



Box Butte County Board Minutes



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Box Butte County Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m., September 13, 2021, in the County Board Room, second floor of the County Courthouse, 515 Box Butte Ave., Alliance, NE. Notice of hearings were published in Alliance Times Herald, September 8, 2021. Affidavit of publication had been received in the office of the County Clerk. Agenda was emailed to board members and posted on the county’s website: boxbuttecounty.us, September 8, 2021. Chairperson Lore called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. 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.

Chairperson Lore opened the final tax request hearing at 9:01 a.m. Chairperson Lore acknowledged that 3 copies of the proposed budget were available for public view. Chairperson Lore also stated that a budget workshop had been held August 23, 2021, with Budget Consultant Caleb Johnson, a quorum was present and input for the 2021-2022 budget was heard from elected officials and department heads. Chairperson Lore then stated the purpose of the hearing was to hear support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to setting the final tax request. At this time County Treasurer Val Bell asked if membership to NACo had been included in the proposed budget, with this item having been included in miscellaneous dues. Ms. Bell also asked about membership regarding (MASA) Medical Transportation Solutions, this had already been placed as an agenda item for the September 20, 2021 meeting, and County Treasurer Bell and Deputy County Assessor Tiffany Eilkins inquired to see if security glass and counters had been included in the proposed budget. Chairperson Lore placed this on the October 18, 2021 agenda. No other public comment.

At 9:21 a.m., Steve Burke moved to close the hearing to set final tax request, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Burke, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried.

Mike McGinnis moved to open the budget hearing and budget summary hearing for the purpose of hearing support, oppositions, criticism or suggestions to the proposed budget, at 9:22 a.m., seconded by Steve Burke. Burke, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried.

With a copy of the 2020-2021 budget document and 3 copies of the proposed budget available for public view, Chairperson Lore compared the 2020-2021 budget to the proposed 2021-2022 budget. A comparison of the valuation to the previous year’s valuation was shown and a breakdown of bond purposes and non-bond purposes. Chairperson Lore asked the public for comments, with none, Chairperson Lore moved to close the budget hearing at 9:30 a.m., seconded by Steve Burke. Burke, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried.

Chairperson Lore adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Chairman

Attest: _____
County Clerk

