fund, and tax levy requirements for each fund.

Moved by Morrow and seconded by Lynch to authorize petty cash funds for Sheriff, Attorney, Probation, Public Defender, Veteran's Service, County Court, Board of Commissioners, Register of Deeds, Treasurer County Clerk, District Court Clerk and Facilities Department with the approval of Resolution 2024-44. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Morrow, Lynch, Higgins, Kouba, Maendele and Klein. Absent: Loeffelholz. Motion declared carried.

RESOLUTION 2024-44

We, the Buffalo County Board of Commissioners, authorize petty cash funds to be operated by the Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$2,500.00, the County Attorney's Office in the amount of \$26,500.00, the Probation Office in the amount of \$50.00, the Public Defender's Office in the amount of \$2,300.00, Veteran's Service Office in the amount of \$12,000.00; the County Court Office in the amount of \$450.00, Board of Commissioners in the amount of \$5,000.00, Register of Deeds Office in the amount of \$200.00, Treasurer's Office in the amount of \$2,250.00, the County Clerk's Office in the amount of \$12,000.00, the Facilities Department in the amount of \$2,500.00 and the Clerk of District Court for \$174.11.

Moved by Morrow and seconded by Higgins to approve the Property Tax Request for the fiscal year 2024-2025 with the following Resolution 2024-45. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Morrow, Higgins, Kouba, Lynch, Maendele and Klein. Absent: Loeffelholz. Motion declared carried.

RESOLUTION 2024-45

WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute 77-1601.02 provides that the Governing Body of Buffalo County passes by a majority vote a resolution setting the tax request; and

WHEREAS, a special public hearing was held as required by law to hear and consider comments concerning the property tax request;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Governing Body of Buffalo County resolves that:

1. The 2024-2025 property tax request be set at:

General Fund	\$24,670,649.64
Veterans Fund	\$29,812.10
Bond Levy Fund	<u>\$1,655,087.60</u>
Total	\$26,355,549.34

2. The total assessed value of property differs from last year's total assessed value by 7.09%
3. The tax rate which would levy the same amount of property taxes as last year, when multiplied by the total assessed value of property, would be \$.299932 per \$100 assessed value
4. The County proposes to adopt a property tax request that will cause a tax rate to be \$.335479 per \$100 of assessed value
5. Based on the proposed property tax request and changes in other revenue, the total operating budget of Buffalo County will be more than last year's by .55%
6. A copy of this resolution will be certified and forwarded to the County Clerk on or before October 15, 2024

Moved by Maendele and seconded by Higgins to approve Register of Deeds to transfer inactive copy accounts to County General. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Maendele, Higgins, Kouba, Lynch, Morrow and Klein. Absent: Loeffelholz. Motion declared carried.

After discussion it was moved by Morrow and seconded by Kouba to authorize Chairperson Klein to sign the Certification Statement dealing with the WJE Consulting LLC cost allocation plan and agreement to prepare the indirect cost allocation plan. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Morrow, Kouba, Higgins, Lynch, Maendele and Klein. Absent: Loeffelholz. Motion declared carried.

ZONING

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

Chairperson Klein opened the public hearing at 9:17 A.M. for the approval of the “Amity Hills Subdivision” Final Plat. Craig Bennett, of Miller & Associates Consulting Engineers, P.C. was present to review the final plat and no one else addressed the Board. Chairperson Klein closed the public hearing at 9:20 A.M. Moved by Morrow and seconded by Lynch to approve the Final Plat for “Amity Hills Subdivision”, filed by Craig Bennett, of Miller & Associates Consulting Engineers, P.C., on behalf of Benjamin G. Hirschfeld and Christie Hirschfeld and Harry W. Whitley III and Correne E. Whitley for property described as part of the Southwest Quarter of Section One (1), Township Nine (9) North, Range Sixteen (16) West of the Sixth Principal Meridian, Buffalo County, Nebraska. with the following Resolution 2024-46. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Morrow, Lynch, Higgins, Kouba, Maendele, and Klein. Absent: Loeffelholz. Motion declared carried.

RESOLUTION 2024-46

WHEREAS, on February 27, 2024, The Buffalo County Zoning Administrator received a request for Final approval for “Amity Hills Subdivision”, and

WHEREAS, on, or around March 26, 2024, during the regular meeting of the Buffalo County Board of Commissioners, The Buffalo County Zoning Administrator, denied the Application for Final Plat, known as “Amity Hills Subdivision”. Thereafter the Board, by simple majority, voted in favor of The Buffalo County Zoning Administrator’s recommendation of denial, and

WHEREAS, on May 16, 2024, at the request of the applicant for subdivision, the Buffalo County Board of Adjustment, considered, and approved, the following requests for relaxation:

1. Relaxation of Buffalo County Zoning Regulations, Section 5.32 (2), requiring residences abut an improved road; and
2. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 1.05, requiring all subdivided lands abut a dedicated and maintained public street, public road, or private street; and
3. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 2.35, defining a street; and
4. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 4.02 (E), requiring all lots have a minimum width of twenty-five feet along a street or road; and
5. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 4.03, requiring all roads ending in a cul-de-sacs be less than 600 feet in length; and
6. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 4.11, regarding minimum requirements for road design; and
7. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 4.12 (A), requiring all subdivisions have access via dedicated public streets or roads; and
8. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 4.12 (B), which require a minimum street width of sixty-six feet; and
9. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 5.01, which require all subdivisions be graded to the standards as set out in Chapter 4; and
10. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 4.03, requires the minimum right-of-way widths to be “66 feet”.

WHEREAS, on July 18, 2024, the Buffalo County Planning & Zoning Commission, after public hearing, gave a favorable recommendation for the preliminary plat for subdivision of land, together with various suggestions and recommendations, all as stated in the minutes of that meeting of the Commission that have been forwarded to this Board, and reviewed by this Board, and

WHEREAS, on August 13, 2024, The Buffalo County Board of Commissioners, after public hearing, with no opposition, approved the proposed preliminary plat, under Resolution 2024-35, with the following relaxations:

1. Relaxation of Buffalo County Zoning Regulations, Section 5.32 (2), requiring residences abut an improved road; and
2. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 1.05, requiring all subdivided lands abut a dedicated and maintained public street, public road, or private street; and
3. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 2.35, defining a street; and
4. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 4.02 (E), requiring all lots have a minimum width of twenty-five feet along a street or road; and
5. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 4.03, requiring all roads ending in a cul-de-sacs be less than 600 feet in length; and
6. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 4.11, regarding minimum requirements for road design; and
7. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 4.12 (A), requiring all subdivisions have access via dedicated public streets or roads; and
8. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 4.12 (B), which require a minimum street width of sixty-six feet; and
9. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 5.01, which require all subdivisions be graded to the standards as set out in Chapter 4; and
10. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 4.03, requires the minimum right-of-way widths to be “66 feet”.

WHEREAS, the plan for development appears to be compliant with Buffalo County’s Subdivision Resolution and The Board approved the proposed final plat with the following relaxations:

1. Relaxation of Buffalo County Zoning Regulations, Section 5.32 (2), requiring residences abut an improved road; and

2. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 1.05, requiring all subdivided lands abut a dedicated and maintained public street, public road, or private street; and
3. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 2.35, defining a street; and
4. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 4.02 (E), requiring all lots have a minimum width of twenty-five feet along a street or road; and
5. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 4.03, requiring all roads ending in a cul-de-sacs be less than 600 feet in length; and
6. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 4.11, regarding minimum requirements for road design; and
7. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 4.12 (A), requiring all subdivisions have access via dedicated public streets or roads; and
8. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 4.12 (B), which require a minimum street width of sixty-six feet; and
9. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 5.01, which require all subdivisions be graded to the standards as set out in Chapter 4; and
10. Relaxation of Buffalo County Subdivision Regulations, Section 4.03, requires the minimum right-of-way widths to be “66 feet”.

WHEREAS, the land is in the Agricultural – Residential (AGR) Zoning District for Buffalo County, Nebraska,

WHEREAS, the tract, presently owned by Harry W. Whitley III and Correne E. Whitley, situated in part of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section One (1), Township Nine (9) North, Range Sixteen (16) West of the 6th P.M., Buffalo County, Nebraska, and described in a Joint Tenancy Warranty Deed, recorded as Inst. 2021-09345 and filed in the Buffalo County Register of Deeds office, will be entirely encompassed within the proposed subdivision and there will be no remainderment after the subdivision of land is approved.

The tract of land, presently owned by Benjamin G. Hirschfeld, situated in part of the Southwest Quarter of Section One (1), Township Nine (9) North, Range Sixteen (16) West of the 6th P.M., Buffalo County, Nebraska, and described in a Warranty Deed, recorded as Inst. 2008-4908 and filed in the Buffalo County Register of Deeds office, will, also, be entirely encompassed within the proposed subdivision of land and there will be no remainderment after the subdivision of land is approved.

The tract of land, presently owned by Benjamin G. Hirschfeld and Christie Hirschfeld, situated in part of the Southwest Quarter of Section One (1), Township Nine (9) North, Range Sixteen (16) West of the 6th P.M., Buffalo County, Nebraska, and described in a Joint Tenancy Warranty Deed, recorded as Inst. 2001-7007 and filed in the Buffalo County Register of Deeds office, will be partially included in the subdivision of land and the remainderment will compute to, approximately, 10.77 Acres, more or less.

WHEREAS, one or more of the access easement(s) shown on the plat does not meet state and/or county standards for inclusion in the secondary road system. The access easement(s) will not be maintained by Buffalo County.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BUFFALO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, in regular session with a quorum present, that Buffalo County, on a final basis, approves the proposed Amity Hills Subdivision, a subdivision being part of the Southwest Quarter (SW ¼) of Section One (1), Township Nine (9) North, Range Sixteen (16) West of the Sixth Principal Meridian, Buffalo County, Nebraska.

After discussion, it was moved by Maendele and seconded by Higgins to authorize Chairperson Klein to sign the Building Restriction Agreement for LOMR-F for the property described as Lot 11, Block 1, Bruner Lakeside Estates Second, a subdivision being part of Government Lot 1, part of Government Lot 2, and part of accretion lands deriving from and adjacent to Government Lot 1 and Government Lot 2, located in Section Twenty-four (24), Township Nine (9) North, Range Thirteen (13) West of the Sixth Principal Meridian, Buffalo County, Nebraska with the following Resolution 2024-47. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Maendele, Higgins, Kouba, Lynch, Morrow and Klein. Absent: Loeffelholz. Motion declared carried.

RESOLUTION 2024-47

WHEREAS, in 1986 Buffalo County, Nebraska adopted and enacted floodplain regulations and has amended the regulations at various times in the past, and

WHEREAS, there has been a request submitted to the Buffalo County Floodplain Administrator for a Letter of Map Revision on the basis of fill (LOMR-F) for property sought to be removed from the Special Flood Hazards Area, as defined in Buffalo County’s Floodplain Regulations Resolution, hereinafter referred to as the “subject property”, and

WHEREAS, the request and engineer certifications that accompany the LOMR-F application that were submitted to the Floodplain Administrator fulfill the necessary local standards and findings concerning structures and fill placed on the subject property as required by the Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) for the applicant seeking LOMR-F from FEMA, and

WHEREAS, this Board deems it prudent to enter into a Development Restriction Agreement concerning future development in and upon the subject property and the Buffalo County Attorney’s Office has reviewed and approved a proposed agreement to be executed on behalf of Buffalo County and the party seeking the LOMR-F.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BUFFALO COUNTY THAT the structure and development now existing on the subject property as certified by a professional engineer, fulfill the required local government standards and findings for structures and fill placed on the subject property, and the Chairperson of this Board is authorized to execute on behalf of Buffalo County, the proposed Development Restriction Agreement, and

IT IS RESOLVED the subject property is legally described as:

Lot 11, Block 1, Bruner Lakeside Estates Second, a subdivision being part of Government Lot 1, part of Government Lot 2, and part of accretion lands deriving from and adjacent to Government Lot 1 and Government Lot 2, located in Section 24, Township 9 North, Range 13 West of the 6th P.M., Buffalo County, Nebraska.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution shall be filed with the Development Restriction Agreement against the subject property.

REGULAR AGENDA

Chairperson Klein reviewed the following correspondence. Kearney YMCA sent a thank you letter for the continued support from the Board, and invites the Board to attend the Turkey Trot on November 28, 2024. McKenna's Rae of Hope Foundation sent an invitation with a RSVP request for the annual Moxie Gala on November 9th 2024 at the Younes Conference Center South. Chairperson Klein called on each Board member present for committee reports and recommendations.

Moved by Maendele and seconded by Kouba to recess the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners at 9:32 A.M. and reconvene as a Board of Equalization. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Maendele, Kouba, Higgins, Lynch, Morrow and Klein. Absent: Loeffelholz. 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 Lynch to approve the Motor Vehicle Tax Exemption renewal as indicated on the application by County Treasurer Rohrich for Prairie View Gardens-Evangelical Lutheran Good Samaritan Society for a 2010 Ford Cutaway Van. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Lynch, Kouba, Higgins, Maendele, Morrow and Klein. Absent: Loeffelholz. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Lynch and seconded by Kouba to approve the Motor Vehicle Tax Exemption renewal as indicated on the application by County Treasurer Rohrich for Community Action Partnership of Mid-Nebraska for a 2024 Ford Truck Ranger XL 2WD. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Maendele, Lynch, Higgins, Morrow and Klein. Absent: Loeffelholz. Abstain: Kouba. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Lynch and seconded by Kouba to approve the Motor Vehicle Tax Exemption renewal as indicated on the application by County Treasurer Rohrich for Good Samaritan Society St. John's for a 2021 Chrysler Voyager, 2013 Ford Supreme Chassis BSSN B and a 2003 GMC K2500 Sierra. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Higgins, Kouba, Lynch, Maendele, Morrow and Klein. Absent: Loeffelholz. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Morrow and seconded by Lynch to approve the Motor Vehicle Tax Exemption renewal as indicated on the application by County Treasurer Rohrich for Good Samaritan Society St. John's-Ravenna for a 2008 Buck Dandy Co Car Hauler UT. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Morrow, Lynch, Higgins, Kouba, Maendele and Klein. Absent: Loeffelholz. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Maendele and seconded by Kouba to adjourn the Board of Equalization and return to the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners at 9:37 A.M. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Maendele, Kouba, Higgins, Lynch, Morrow and Klein. Absent: Loeffelholz. Motion declared carried.

FACILITIES

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

Moved by Morrow and seconded by Higgins to accept the low bid of Myers Construction Inc. for the proposal for building demolition. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted "Aye": Morrow, Higgins, Kouba, Lynch, Maendele and Klein. Absent: Loeffelholz. Motion declared carried.

Facilities Director Gaasch presented a review of the Current Construction Projects in Buffalo County with the Board.

REGULAR AGENDA

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 9:48 A.M. before she declared the meeting adjourned until the regular meeting at 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, October 8, 2024.

ATTEST:

Ivan H. Klein, Chairperson
Buffalo County Board of Commissioners

Heather A. Christensen
Buffalo County Clerk

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