

## Buffalo County Minutes

**Committee/Board:** Finance Committee  
**Date of Meeting:** Wednesday, March 16, 2018  
**Electronic and Hard Copy Filing Date:** Wednesday, March 21, 2018

Chair Douglas Kane called the meeting to order at 2:15 p.m.

**Board Members Present:** Mr. Douglas Kane, Mr. Larry Grisen, Ms. Nettie Rosenow, and Mr. David Danzinger. Mr. Donald Hillert was excused.

**Others Present for All or Parts of the Meeting:** Ms. Sonya Hansen, Ms. Roxann Halverson, Mr. Bob Platteter, and Ms. Tina Anibas.

**Public Comments Regarding Posted Agenda Items:** None.

### **Review/Discussion/Action regarding the Highway Construction and Maintenance**

**Projects:** Mr. Platteter explained there are 319 miles of county roads in Buffalo County. The roads are classified into three categories: major collector roads (134.3 miles), minor collector roads (78.2 miles), and local roads (106.8 miles). The estimated life span of a road is 30 years. To obtain the 30-year lifespan 10.6 miles of road need to be reconstructed each year. Each year roads are inspected and given a rating of 1-10, with 1 being the worst and 10 being the best. There are 31.84 miles of roads rated at a 10, 48.13 miles of roads rated at a 9, 62.95 miles of roads rated at a 8, 52.61 miles of roads rated at a 7, 54.68 miles of roads rated at a 6, 32.99 miles of roads rated at a 5, 15.53 miles of roads rated at a 4, 17.42 miles of roads rated at a 3, 3.14 miles of roads rated at a 2, and there are no roads rated at a 1. Mr. Platteter explained the roads that would be worked on if no bonding were done and those that would be done if there is a bond issues. He reviewed the costs to reconstruct or maintain the roads using the county workforce versus using private sector companies.

Ms. Hansen reviewed the options presented by PMA for the bonding. Most options cannot include issuance costs and the County will need to pay those outside of the bond. Issuance costs are approximately \$29,000.00.

Mr. Platter indicated that he would like to know if the County will be bonding soon so he can obtain bids for materials.

**Adjournment:** Mr. Grisen made a motion to adjourn at 3:45 p.m., seconded by Mr. Danzinger. Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Roxann M. Halverson  
Buffalo County Clerk