



Box Butte County Board Minutes



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Box Butte County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., May 17, 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, May 12, 2021. Agenda was emailed to board members and posted on the county's website on May 14, 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.

Steve Burke moved to accept the agenda as printed, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Burke, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. No public comment on agenda items. Mike McGinnis moved to approve the May 7, 2021 minutes as written, seconded by Susan Lore. Burke, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. Mike McGinnis moved to accept and sign County Clerk/Register of Deeds monthly report, seconded by Steve Burke. Burke, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. Correspondence was acknowledged and available for public view.

Steve Burke moved to open BOARD OF EQUALIZATION at 9:15 a.m., seconded by Mike McGinnis. Burke, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. County Treasurer Val Bell had recommended Iglesia Bethel de Asambleas De Dio application for exemption to be approved. Susan Lore moved to approve exemption form 457, seconded by Steve Burke. Burke, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. Advertised dates for Board of Equalization Hearings will be June 21, 2021 beginning 1:30 p.m.; 9:00 a.m. July 7, 2021; 9 a.m. July 8, 2021; 9 a.m. July 12, 2021. Decisions on hearings will be advertised for 11:00 a.m., July 19, 2021. Susan Lore moved to deny Hemingford Development Company Exemption Application Form 451, as application was not completed correctly and there had been no request for waiver, seconded by Steve Burke. Burke, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. Mike McGinnis moved allowing Chairperson Lore to sign the correction book, with three name corrections in Section 3, Township 24, Range 48, seconded by Steve Burke. Burke, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. Mike McGinnis moved allowing Chairperson Lore to sign a mobile home acceleration correction, seconded by Steve Burke. Burke, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. Mike McGinnis moved to close BOARD OF EQUALIZATION at 9:46 a.m., seconded by Steve Burke. Burke, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried.

Mike McGinnis moved allowing Chairperson Lore to sign Regional Care Inc. Amendment Number 4 The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, seconded by Steve Burke. Burke, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried.

Road Superintendent Keegan provided information to the Board on the ten motor grader bids received and publicly opened 9:00 a.m., May 10, 2021. Representatives from NMC and Murphy Tractor & Equipment were present to answer any questions regarding the equipment. Vice-Chairperson McGinnis questioned purchasing two motor graders. Susan Lore moved to purchase a 2015 CAT 12M3 at a cost of \$169,343.53 and a 2016 John Deere 672G at a cost of \$165,350.00, with purchases to be paid out of County Inheritance Fund. Allowing for the Road Department to establish a 4-year payment schedule with repayments to the County Inheritance Fund beginning in the 21-22 fiscal year, seconded by Steve Burke. Burke, yes; McGinnis, no; Lore, yes.

During the regular road and equipment report, Susan Lore moved to declare equipment number 2200 John Deere grader surplus, seconded by Steve Burke. Burke, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried.

Box Butte County Treasurer Bell reported that Wi-fi had been established in county offices, allowing for zoom meetings. County Attorney Curtiss warned that Wi-fi is not for employee's personal use. No action taken.



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Box Butte County Clerk Messersmith reported on the recent NACO County Budget Workshop that had been held in North Platte, informing the Board of any recent changes in legislation, including hearing requirements and levy asking and a summary of the official budget forms that must be submitted. No action taken.

Steve Burke moved to approve and sign monthly claims, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Burke, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried.

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With all agenda items addressed, Chairperson Lore adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Chairperson

Attest: _____
County Clerk