



# Box Butte County Board Minutes



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Box Butte County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., May 5, 2021, in the County Board Room, second floor of the County Courthouse, 515 Box Butte Ave., Alliance, NE. Notice of meeting was published in Alliance Times Herald, April 28, 2021. Agenda was emailed to board members and posted on the county's website on May 3, 2021. Chairperson Lore called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., following an opening prayer. Roll call: Steve Burke, Mike McGinnis and Susan Lore present. Judy Messersmith, County Clerk, recorded the proceedings of the meeting. County Attorney Terry Curtiss present. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Chairperson Lore acknowledged that this meeting will follow the open meeting act posted on the North wall of the County Board Room.

Mike McGinnis moved to accept the agenda as printed, seconded by Steve Burke. Burke, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. No public comment on agenda items, although agenda items shall be sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting, NE Rev.Stat. 84-1411 (e). Mike McGinnis moved to approve the April 19, 2021 minutes as written, seconded by Susan Lore. Burke, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. Steve Burke moved to accept and sign County Sheriff and Clerk of District Court monthly reports, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Burke, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. Correspondence was acknowledged and available for public view.

Susan Lore moved to open BOARD OF EQUALIZATION at 9:17 a.m., seconded by Mike McGinnis. Burke, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. County Treasurer Val Bell had recommended Holy Rosary Community application for exemption to be approved. Mike McGinnis moved allowing Chairperson Lore to sign the exemption form 457, seconded by Steve Burke. Burke, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. Mike McGinnis moved to close BOARD OF EQUALIZATION at 9:19 a.m., seconded by Susan Lore. Burke, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried.

Board members reported on meetings they had recently attended.

Road Superintendent Barbara Keegan provided a road and equipment report. Discussing with the Board differences between Big Iron and Purple Wave. She was informed by the Board to use the company she felt would provide for the best income for the County. Motor grader bids will be received in the office of the County Clerk until 9:00 a.m., May 10, 2021, and will be publicly opened. Accepting or rejecting any or all bids will be an agenda item for the May 17, 2021 meeting.

Mike McGinnis moved to table indefinitely a memo of understanding with the City regarding combined dispatch services until the memo of understanding is written, seconded by Susan Lore. Burke, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried.

Susan Lore moved allowing Commissioner McGinnis to purchase a new 30 foot hurricane grade flag pole for the courthouse property not to exceed \$5,000.00 including installation, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Burke, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried.

Commissioners Lore, McGinnis and Burke acting as the County Weed Control Authority Board, discussed the Department of Agriculture Noxious Weed Program reports and requirements. Mike McGinnis moved allowing Chairperson Lore to sign the Box Butte County Reports and Requirements Summary, requesting that Weed Superintendent Cody Renkoski obtain his continuing education and complete his office evaluation as soon as possible, seconded by Steve Burke. Burke, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. The report will be forwarded to Mr.



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Renkoski for his signature and returned to Tim Stortz, 307 Nobes St., Holdrege, NE. The Commissioners asked County Clerk Messersmith to forward the correspondence that had been received from Maurice Smith regarding a prairie dog hunt.

Steve Burke moved to approve and sign monthly payroll/claims as presented, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Burke, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. **GENERAL:** Net Payroll 128,453.67; AFLAC 2,142.51; Ameritas Life Insurance Corp 573.94; Bank of the West 41,115.26; Box Butte County Treasurer 100,388.00; Credit Management Services Inc 243.83; Family Support Registry 25.00; Lincoln National Life Insurance 235.38; Retirement Plans Division/Ameritas 24,114.54; State of NE Dept of Revenue 5,592.71; Independent Eye Care Professionals 75.04. **ROAD:** Net Payroll 36,892.15; AFLAC 299.78; Ameritas Life Insurance Corp 164.20; Bank of the West 6,985.04; Box Butte County Treasurer 1,914.00; Credit Management Services, Inc 408.47; Lincoln National Life Insurance 4.76; NE Child Support Payment Center 1,001.00; Retirement Plans Division/Ameritas 2,314.68; St of NE Dept of Revenue 1,559.55; Independent Eye Care Professionals 3.80.

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With all agenda items addressed, Chairperson Lore adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

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Chairperson

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
County Clerk