The Buffalo County Weed District Committee met on Tuesday, August 4, 2015 at 1:00 P.M. Chairman McMullen called the meeting to order and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. The following Board Committee members responded to roll call: Ivan Klein, Dennis Reiter and William McMullen. A copy of the acknowledgment and receipt of notice and agenda by the Weed District Committee is attached to these minutes. Chairman McMullen announced that in accordance with Section 84-1412 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is available for review. County Clerk Janice Giffin took all proceedings hereinafter shown; while the convened meeting was open to the public. Deputy County Attorney Kari Fisk was present.

Two Candidates for the Weed Superintendent position were each asked the same standard set of questions at the times indicated. Bret Stubbs was the first candidate to interview for the position at 1:00 P.M.

Moved by Reiter and seconded by Klein to enter into Executive Session at 1:30 P.M. to ask questions that may be damaging to his reputation or the reputation of others and to ask questions related to potential contract negotiations. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Reiter, Klein and McMullen. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Reiter and seconded by Klein to move out of Executive Session at 1:37 P.M. and resume the open meeting. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Reiter, Klein and McMullen. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried.

The interview with Mr. Stubbs concluded at 1:40 P.M. (Break in the meeting.)

Cortney Schaefer interviewed for the position at 1:52 P.M.

Moved by Reiter and seconded by Klein to enter into Executive Session at 2:54 P.M. to ask questions related to potential contract negotiations with Ms. Schaefer. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Reiter, Klein, and McMullen. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Reiter and seconded by Klein to move out of Executive Session at 2:58 P.M. and resume the open meeting. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Reiter, Klein and McMullen. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried.

The interview with Ms. Schaefer concluded at 3:08 P.M.

Moved by Klein and seconded by Reiter to enter into Executive Session at 3:11 P.M. to discuss the candidates and the interview process. Closed session is necessary to protect the public interest. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Klein, Reiter and McMullen. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Klein and seconded by Reiter to move out of Executive Session at 3:20 P.M. and resume the open meeting. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Klein, Reiter and McMullen. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Klein and seconded by Reiter to authorize Chairman McMullen to enter into contract negotiations pursuant to the terms and authority discussed in closed session; subject to full Board of Commissioners approval on August 11, 2015. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Klein, Reiter and McMullen. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried.

At 3:39 P.M. Chairman McMullen asked if there was anything else to come before the committee before he declared the meeting adjourned.