

Bridgeport, Nebraska
Tuesday, May 22, 2018

The Morrill County Board of Commissioners met in an open and public regular meeting at 7:30 A.M., Tuesday, May 22, 2018 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse. Chairperson Metz announced that the Open Meetings Law was posted on the wall. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Notice of such meeting having been published in the Bridgeport News-Blade and the Bayard Transcript on May 16, 2018. Copies of the Agenda, kept continuously current were available from the County Clerk's office and were e-mailed to each of the Commissioners May 17, 2018. On roll call Commissioners Jeff Metz, Chairman, Susanna Batterman and Greg Sterkel were present. Absent: None. Some of the Elected Officials were also present. Kathleen L. Brandt, County Clerk, recorded the proceedings of the meeting.

Motion was made by Batterman, seconded by Sterkel, that the Agenda, with the deletion of Transfer of Funds and Board of Equalization and the minutes of the May 8, 2018 meeting as emailed. Yeas: Batterman and Metz. Abstained: Sterkel. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Correspondence was received and read.

The Commissioners reviewed the following claims:

GENERAL FUND

Action Communications Inc, Repairs, \$776.00; Chelsea Altena, Mileage, \$184.13; American Family Life Insurance, Insurance, \$390.26; Ameritas Life Insurance Corp, Retirement, \$7,522.90; Bayard Automotive LLC, Repairs, \$73.24; Lynette Blackstone, Election, \$205.78; Bluffs Sanitary Supply Inc, Supplies, \$159.50; Kathy Brandt, Meals, Mileage & Poll Setup, \$157.51; Burgerwerx, Meals, \$110.00; Cenex Fleet Card, Fuel, \$1,346.15; Century Link, Service, \$80.76; Clerk of the District Court, Court Costs & Supplies, \$147.46; Colonial Life Insurance, Insurance, \$469.06; Consolidated Management Co, Meals, \$143.89; Diane Coon, Election, \$201.16; Mary C. Coon, Election, \$141.95; Credit Management Services Inc, Garnishment, \$2.42; Mandy M. Dalimata, Phone & Service, \$85.00; DAS State Accounting, Data Processing Costs, \$82.88; Eleanor M. Dean, Election, \$140.00; Douglas, Kelly, Ostdiek & Ossian, PC, Court Appointed Counsel, \$6.50; Nancy Eichthaler, Phone, \$40.00; Election Systems & Software, Inc, Supplies, \$15.71; Audrey M. Elliott, Public Defender, \$2,500.00; Robert A. Erdman, Contract Labor, Lodging & Mileage, \$2,046.39; Faith United Church of Christ, Poll Rental, \$60.00; Becky A. Fields, Election, \$141.95; Bonnie Franklin, Election, \$147.50; Galls LLC, Supplies, \$100.93; Carolyn R. Gusman, Election, \$147.50; Cheryl L. Hamilton, Mileage, \$39.68; Carrie J. Harless, Election, \$170.00; Sharon M. Hoffman, Election, \$171.35; Shirley M. Huck, Election, \$181.35; Steve Hutchinson, Contract, \$720.00; Ideal Linen Supply, Service, \$41.58; Indoff Inc, Supplies, \$190.91; Rosemary Jacoby, Election, \$176.22; Patsy J. Korell, Election, \$161.35; Christine Krentz, Election, \$150.00; Charlotte Landrigan, Election, \$150.00; LED Outfitters, Supplies, \$239.94; Joyce E. Levick, Election, \$191.35; Patricia A. Lind, Election, \$227.70; Lussetto Machine, Repairs, \$135.08; Mary Mai, Election, \$198.98; Tim Marquez, Phone & Mileage, \$90.14; Moneywise Office Supply, Supplies, \$278.01; Morrill County Community Hospital, Medical-Prisoners, \$156.60; Morrill County Health Plan, Employee Premiums, \$2,156.63; Morrill County Health Plan, Insurance, \$32,415.16; Morrill County Highway Dept, Garbage & Phone, \$70.00; NACEB, Dues, \$50.00; NE Child Support Payment Center, Child Support, \$138.47; Ne Safety & Fire Equip Inc, Repairs, \$75.00; NE Total Office, Equip & Supplies, \$126.53; NE 4-H Shooting Sports, Registration, \$110.00; Linda M. O'Bannon, Election, \$109.25; Judy Ogard, Election, \$130.45; Jane E. Oliver, Election, \$155.00; Judy Oltmann, Election, \$140.00; Panhandle Co-op, Repairs, \$223.06; Brian Peters, Poll Setup & Take down & Mileage, \$409.88; Platte Valley Bank, HSA Accts, \$1,845.00; Platte Valley Bank, Federal Withholding, Social Security & Medicare, \$14,971.55; Azalia E. Pohl, Election, \$147.50; Prairie Winds Community Center, Poll Rental, \$90.00; Print Works LLC, Supplies, \$84.65; Pritchard & Abbott Inc, Appraisal, \$3,550.00; Quill Corp, Supplies, \$38.99; Regional Care Inc, Health Insurance, \$24,714.20; Dorothy Retchless, Election, \$109.25; Riverside Lumber LLC, Repairs, \$45.00; Caroline Sanchez, Fuel, \$38.15; Cecilia C. Sanchez, Election & Meals, \$216.95; Scotts Bluff County Sheriff's Dept, Court Costs, \$21.40; Sandra L. Shutts, Election, \$150.00; Sonny's Pharmacy, Medical-Prisoners, \$57.85; Staples Credit Plan, Supplies, \$1,475.00; Tracy Terrell, Supplies, \$8.52; Sandra L. Thompson, Election, \$161.35; Thompson Reuters-West, Law Library, \$324.00; Trail Animal Clinic, Humane Society, \$50.00; Trail City Supply, Supplies, \$15.01; Transcript Gate LLC, Publishing, \$72.00; U S Postal Service, Box Rent, \$116.00; University of NE, Mileage, \$182.40; US Bank, Election Supplies, Phone, Data Processing Costs, Meals, Fuel &

Supplies, \$857.02; Verizon Wireless, Service, \$68.31; Xerox Corp, Equip Rental, \$96.58; Xerox Financial Service, Equip Rental, \$220.95; XESI Document Solutions, Equip Rental, \$108.82; General Employees, Salaries, \$64,300.32.

ROAD/BRIDGE FUND

American Family Life Insurance, Insurance, \$252.24; Ameritas Life Insurance Corp, Retirement, \$2,8769.58; Bayard Automotive LLC, Tools & Repairs, \$669.62; Bluff's Sanitary Supply Inc, Supplies, \$121.41; Bridgeport News-Blade, Publishing, \$12.15; Dana Cadwallader, Phone \$40.00; California Contractors Supplies Inc, Tools, \$239.70; Century Link, Service, \$148.75; Charter Communications, Service, \$84.99; Colonial Life & Accident Ins Co, Insurance, \$94.30; Filter Care of NE, Repairs, \$61.90; Ron Franklin, Phone, \$40.00; Bryan Hoerler, Phone, \$40.00; Ideal Linen Supply, Supplies, \$98.84; Inland Truck Parts & Service, Repairs \$7,305.39; Koke's Auto Farm Truck, Repairs, Supplies & Tools, \$354.01; Lee's Service Inc, Tires, \$1,804.00; Doug McCloud, Phone \$40.00; Morrill County Health Plan, Employee Premium, \$1,169.65; Morrill County Health Plan, Health Insurance, \$17,695.35; NE Child Support, Child Support, \$252.93; \$222.00; NE Public Power Dist, Service, \$62.69; NMC Exchange LLC, Repairs, \$200.46; Panhandle Co-op, Fuel & Repairs, \$15,021.70; Platte Valley Bank, HSA Accts, \$765.00; Platte Valley Bank, Federal Withholding, Social Security & Medicare, \$5,094.42; Pro Overhead Door Inc, Repairs, \$627.00; Regional Care Inc, Health Insurance, \$13,525.98; Riverside Lumber LLC, Supplies, \$71.80; Rocky Mountain Air Solutions, Supplies, \$41.95; Simon Contractors Co, Asphalt, \$15,773.80; Transcript Gate LLC, Publishing & Subscription, \$146.00; Village of Broadwater, Service, \$101.88; Road Employees, Salaries, \$25,507.40.

HIGHWAY BRIDGE BUYBACK FUND

Ace Irrigation & Manufacturing, Project, \$37, 378.16; Croell Redi Mix Inc, Project, \$927.00; Koozer Construction Inc, Project, \$30,939.88.

PRESERVATION & MODERNIZATION FUND

Mobile Binders, Supplies, \$452.42; Staples Credit Plan, Supplies, \$181.49.

HEALTH INSURANCE FUND

Morrill County Health Fund, Claims, \$53,970.61.

HANDYMAN FUND

Morrill County Highway Dept, Phone, \$25.00.

W911 EMERGENCY FUND

Century Link, Service, \$316.94; Loretta McCoy-Co Treas, Prior Year Correction, \$10,739.82.

911 EMERGENCY FUND

Century Link, Service, \$265.42.

HOSPITAL BOND FUND

BOK Financial Corp Trust, Bond Pmt, \$26,877.50.

COURTHOUSE BUILDING FUND

Kone Inc, Elevator Repairs, \$213.81; Trail City Supply, Repairs, \$134.00.

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

Board of Equalization

See separate minutes for Board of Equalization.

The following 2018 monthly reports were received, reviewed and placed on file: April - I Cardenas, Co Sheriff, J Schildt, Clk of Dist Ct, K Brandt, Co Clk and L McCoy, Co Treas.

The April minutes of the Morrill/Scotts Bluff County Extension meeting were received, reviewed and placed on file.

Loretta McCoy, County Treasurer, presented a resolution to transfer funds to the Road Department. Motion was made by Batterman, seconded by Sterkel, to approve the transfer and to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #2018-17
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 Treasurer to transfer the funds in the amount of \$100,000.00 into the Road Fund.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 22nd day of May, 2018.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/Jeff Metz

Chairperson

/s/Susanna Batterman

Board Member

(S E A L)

/s/Greg Sterkel

Board Member

ATTEST:

/s/Kathleen L. Brandt

County Clerk

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

Julie Schildt, Clerk of District Court, met with the Board regarding her budget. Schildt said that she has projected that the \$1,000 that was cut from her budget was now going to be needed. Sterkel said they had told her last year that they would put it back in her budget if needed. The Board asked her to wait until June to see if this is needed.

The Board reported on meetings they had attended. Sterkel reported on the Region 21 Emergency Management and the local Emergency Planning meetings. Batterman reported on the Region I Behavioral Health meeting and transition. Metz reported on the Fair Board meeting.

Nancy Eichthaler, Handyman/Public Transit Director, presented to the Board a new Drug and Alcohol Testing Policy for the Public Transit. Eichthaler explained that it is a Federal policy and since she receives Federal funds, she has to follow their guidelines. The Commissioners asked about the testing and she said it is random testing and we follow the 2nd Chance policy. She said she has never had anyone test positive for drugs or alcohol. Motion was made by Batterman, seconded by Sterkel, to approve and sign the policy. Yeas: Batterman, Sterkel and Metz. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board asked Hoerler about the testing for the Road Department and he said he has to follow Department of Transportation guidelines. Cardenas said he has a policy for testing for Law Enforcement.

Bryan Hoerler, County Highway Superintendent, met with the Board to discuss road business in general. He reported on the storm that washed out several roads and they are fixed now. Hoerler said he has a deal to get a semi load of bridge planks and he's trying to see if any other counties want to share. Hoerler said the cost of the semi-load would be around \$21,000.00. Hoerler said that he and Sterkel had met with Bob Hughes regarding the water diversion that floods the field when there is heavy rain.

Jackie Guzman, Extension Agent, reported on programs for Extension and on Team teachers. Chelsea Altena asked if anyone had used the Makerspace.

Dean Dragon, Skyview Administrator, reported on the grants they have received through the Foundation for a 15 passenger van and for architectural work. He said they are working with LUTZ ow for grants.

At 9:00 A.M., Chairperson Metz opened the Public Hearing for the One-and Six Year Road Program. Bryan Hoerler presented the One-and Six Year Road Program. He reported on the years that each road project would be worked on and possible completion dates. Chairperson Metz closed the Public Hearing at 9:20 A.M. Motion was made Sterkel, seconded by Batterman, to approve the One-and Six Year Road Plan and adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION #2018-18

WHEREAS, due and legal notice stating time, place and purpose for a hearing for the consideration of the One-and Six Year Plan under the HIGHWAY and STREET IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM has been given by publication in the Bridgeport News-Blade and the Bayard Transcript, legal County newspapers, at least ten (10) days prior to the hearing, and in addition by posting a copy of the legal notice in at least three (3) public access locations in the County and,

WHEREAS, after careful consideration, the Morrill County Board of Commissioners of Morrill County, Nebraska does fine the same to be approved as presented.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the County Board of Commissioners of Morrill County, Nebraska, in regular session duly assembled, the One-and Six Year Program for Morrill County, Nebraska be the same hereby approved and adopted.

DATED THIS 22nd DAY OF MAY, 2018.

/s/Jeff Metz
Chairman-County Board of Commissioners

(S E A L)

/s/Susanna Batterman
Board Member

/s/Greg Sterkel
Board Member

ATTEST:

/s/Kathleen L. Brandt
Morrill County Clerk

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

There being no further discussion, Chairperson Metz adjourned the meeting at 9:28 A.M. Next meeting will be Tuesday, June 12, 2018.

/s/Jeff Metz,Chairperson

ATTEST:

/s/Kathleen L. Brandt,County Clerk

Board of Equalization

Tuesday, May 22, 2018

The Morrill County Board of Equalization met in an open and public regular meeting at 7:40 A.M., Tuesday, May 22, 2018 in the Commissioners' room at the Courthouse. Chairperson Metz announced that the Open Meetings Law was posted on the wall. Notice of such meeting having been published in the Bridgeport News-Blade and the Bayard Transcript on May 16, 2018. Copies of the Agenda, kept continuously current were available from the County Clerk's office and were e-mailed to each of the Commissioners May 17, 2018. On roll call Commissioners Jeff Metz, Chairman, Susanna Batterman and Greg Sterkel were present. Absent: None. Rose Nelson, County Assessor was also present. Kathleen L. Brandt, County Clerk, recorded the proceedings of the meeting.

Motion was made by Batterman, seconded by Sterkel, to enter into Board of Equalization, according to Ne. Statute #77-1233.04(06) at 7:40 A.M. Yeas: Batterman, Sterkel and Metz. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Rose Nelson, County Assessor, presented Over and Under Valuations. She explained that these are changes to values that changed since March 19th. Motion was made by Sterkel, seconded by Batterman, to approve and sign the Over and Under Valuations. Yeas: Sterkel, Batterman and Metz. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Batterman, seconded by Sterkel, to return to regular session at 7:50 A.M. Yeas: Batterman, Sterkel and Metz. Nays: None. Motion carried.

/s/Jeff Metz, Chairperson

ATTEST:

/s/Kathleen L. Brandt, County Clerk

