

Bridgeport, Nebraska
Tuesday, March 10, 2020

The Morrill County Board of Commissioners met in an open and public regular meeting at 8:45 A.M., Tuesday, March 10, 2020 in the District Courtroom at the Courthouse. Chairperson Metz announced that the new Open Meetings Law was posted on the wall of the Commissioners' room. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Notice of such meeting have been published in the Bayard Transcript and the Bridgeport News-Blade on March 4, 2020. Copies of the Agenda, kept continuously current were available from the County Clerk's office and were e-mailed to each of the Commissioners on March 5, 2020. On roll call Commissioners Jeff Metz, Chairperson, Susanna Batterman and Greg Sterkel were present. Absent: None. Some of the elected and appointed officials were present. Kathleen L. Brandt, County Clerk, recorded the proceedings of the meeting. Chairperson Metz welcomed the Seniors from Bayard and Bridgeport High School to County Government Day.

Motion was made by Batterman, seconded by Sterkel, to approve the Agenda, with the deletion of Board of Equalization, and approve the minutes of the February 25, 2020 meeting. Yeas: Batterman and Metz. Abstained: Sterkel. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Correspondence was received and read.

The Commissioners reviewed the following claims:

GENERAL FUND

Allo Communication, Service, \$1,113.07; American Family Life Insurance, Insurance, \$842.63; Ameritas Life Insurance Corp, Retirement, \$7,213.35; Axon Enterprise Inc, Law Enforcement Supplies, \$1,380.00; Clint Bates, Phone, \$40.00; Best Plumbing Heating & Cooling LLC, Equip, \$762.99; Black Hills Energy, Service, \$1,766.66; Kathy Brandt, Phone & Meals, \$40.00; Bridgeport Family Dental, Medical-Prisoners, \$288.00; Bridgeport News-Blade, Publishing, \$903.30; Capital Business Systems Inc, Data Processing Costs, \$140.72; Ismael Cardenas, Phone, \$40.00; Mike Cerney, Phone, \$40.00; City of Bridgeport, Service, \$766.57; Colonial Life, Insurance, \$322.11; Culligan of Scottsbluff, Service, \$25.50; DAS State Accounting-Central Finance, Teletype, \$448.00; Dept. of Revenue, State Tax, \$4,069.95; Dollar General, Laundry, Board of Prisoners & Supplies, \$194.05; Rhett Dye, Phone, \$40.00; Audrey M. Elliott, Public Defender, \$4,166.66; Cheree Fisher, Phone, \$40.00; Daniel Flores, Phone, \$40.00; Ideal/Bluffs Facility Solutions, Service & Laundry-Prisoners, \$322.20; David Kleensang, Phone, \$40.00; Kone Inc, Service, \$231.48; Andrew S. Leisy d/b/a Leisy K-Lawn, Snow Removal, \$500.00; Tim Marquez, Phone, \$40.00; Bobby Martinez, Phone, \$40.00; Lori McCoy, Phone & Meals, \$87.89; Jeff Metz, Phone, \$40.00; MIPS Inc, Data Processing Costs, \$2,572.71; Morrill County Community Hospital, Appreciation Dinner, \$896.00; Morrill County Court, Court Costs, \$286.00; Morrill County Health Plan, Emp Share, \$2,550.11; Morrill County Highway Dept, Supplies & Fuel, \$188.17; Brian Moss, Data Processing Costs, \$1,500.00; NE Dept of Revenue, Garnishment, \$8.67; NE Total Office, Supplies, \$25.50; Rose Nelson, Phone & Mileage, \$100.38; Platte Valley Bank, HSA Accts, \$1,953.33; Platte Valley Bank, Federal Withholding, Social Security & Medicare, \$13,928.93; Jean Rhodes, Public Defender, \$2,009.95; Travis Rodak, Phone, \$180.00; Travis Rodak, Rent, \$600.00; Samples Dean Law, LLC, Court Appointed Counsel, \$194.60; Caroline Sanchez, Contract Labor, \$2,100.00; Julie Schildt, Phone, \$40.00; Secretary of State, Supplies, \$10.00; Snell Services Inc, Misc, \$150.00; Transcript Gate LLC, Publishing, \$1,128.53; Ricky Trevino, Phone, \$40.00; U S Dept of Education, Garnishment, \$138.45; U S Dept of Education AWG, Garnishment, \$176.49; Xerox Financial Services, Equip Rental, \$377.06; General Employees, Salaries, \$61,606.99.

ROAD/BRIDGE FUND

Allo Communications, Service, \$104.77; American Family Life Insurance, Insurance, \$379.00; Ameritas Investment Corp, Retirement, \$3,057.18; Black Hills Energy, Service, \$3,592.64; Bomgaars Supply Inc, Repairs & Supplies, \$512.14; City of Bayard, Service, \$720.20; City of Bridgeport, Service, \$390.01; City of Bridgeport, Gravel, \$16,212.14; Colonial Life, Insurance, \$76.14; Dept of Revenue, State Tax, \$1,401.14; Fastenal Co, Pipes & Bolts, \$207.92; Frenchman Valley Co-op, Fuel, \$4,691.21; Hansen's Locksmithing, Repairs, \$175.80; Koke's Auto Farm Truck, Supplies, Tires & Repairs, \$4,066.19; Morrill County Health Plan, Emp Share, \$1,212.74; NE Child Support Payment Center, Child Support, \$222.00; \$252.93; NE Total Office, Supplies, \$50.94; New Pig Corp, Supplies, \$715.86; Platte Valley Bank, HSA Accts,

\$497.50; Platte Valley Bank, Federal Withholding, Social Security & Medicare, \$5,556.96; Pohl's Welding & Fabrication Inc, Repairs, \$616.35; PowerPlan, Repairs, \$1,127.20; Rocky Mountain Air Solutions, Supplies & Tools, \$3,070.93; Village of Broadwater, Service, \$92.28; 21st Century Equip Inc, Repairs, \$77.94; Road Employees, Salaries, \$27,174.83.

HEALTH INSURANCE FUND

Morrill County Health Plan, Claims, \$88,884.55.

HANDYMAN FUND

Garland Crouse, Service, \$20.00; Andrew Leisy, Service, \$740.00; Debra Mason, Service, \$592.50; NE Total Office, Supplies, \$25.50.

911 FUND

Century Link, Service, \$53.00.

W911 FUND

Century Link, Service, \$215.85.

COURTHOUSE BUILDING FUND

Riverside Lumber LLC, Repairs, \$46.35.

Motion was made by Sterkel, seconded by Batterman, that the above claims, be approved and checks drawn on the various funds, delinquent personal property taxes deducted where owing. Yeas: Sterkel, Batterman and Metz. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Board of Equalization

No minutes for Board of Equalization.

Chairperson Metz introduced the Elected and Appointed Officials and explained what some of their jobs entailed. He also introduced and thanked the people assisting today for County Government Day, Penny Fellhoelter, Kim Ferguson, Tony McGrath, Jeff Neely and Josh Schmidt. Metz also thanked Subway, 21st Century Equipment, Panhandle Co-op, the American Legion and the Lions Club for their donations.

Loretta McCoy, County Treasurer, presented her March 2020 Tax Sale Report. She explained how property becomes a tax sale. She said she had 321 parcels delinquent when she published the list and at the time of the sale there were 303. She had 23 investors and there were still 161 parcels not sold. Motion was made by Batterman, seconded by Sterkel, to approve and sign the report. Yeas: Batterman, Sterkel and Metz. Nays: None. Motion carried. McCoy also presented a resolution to transfer money to the Road Department. Motion was made by Batterman, seconded by Sterkel, to approve the transfer and to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #2020-06
TRANSFER OF FUNDS

WHEREAS, the Road Fund monies were put into the General Fund at Levy time, it is necessary to transfer those monies into the proper funds. The Morrill County Board of Commissioners orders the County Commissioners orders the County Treasurer to transfer the funds in the amount of \$100,000.00 into the Road Fund.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 10th day of March, 2020.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/Jeff Metz
Chairperson

/s/Susanna Batterman
Board Member

/s/Greg Sterkel
Board Member

(S E A L)

ATTEST:

/s/Kathleen L. Brandt
County Clerk

Yeas: Batterman, Sterkel and Metz. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Board explained the different meetings that they attend as County Commissioner representatives and what services these organizations provide.

The Board recessed to attend the County Government Day Activities.

There being no further discussion, Chairperson Metz adjourned the meeting at 2:48 P.M. Next meeting will be Tuesday, March 24, 2020.

/s/Jeff Metz, Chairperson

ATTEST:

/s/Kathleen L. Brandt, County Clerk

