



# Butler County Board Minutes



## BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

July 2, 2018

A meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Butler County, Nebraska was held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2018 at the Butler County Courthouse in David City, Nebraska at 9:00 a.m.

Present were the following: David W. Mach, Tony Krafska, Kevin Slama, Scott Steager, Max Birkel, Greg Janak, and David Potter.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof, by Publication, a designated method for giving notice, as shown by the Proof of Publication attached to the minutes. Notice of this meeting was given to all members of the Board and a copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to all members of the board of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

The Chairman called the meeting to order, and announced that a complete copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room.

The Chairman declared the minutes of the previous meeting shall stand approved as presented.

### ***Discussion/Possible Action on Internet Service Providers***

A proposal was submitted by Spectrum Enterprises to provide internet service to the Courthouse. Moved by Potter, seconded by Steager to approve the 5 year contract for internet service as proposed. Upon roll call vote the following voted aye: Potter, Birkel, Janak, Steager, Krafska, Slama, and Mach. The following voted nay: None. Motion carried.

### ***Information on Cost Share of Rock on Landfill Road***

Jim Rerucha, Highway Superintendent shared information with the board concerning the landfill road (R Road). The cost of rock that will be used on the landfill road will be shared 50/50 by Butler County and Butler County Landfill. The dust control will still remain the responsibility of the landfill.

### ***Decision on Culverts Bids***

At the meeting that was held on June 18, 2018 bids for culverts were received. Following review of the bids submitted, the Highway Superintendent is recommending to accept the bids submitted by Contech Engineered Solutions LLC and Midwest Service and Sales Co. based on product availability and proximity. Moved by Slama, seconded by Janak to accept the bids from Contech Engineered Solutions LLC and Midwest Service and Sales Co. based on availability and proximity. Upon roll call vote the following voted aye: Slama, Krafska, Steager, Janak, Birkel, Potter, and Mach. The following voted nay: None. Motion carried.

### ***Utility Permit Requests/Black Hills Energy***

Utility permit requests were submitted by Black Hills Energy for upgrade work to be completed in Union Township. Moved by Janak, seconded by Krafska to approve the permits as requested, subject to Union Township approval. Upon roll call vote the following voted aye: Janak, Steager, Krafska, Slama, Potter, Birkel, and Mach. The following voted nay: None. Motion carried.

### ***Discussion on Road Department 8 Hour Overtime***

The Highway Superintendent stated that the Road Department wishes to continue the current policy, which states that overtime is earned after working 8 hours a day. The proposed revised employee handbook changes that policy to



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overtime being earned after working 40 hours a week. The Proposed Revised Employee Handbook will be listed on the agenda for the July 16, 2018 meeting for possible approval.

## ***Aging Partners***

Randy Jones, Executive Director of Aging Partners appeared before the board to present the annual Butler County Report and request for funding for the fiscal year 2018-2019. As part of his presentation he introduced Denise Boyd, who is the licensed nutritionist that reviews the menus for the Senior Services program.

Jan Rudolph spoke to the board on the advantages of having a senior center to attend. She explained that the Senior Services program is a partner in her continued health care. The nutritionally balanced meals are beneficial for continued good health. She also expressed that the companionship is essential to seniors in the County to maintain good physical health and mental health.

Moved by Slama, seconded by Potter to enter Board of Equalization. Upon roll call vote the following voted aye: Slama, Potter, Birkel, Janak, Steager, Krafka, and Mach. The following voted nay: None. Motion carried.

## ***BOARD OF EQUALIZATION (SEE SEPARATE AGENDA)***

At 10:17 a.m., Chairman Mach announced that the Board would take a short recess.

At 10:23 a.m., Chairman Mach announced that the Board would reconvene.

## ***Emergency Communication Issues***

Joel Cerny, Fire Chief of the Linwood Volunteer Fire Department along with Mark Doehling appeared before the board to discuss the emergency communication issues in the Linwood area. There is a need for a tower and communication equipment to be placed in that area. It was discussed that real estate owned by Frank Peltz is a preferred location, due to the elevation of the land. The County Attorney reviewed with the board, the procedure for purchasing real estate. It was the consensus of the board that the County should purchase a tract of land and erect a tower. Supervisor Steager offered to take charge of the project.

## ***MIPS/Time and Attendance Program***

Nich Smith, MIPS (Multi-County Information & Programming Services) appeared before the board to offer information on the Time and Attendance Program that their company offers which will interface with the current Payroll Program being used by the County. The board will have Applied Connective Technologies, work with MIPS to determine any additional startup costs that may be involved. This matter will be placed on the July 19, 2018 meeting agenda.

## ***Letter of Support for NIFA Grant***

Keith Marvin appeared before the board with information pertaining to the County-wide Housing Study. It was determined that Butler County Development will be the applicant for the NIFA grant. The grant funds will be used to assist with the completion of a housing needs assessment. A letter of support was presented for the board to review. Moved by Potter, seconded by Steager to authorize the Chairman to sign the letter of support. Upon roll call vote the following voted aye: Potter, Slama, Krafka, Steager, Janak, Birkel, and Mach. The following voted nay: None. Motion carried.

At 11: 27 a.m., Chairman Mach announced that the board would take a short recess.

At 11:35 a.m., Chairman Mach announced that the board would reconvene.

## ***Culverts/Road Issues***



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Ron Sedlak appeared before the board to discuss culverts and road issues on F Road. He stated that there is a field driveway that does not have a culvert that is blocking water from draining properly. It was suggested that the engineer for the bridge replacement project that was completed in that area, make a post-construction review of the project on F Road. The board will have the Highway Superintendent check on the field driveway that does not have a culvert. Also discussed was the policy on installation of driveways/culverts, which is available from the Highway Superintendent.

## ***Appointment to Veterans Service Committee***

Moved by Steager, seconded by Birkel to appoint Donald Prochaska to the Butler County Veterans Service Committee for a 5 year term. Upon roll call vote the following voted aye: Steager, Janak, Birkel, Potter, Slama, Krafka, and Mach. The following voted nay: None. Motion carried.

## ***Appointment to Butler County Senior Services Advisory Board***

Moved by Janak, seconded by Potter to appoint Ethel Reha, Virgene Otte, and Donna Steager to the Butler County Senior Services Advisory Board for 2 year terms. Upon roll call vote the following voted aye: Janak, Birkel, Potter, Slama, Krafka, Steager, and Mach. The following voted nay: None. Motion carried.

## ***Committee Reports***

No committee reports given.

## ***Discussion***

Discussion was held as to the number of time clocks that will need to be installed in various locations in the county.

## ***Correspondence***

The County Attorney discussed with the board the Public Records Request received from Mattson Ricketts Law Firm.

A flyer was distributed to the board members pertaining to the Butler County Scrap Tire Collection to be held on August 20 and 21, 2018.

## ***Quarterly Jail Inspection***

The Board of Supervisors conducted the quarterly jail inspection from 1:05 p.m. till 1:15 p.m.

Supervisor Krafka was excused at 1:15 p.m.

## ***Vote on Resolution to approve Employee Handbook***

This matter is tabled, and will be listed on the agenda for the July 16, 2018 meeting.

There being no further business to come before the board, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 1:22 p.m. The next meeting will be held on July 16, 2018.

Vicki L. Truksa  
County Clerk

David W. Mach  
Chairman



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