



# Butler County Board Minutes



## BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

March 5, 2018

A meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Butler County, Nebraska was held on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2018 at the Butler County Courthouse in David City, Nebraska at 9:00 a.m.

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

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 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.

### ***Resolution of Internet Problems, Road Department and Weed Department Phone and Internet Issues, IT Tech Support***

Discussion was held pertaining to issues the County is having with the internet service provided by Windstream, and other related problems. Dan Cartensen, Windstream; Tom Nielsen, Soarin Group LLC; Lee Meysenburg, Ravel Solutions; and Tony Kresha, Connecting Point were in attendance at the meeting to join in the discussion. It was the consensus of the board that there is a need to upgrade the internet speed and to consider seeking proposals for IT Services. The Building and Grounds Committee will meet to prepare a job description, specs requirement and to discuss funding of the added costs.

Moved by Steager, seconded by Birkel to solicit quotes from Windstream for internet upgrades, and accept proposals for IT Services on April 2, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. Upon roll call vote the following voted aye: Steager, Janak, Birkel, Potter, Krafska, and Mach. The following voted nay: None. Absent: Slama. Motion carried.

### ***Bids for Sign Truck for Road Department***

The following bids for a sign truck were publicly opened:

1. Gene Steffy Ford  
2018 Ford F250 Pickup \$26,600.00  
2018 Ford F250 Pickup \$28,300.00
2. Kobza Motors, Inc.  
2018 Dodge RAM 2500 Pickup \$36,728.00

Moved by Janak, seconded by Krafska to reject all bids and re-bid for a pickup with an 8 foot box on April 2, 2018 at 9:15 a.m. Upon roll call vote the following voted aye: Janak, Steager, Krafska, Potter, Birkel, and Mach. The following voted nay: None. Absent: Slama. Motion carried.

### ***Introduction of Community Vitality Educator***

Katie Pleskac, 4-H Educator introduced to the board, Kirk Mantonya the newly appointed Community Vitality Educator.

### ***Bids for Extension Department Vehicle***

The following bids for a vehicle for the Extension Department were publicly opened:

1. Gene Steffy Auto Group



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2018 Dodge Durango SXT AWD	\$28,257.00
2. Kobza Motors, Inc.	
2017 Dodge Journey Crossroad Plus AWD	\$30,000.00
2017 Dodge Durango GT AWD	\$32,800.00
2017 Dodge Journey Crossroad Plus AWD	\$22,200.00

Also discussed were the State bid amounts:

1. Gene Steffy Chrysler Center, Inc.	
2018 Dodge Durango	\$26,738.00
2. Anderson Ford Lincoln	
2018 Ford Explorer	\$27,652.00

Moved by Steager, seconded by Potter to table a decision until March 19, 2018, to allow the Extension Department time to view the vehicles. Upon roll call vote the following voted aye: Steager, Krafka, Potter, Birkel, Janak, and Mach. The following voted nay: None. Absent: Slama. Motion carried.

### ***Update on Projects***

Jim Rerucha, Highway Superintendent informed the board that Bridge #815D, located on the south side of Section 24 in Franklin Township has been removed as per the board's instructions.

Discussion was held as to the need to load rate bridges in the county and to sign accordingly. The Nebraska Department of Transportation is in the process of reviewing the load rating schedule, so the Road Department will wait till the new schedule is released before starting this project.

The Highway Superintendent reported that he had received an estimate of the cost to pave a portion of H Road on the east side of Bellwood. The estimated cost is \$72,000.00. The project would be split between the County and the Village of Bellwood. The Bellwood Village Board will discuss this matter at their meeting scheduled for March 6, 2018.

### ***Update on Employee Safety Equipment and Uniforms***

The Highway Superintendent relayed to the board, that the Road Department employees have been supplied with hard hats, safety glasses, reflective vests, reflective jackets, and uniforms as part of the safety program.

### ***Purchase of Culverts through Townships***

At the present time, individuals can purchase culverts from Butler County through the Townships. The charge for the culvert is billed to the township, and it is the township's responsibility to collect the payment. It was the consensus that this practice needs to be included in the Butler County Culvert Policy. The Highway Superintendent is instructed to present an Amendment to the Butler County Culvert Policy for the board's consideration at the March 19, 2018 meeting.

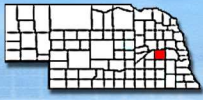
### ***Placement of Poles on County Right-of-Way in Bone Creek Township***

Jim Rerucha, Highway Superintendent informed the board that he had received a request from Butler Public Power District to install power poles in the county right-of-way along 41 Road between Q Road and R Road. The adjacent landowners are requesting that the poles be installed along the existing fence line. The Highway Superintendent will be meeting with Tim Baxter (NIRMA-Road Safety and Loss Prevention Specialist) at the site to review. It is the consensus of the board that the poles not be installed in the right-of-way.

### ***Lease of County Property in Linwood Township***

Butler County owns 12.53 acres in Section 35, Township 16 North, Range 4 East. In the past, the entire piece of property has been leased. The Highway Superintendent informed the Board that the Road Department would like to keep an additional 2 acres for a rip-rap storage area.

### ***County Clerk Fee Report***



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The County Clerk monthly fee report for the month of February, 2018 was accepted and placed on file.

## ***Notification from State of Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality***

Notification was received from the State of Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality as to the Construction and Operating Permit being issued to RC's Chicken Ranch of Nebraska, LLC, located in the SE ¼ NE ¼; Section 18, Township 14 North, Range 2 East.

## ***Discussion and Committee Reports***

Senator Bruce Bostelman was in attendance at the meeting, and discussed with the board several pieces of legislation that are before the State Legislature this session.

Supervisor Janak announced that the Butler County Senior Advisory Board will be meeting on March 21, 2018.

Chairman Mach, Supervisor Birkel, and Supervisor Janak attended the Audit Exit Conference on March 1, 2018. The State Auditors have completed the audit of fiscal year 2016/2017.

Supervisor Steager attended the meeting of the Butler County Development Board on March 2, 2018. The board had discussed the need for a Sports Coordinator position, and will be discussing it with the City of David City at the next council meeting.

Supervisor Steager announced that Don Naiberk, Chief Executive Officer of Butler County Health Care Center has been elected President of the Board of Health of Four Corners District Health Department.

Supervisor Steager announced that he had information on the upcoming visit from Vice-President Mike Pence to Council Bluffs, IA and Omaha, NE.

## ***Correspondence***

Correspondence was received from the following:

1. Lower Platte South Natural Resources District-newsletter
2. The Nebraska Correctional Administrators and Managers Association and the Nebraska Crime Commission-2018 Spring Training Conference information and registration form
3. Nebraska Emergency Management Agency-Planning for Disaster Recovery Webinar Series
4. GIS Workshop-2017 review of website usage

There being no further business to come before the board, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:45 a.m. The next meeting will be held on March 19, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

Vicki L. Truksa  
County Clerk

David W. Mach  
Chairman