

Garfield County Board of Commissioners Record

Burwell, Garfield County, Nebraska

The Garfield County Board of Commissioners met Tuesday, March 11th, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. in the Commissioners Room at the Garfield County Courthouse in Burwell, Nebraska pursuant to public notice posted in three public places. Chairman Zulkoski called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. with the following present: Commissioners, Zulkoski, Hurlburt, and Krause.

Motion made by Hurlburt to approve the agenda, second by Krause. Roll call vote: Aye, all; Nay, none.

Motion made by Krause to approve & adopt minutes of last County Commissioners meeting held February 25, 2025, second by Hurlburt. Roll call vote: Aye, all; Nay, none.

Chairman Zulkoski brought up the item of the GLW agreement in old business, and the agreement is currently being reviewed by Loup and Wheeler Counties for approval.

Chairman Zulkoski directed the meeting to the public comments, there were none.

The monthly revenue report and disbursement report for February along with a change in pledged collateral was reviewed, as presented. The County Treasurer, Tammy Hitchcock, also presented with a list of tax sale certificates sold on March 3, 2025.

Rebecca Slaton presented with questions on law enforcement in the City of Burwell and Garfield County and was asking for guidance on who to contact for safety and emergency services. Sheriff Cox indicated that the correct procedure would be to continue to contact Region 26 and then the proper authorities would be directed to handle the call.

The District Court month end report for February was reviewed as presented.

Discussion was held about snow removal at the courthouse parking lots and as to who is responsible for clearing the snow. Chairman Zulkoski will contact road superintendent and discuss establishing the point of contact and the plan of communication going forward.

Motion made by Hurlburt to not hold the November 11, 2025 regular meeting due to the Veteran's Day holiday being recognized, second by Krause. Roll call vote: Aye, all; Nay, none.

The discussion of how the interlocal agreement between the City of Burwell and Garfield County for law enforcement consolidation has been approved by both the City and the County.

In other new business, Hurlburt noted that she had recently discussed the possibility of options for the east parking lots and the courthouse. Possibly millings, asphalt or concrete on the parking lots to help with drainage and long-term maintenance.

Motion made by Hurlburt to enter into a closed session for the purpose of discussing a new hire personnel contract, second by Krause. Roll call vote: Aye, all; Nay, none. At 2:09 p.m. Chairman Zulkoski cleared the room for the closed session, those in attendance of the closed session were members of the board, County Attorney Sikyta, Sheriff Cox and City Administrator Pohl. Motion made by Hurlburt to come out of closed session, second by Krause. Roll call vote: Aye, all; Nay, none. At 2:55 p.m. Chairman Zulkoski reconvened the regular meeting. Action taken as a result of the closed session: Motion made by Hurlburt to authorize the sheriff to pay 75% or up

to \$17,500 of the proposed expenses to “buyout” contract for potential new hire subject to enter additional terms signing agreement with officer and no action taken against the new hire or Garfield County Sheriff and all equipment be delivered as listed on agreement, second by Zulkoski. Roll call vote: Aye, all; Nay, none.

Motion made by Hurlburt to adjourn the meeting, second by Krause. With no further business, Chairman Zulkoski adjourned the meeting at 3:09 p.m.

Attest: _____
Keri L. Koenigsberg,
Garfield County Clerk

Attest: _____
Jerome Zulkoski,
Chairman of the Board