AUDIT REPORT OF THE JEFFERSON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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BACKGROUND

The Jefferson County Historical Society (Society) is located in Jefferson County, Nebraska. The Society was formed as a non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation in 1955 under the laws of the State of Nebraska. The Society's purpose is to preserve the area's history and to maintain and run several historical sites near Fairbury, Nebraska, including the following: the 1869 District 10 School; the 1872 W.C. Smith House and Lime Kiln; the 1883 Diller Bank Building Museum; the Rock Island Depot Railroad Museum; and the Steele City Historical District, which features a blacksmith shop, livery barn, exchange bank, Baptist church, and school.

The Society Board of Directors (Board) exercises financial accountability and control over activities relevant to the operations of the Society. The Board receives funding from local government sources and must comply with the requirements of these funding sources. Board members are elected by the members of the Society and have broad decision-making authority.

During the audit period, the Board was comprised of the following members:

- James Cunningham President*
- John Howell Vice President*
- Zach Schacht Treasurer*
- Rose Ann Zach Secretary*

- Adam D'Angelo Board Member*
- Lawrence Junker Board Member
- Phyllis McCown Board Member
- Denise Andersen Curator*

On July 7, 2016, the members noted above with an asterisk submitted their resignations from the Board. At that time, the remaining members elected a new Board, as follows:

- Phyllis McCown President
- Megan Sothan
 – Vice President & Curator
- Kenny Dodge Treasurer
- Margaret Junker Secretary

- David Moser Board Member
- Lawrence Junker Board Member
- Mary Ann Partins Board Member

Neb. Rev. Stat. § 21-1978(a)(3) (Reissue 2012), authorized the Board to elect the new directors, as follows:

If the directors remaining in office constitute fewer than a quorum of the board, they may fill the vacancy by the affirmative vote of a majority of all the directors remaining in office.

The bulk of the Society's revenue is comprised of local public funding, including property and other tax monies levied specifically for its use, from Jefferson County residents under Neb. Rev. Stat. § 23-351 (Reissue 2012) and Neb. Rev. Stat. § 23-355.01 (Reissue 2012). The Society also accepts donations and generates funds from museum entrance fees, gift shop revenue, and special events that it organizes.

Public funds entrusted to the Society under § 23-351 are to be expended for the following purposes:

(1) Establishment, construction, and reconstruction of historical buildings; (2) purchase of exhibits, equipment, and real and personal property of historical significance and the maintenance thereof; and (3) lease, rental, purchase or construction, and maintenance of buildings other than those of historical nature for the display and storage of exhibits.

BACKGROUND

(Concluded)

The Society receives the majority of its funding from the County under § 23-355.01(1), as follows:

Whenever there is organized within any county in this state a nonprofit county historical association or society organized under the corporation laws of this state, a tax of not more than three-tenths of one cent on each one hundred dollars upon the taxable value of all the taxable property in such county may be levied for the purpose of establishing a fund to be used for the establishment, management, and purchase of exhibits, equipment, and other personal property and real property and maintenance of such nonprofit county historical association or society, including the construction and improvement of necessary buildings therefor. . . . Such fund shall be paid by the county treasurer to the treasurer of such nonprofit county historical association or society and shall be disbursed under the direction and supervision of the board of directors and officers of such nonprofit county historical association or society.

EXIT CONFERENCE

An exit conference was held August 18, 2016, with the Jefferson County Historical Society to discuss the results of our examination. The following individuals were in attendance for the Society:

NAME	TITLE
Phyllis McCown	Board President
Megan Sothan	Interim Director/Curator



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JEFFERSON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Society Board of Directors Fairbury, Nebraska

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying cash-basis financial statements of the entity activities and major fund of the Jefferson County Historical Society (Society) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Society's basic financial statements, as listed in the Table of Contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the cash basis of accounting described in Note 1. This includes determining that the cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Society's internal control.

Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective cash-basis financial position of the entity activities and major fund of the Jefferson County Historical Society, as of June 30, 2016, and the respective changes in cash-basis financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with the cash basis of accounting described in Note 1.

Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements of the Jefferson County Historical Society are prepared on the cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Jefferson County Historical Society's basic financial statements. Other information on pages 17-46 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The other information on pages 17-46 has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements; accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated August 29, 2016, on our consideration of the Jefferson County Historical Society's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the Society's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

August 29, 2016

Craig Kubicek, CPA, CFE Assistant Deputy Auditor

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JEFFERSON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY STATEMENT OF NET POSITION - CASH BASIS

June 30, 2016

	Entity Activities		
ASSETS Cash and Cash Equivalents (Note 1.D) Investments (Note 1.D)	\$	12,613 43,358	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	55,971	
NET POSITION Unrestricted		55,971	
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$	55,971	

JEFFERSON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - CASH BASIS

For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

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		Rec	eipts and
	Cash	Ch	anges in
Functions:	Disbursements	Net	Position
Entity Activities:			_
General	\$ (63,196)	\$	(63,196)
Total Entity Activities	\$ (63,196)		(63,196)
	General Receipts:		
	Property Taxes		47,263
	Grants and Contributions		
	Not Restricted to Specific Programs		4,517
	Miscellaneous		12,172
	Total General Receipts		63,952
	Increase in Net Position		756
	Net Position - Beginning of year		55,215
	Net Position - End of year	\$	55,971

JEFFERSON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY STATEMENT OF CASH BASIS ASSETS AND FUND BALANCES ENTITY FUNDS

June 30, 2016

				Total		
	(General		Entity		
		Fund		Funds		
ASSETS						
Cash and Cash Equivalents (Note 1.D)	\$	12,613	\$	12,613		
Investments (Note 1.D)		43,358		43,358		
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	55,971	\$	55,971		
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FUND BALANCES						
Unassigned		55,971		55,971		
TOTAL CASH BASIS FUND BALANCES	\$	55,971	\$	55,971		

JEFFERSON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BASIS FUND BALANCES ENTITY FUNDS

For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

	General Fund		Total Entity Funds
RECEIPTS			
Property Taxes	\$	47,263	\$ 47,263
Intergovernmental		4,517	4,517
Miscellaneous		12,172	 12,172
TOTAL RECEIPTS		63,952	63,952
DISBURSEMENTS General Entity TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		63,196 63,196	63,196 63,196
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS		756	756
CASH BASIS FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING		55,215	55,215
CASH BASIS FUND BALANCES - ENDING	\$	55,971	\$ 55,971

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Jefferson County Historical Society (Society) are prepared in accordance with the cash basis of accounting. The Society's reporting entity applies all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements.

The accounting and reporting framework and the more significant accounting principles and practices are discussed in subsequent sections of this Note.

A. Reporting Entity

The Society is a public body within the State of Nebraska and is incorporated as a non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation. The Society operates under a Board of Directors elected by the members of the Society. The administration of the Society is directed by the Board. The Society's purpose is to preserve the area's history and to maintain and run several historical sites near Fairbury, Nebraska.

The financial reporting entity consists of the Society, which is the primary government.

In determining the financial reporting entity, the Society complies with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 61 and has addressed all potential component units (traditionally separate reporting entities) for which the Society may be financially accountable and, as such, should be included within the Society's financial statements. The Society (the primary government) is financially accountable if it appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) it is able to impose its will on the organization or (2) there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the Society. Additionally, the primary government is required to consider other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading. Based on these criteria, the Society has no component units and is not considered a component unit of any other governmental entity.

B. Basis of Presentation

Entity-Wide Financial Statements. The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities display information about the reporting government as a whole. These statements include all the financial activities of the Society. The Society did not have any business-type activities in fiscal year 2016; thus, the Society reports only entity activities. Entity activities are generally financed through taxes, intergovernmental receipts, and other nonexchange receipts.

The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct disbursements of a given function or segment is offset by program receipts. Direct disbursements are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program receipts

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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B. **Basis of Presentation** (Concluded)

include: 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment; and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program receipts are reported instead as general receipts.

Fund Financial Statements. Fund financial statements of the reporting entity are organized into funds, each of which is considered to be a separate accounting entity. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that constitute its assets, fund equity, receipts, and disbursements. Funds are organized into two major categories: entity and proprietary. An emphasis is placed on major funds within the entity and proprietary categories. Major funds are funds whose receipts, disbursements, or assets are at least 10 percent of corresponding totals for all entity or enterprise funds and at least five percent of the aggregate amount for all entity and enterprise funds. Any other fund may be reported as a major fund if the Society's officials believe that fund is particularly important to financial statement users.

The Society reports only the following type of funds:

General Fund: The General Fund is the primary operating fund of the Society and is always classified as a major fund. It is used to account for all activities except those legally or administratively required to be accounted for in other funds.

The Society does not report any proprietary funds.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

Measurement focus is a term used to describe "which" transactions are recorded within the various financial statements. Basis of accounting refers to "when" transactions are recorded regardless of the measurement focus applied.

Measurement Focus. The financial statements were reported on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements. As such, the measurement focus includes only those assets and net position/fund balances arising from cash transactions. This differs from governmental GAAP, which requires the entity-wide financial statements to be reported using the "economic resources" measurement focus and the entity fund financial statements to be reported using the "current financial resources" measurement focus.

Basis of Accounting. The financial statements are presented using the cash basis of accounting. Under this basis, receipts are recognized when received, and disbursements are recognized when paid. This basis is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (Concluded)

As a result of the use of this cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable and revenue for billed or provided services not yet collected) and certain liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable and expenses for goods or services received but not yet paid, and accrued expenses and liabilities) are not recorded in these financial statements.

D. Assets and Net Position

Cash and Cash Equivalents. The Society's "cash and cash equivalents" include all demand accounts and savings accounts, including certificates of deposit.

Investments. During fiscal year 2016, the Society maintained an investment account in a mutual fund. All investments are stated at fair value based on quoted market prices. As of June 30, 2016, the balance of this investment account was \$43,358; however, during the year, the Society incurred a loss on investments of \$1,560, which has been recorded as a miscellaneous disbursement in the financial statements.

This investment account was created in February 2007 after the Society received an estate distribution totaling approximately \$315,291 during 2006 and 2007. Of this total donation, \$110,000 was invested in the account. The remaining funds were used for the development of a garden, building improvements and repairs, and repairs to rail-car doors.

Capital Assets. Under the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting, capital assets are not capitalized in the funds used to acquire or construct them. Instead, capital acquisitions are reflected as disbursement, and depreciation is not recorded. This differs from GAAP, which requires capital assets, including property, plant, and equipment, to be capitalized and depreciated over the life of the asset.

Long-Term Debt. Under the cash basis of accounting, proceeds from the issuance of long-term debt increase receipts, and payment of long-term debt increases disbursements.

The Society did not have any long-term debt as of June 30, 2016.

Net Position and Fund Balance Classifications

Entity-Wide Statements

Equity is classified as net position and displayed in three components:

a. Net investment in capital assets – Consists of capital assets, including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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D. Assets and Net Position (Concluded)

- b. Restricted net position Consists of net position with constraints placed on its use either by (1) external groups, such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- c. Unrestricted net position All other net position that does not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets."

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Society's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

The Society had an Unrestricted Net Position of \$55,971 at June 30, 2016, in the entity-wide financial statements.

Fund Financial Statements

Entity equity is classified as fund balance.

Effective July 1, 2010, the Society adopted GASB Statement No. 54, which redefined how fund balances of the entity funds are presented in the financial statements. Fund balances are classified as follows:

Nonspendable – Amounts that cannot be spent either because they are not in a spendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

Restricted – Amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes because of Society bylaws, State or Federal laws, or externally imposed conditions by grantors or creditors.

Committed – Amounts that can be used only for specific purposes determined by a formal action by Society Board.

Assigned – Amounts that are designated by the Society for a specific purpose but are not spendable until a budget ordinance is passed by the Society Board.

Unassigned – All amounts not included in other spendable classifications.

Restricted funds are used first as appropriate. Assigned funds are reduced to the extent that expenditure authority has been budgeted by the Society Board. Decreases to fund balance first reduce Unassigned fund balance; in the event that Unassigned fund balance becomes zero, then Assigned and Committed funds are used, in that order.

The Society had an Unassigned Fund Balance of \$55,971 at June 30, 2016, in the fund financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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E. Receipts and Disbursements

Property Taxes. The received property and other taxes from the County is authorized under Neb. Rev. Stat. 23-355.01 (Reissue 2012).

The tax levies for all political subdivisions in Jefferson County are certified by the County Board on or before October 15. Real estate and personal property taxes are due and attach as an enforceable lien on property on January 1. The real estate and personal property taxes become delinquent in two equal installments on May 1 and September 1. Delinquent taxes bear 14 percent interest.

Property taxes are collected on behalf of the Society by Jefferson County, which then remits the funds collected to the Society. Property taxes levied are recorded as receipts when received by the County. Cash available for the Society at the Jefferson County Treasurer's office has been included in the beginning and ending fund balances of the Entity Fund. Additionally, receipts reflect actual tax receipts collected by the County Treasurer during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016, for the Society.

2. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

By its nature, the Society is subject to various Federal, State, and local laws and contractual regulations. An analysis of the Society's compliance with significant laws and regulations and demonstration of its stewardship over Society resources follows:

A. Fund Accounting Requirements

The Society complies with all State and local laws and regulations requiring the use of separate funds.

B. Deposit Laws and Regulations

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, an entity's deposits may not be returned to it. The Society's deposit policy for custodial credit risk requires compliance with the provisions of State law.

State law requires collateralization of all deposits with Federal depository insurance or with U.S. Treasury and U.S. agency securities having an aggregate value at least equal to the amount of the deposits. The Society's demand deposits and certificates of deposit/savings accounts are insured up to \$250,000 by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). Any cash deposits or certificates of deposit in excess of the FDIC limits are to be insured by collateral held by the pledging institution in the Society's name.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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C. Budgetary Data

The Society is required by State laws to adopt annual budgets for all fund types. Each budget is presented on the cash basis of accounting, which is consistent with the requirements of the Nebraska Budget Act.

The Nebraska Budget Act provides the prescribed budget practices and procedures that governing bodies are required to follow. The amounts that may be budgeted for certain specific funds are subject to various expenditure and/or tax levy limitations.

The Society follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the accompanying financial statements.

- a. On or before August 1, the Society prepares a budget for the fiscal year commencing July 1. The budget includes proposed expenditures and resources available.
- b. The budget is published with subsequent public hearings to obtain taxpayer comments.
- c. Prior to September 20, the Society Board adopts the budget, which is then filed with the appropriate State and county officials.
- d. Total expenditures may not legally exceed total appropriations. Appropriations lapse at year end, and any revisions require board approval.
- e. Appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year, except for capital improvement appropriations and certain encumbrances against operating budgets.
- f. The County Clerk certifies a preliminary property tax levy for the benefit of the Society based on the combined valuation and amount required for the Society the prior year. The preliminary levy becomes the final levy unless the County's governing board passes, by a majority vote, a resolution setting the levy at a different amount.
- g. The property tax requirements resulting from the budget process are utilized by the County Assessor to establish the tax levy. Taxes are levied annually on or before October 15. Real property taxes and personal property taxes are due December 31 with the first half delinquent May 1 and the second half delinquent September 1.
- h. The Society adopts a budget by Board approval.

3. DETAIL NOTES ON TRANSACTION CLASSES/ACCOUNTS

The following notes present detail information to support the amounts reported in the financial statements for the Society's various assets, fund balances, receipts, and disbursements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Concluded)

A. Deposits and Investments

The Society's policies regarding deposits of cash are discussed in Note 2B. The categories of collateral are defined as follows:

Category 1 – Insured by FDIC or collateralized with securities held by the Society (or public trust) or by its agent in its name.

Category 2 – Uninsured but collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the Society's name.

Category 3 – Uninsured and uncollateralized or collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution, or by its trust department or agent, but not in the Society's name, or collateralized with no written or approved collateral agreement.

At year end, the Society's carrying amount of cash deposits was \$12,613. The bank balance for all accounts was \$12,254. For purposes of classifying categories of custodial risk, the bank balances of the Society's deposits, as of June 30, 2016, were fully insured by FDIC.

The Society has an investment account that is stated at fair value. Investments consisted of \$43,358 in Equity Investments. In the event of the failure of the counterparty or loss of market value, the Society would not be able to recover the value of its investments.

4. OTHER NOTES

A. Risk Management

The Society is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Society purchases commercial insurance to minimize the effect of possible exposure to these risks. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage from coverage in the prior year. During the past three fiscal years, there have been no settlements exceeding the amount of the Society's insurance coverage.

B. Commitments and Contingencies

Credit Card Debt

As noted in the APA's May 23, 2016, letter to the Society, the Society had overdue credit card debt of \$8,064 at July 1, 2015. Over the course of the fiscal year, the Society made multiple payments, and as of June 30, 2016, the outstanding balance was paid off.

C. Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through August 29, 2016, the date on which the financial statements were available for issue.

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL GENERAL FUND

For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

	Original Budget	 Final Budget	Actual	Fin:	ance with al Budget cositive egative)
RECEIPTS					
Taxes	\$ 50,707	\$ 50,707	\$ 47,263	\$	(3,444)
Intergovernmental	-	-	4,517		4,517
Miscellaneous	15,000	15,000	 12,172		(2,828)
TOTAL RECEIPTS	 65,707	 65,707	 63,952		(1,755)
DISBURSEMENTS					
General:					
Wages	-	-	23,682		(23,682)
Advertising	-	-	2,205		(2,205)
Cleaning Supplies	-	-	68		(68)
Credit Card Payments	-	-	9,819		(9,819)
Elevator Maintenance	-	-	1,253		(1,253)
Equipment Rental	-	-	795		(795)
Fire Alarm Service	-	-	852		(852)
Fire Extinguisher Inspection	-	-	79		(79)
Gasoline	-	-	212		(212)
Gift Shop Inventory	-	-	162		(162)
Insurance	-	-	3,058		(3,058)
Internet	-	-	729		(729)
Membership Fees	-	-	40		(40)
Mileage	-	-	35		(35)
Mowing	-	-	330		(330)
Office Supplies	-	-	177		(177)
Repairs	-	-	4,155		(4,155)
Sales Tax Paid	-	-	27		(27)
Telephone	-	-	1,559		(1,559)
Utilities	-	-	11,971		(11,971)
Miscellaneous	88,000	88,000	1,988		86,012
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	88,000	88,000	63,196		24,804
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS	(22,293)	(22,293)	756		23,049
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING	55,215	55,215	55,215		_
FUND BALANCE - ENDING	\$ 32,922	\$ 32,922	\$ 55,971	\$	23,049

JEFFERSON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC. Fairbury, Nebraska BYLAWS

Adopted in accordance with Amendment No. 1 of the Articles of Incorporation

ARTICLE 1 MEETINGS, MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

Section 1. Annual Meetings. The annual meeting of the members for the election of directors and officers, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before such meeting, shall be held on the first Friday of October of each year.

Section 2. Special Meetings. A special meeting of the members may be called at any time by the President or by the Board of Directors, and shall be called by the President upon written request of twenty-five percent (25%) of the members in good standing, provided, however, said written request must state the purpose of the meeting.

- Section 4. Notice of Meeting. Whenever a special meeting is called, each of said members shall be notified of the proceedings, either by mail or at the direction of the President or Secretary, or the officers or persons calling such meeting.
- Section 5. Quorum. A quorum for any meeting required, herein set forth, shall be twelve (12) members belonging to the corporation in good standing plus a quorum of the Board of Directors.
- Section 6. Voting. Each voting member shall be entitled to one vote and must be present at the meeting to exercise their right to vote.
- Section 7. Memberships. Any citizen of the United States who shall profess an interest in the history of Jefferson County, Nebraska, and surrounding territory shall be eligible for membership in this corporation if recommended by a member of the Board of Directors, a member of the membership committee, or any member of the corporation in good standing (dues paid up) when accompanied by the payment of the annual or multiple dues provided in Article VIII of these bylaws.
 - 1. There shall be two classes of memberships, Senior and Junior.
- 2. Senior members hereinafter referred to as members, are all members eighteen (18) years of age or older, who will enjoy all the rights and privileges of this corporation, including the right to vote and hold office.
- 3. Junior members hereinafter referred to as Junior members, under (18) years of age, shall have all the rights and privileges of this corporation, except the right to vote or hold office

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- 4. The Board of Directors have the right to reject any application for membership, or to revoke any current membership that they feel would not be, or is not, in the best interest of the corporation as specified in the Articles. If the Board of Directors revoke any current membership, said member shall have the right to appeal the decision of the Board of Directors to a tribunal appointed by the President of the corporation. Upon revocation of any current membership, any advanced paid dues shall be refunded on a pro rata basis.
 - 5. All membership dues expire September 30, payable beginning September 1.
 - 6. Membership and dues are not transferable.
 - 7. Dues may be paid annually or in multiples as listed in Article VIII of these bylaws.
 - 8. A membership card is to be issued with each payment of dues.
- All membership cards are to be issued subject to acceptance or rejection of the Board of Directors.
- 10. If the Board of Directors do not notify a member of rejection within 60 days, it may be considered accepted.

ARTICLE II Powers, Number and Election of Board of Directors

- Section 1. General Powers. The business of the corporation shall be managed by the Board of Directors, except as otherwise provided by Statute or by the Articles of Incorporation.
- Section 2. Number of Directors. The number of Directors shall be seven (7) and the officers shall be elected from the Board of Directors.
- Section 3. Election of Directors and Officers. The Directors and officers shall be elected annually by the members of the Corporation, from the membership, and in said election, each member shall have one vote.
 - Section 4. Terms of Directors and Officers. The Directors shall hold office until their successors are respectively elected and qualified and the Board of Directors shall hold office for three years. Two director terms to expire in one year, two the next, and three the third year, thereafter terms to run for three-year periods.
 - (a) It shall be the duty of the retiring President to appoint a committee for the purpose of submitting names for new Directors and officers at the annual meeting, and in addition thereto, nominations may be made for either Directors or officers by any qualified member present at the annual meeting and in good standing.
 - Section 5. Vacancy. Any vacancy occurring in the Board of Directors, and any directorship to be filled by reason of an increase in the number of Directors may be filled by the Board of

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Directors, and shall be filled within thirty (30) days following the Board being notified of the vacancy.

ARTICLE III MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Regular Meetings. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held the first Friday of each month, without the call of formal notice.

Section 2. Quorum. A quorum for any directors meeting shall be a majority. In case of a tie, the President may decide the vote.

Section 3. Director -Membership Aiding Meetings. The President may call meetings aside from normal director meetings to include the presence of members of the society and visitors to held and aid in carrying out its work and programs and to help in he future welfare of the society.

Any member may take part in discussions, suggestions, and make or propose motions to the Board of Directors. Meetings shall be conducted under the Roberts Rules of Order. A simple majority of the members present when accompanied by a quorum of directors may decide the order of business if it does not conflict with the Articles of Incorporation or other sections of the bylaws, except, that any director present may call for a majority vote of the Board of Directors present and their decision shall be final. Such meetings may be open to the public who may enter into discussions, but only members in good standing shall be entitled to vote. Programs, lectures, etc., may be part of the business.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

Section 1. Number. The corporation shall have a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer, to be elected by the members of this corporation from the membership of the Board of Directors annually.

Section 2. Failure to Elect. A failure to elect annually a President, a Vice-President, Secretary or Treasurer, or any other officer, shall not dissolve the corporation.

Section 3. Vacancies. Any vacancy in the office of President, Secretary or Treasurer by death, resignation, removal or otherwise, shall be filled for the unexpired portion of the term by the Board of Directors from its board members, and shall be filled within thirty (30) days following notification of said vacancy.

Section 4. President. The President shall be the chief officer of the corporation and subject to the direction and under the supervision of the Board of Directors, shall have general charge of the business affairs and property of the corporation and control over its officers, agents and employees. The President shall preside at all meetings of the members and of the Board of Directors at which he is present. The President shall do and perform such other duties and exercise such powers as from time to time may be assigned to him by these bylaws or the Board of Directors.

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- Section 5. Vice-President. At the request of the President or in his absence or disability, the Vice-President shall perform all the duties of the President and such other duties as the Board of Directors of these bylaws may assign to him.
- Section 6. Secretary. The Secretary shall record all the proceedings of the meetings of the corporation or the meetings of the Board of Directors, send out all notices required by the Articles of Incorporation, the bylaws or the laws of the State of Nebraska, and perform all the duties and have all the powers incidental to the office of Secretary.
- Section 7. Treasurer. The Treasurer shall handle all the finances of the corporation and perform all the duties and have all the power incidental to the office of Treasurer. The Treasurer shall be bonded in an amount not less than the intangible worth of said corporation.
- Section 8. Salaries. No officer shall receive any salary for the performance of the duties herein set forth.

ARTICLE V Contracts, Loans, Checks, Deposits, Contributions

- Section 1. Execution of Instruments. All documents, instruments of wiring, except checks or drafts shall be signed, executed and delivered by such officer or officers and in such manner as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine.
- Section 2. Checks and Drafts. All checks and drafts shall be signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the President with three Board members having signature authorization as determined by the Board to cover absentee contingencies.
- Section 3. Deposits. All funds of the corporation not otherwise employed shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as the Board of Directors may select.
- Section 4. Contributions. Any contributions, bequests or gifts made to the corporation shall be accepted or collected and deposited only in such manner as shall be designated by the Board of Directors. The corporation may accept grants and funds, funds contributed for a specific purpose will be used for that purpose to the best ability of the Corporation, as determined by Board policy, for those purposes consistent with the Articles of Incorporation and which do not impair the corporation's exemption from federal income tax under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE VI SEAL

The corporation seal shall be in the form of a circle and shall bear the name of the corporation and the year of its incorporation and indicate its formation under the laws of the State of Nebraska.

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ARTICLE VII FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of this corporation shall begin on July 1st and end June 30th.

ARTICLE VIII DUES

Section 1. Changes In Dues. Changes in dues shall be made by a majority vote of those members attending a regular meeting with such changes effective September 1 of the current year.

Section 2. Classification of Dues:

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Annual membership dues \$5.00	20.00
Supporting membership dues (advances dues 5 years)	35.00
Sustaining membership dues (advances dues 10 years)	45.00
Life membership (include paid for life)	125.00
Junior memberships (under 18 years of age)	5.00

ARTICLE IX AMENDMENTS

These bylaws may be altered or repealed at any meeting at which a quorum of the Board of Directors is present, or at any meeting of this corporation called for that purpose, or at any annual meeting.

Updated and Amended, This Date, The Second of May, 1997.

Signed,

Belva Cassell, Jim Cunningham President

	Source: Trial Balance					Source: Bo	ard Minutes	Source: Bank stmt	
	Check Register Date	Check Number	Payee	Description	Amount	Date Approved	Amount On Claims List	Cleared Date	
1	07/14/2015	2454	Audrey Schoenbeck	Wages	\$ 680.00	07/09/2015	\$ 680.00	07/14/2015	
	rate was not app there was not a	proved by the I dequate approv	act employee. There was no contr Board. The Board received the Al val on file for the payments at \$8.5 cation of the hours worked.	PA's draft letter in April 2016	. Then, May meeting	ng minutes approve	ed the \$9 hourly rat	e of pay. Therefore,	
2	07/14/2015	2455	Denise Andersen	Wages	\$ 1,000.00	07/09/2015	\$ 1,000.00	07/14/2015	
	The Curator was treated as a contract employee. There was no contract. No other supporting documentation was on file. The Curator was not required to complete a timesheet. The salary amount did not agree to the last amount approved by the Board in 2006. Ms. Andersen was paid \$1,000 per month until November 2015, at which time she was paid \$1,350 per month. There was no approval for an increase in her salary in the November 2015 meeting minutes. After the Board received the APA's draft letter in April 2016, they approved her current salary at a rate of \$1,350 per month. Therefore, the rates paid from July 2015 to April 2016 were not approved.								
3	N/A	EFT	Windstream	Telephone	\$ 126.60	07/09/2015	\$ 126.60	07/08/2015	
	two access lines	s and other cha	by EFT. The invoice is dated 06 trges and fees. The phone number to the 07/9/2015 Board meeting.		-				
4	N/A	EFT	Fairbury Light & Water	Utilities	\$ 469.84	07/09/2015	\$ 468.84	07/01/2015	
	electricity, wate	er, sewer, and t	Department bills are paid by EFT rash charges from 05/04/2015-06/thdrawn on 07/1/2015 prior to the	02/2015. Supporting document				_	
5	N/A	EFT	Fairbury Light & Water	Utilities	\$ 158.25	07/09/2015	\$ 158.25	07/15/2015	
	The Fairbury Light and Water Department bills are paid by EFT. A statement dated 06/24/2015 for the following properties and amounts: Steele City School House \$31.65, Steele City Blacksmith shop \$31.65, Steele City Bank and Livery Stable \$31.65, Steele City Old Church \$31.65, Steele City Storage/Saw Mill \$31.65, all for electricity only. The total was \$158.25 for the period 05/21/2015-06/17/2015.								
6	N/A	EFT	Black Hills	Utilities	\$ 50.73	07/09/2015	\$ 50.73	07/06/2015	
	Invoice with billing date 06/16/2015 for \$50.73 for service to Rock Island Depot. Includes gas rate based on meter reading and other charges, fees, and taxes. The funds were withdrawn on 07/6/2015, prior to the 07/9/2015 Board meeting.								
7	N/A	EFT	Norris Public Power	Utilities	\$ 36.01	07/09/2015	\$ 36.01	07/30/2015	
	other fees. The	invoice provid	2/2015 for \$28.85 for electric serv ded does not agree to the amount p for services provided from 05/29/2	oaid. However, the APA later	•				

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	Check Register Date	Check Number	Payee	Description	Amount	Date Approved	Amount On Claims List	Cleared Date		
	N/A	N/A	Sandra Gapp	No Check W	ritten	07/09/2015	\$ 45.33	N/A		
	The Board mee	ting minutes re	eflected a payment to Sandra Gapp	o. However, no such check wa	as written or cas	ed for this timefram	ie.			
	N/A	N/A	Diode Communications	No Check W	ritten	07/09/2015	\$ 60.72	N/A		
	The Board mee included in the	_	eflected a payment to Diode Comm hth's payment.	nunications. However, no suc	h check was wr	ten or cashed for th	is timeframe. It app	pears that the check was		
	July Expendit	ures			\$ 2,521.4	3	\$ 2,626.48	\$ 105.05		
8	08/13/2015	2456	Audrey Schoenbeck	Wages	\$ 782.0	0 No meeting held	\$ 782.00	08/18/2015		
	was not approv was not adequa	ed by the Boar te approval on	act employee. There was no contr d. The Board received the APA's file for the payments at \$8.50 per the hours worked. There was no m	draft letter in April 2016. Th hour from July 2015 through	en, May meeting May 2016. Add	minutes approved t	he \$9 hourly rate of	pay. Therefore, there		
9	08/13/2015	2457	Dick Schmeling	Gift Shop Inventory	\$ 124.	2 No meeting held	\$ 124.12	08/21/2015		
			n Richard Schmeling for 10 copies Board did not approve.	s of "America's Shortest Inters	state Railroad" a	\$11.79 per copy, pl	us \$6.22 shipping f	or a total of \$124.12.		
10	08/13/2015	2458	Maatsch Oil Co.	Gasoline	\$ 152.4	7 No meeting held	\$ 152.47	08/19/2015		
	Andersen, 07/7, for a total of \$3 ensure these ga	/2015 for 6.09 60.84 by Zach s s purchases we	account at Maatsch Oil Company. 1 gallons for a total of \$17.35 by 2 Schacht. Those four invoices total are for business use only.	Zach Schacht, 07/8/2015 14.86	5 gallons for a to ing, so the Boar	tal of \$38.62 by Zac I did not approve. T	h Schacht, and 07/1 The Board did not ha	8/2015 10.824 gallons ave procedures to		
11	08/13/2015	2459	Diode Communications	Internet		4 No meeting held		08/20/2015		
	Invoices from Diode Communications dated 08/1/2015 provided totaling \$40.72 and \$20, with past due amounts of \$40.72 and \$20. This is for internet service at the Diller location - wireless internet equipment and service and webhosting for the period 08/01/2015-08/31/2015. Board approved July payment at July meeting, but the check was never sent. There was no meeting in August, so August payment was not approved.									
12	08/13/2015	2460	Steve Taylor	Mowing	\$ 210.0	0 No meeting held	\$ 210.00	08/21/2015		
		• •	oviding totaling \$210 for 7 mowing k place to ensure there were no du				•	d not indicate which		
13	08/13/2015	2461	Scherbarth Ace Hardware	Repairs		7 No meeting held		08/21/2015		
	Invoice dated 0 no meeting, so		a hose discharge and sump pump. not approve.	Handwritten note indicated i	t was for Steele	City Church. Total a	mount with tax was	s \$159.07. There was		

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			Source: Trial Bala	nce		Source: Boo	ard Minutes	Source: Bank stmt	
	Check Register Date	Check Number	Payee	Description	Amount	Date Approved	Amount On Claims List	Cleared Date	
14	08/13/2015	2462	O'Keefe Elevator	Elevator Maintenance		No meeting held		08/20/2015	
		•	e maintenance agreement from 20 supported by adequate documental				or an annual increas	se, which is not	
15	08/13/2015	2463	Denise Andersen	Wages	\$ 1,000.00	No meeting held	\$ 1,000.00	08/18/2015	
	The salary amo paid \$1,350 per paid from July	unt did not agr month. After 2015 to April 2	contract employee. There was no eee to the last amount approved by the Board received the APA's dra 2016 were not approved. There w	the Board in 2006. Ms. And ft letter in April 2016, they ap	ersen was paid \$1,0 pproved her current id not approve.	00 per month until salary at a rate of	l November 2015, a \$1,350 per month.	at which time she was Therefore, the rates	
16	08/13/2015	2464	Sandra Gapp was on file. The APA had previous	Utilities		No meeting held		08/24/2015	
	The amended le not approve.	ease provided to	neeting, after the APA drafted its is to the APA was not signed by either	er party and included a handw	ritten addition to th	e original lease. T	There was no meeting	ng, so the Board did	
17	08/13/2015	2465	Wheel N Deal	Equipment Rental	\$ 295.38	Not approved	\$ -	01/05/2016	
	statement was i	ncluded that w	rom Wheel-N-Deal Auto Sales wa as dated 11/8/2015 and included t was not included in August claims	he same \$295.38 charge, plus	an additional \$17.0	04 for late interest.	Check was written	n in August and did not	
18	08/10/2015	EFT	Capital One	Credit Card	\$ 1,000.00	No meeting held	\$ 1,000.00	08/10/2015	
			statement. There were no purchas . There was no meeting, so the B	0 1	vering 07/3/2015 to	08/2/2015. There	e was \$243.02 in fee	es and interest and the	
19	08/13/2015	EFT	Windstream	Telephone	\$ 130.60	No meeting held	\$ 130.60	08/11/2015	
	The Windstream bills are paid by EFT. The invoice is dated 07/20/2015 for service at the Rock Island Depot Railroad Museum from 07/16/2015 to 08/15/2015. It is for two access lines and other charges and fees. The phone number of the account is 402-729-5131, which is the number for the Rock Island Museum. There was no meeting, so the Board did not approve.								
20	08/13/2015	EFT	Fby Light & Water	Utilities	\$ 649.65	No meeting held	\$ 649.65	08/05/2015	
	•	-	Department bills are paid by EFT rash charges from 06/02/2015-07/				roperty was provide	ed totaling \$649.65 for	

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	Check Register Date	Check Number	Payee	Description	Amount	Date Approved	Amount On Claims List	Cleared Date			
21	08/13/2015	EFT	Fby Light & Water	Utilities	\$ 161.90	No meeting held	\$ 161.90	08/19/2015			
	The Fairbury Light and Water Department bills are paid by EFT. A statement dated 07/29/2015 for the following properties and amounts: Steele City School House \$31.65, Steele City Blacksmith shop \$32.62, Steele City Bank and Livery Stable \$32.29, Steele City Old Church \$33.48, Steele City Storage/Saw Mill \$31.86, all for electricity only. The total was \$161.90 for the period 06/17/2015-07/22/2015. There was no meeting, so the Board did not approve.										
22	08/13/2015	EFT	Black Hills	Utilities	\$ 33.25	No meeting held	\$ 33.25	08/05/2015			
	Invoice with bi no meeting, so	•	5/2015 for \$33.25 for service to R not approve.	ock Island Depot. Includes ga	as rate based on me	ter reading and oth	ner charges, fees, ar	d taxes. There was			
23	08/13/2015	EFT	Norris Public Power	Utilities	\$ 29.97	No meeting held		08/31/2015			
		-	2/2015 for \$29.97 for electric serving, so the Board did not approve		g for the period 6/2	9/2015 to 7/31/20	115. Includes electr	ic service taxes and			
	August Expen	ditures			\$ 5,170.76		\$ 4,814.66	\$ (356.10)			
24	09/10/2015	2466	Audrey Schoenbeck	Wages	\$ 748.00	09/10/2015	\$ 748.00	09/15/2015			
	\$8.50 rate was Therefore, there	not approved b e was not adeq	act employee. There was no contr y the Board. The Board received uate approval on file for the paym e is no verification of the hours we	the APA's draft letter in April ents at \$8.50 per hour from Ju	2016. Then, May	meeting minutes a	approved the \$9 hou	rly rate of pay.			
25	09/10/2015	2467	Fairbury Journal News	Advertising	\$ 78.40	09/10/2015	\$ 78.80	09/17/2015			
			otice of budget hearing and budge by and indicated it was published			•		- ·			
26	09/10/2015	2468	NECO	Fire Alarm Service	\$ 115.62	09/10/2015	\$ 115.62	09/17/2015			
	Invoice was not dated but indicated the service was for the period June through August 2015 quarterly billing for fire alarm/sprinkler testing. \$107.55 monitoring and \$8.07 tax for a total of \$115.62.										
27	09/10/2015	2469	Maatsch	Gasoline	\$ 32.17	09/10/2015	\$ 32.17	09/17/2015			
	Invoice dated 08/2/2015 for 10.552 gallons of lead free gas at Maatsch Oil Company. The invoice was signed by Zach Schacht. The Board did not have procedures to ensure these gas purchases were for business use only.										
28	09/10/2015	2470	Scherbarth Ace Hardware	Repairs	\$ 453.67	09/10/2015	\$ 453.67	09/18/2015			
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29	09/10/2015	2471	Starr-Buckow	Insurance	\$ 2,858.00	09/10/2015	\$ 2,858.00	09/18/2015
	Invoice dated 0	8/31/2015 for	the renewal of an insurance policy	MBP106366. It appears to b	e general liability	coverage for \$2,85	8.	
30	09/10/2015	2472	Diode Communications	Internet	\$ 60.72	09/10/2015	\$ 60.72	09/17/2015
			nications dated 09/1/2015 provided e period 09/01/2015-09/31/2015.	d totaling \$40.72 and \$20. Th	is is for internet s	ervice at the Diller	location - wireless i	nternet equipment and
31	09/10/2015	2473	Jefferson Co. Treasurer	Miscellaneous	\$ 28.50	Not approved	\$ -	Still O/S
	There was no su	apporting docu	mentation for this transaction. Ac	dditionally the amount was no	t approved by the	Board.		
32	09/10/2015	2474	Pla-Mar Lanes (Jimmy Gould)	Miscellaneous	\$ 30.00	Not approved	\$ -	10/06/2015
	There was no su	apporting docu	mentation for this transaction. Ac	dditionally the amount was no	t approved by the	Board.		
33	09/10/2015	EFT	Fby Light & Water	Utilities	\$ 158.89	09/10/2015	\$ 158.80	09/16/2015
	\$31.65, Steele (City Blacksmit	Department bills are paid by EFT h shop \$31.65, Steele City Bank as \$158.89 for the period 07/22/201	and Livery Stable \$31.65, Stee	ele City Old Chur	ch \$32.29, Steele C	ity Storage/Saw Mil	
34	09/10/2015	EFT	Norris Public Power	Utilities	\$ 40.30		\$ 36.01	09/30/2015
	Invoice with billing date 07/13/2015 for \$36.01 for electric service to the Diller bank building for the period 05/29/2015 to 06/29/2015. Includes electric service taxes and other fees. This invoice does not support the amount paid. However, the APA found the actual invoice that supports this payment with the October 2015 invoices. That invoice is dated 09/11/2015 for the period 07/31/2015 to 08/30/2015 for a total of \$40.30. The claim for this amount was not approved until the October 2015 meeting. The payment was made prior to approval.							
35	09/10/2015	EFT	Black Hills	Utilities	\$ 33.10	09/10/2015	\$ 33.10	09/03/2015
			4/2015 for \$33.10 for service to R 015, prior to the approval at the 09		as rate based on n	eter reading and otl	her charges, fees, an	d taxes. The bank
36	09/10/2015	EFT	Fby Light & Water	Utilities	\$ 866.30	09/10/2015	\$ 866.36	09/03/2015
	-	-	Department bills are paid by EFT rash charges from 07/1/2015-08/3					•

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37	09/10/2015	EFT	Windstream	Telephone	\$ 129.26	09/10/2015	\$ 129.26	09/09/2015	
	two access line	s and other cha	I by EFT. The invoice is dated 08 arges and fees. The phone number to the 09/10/2015 Board meeting	of the account is 402-729-51	-				
38	09/10/2015	2475	Denise Andersen	Wages	\$ 1,000.00	09/10/2015	\$ 1,000.00	09/18/2015	
	paid \$1,350 per 2016, they appr	r month. There	ree to the last amount approved by e was no approval for an increase i ent salary at a rate of \$1,350 per m	in her salary in the November onth. Therefore, the rates pai	2015 meeting minud from July 2015 to	After the Boa April 2016 were	ard received the AP not approved.	A's draft letter in April	
39	09/10/2015	2476	Sandra Gapp	Utilities	\$ 45.00	09/10/2015	\$ 45.50	09/21/2015	
	No supporting	documentation	was on file. The APA had previo	ously obtained a lease agreeme	ent between the Soc	iety and Sandra G	app for the use of 5	6535 River Road in	
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	Check Register Date	Check Number	Payee	Description	Amount	Date Approved	Amount On Claims List	Cleared Date
43	10/08/2015	2480	Audrey Schoenbeck	Wages	\$ 714.00	10/08/2015	\$ 714.00	10/14/2015
	The \$8.50 rate Therefore, there	was not approve was not adequ	act employee. There was no contract employee. There was no contract by the Board. The Board rece uate approval on file for the payme is no verification of the hours we	ived the APA's draft letter in a ents at \$8.50 per hour from Ju	April 2016. Then,	May meeting minu	ites approved the \$9	hourly rate of pay.
44	10/08/2015	2481	Julianne Endorf	Gift Shop Inventory	\$ 37.70	10/08/2015	\$ 37.70	12/14/2015
			nis Kenning that appeared to be for te indicated the payment would be		h round custom bu	ttons. It appears th	ne purchase was ma	de using a private
45	10/08/2015	EFT	Black Hills	Utilities	\$ 35.86	10/08/2015	\$ 35.86	10/05/2015
			5/2015 for \$35.86 for service to R 015, prior to the approval at the 10		as rate based on me	ter reading and oth	ner charges, fees, an	d taxes. The bank
46	10/21/2015	EFT	Fby Light & Water	Utilities	\$ 159.65	10/08/2015	\$ 159.65	10/21/2015
	\$31.65, Steele	City Blacksmit	Department bills are paid by EFI h shop \$32.08, Steele City Bank as \$159.65 for the period 08/19/201	and Livery Stable \$32.62, Stee		~	•	
47	10/16/2015	EFT	National Mutual Payment	Insurance	\$ 100.00			
	This entry appe bank. Therefor	-	olicate entry of the transaction for olding error.	check 2484, as it is the same a	mount and coded to	o insurance. It doe	es not appear this ar	nount cleared the
48	10/08/2015	2482	Fairbury Journal News	Ads-Flea Market	\$ 363.20	10/08/2015	\$ 363.20	10/16/2015
		-	t had two invoices for this paymer lvertising Treasurers and Tractors.		015 for \$104.20 for	advertising the Ste	eele City Flea Mark	et and invoice 29056
49	10/19/2015	EFT	Capital One	Credit Card	\$ 1,000.00	Not approved	\$ -	10/19/2015
			statement. There were no purchas This claim was not included on		•			es and interest and the
50	10/08/2015	EFT	Fby Light & Water	Utilities	\$ 765.65	10/08/2015	\$ 765.65	10/07/2015
		-	Department bills are paid by EFT rash charges from 08/3/2015-09/3					_

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	Check Register Date	Check Number	Payee	Description	Amount	Date Approved	Amount On Claims List	Cleared Date
51	10/08/2015	2483	Maatsch	Gasoline	\$ 27.07	10/08/2015	\$ 27.07	10/15/2015
			10.03 gallons of lead free gas for a pusiness use only.	a total of \$27.07. The invoice	was signed by Zac	h Schacht. The B	oard did not have p	rocedures to ensure
52	10/08/2015	EFT	Windstream	Telephone	\$ 129.61	10/08/2015	\$ 129.61	10/08/2015
		_	by EFT. The invoice is dated 09 arges and fees. The phone number		_			0/15/2015. It is for
53	10/08/2015	2484	Allied Insurance	Insurance	\$ 100.00	10/08/2015	\$ 100.00	10/16/2016
	-		e renewal of surety bond for the p s statements, the amount was not p		* *	be the same paym	ent that was due to	Nationwide Mutual,
54	10/08/2015	2485	Starr Plumbing	Equipment Rental	\$ 500.08	10/08/2015	\$ 500.08	10/20/2015
			ing. The first dated 09/27/2015 for The next invoice was for a portable				•	nsion tank, tape, and
55	10/08/2015	2486	Diode Communications	Internet	\$ 60.72	10/08/2015	\$ 60.72	10/19/2015
			nications dated 10/1/2015 provided e period 10/01/2015-10/31/2015.	d totaling \$40.72 and \$20. Th	is is for internet se	rvice at the Diller	location - wireless i	nternet equipment and
56	10/08/2015	2487	Scherbarth Ace Hardware	Repairs	\$ 175.49	10/08/2015	\$ 175.49	10/19/2015
			ion. The first was dated 09/18/20 es and trash bags for \$138.14. Th			ext was dated 09/2	19/2015 and referen	ced to Steele City and
57	10/08/2015	2488	Denise Andersen	Wages	\$ 1,000.00	10/08/2015	\$ 1,000.00	10/16/2015
	The Curator was treated as a contract employee. There was no contract. No supporting documentation was on file. The Curator was not required to complete a timesheet. The salary amount did not agree to the last amount approved by the Board in 2006. Ms. Andersen was paid \$1,000 per month until November 2015, at which time she was paid \$1,350 per month. There was no approval for an increase in her salary in the November 2015 meeting minutes. After the Board received the APA's draft letter in April 2016, they approved her current salary at a rate of \$1,350 per month. Therefore, the rates paid from July 2015 to April 2016 were not approved.							
58	10/08/2015	2489	Sandra Gapp	Utilities	\$ 45.33	10/08/2015	\$ 45.33	10/19/2015
	Fairbury to be upaid. In its Ma	used as her priv y 2016 Board	was on file. The APA had previous teresidence. The resident was to meeting, after the APA drafted its to the APA was not signed by eith	o pay all utilities per the agree initial letter to the Society, th	ement from 2006. I e minutes indicated	However, there wa that the minimum	s no support for the	amount of the utilities

			Source: Trial Bala	nce			Source: Bo	ard N	Minutes	Source: Bank stmt
	Check Register Date	Check Number	Payee	Description	A	mount	Date Approved		Amount On Claims List	Cleared Date
	N/A	N/A	Norris Public Power	No Check W	ritten		10/08/2015	\$	40.30	N/A
	This was include	led on the clair	ns list but was later crossed out.	There was no check written.						
	October Exper	nditures			\$	5,214.36		\$	4,154.66	\$ (1,059.70)
59	11/11/2015	2490	NE Dept of Labor	Elevator Maintenance	\$	140.00	11/11/2015	\$	140.00	11/20/2015
	Invoice dated 1	0/2/2015 from	NDOL for an elevator inspection	at the Rock Island Depot. To	tal cost	is \$140.				
60	11/11/2015	2491	Continental Fire	Fire Extinguisher Inspection	\$	78.75	11/11/2015	\$	78.75	11/19/2015
	and another line	e item of \$8.25	Continental Fire and Alarm for fire for the service & tagging of the eff the invoice. The amount paid was	xtinguishers. The total of tho						
61	11/11/2015	2492	Diode Communications	Internet	\$	60.72	11/11/2015	\$	60.72	11/24/2015
			nications dated 11/1/2015 provided e period 11/01/2015-11/30/2015.	d totaling \$40.72 and \$20. Th	is is fo	r internet ser	vice at the Diller l	ocati	ion - wireless i	nternet equipment and
62	11/11/2015	2493	Steve Taylor	Mowing	\$	120.00	11/11/2015	\$	120.00	11/20/2015
			ndwritten note for mowings at Dist at to determine when the mowings		_		•	•		
63	11/11/2015	2494	Courtside Marketing	Advertising	\$	549.00	11/11/2015	\$	549.00	11/23/2015
			upported this payment. The invoice or copy of the			ed 10/23/201	15 and was for a qu	ıarteı	r page advertis	ement in the Southeast
64	11/11/2015	2495	Audrey Schoenbeck	Wages	\$	782.00	11/11/2015	\$	782.00	11/17/2015
	Audrey was treated as a contract employee. There was no contract. Paycheck for the month of October 2015 for 92 hours worked in October 2015 at \$8.50 an hour. The \$8.50 rate was not approved by the Board. The Board received the APA's draft letter in April 2016. Then, May meeting minutes approved the \$9 hourly rate of pay. Therefore, there was not adequate approval on file for the payments at \$8.50 per hour from July 2015 through May 2016. Additionally, the timesheet did not contain a supervisor's signature, so there is no verification of the hours worked.									
65	11/11/2015	2496	Denise Andersen	Wages	\$	1,350.00	11/11/2015	\$	1,350.00	11/17/2015
	The salary amopaid \$1,350 per	ount did not agr r month. There	contract employee. There was no detect to the last amount approved by the was no approval for an increase it and salary at a rate of \$1,350 per more	the Board in 2006. Ms. And n her salary in the November	ersen w 2015 m	as paid \$1,0 neeting minu	00 per month until ites. After the Boa	l Nov ard re	vember 2015, a eceived the AP.	t which time she was

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	Check Register Date	Check Number	Payee	Description	Amount	Date Approved	Amount On Claims List	Cleared Date
66	11/11/2015	2497	Sandra Gapp	Utilities	\$ 45.5		\$ 45.50	11/23/2015
	Fairbury to be upaid. In its May	sed as her priv 2016 Board 1	was on file. The APA had previously atterested the residence. The resident was to meeting, after the APA drafted its to the APA was not signed by either	o pay all utilities per the agree initial letter to the Society, th	ement from 2006 e minutes indica	However, there wa	as no support for the	amount of the utilities
67	11/11/2015	EFT	Fairbury Light & Water	Utilities	\$ 436.8		\$ 436.86	11/05/2015
	-	_	Department bills are paid by EFT rash charges from 09/3/2015-10/2					•
68	11/11/2015	EFT	Norris Public Power	Utilities	\$ 40.0	4 11/11/2015	\$ 40.04	11/02/2015
		•	$\frac{72015}{2015}$ for \$40.04 for electric service funds on $\frac{11}{2}$	9		30/2015 to 09/29/15	5. Includes electric	service taxes and other
69	11/20/2015	EFT	Norris Public Power	Utilities	\$ 32.5	11	\$ -	11/30/2015
	other fees. The	bank withdrev	2/2015 for \$32.55 for electric serv w the funds on 11/30/2015, and the o meeting in December.	•				
70	11/11/2015	EFT	Black Hills	Utilities	\$ 34.1	1 11/11/2015	\$ 34.11	11/03/2015
			4/2015 for \$34.11 for service to R 015, prior to the approval at the 11		as rate based on 1	neter reading and of	her charges, fees, ar	nd taxes. The bank
71	11/11/2015	EFT	Windstream	Telephone	\$ 129.3	3 11/11/2015	\$ 129.33	11/10/2015
	two access lines	and other cha	I by EFT. The invoice is dated 10 urges and fees. The phone number the approval at the 11/11/2015 me	of the account is 402-729-51				
72	11/11/2015	EFT	Fairbury Light & Water	Utilities	\$ 158.2	5 11/11/2015	\$ 158.25	11/18/2015
	The Fairbury Light and Water Department bills are paid by EFT. A statement dated 10/28/2015 for the following properties and amounts: Steele City School House \$31.65, Steele City Blacksmith shop \$31.65, Steele City Bank and Livery Stable \$31.65, Steele City Old Church \$31.65, Steele City Storage/Saw Mill \$31.65, all for electricity only. The total was \$158.25 for the period 09/22/2015-10/20/2015.							
73	11/11/2015	2498	Henry Klee	Mileage	\$ 35.0	11/11/2015	\$ 35.00	Still O/S
	There was no su	pporting docu	imentation on file for this transact	on.				
	November Exp	enditures			\$ 3,992.1	1	\$ 3,959.56	\$ (32.55)

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	Check Register Date	Check Number	Payee	Description	Amount	Date Approved	Amount On Claims List	Cleared Date
74	12/10/2015	2500	O'Keefe Elevator	Elevator Maintenance	\$ 275.58	No meeting held	\$ 275.52	12/22/2015
	amount was \$24	45. However,	O'Keefe Elevator Company for el there is a provision for an annual i payments were not approved.		•		-	
75	12/10/2015	2501	Fairbury Journal News	Advertising	\$ 125.00	No meeting held	\$ 125.00	12/22/2015
			2/4/2015 from Fairbury Journal N payments were not approved.	News for advertising of Grinch	y Christmas at the	Depot. No copy o	of advertisement inc	luded. There was no
76	12/10/2015	2502	NECO	Fire Alarm Service	\$ 115.62	Not approved	\$ -	12/22/2015
			cated the service was for the period 15.62. There was no meeting held			billing for fire alar	m/sprinkler testing.	\$107.55 monitoring
77	12/10/2015	2503	Diode Communications	Internet	\$ 60.72	No meeting held	\$ 60.72	12/22/2015
			nications dated 12/1/2015 provided e period 12/1/2015-12/31/2015. T	0				nternet equipment and
78	12/10/2015	2504	Audrey Schoenbeck	Wages	\$ 714.00	No meeting held	\$ 714.00	12/15/2015
	Audrey was treated as a contract employee. There was no contract. Paycheck for the month of November 2015 for 84 hours worked in November 2015 at \$8.50 an hour. The \$8.50 rate was not approved by the Board. The Board received the APA's draft letter in April 2016. Then, May meeting minutes approved the \$9 hourly rate of pay. Therefore, there was not adequate approval on file for the payments at \$8.50 per hour from July 2015 through May 2016. Additionally, the timesheet did not contain a supervisor's signature, so there is no verification of the hours worked. There was no meeting held in December, so payments were not approved.							
79	12/10/2015	2505	Denise Andersen	Wages	\$ 1,350.00	No meeting held	\$ 1,350.00	12/21/2015
	The Curator was treated as a contract employee. There was no contract. No supporting documentation was on file. The Curator was not required to complete a timesheet. The salary amount did not agree to the last amount approved by the Board in 2006. Ms. Andersen was paid \$1,000 per month until November 2015, at which time she was paid \$1,350 per month. There was no approval for an increase in her salary in the November 2015 meeting minutes. After the Board received the APA's draft letter in April 2016, they approved her current salary at a rate of \$1,350 per month. Therefore, the rates paid from July 2015 to April 2016 were not approved. There was no meeting held in December, so payments were not approved.							

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	Check Register Date	Check Number	Payee	Description	Amount	Date Approved	Amount On Claims List	Cleared Date
80	12/10/2015	2506	Sandra Gapp	Utilities	\$ 45.50	No meeting held	\$ 45.50	12/29/2015
	Fairbury to be upaid. In its Ma	used as her priv y 2016 Board i ease provided t	was on file. The APA had previously atterestidence. The resident was to meeting, after the APA drafted its to the APA was not signed by either d.	o pay all utilities per the agree initial letter to the Society, the	ement from 2006. I e minutes indicated	However, there was that the minimum	s no support for the utility rates would	amount of the utilities be \$45.33 per month.
81	12/10/2015	EFT	Windstream	Telephone	\$ 129.21	Not approved	\$ -	12/08/2015
	two access lines	s and other cha	by EFT. The invoice is dated 11 arges and fees. The phone number December. There was no meeting	of the account is 402-729-51	31, which is the nu	mber for the Rock		
82	12/10/2015		Black Hills	Utilities		No meeting held		12/02/2015
		U	2/2015 for \$80.03 for service to R payments were not approved.	ock Island Depot. Includes ga	as rate based on me	ter reading and oth	er charges, fees, an	d taxes. There was no
83	12/30/2015	EFT	Norris Public Power	Utilities	\$ 32.66	01/07/2016	\$ 32.55	12/30/2015
	other fees. A d	ifferent amoun	1/2015 for \$32.66 for electric serv t was included on the December coval of claims on 1/7/2016.		•			
84	12/10/2015	EFT	Fairbury Light & Water	Utilities	\$ 158.25	No meeting held	\$ 158.25	12/16/2015
	\$31.65, Steele (City Blacksmit	Department bills are paid by EFT h shop \$31.65, Steele City Bank as \$158.25 for the period 10/20/201	and Livery Stable \$31.65, Stee	ele City Old Church	\$31.65, Steele Cit	ty Storage/Saw Mil	
85	12/31/2015	EFT	Fby Light & Water	Utilities	\$ 349.34	01/07/2016	\$ -	12/31/2015
	electricity, water	er, sewer, and t	Department bills are paid by EFT rash charges from 10/30/2015-12/l on 12/31/2015, prior to the Board	2/2015. Amount was not incl				_
86	12/10/2015	EFT	Fairbury Light & Water	Utilities	\$ 428.53	No meeting held	\$ 428.53	12/03/2015
	_	•	Department bills are paid by EFT rash charges from 10/2/2015-10/3					ed totaling \$428.53 for

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	Check Register Date	Check Number	Payee	Description	Amount	Date Approved	Amount On Claims List	Cleared Date	
	N/A	N/A	Dept. of Labor	No Check W	ritten	No meeting held	\$ 140.00	N/A	
	This was includ	led on the clair	ns list but was later crossed out.	There was no check written.					
	December Expenditures \$ 3,86			\$ 3,864.44		\$ 3,410.10	\$ (454.34)		
87	01/07/2016	2507	Norris Public Power	Utilities	\$ 215.22	01/07/2016	\$ 215.22	01/14/2016	
	Invoice with bil and other fees.	lling date 12/2	1/2015 for \$215.22 for electric ser	vice to the District 10 School	house for the period	1 12/3/2014 to 12/	7/2015. Includes el	ectric service taxes	
88	01/07/2016	2508	Diode Communications	Internet	\$ 60.72	01/07/2016	\$ 60.72	01/14/2016	
			nications dated 01/1/2016 provided period 01/1/2016-01/31/2016.	d totaling \$40.72 and \$20. Th	nis is for internet ser	rvice at the Diller	ocation - wireless i	nternet equipment and	
89	01/07/2015	2509	McBattas Packaging	Office Supplies	\$ 29.22	01/07/2016	\$ 29.22	01/13/2016	
	Invoice dated 1	2/11/2015 from	n McBattas Packaging and Printin	g for 3 ink cartridges at \$9.74	each, a total of \$29	9.22.			
90	01/07/2015	2510	Audrey Schoenbeck	Wages	\$ 748.00	01/07/2016	\$ 748.00	01/12/2016	
	The \$8.50 rate of Therefore, there	was not approve was not adequ	act employee. There was no contract of the Board. The Board rece uate approval on file for the payme is no verification of the hours we	ived the APA's draft letter in a ents at \$8.50 per hour from Ju	April 2016. Then, l	May meeting minu	tes approved the \$9	hourly rate of pay.	
91	01/07/2016	2511	Denise Andersen	Wages	\$ 1,350.00	01/07/2016	\$ 1,350.00	01/11/2016	
	The Curator was treated as a contract employee. There was no contract. No supporting documentation was on file. The Curator was not required to complete a timesheet. The salary amount did not agree to the last amount approved by the Board in 2006. Ms. Andersen was paid \$1,000 per month until November 2015, at which time she was paid \$1,350 per month. There was no approval for an increase in her salary in the November 2015 meeting minutes. After the Board received the APA's draft letter in April 2016, they approved her current salary at a rate of \$1,350 per month. Therefore, the rates paid from July 2015 to April 2016 were not approved.								
92	01/07/2016	2512	Sandra Gapp	Utilities	\$ 45.50	01/07/2016	\$ 45.33	01/19/2016	
	Fairbury to be upaid. In its Ma The amended le	used as her priv y 2016 Board i ease provided t	was on file. The APA had previous teresidence. The resident was to meeting, after the APA drafted its to the APA was not signed by eith written for \$45.50.	o pay all utilities per the agree initial letter to the Society, th	ement from 2006. I e minutes indicated	However, there wa that the minimum	s no support for the utility rates would	amount of the utilities be \$45.33 per month.	

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	Check Register Date	Check Number	Payee	Description	Amount	Date Approved	Amount On Claims List	Cleared Date		
93	01/07/2016	2513	NE Dept of Revenue	Sales Tax Paid	\$ 26.52	Not approved	\$ -	03/08/2016		
			of the Nebraska and Local Sales a orksheet. Therefore, documentation				ere was no docume	ntation to support the		
94	01/07/2016	EFT	Black Hills	Utilities	\$ 393.24	01/07/2016	\$ 393.24	01/04/2016		
	Invoice with billing date 12/15/2015 for \$393.24 for service to Rock Island Depot. Includes gas rate based on meter reading and other charges, fees, and taxes. Bank withdrew the funds on 01/4/2016, prior to the approval at the 01/7/2016 meeting.									
95	01/07/2016	EFT	Fby Light & Water	Utilities	\$ 158.74	01/07/2016	\$ 158.74	01/13/2016		
	The Fairbury Light and Water Department bills are paid by EFT. A statement dated 12/23/2015 for the following properties and amounts: Steele City School House \$31.65, Steele City Blacksmith shop \$32.14, Steele City Bank and Livery Stable \$31.65, Steele City Old Church \$31.65, Steele City Storage/Saw Mill \$31.65, all for electricity only. The total was \$158.74 for the period 11/17/2015-12/17/2015.									
96	01/07/2016	EFT	Windstream	Telephone	\$ 129.24	01/07/2016	\$ 129.24	01/07/2016		
		•	by EFT. The invoice is dated 12 arges and fees. The phone number					1/15/2016. It is for		
97	01/07/2016	EFT	Capital One	Credit Card	\$ 1,200.00	Not approved	\$ -	01/11/2016		
			statement. There were no purchast. This claim was not included on	C I	- C			es and interest and the		
	N/A	N/A	Fby Light & Water	No Check V	7ritten	No meeting held	\$ 349.34	N/A		
	This transaction	n was included	on the claims list in January 2016	5, but the check was written in	December. See D	ecember above.				
	N/A	N/A	Dept. of Labor	No Check V	7ritten	No meeting held	\$ 32.66	N/A		
	This transaction	n was included	on the claims list in January 2016	6, but no check was written.						
	January Expe	nditures			\$ 4,356.40		\$ 3,511.71	\$ (844.69)		
98	02/11/2016	2514	Sandra Gapp	Utilities	\$ 45.33	02/12/2016	\$ 45.33	02/23/2016		
	No supporting documentation was on file. The APA had previously obtained a lease agreement between the Society and Sandra Gapp for the use of 56535 River Road in Fairbury to be used as her private residence. The resident was to pay all utilities per the agreement from 2006. However, there was no support for the amount of the utilities paid. In May 2016, after the APA drafted its letter to the Society, the Society amended the lease by indicating the rate for utilities was to be \$45.33 per month. The amended version of the lease was not signed.									

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	Check Register Date	Check Number	Payee	Description	Amount	Date Approved	Amount On Claims List	Cleared Date	
99	02/18/2016	EFT	Norris Public Power	Utilities	\$ 107.82	02/12/2016	\$ 77.15	02/01/2016	
	Invoice with billing date 01/12/2016 for \$77.15 for electric service to the Diller bank building for the period 11/29/2015 to 12/31/2015. Includes electric service taxes and other fees. On the check register, the \$77.15 and \$30.67 for the following months service were combined creating a total of \$107.82. These amounts were paid separately on the bank statement and separately in the Board Minutes. The bank withdrew \$77.15 on 02/1/2016, prior to the approval of claims on 02/12/2016.								
100	02/11/2016	2515	Denise Andersen	Wages	\$ 1,350.00	02/12/2016	\$ 1,350.00	02/17/2016	
	The salary amo paid \$1,350 per	unt did not agr month. There	contract employee. There was no execute to the last amount approved by the was no approval for an increase is salary at a rate of \$1,350 per m	the Board in 2006. Ms. And in her salary in the November	ersen was paid \$1,0 2015 meeting minu	00 per month unti	l November 2015, a ard received the AP	at which time she was	
101	02/17/2016	EFT	Fairbury Light & Water	Utilities	\$ 424.48	02/12/2016	\$ 424.48	02/03/2016	
	•	_	Department bills are paid by EFT rash charges from 12/2/2015-01/4			` . .	1 "	<u> </u>	
102	02/17/2016	EFT	Fairbury Light & Water	Utilities	\$ 158.25	02/12/2016	\$ 158.25	02/17/2016	
	\$31.65, Steele (City Blacksmit	Department bills are paid by EF1 h shop \$31.65, Steele City Bank as \$158.25 for the period 12/17/201	and Livery Stable \$31.65, Stee			•		
103	02/13/2016	EFT	Black Hills	Utilities	\$ 686.82	02/12/2016	\$ 686.82	02/03/2016	
		-	4/2016 for \$686.82 for service to 1016, prior to the approval at the 02	<u>-</u>	gas rate based on m	eter reading and o	ther charges, fees, a	and taxes. Bank	
104	02/11/2016	2516	Diode Communications	Internet	\$ 60.72	02/12/2016	\$ 60.72	02/22/2016	
			nications dated 02/1/2016 provided period 02/1/2016-02/28/2016.	d totaling \$40.72 and \$20. Th	is is for internet ser	rvice at the Diller	location - wireless i	nternet equipment and	
105	02/09/2016	EFT	Windstream	Telephone	\$ 130.27	02/12/2016	\$ 130.27	02/09/2016	
	The Windstream bills are paid by EFT. The invoice is dated 01/20/2016 for service at the Rock Island Depot Railroad Museum from 01/16/2016 to 02/15/2016. It is for two access lines and other charges and fees. The phone number of the account is 402-729-5131, which is the number for the Rock Island Museum. The bank withdrew the funds on 02/9/2016, prior to the approval at the 02/12/2016 meeting.								

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106	02/11/2016	2517	Fairbury Journal News	Advertising	\$	128.64	02/12/2016	\$	125.00	02/16/2016
	already paid in	December 201	cluded a past due amount of \$125 5 and therefore is a duplicate pays 5 was presented on the list of clair	ment. Invoice 30690 dated 12						* *
107	02/16/2016	EFT	Capital One	Credit Card	\$	1,200.00	Not approved	\$	-	02/16/2016
			statement. There were no purchas . This claim was not included on	• •	_					es and interest and the
108	02/11/2016	2518	O'Keefe Elevator	Elevator Maintenance	\$	275.58	02/12/2016	\$	275.58	02/19/2016
			O'Keefe Elevator Company totali there is a provision for an annual	_					-	
109	02/11/2016	2519	Audrey Schoenbeck act employee. There was no contr	Wages	\$	782.00	02/12/2016	\$	782.00	02/17/2016
	\$8.50 rate was Therefore, there	not approved b e was not adeq	y the Board. The Board received uate approval on file for the payme is no verification of the hours we	the APA's draft letter in Apri ents at \$8.50 per hour from Ju	1 2016.	Then, May	meeting minutes a	pprove	d the \$9 hou	rly rate of pay.
	February Exp	enditures			\$	5,349.91		\$	4,115.60	\$ (1,234.31)
110	03/11/2016	2520	Nebraska Secretary of State	Miscellaneous	\$	30.00	Not approved	\$	-	03/11/2016
	• •		owledgement of filing from the Sepproved by the Board.	ecretary of State. Fees were for	or a cert	tificate of re	vival (\$5), a per pa	age cha	rge (\$5), and	l tax return filing
111	03/10/2016	2521	NECO	Fire Alarm Service	\$	115.62	03/10/2016	\$	115.62	03/17/2016
			cated the service was for the period total of \$115.62.	od December 2015 to Februar	y 2015 i	for the quart	erly billing for fire	e alarm	sprinkler te	sting. \$107.55
112	03/10/2016	2522	Fairbury Glass	Repairs	\$	1,474.00	03/10/2016	\$	1,474.00	03/21/2016
	Invoice 41694 timely.	dated 11/20/20	15. This is for the installation of	1/4" clear plate and 1" citadel	panel o	of windows of	on the old Diller ba	ank bui	lding. Invoi	ce was not paid
113	03/10/2016	2523	Diode Communications	Internet	\$	60.72	03/10/2016	\$	60.72	03/21/2016
			nications dated 03/1/2016 provided e period 03/1/2016-03/31/2016.	d totaling \$40.72 and \$20. The	nis is fo	r internet ser	rvice at the Diller	location	ı - wireless i	nternet equipment and

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	Check Register Date	Check Number	Payee	Description	Amount	Date Approved	Amount On Claims List	Cleared Date	
114	03/10/2016	2524	Continental Fire	Fire Alarm Service	\$ 390.00	03/10/2016	\$ 390.00	03/17/2016	
	Invoice 232372	dated 02/22/2	016 for a total of \$390. This is fo	r an annual inspection of the	fire sprinkler protec	tion system.			
115	03/10/2016	2525	Fairbury Journal News	Advertising	\$ 676.00	03/10/2016	\$ 676.00	03/17/2016	
	Invoice 32166	dated 2/25/201	6 for what was described as the Je	efferson County Tourism Guid	le, which is likely a	print advertisement	nt. Total invoice ar	mount was \$676.	
116	03/10/2016	2526	Audrey Schoenbeck	Wages	\$ 680.00	03/10/2016	\$ 680.00	03/15/2016	
	\$8.50 rate was a Therefore, there supervisor's sig	not approved be was not adequature, so there	act employee. There was no contry the Board. The Board received uate approval on file for the payme is no verification of the hours we	the APA's draft letter in April ents at \$8.50 per hour from Ju orked.	1 2016. Then, May aly 2015 through M	meeting minutes a ay 2016. Addition	approved the \$9 hou nally, the timesheet	rly rate of pay. did not contain a	
117	03/10/2016	2527	Scherbarth	Cleaning Supplies	\$ 67.71	03/10/2016	\$ 67.71	03/18/2016	
	Invoice 494275 \$67.71.	dated 2/20/20	16 was provided. All items purch	ased were cleaning supplies,	such as Pledge poli	sh, or paper towels	s and toilet papers.	Total amount was	
118	03/10/2016	2528	Denise Andersen	Wages	\$ 1,350.00	03/10/2016	\$ 1,350.00	03/14/2016	
	The salary amo paid \$1,350 per	unt did not agr month. There	contract employee. There was no eee to the last amount approved by was no approval for an increase int salary at a rate of \$1,350 per m	the Board in 2006. Ms. And in her salary in the November	ersen was paid \$1,0 2015 meeting minu	000 per month unti	l November 2015, a ard received the AP	at which time she was	
119	03/10/2016	2529	Sandra Gapp	Utilities	\$ 45.53	03/10/2016	\$ 45.33	03/18/2016	
	No supporting documentation was on file. The APA had previously obtained a lease agreement between the Society and Sandra Gapp for the use of 56535 River Road in Fairbury to be used as her private residence. The resident was to pay all utilities per the agreement from 2006. However, there was no support for the amount of the utilities paid. In its May 2016 Board meeting, after the APA drafted its initial letter to the Society, the minutes indicated that the minimum utility rates would be \$45.33 per month. The amended lease provided to the APA was not signed by either party and included a handwritten addition to the original lease. The amount of the check was \$45.53 or \$.20 higher than the claims amount.								
120	03/10/2016	2530	Nebraska St. Historical Society	Membership	\$ 40.00	03/10/2016	\$ 40.00	04/13/2016	
			er from Michael Smith, the Direction. Per review of the State website.			ng that their memb	pership has expired.	A handwritten note	

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	Check Register Date	Check Number	Payee	Description	Amount	Date Approved	Amount On Claims List	Cleared Date		
121	03/10/2016	EFT	Fairbury Light & Water	Utilities	\$ 513.62	03/10/2016	\$ 513.62	03/02/2016		
		O	Department bills are paid by EFT rash charges from 01/4/2016-02/1					•		
122	03/10/2016	EFT	Black Hills	Utilities	\$ 653.75	03/10/2016	\$ 653.75	03/03/2016		
		-	2/2016 for \$653.75 for service to I 016, prior to the approval at the 03	<u> </u>	gas rate based on m	eter reading and o	ther charges, fees, a	and taxes. Bank		
123	03/10/2016	EFT	Windstream	Telephone	\$ 129.84	03/10/2016	\$ 129.84	03/09/2016		
	The Windstream bills are paid by EFT. The invoice is dated 02/18/2016 for service at the Rock Island Depot Railroad Museum from 02/16/2016 to 03/15/2016. It is for two access lines and other charges and fees. The phone number of the account is 402-729-5131, which is the number for the Rock Island Museum. The bank withdrew the funds on 03/9/16, prior to the approval at the 03/10/16 meeting.									
124	03/10/2016	4 03/10/2016 EFT Fairbury Light & Water Utilities \$ 158.25 03/10/2016 \$ 158.25 03/17/2016 The Fairbury Light and Water Department bills are paid by EFT. A statement dated 02/24/2016 for the following properties and amounts: Steele City School House \$31.65, Steele City Blacksmith shop \$31.65, Steele City Bank and Livery Stable \$31.65, Steele City Old Church \$31.65, Steele City Storage/Saw Mill \$31.65, all for electricity only. The total was \$158.25 for the period 01/19/2016-02/17/2016.								
124	\$31.65, Steele	ight and Water City Blacksmit	Department bills are paid by EFT h shop \$31.65, Steele City Bank a	C. A statement dated 02/24/20 and Livery Stable \$31.65, Stee	16 for the followin	g properties and a	mounts: Steele City	School House		
124	The Fairbury L \$31.65, Steele	ight and Water City Blacksmit . The total was	Department bills are paid by EFT h shop \$31.65, Steele City Bank a	C. A statement dated 02/24/20 and Livery Stable \$31.65, Stee	16 for the followin	g properties and a	mounts: Steele City	School House		
	The Fairbury L \$31.65, Steele electricity only 03/10/2016	ight and Water City Blacksmit The total was EFT the credit card	Department bills are paid by EFT h shop \$31.65, Steele City Bank as \$158.25 for the period 01/19/201 Capital One statement. There were no purchas	C. A statement dated 02/24/20 and Livery Stable \$31.65, Stee 6-02/17/2016. Credit Card	16 for the following the City Old Church \$ 800.00	g properties and an \$31.65, Steele Ci 03/10/2016	mounts: Steele City ty Storage/Saw Mil \$ 800.00	y School House 1 \$31.65, all for 03/21/2016		
	The Fairbury L \$31.65, Steeled electricity only. 03/10/2016 APA obtained to	ight and Water City Blacksmit The total was EFT the credit card s was \$5,219.70	Department bills are paid by EFT h shop \$31.65, Steele City Bank as \$158.25 for the period 01/19/201 Capital One statement. There were no purchas	C. A statement dated 02/24/20 and Livery Stable \$31.65, Stee 6-02/17/2016. Credit Card	16 for the following the City Old Church \$ 800.00	g properties and an \$31.65, Steele Ci 03/10/2016	mounts: Steele City ty Storage/Saw Mil \$ 800.00	y School House 1 \$31.65, all for 03/21/2016		
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128	04/07/2016	2531	Audrey Schoenbeck	Wages	\$ 748.00	04/07/2016	\$ 748.00	04/12/2016	
	rate was not app there was not ac	proved by the I dequate approv	act employee. There was no contr Board. The Board received the Al val on file for the payments at \$8.5 cation of the hours worked.	PA's draft letter in April 2016	. Then, May meeting	ng minutes approve	ed the \$9 hourly rat	e of pay. Therefore,	
129	04/07/2016	2532	Scherbarth	Repairs	\$ 378.69	04/07/2016	\$ 378.09	04/13/2016	
	Transaction consisted of 6 different invoices: 03/26/2016 for clamps, glue, and wood for a total of \$55.45, 03/24/2016 for pliers at \$22.24, 03/16/2016 a corner brace for \$3.37, 03/15/2016 paint and a paint brush for \$37.71, 03/12/2016 for wood, nails, paint, and other materials for \$223.73, and 03/23/2016 for hinges and a bolt for \$36.19. Total amount is \$378.69. Amount included on claims list was \$378.09.								
130	04/07/2016		Denise Andersen contract employee. There was no	Wages	\$ 1,350.00	04/07/2016	\$ 1,350.00	04/12/2016	
	paid \$1,350 per 2016, they appr	month. There	ee to the last amount approved by e was no approval for an increase in ent salary at a rate of \$1,350 per m	n her salary in the November onth. Therefore, the rates pai	2015 meeting minud from July 2015 to	ntes. After the Boa April 2016 were	ard received the AP not approved.	A's draft letter in April	
131	04/07/2016	2534	Sandra Gapp	Utilities	\$ 45.33	04/07/2016	\$ 45.33	04/18/2016	
	Fairbury to be upaid. In its Ma	used as her priv y 2016 Board i ease provided t	was on file. The APA had previous vate residence. The resident was to meeting, after the APA drafted its to the APA was not signed by either the the APA was not signed by either the the APA was not signed by either the	o pay all utilities per the agree initial letter to the Society, th	ement from 2006. I e minutes indicated	However, there was that the minimum	s no support for the utility rates would	amount of the utilities be \$45.33 per month.	
132	04/07/2016	2535	Diode Communications	Internet	\$ 60.72	04/07/2016	\$ 60.72	04/12/2016	
			nications dated 04/1/2016 provided e period 04/1/2016-04/30/2016.	d totaling \$40.72 and \$20. Th	nis is for internet se	rvice at the Diller l	location - wireless i	nternet equipment and	
133	04/07/2016	EFT	Fairbury Light & Water	Utilities	\$ 158.25	04/07/2016	\$ 158.25	04/13/2016	
	\$31.65, Steele (City Blacksmit	Department bills are paid by EFT h shop \$31.65, Steele City Bank as \$158.25 for the period 2/17/2016	and Livery Stable \$31.65, Stee		01 1	•		
134	04/07/2016	EFT	Windstream	Telephone	\$ 131.27	04/07/2016	\$ 131.27	04/07/2016	
		-	by EFT. The invoice is dated 03 arges and fees. The phone number		-			4/15/2016. It is for	

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135	04/07/2016	EFT	Black Hills	Utilities	\$ 356.08	04/07/2016	\$ 356.08	04/04/2016	
		_	5/2016 for \$356.08 for service to I 016, prior to the approval at the 04	<u>.</u>	gas rate based on m	eter reading and o	ther charges, fees, a	and taxes. Bank	
136	04/07/2016	EFT	Capital One	Credit Card	\$ 800.00	04/07/2016	\$ 800.00	04/11/2016	
	APA obtained the credit card statement. There were no purchases made during the period covering 03/3/2016 to 04/2/2016. There was \$122.59 in fees and interest and the ending balance was \$4,542.29.								
	N/A	N/A	Fairbury Light & Water	No Check W	ritten	04/07/2016	\$ 370.65	N/A	
	Amount was in	cluded in April	1 2016 claims listing for Board app	proval, but it was not paid unt	il May 2016, where	it was approved a	gain by the Board.		
	N/A	N/A	Norris Public Power	No Check W	ritten	04/07/2016	\$ 19.34	N/A	
	Amount was in	cluded in April	1 2016 claims listing for Board app	proval, but it was not paid unt	il May 2016, where	it was approved a	gain by the Board.		
	April Expendi	tures			\$ 4,028.34		\$ 4,417.73	\$ 389.39	
137	05/05/2016	2536	Audrey Schoenbeck	Wages	\$ 748.00	05/05/2016	\$ 748.00	05/10/2016	
	rate was not ap	proved by the I dequate approv	act employee. There was no contr Board. The Board received the Al val on file for the payments at \$8.5 cation of the hours worked.	PA's draft letter in April 2016	Then, May meeting	ng minutes approv	ed the \$9 hourly rat	e of pay. Therefore,	
138	05/05/2016	2537	Denise Andersen	Wages	\$ 1,350.00	05/05/2016	\$ 1,350.00	05/12/2016	
	The Curator was treated as a contract employee. There was no contract. No supporting documentation was on file. The Curator was not required to complete a timesheet. The salary amount did not agree to the last amount approved by the Board in 2006. Ms. Andersen was paid \$1,000 per month until November 2015, at which time she was paid \$1,350 per month. There was no approval for an increase in her salary in the November 2015 meeting minutes. After the Board received the APA's draft letter in April 2016, they approved her current salary at a rate of \$1,350 per month. Therefore, the rates paid from July 2015 to April 2016 were not approved.								
139	05/05/2016	2538	Sandra Gapp	Utilities	\$ 45.33	05/05/2016	\$ 45.33	05/16/2016	
	Fairbury to be upaid. In its Ma	ısed as her priv y 2016 Board ı	was on file. The APA had previous vate residence. The resident was to meeting, after the APA drafted its of the APA was not signed by either	o pay all utilities per the agree initial letter to the Society, th	ement from 2006. I e minutes indicated	However, there wa that the minimum	s no support for the	amount of the utilities	

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140	05/05/2016	2539	Scherbarth	Repairs	\$ 797.38	05/05/2016	\$ 797.38	05/13/2016
	toilet papers, di 04/9/2016 screv	ustpan, garden w, blades, and	voices as follows: 04/27/2016 san gloves, and cleaning supplies \$22 wood for \$185.32, 04/27/2016 qua paint and glazing compound \$24.6	1.27, 04/20/2016 paint pail ar art of paint for \$14.50, 04/9/2	nd liners, glazing co 016 wood and shop	mpound, putty kni lights for \$208.88	ves, roller frames, a , 04/11/2016 safety	and rollers for \$84.85,
141	05/05/2016	EFT	Fairbury Light & Water	Utilities	\$ 158.64	05/05/2016	\$ 158.64	05/18/2016
	\$31.65, Steele	City Blacksmit	Department bills are paid by EFT h shop \$32.04, Steele City Bank as \$158.64 for the period 03/17/201	and Livery Stable \$31.65, Stee		~	•	
142	05/05/2016	EFT	Black Hills	Utilities	\$ 237.87	05/05/2016	\$ 237.87	05/05/2016
	Invoice with bi	lling date 04/1:	5/2016 for \$237.87 for service to 1	Rock Island Depot. Includes	gas rate based on m	eter reading and or	ther charges, fees, a	nd taxes.
143	05/05/2016	EFT	Windstream	Telephone	\$ 131.30	05/05/2016	\$ 131.30	05/10/2016
			by EFT. The invoice is dated 04 trges and fees. The phone number					5/15/2016. It is for
144	05/05/2016	EFT	Norris Public Power	Utilities	\$ 19.34	05/05/2016	\$ 19.34	05/02/2016
	for \$33.17; afte	er using the \$13	1/2016 included a \$44.73 and \$30 3.83 credit, the balance was \$19.34 thdrew the funds on 05/2/2016, an	4. Service is to the Diller ban	k building for the p			
145	05/05/2016	2540	Diode Communications	Internet	\$ 60.72	05/05/2016	\$ 60.72	05/12/2016
			nications dated 05/1/2016 provided period 05/1/2016-05/31/2016.	d totaling \$40.72 and \$20. Th	nis is for internet ser	rvice at the Diller l	ocation - wireless i	nternet equipment and
146	05/05/2016	EFT	Capital One	Credit Card	\$ 800.00	05/05/2016	\$ 800.00	05/12/2016
	APA obtained tending balance		statement. There were no purchas	ses made during the period co	vering 04/3/2016 to	05/2/2016. There	was \$95.60 in fees	and interest and the
147	05/05/2016	EFT	Norris Public Power	Utilities	\$ 35.24	06/07/2016	\$ -	05/31/2016
		t included in th	1/12/2016 for service to the Diller to the May claims listing. but was inc	•				

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148	05/05/2016	EFT	Fairbury Light & Water	Utilities	\$	370.65	05/05/2016	\$	370.65	05/06/2016
The Fairbury Light and Water Department bills are paid by EFT. A statement dated 04/13/2016 for the 910 Bacon Road (Depot) property was provided totaling \$37 electricity, water, sewer, and trash charges from 03/2/2016-04/1/2016. This amount was included on the both the April and May 2016 claims listing provided to the but was only paid in May.										
	May Expendit	ures			\$	4,754.47		\$	4,719.23	\$ (35.24)
149	06/07/2016	2541	Fairbury Glass	Repairs	\$	610.99	Not approved	\$	-	06/17/2016
			16 for 10 34x40 clear glass pieces claims listing and therefore it wa		le City	at \$35, and s	sales tax at \$42.63	, for a	total of \$610	.99. This amount was
150	06/07/2016	2542	Fairbury Journal News	Advertising	\$	284.50	Not approved	\$	-	06/15/2016
			6 for an advertisement of the Rockwas not approved by the Board.	k Island Rail Days - June 4-5.	Cost	of ad was \$2	84.50. This amou	nt wa	s not included	on the June 2016
151	06/07/2016	2543	Diode Communications	Internet	\$	60.72	06/07/2016	\$	60.72	06/16/2016
			nications dated 06/1/2016 provided e period 06/1/2016-06/30/2016.	d totaling \$40.72 and \$20. Th	nis is fo	r internet ser	vice at the Diller l	ocati	on - wireless i	nternet equipment and
152	06/07/2016	2544	Denise Andersen	Wages	\$	1,350.00	06/07/2016	\$	1,350.00	06/09/2016
	The salary amo paid \$1,350 per	unt did not agr month. There	contract employee. There was no execute to the last amount approved by the was no approval for an increase is sent salary at a rate of \$1,350 per m	the Board in 2006. Ms. And in her salary in the November	ersen w 2015 m	as paid \$1,0 neeting minu	00 per month until ites. After the Boa	l Nov ard re	ember 2015, a ceived the AP.	t which time she was
153	06/07/2016	2545	Audrey Schoenbeck	Wages	\$	756.00	06/07/2016	\$	756.00	06/10/2016
	Audrey was treated as a contract employee. There was no contract. Paycheck for the month of May 2016 for 84 hours worked in May 2016 at \$9 an hour. The \$8.50 rate was not approved by the Board. The Board received the APA's draft letter in April 2016. Then, May meeting minutes approved the \$9 hourly rate of pay. Therefore, there was not adequate approval on file for the payments at \$8.50 per hour from July 2015 through May 2016. Additionally, the timesheet did not contain a supervisor's signature, so there is no verification of the hours worked.									
154	06/07/2016	2276	McBattas	Office Supplies	\$	147.45	06/07/2016	\$	147.45	06/15/2016
	Invoice 17009	dated 06/3/201	6 for 4 black ink cartridges, a 4 pa		and an e	endorsement	stamp for a total of	of \$14	17.45.	

			Source: Trial Bala	nce		Source: Bo	ard Minutes	Source: Bank stmt
	Check Register Date	Check Number	Payee	Description	Amount	Date Approved	Amount On Claims List	Cleared Date
155			O'Keefe Elevator O'Keefe Elevator Company for el there is a provision for an annual		•		•	
156	06/07/2016 Invoice was not \$8.07 tax for a		NECO cated the service was for the period.	Fire Alarm Service od March 2016 to May 2016 f	\$ 115.62 or the quarterly bill	06/07/2016 ing for fire alarm/s	\$ 115.62 sprinkler testing. \$	06/14/2016 107.55 monitoring and
157	06/07/2016 Payment was for \$58.75.	2279 or three invoice	Scherbarth es: 05/2/2016 for paint and paint s	Repairs scrapper at \$25.14, 05/6/2016	\$ 106.13 a toilet tank repair	06/07/2016 kit for \$22.24, and	\$ 106.13 1 05/14/2016 12 bag	06/16/2016 gs of concrete mix for
158	Fairbury to be upaid. In its May	ised as her priv y 2016 Board i	Sandra Gapp was on file. The APA had previous residence. The resident was to meeting, after the APA drafted its to the APA was not signed by eith	o pay all utilities per the agree initial letter to the Society, th	ement from 2006. I e minutes indicated	However, there wal that the minimum	s no support for the	amount of the utilities
159		•	Black Hills 7/2016 for \$98.59 for service to R 016; prior to the approval on 06/7/		\$ 98.59 as rate based on me	06/07/2016 ter reading and oth	\$ 98.59 ner charges, fees, an	06/06/2016 ad taxes. Bank
160			Windstream I by EFT. The invoice is dated 05 urges and fees. The phone number					06/08/2016 6/15/2016. It is for
161			Capital One statement. There were no purchas cash back reward, to equal the end		\$ 3,019.56 vering 05/3/2016 to	06/07/2016 06/2/2016. There	\$ 3,019.56 e was \$82.59 in fees	06/14/2016 s and interest, along
162		_	Fairbury Light & Water Department bills are paid by EF1 rash charges from 04/1/2016-05/3					06/01/2016 ed totaling \$401.80 for

			Source: Trial Bala	nce			Source: Bo	ard Minutes	Source: Bank stmt	
	Check Register Date	Check Number	Payee	Description	A	Amount	Date Approved	Amount On Claims List	Cleared Date	
163	06/15/2016	EFT	Fairbury Light & Water	Utilities	\$	184.35	06/07/2016	\$ 184.35	06/15/2016	
	These are all shown as individual transactions on the bank statement. The Fairbury Light and Water Department bills are paid by EFT. A statement dated 05/25/2016 for the following properties and amounts: Steele City School House \$34.82, Steele City Blacksmith shop \$36.02, Steele City Bank and Livery Stable \$43.77, Steele City Old Church \$34.82, Steele City Storage/Saw Mill \$34.92, all for electricity only. The total was \$184.35 for the period 04/19/2016-05/18/2016.									
164	N/A	EFT	Norris Public Power	Utilities	\$	35.12	July 2016	\$ 35.24	06/30/2016	
	Invoice with billing date of 06/13/2016 for service to the Diller bank building for the period 04/29/2016 to 05/30/2016. Includes electric service taxes and other fees. Bank withdrew the funds on 06/30/2016, prior to the approval at the July 2016 meeting.									
	June Expendit	ures			\$	7,634.87		\$ 6,739.50	\$ (895.37)	

(Concluded)



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JEFFERSON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Society Board of Directors Fairbury, Nebraska

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the entity activities and major fund of the Jefferson County Historical Society (Society) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Society's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated August 29, 2016. Our report on the basic financial statements disclosed that, as described in Note 1, the Society prepares its financial statements on the cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Society's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Society's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Society's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and, therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. We consider the following deficiencies to be material weaknesses:

- The Society lacked management personnel with the required expertise to prepare financial reports of a public body. Additionally, due to the limited size of the Society staff, an adequate segregation of duties was not possible, as the former Curator was able to process all financial transactions from beginning to end.
- The Society lacked adequate financial records to ensure accurate and complete financial reporting. Specifically, the Society lacked accounting records, accurate and complete bank reconciliations, and accurate inventory listings.
- The Society lacked adequate documentation or had no documentation on file for bills paid. Also, the Society lacked documentation for two individuals employed on a contractual basis.

A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider the following deficiencies to be significant deficiencies:

- For multiple disbursements, the Society made payments prior to the Board's approval or lacked the Board's approval for those payments at all.
- Other issues with the Society disbursement process included duplicate payments, payments for unauthorized gasoline and hardware purchases, and claims listing amounts not agreeing to the actual amount paid. Furthermore, the Society reported inaccurate amounts on two contract employees' IRS Form 1099s.
- Several issues relating to the receipting process of the Society were identified as several receipts were not deposited in a timely manner, which ranged from several weeks to several months. It was also noted the Society received reimbursement for an unauthorized expense over a year after the expense was incurred.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Society's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed the following instance of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*:

• The Society did not comply with the Open Meetings Act (Act) as the former Curator stated she believed the Society was not subject to the Act. As a result, the Society has not followed the Act's many provisions.

Additional Item

We also noted certain matters that we reported to management of the Society in a separate letter dated August 29, 2016.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the result of that testing, not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Society's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Society's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

August 29, 2016

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August 29, 2016

Jefferson County Historical Society Board of Directors 910 2nd St. Fairbury, Nebraska 68352

Dear Directors:

We have audited the basic financial statements of the Jefferson County Historical Society (Society) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016, and have issued our report thereon dated August 29, 2016. In planning and performing our audit of the basic financial statements of the Society, we considered internal control in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the basic financial statements. An audit does not include examining the effectiveness of internal control and does not provide assurance on internal control. We also performed tests of the Society's compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants.

During our audit, we noted certain matters involving internal control over financial reporting and other operational matters that are presented here. These comments and recommendations are intended to improve the internal control over financial reporting or result in operational efficiencies in the following areas:

1. Control Environment

A control environment conducive to fair and complete financial reporting requires an adequate segregation of duties so that no one individual can process an accounting transaction from beginning to end. When an adequate segregation of duties is not possible, the control environment should include an effective monitoring process of the policies, procedures, and accounting functions of the Society.

The APA identified several significant issues that created a control environment not conducive to fair and complete financial reporting, as described below.

General Processes

 The Society does not maintain organized, detailed records of the monies received or expended during the year. The APA was provided with a check book register and the deposit slips that comprised the accounting records of the Society. Because of the lack of records, there is an increased risk that the financial statements will contain errors or be misstated. The APA identified six transactions that were not recorded in the check book register, as follows:

Check Number	Payee	Description	Amount	Cleared Date
EFT	Windstream	Telephone	\$126.60	07/08/2015
EFT	Fairbury Light & Water	Utilities	\$469.84	07/01/2015
EFT	Fairbury Light & Water	Utilities	\$158.25	07/15/2015
EFT	Black Hills	Utilities	\$50.73	07/06/2015
EFT	Norris Public Power	Utilities	\$36.01	07/30/2015
EFT	Norris Public Power	Utilities	\$35.12	06/30/2016
Total			\$876.55	

The APA added these transactions to the Society's activity.

- The Society did not regularly perform or document its bank reconciliation, which is a comparison of its bank records to its accounting records. The APA's reconciliation identified multiple recording variances between the bank records and accounting records. Furthermore, there were multiple errors in the calculated book balance from the check register.
- The Society lacked inventory listings for its real estate and personal property. Furthermore, the Society utilized handwritten records for the description, cost, and number of items in its official inventory listings of merchandise offered for sale through both the Society's gift shop and consignment sales. These handwritten records are shown below:

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Additionally, it does not appear that a reconciliation of inventory on hand to sale revenues was completed to ensure funds were collected for all inventory sold.

• The Society was unable to verify that the financial institutions it utilizes were authorized by the Board. Article V, Section 3, of the Society's bylaws states the following:

All funds of the corporation not otherwise employed shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as the Board of Directors may select.

According to the Interim Director of the Society, the financial institutions used by the Society were not approved at a Board meeting.

Disbursement Processes

- The writing of checks to "Cash" or "Bearer" was not prohibited. Although, the APA did not identify any checks made out to "Cash" or "Bearer" during testing, failure to preclude such a practice is not conducive to a proper internal control system.
- According to the Interim Director, the signing of checks in advance of filling them out not only was permitted but also had occurred in the past. There was no indication of the checks that were signed in advance.
- The Society did not maintain voided checks for subsequent inspection. The APA identified one voided check during the fiscal year that was not on hand.
- The Society lacked a policy to ensure checks that were outstanding for a long period of time were followed up on in a timely manner.

Receipt Processes

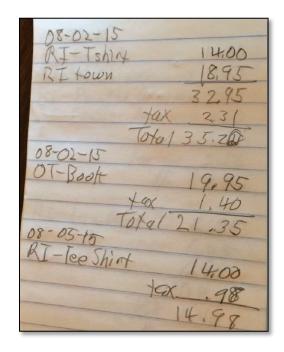
- The Society lacked an overall segregation of duties for funds received. The former Curator was in a position both to perpetrate and to conceal errors and irregularities, as she exercised total control over the receipt of any funds provided to the Society, with minimum supervision from the Board. The former Curator was responsible for receiving funds made payable to the Society in the form of donations and merchandise sales, for recording the receipts in the Society's check register, and for making deposits.
- Receipts or manual logs were not used for all donations received by the Society. The former Curator indicated that receipts were used for personal cash donations, but not for any donations placed in the donation box.

The APA tested three transactions recorded as donations, totaling \$5,881.09, and determined that no documentation was available to support the receipt of those funds. The items were simply listed on the Society's deposit slip. Included in this amount was a donation of \$5,000 deposited in September 2015.

With donations being one of the major sources of funding for the Society, there is a significant risk that donations received may not be recorded and deposited into the Society's bank account when receipts are not used for them.

• The Society failed to reconcile each deposit by comparing the total funds received to the amount deposited at the bank.

• The Society failed to prepare written, pre-numbered receipts for all funds paid to the Society. Instead, the Society tracked funds received with handwritten notes. The image below is an example of sales made on August 2, 2015, and included in the notebook:



The lack of written, pre-numbered receipts does not allow the Society to track and identify out-of-order or missing receipts, the customer who made the purchase, or the method of payment. Additionally, a copy of the receipt is not provided to the customer.

• Prices charged for merchandise sold by the Society were not approved by the Board. According to the Interim Director, the former Curator had complete control over the purchase of merchandise and the setting of prices charged.

Good internal control requires a control environment that is conducive to fair and complete financial reporting and includes adequate reviews and monitoring of the Society's financial activity by the Board. Without such oversight, there is a significant risk for loss or misuse of Society funds.

We recommend the Board implement procedures to ensure the following:

- Accurate and complete financial records, including inventory listings, are maintained;
- Financial transactions are adequately documented, reviewed, and monitored;
- Accurate bank reconciliations are completed and reviewed by an individual not involved with the receipt or disbursement process;
- Financial institutions and accounts are authorized by a vote of the Board;

- The practices of making checks out to "Cash" or "Bearer" and signing checks in advance are strictly prohibited;
- Voided checks are maintained for subsequent inspections;
- Funds received by the Society are reconciled to the amount deposited;
- Pre-numbered receipts are written for all monies received by the Society; and
- Prices charged for merchandise sold by the Society are authorized by the Board.

2. Lack of Adequate Documentation

The Society lacked adequate documentation to support a number of its disbursements. The following table summarizes the issues addressed herein.

# of transactions	Total Amount	Description
24	\$23,682.00	Payroll disbursements were not supported by approved rates.
19	\$1,809.74	Documentation provided was not adequate to support the disbursement.
7	\$709.08	No documentation was provided to support the disbursement.
50	\$26,200.82	Totals

Wages Paid

The Society utilizes the services of Denise Andersen and Audrey Schoenbeck, both of whom are treated as independent contractors. In doing so, however, the Society has neglected to enter into formal written agreements with either of those individuals. Not until after receiving the APA's draft letter to the Society in April 2016, moreover, did the Board provide documentation that it had approved the rates of pay for Ms. Andersen and Ms. Schoenbeck.

As Curator, Ms. Andersen's many responsibilities included writing payroll checks, and she was paid \$1,000 per month from July 2015 until October 2015, at which time her pay was increased to \$1,350 per month. The Board minutes provided lacked a motion or vote to document approval of the increase in her rate of pay. In May 2016, after receipt of the APA's initial letter, the Board finally approved Ms. Andersen's increased rate of pay.

Ms. Schoenbeck was paid \$8.50 per hour from July 2015 until May 2016, at which time her pay was increased to \$9 per hour. In May 2016, after receipt of the APA's initial letter, the Board finally approved Ms. Schoenbeck's current hourly pay rate. Additionally, the timesheets submitted by this individual were not signed by a supervisor to verify the days and hours worked.

The following is a summary of the wages paid to Ms. Andersen and Ms. Schoenbeck:

Check Register Date	Check Number	Payee	Amount
07/14/2015	2455	Denise Andersen	\$1,000.00
08/13/2015	2463	Denise Andersen	\$1,000.00
09/10/2015	2475	Denise Andersen	\$1,000.00
10/08/2015	2488	Denise Andersen	\$1,000.00
11/11/2015	2496	Denise Andersen	\$1,350.00
12/10/2015	2505	Denise Andersen	\$1,350.00
01/07/2016	2511	Denise Andersen	\$1,350.00
02/11/2016	2515	Denise Andersen	\$1,350.00
03/10/2016	2528	Denise Andersen	\$1,350.00
04/07/2016	2533	Denise Andersen	\$1,350.00
05/05/2016	2537	Denise Andersen	\$1,350.00
06/07/2016	2544	Denise Andersen	\$1,350.00
07/14/2015	2454	Audrey Schoenbeck	\$680.00
08/13/2015	2456	Audrey Schoenbeck	\$782.00
09/10/2015	2466	Audrey Schoenbeck	\$748.00
10/08/2015	2480	Audrey Schoenbeck	\$714.00
11/11/2015	2495	Audrey Schoenbeck	\$782.00
12/10/2015	2504	Audrey Schoenbeck	\$714.00
01/07/2016	2510	Audrey Schoenbeck	\$748.00
02/11/2016	2519	Audrey Schoenbeck	\$782.00
03/10/2016	2526	Audrey Schoenbeck	\$680.00
04/07/2016	2531	Audrey Schoenbeck	\$748.00
05/05/2016	2536	Audrey Schoenbeck	\$748.00
06/07/2016	2545	Audrey Schoenbeck	\$756.00
Totals			\$23,682.00

*Lack of Adequate Documentation*The following 19 transactions lacked adequate documentation to support the disbursement:

Check Register Date	Check Number	Payee	Amount	Description
08/13/2015	2460	Steve Taylor	\$210.00	Handwritten invoices were provided that did not indicate the days on which the services were provided.
11/11/2015	2493	Steve Taylor	\$120.00	The rate of pay was also not approved by the Board.
10/08/2015	2481	Julianne Endorf	\$37.70	The online receipt provided appears to indicate the purchase was made by a different individual than the payee.
			,	The invoice contained conflicting information. The total amount was listed as \$78.75, but the detailed
11/11/2015	2491	Continental Fire	\$78.75	items listed on the invoice only totaled \$73.75.

Check Register	Check	D.		
Date	Number	Payee	Amount	Description
12/10/2015	2500	O'Keefe Elevator	\$275.58	The maintenance agreement did not agree to the
02/11/2016	2518	O'Keefe Elevator	\$275.58	amount paid. No other documentation supported the amount paid.
06/07/2016	2277	O'Keefe Elevator	\$286.60	amount paid.
		NE Dept of		The Sales and Use Tax form was provided, but the amounts included as sales on the form were not
01/07/2016	2513	Revenue	\$26.52	supported.
08/13/2015	2464	Sandra Gapp	\$45.33	
09/10/2015	2476	Sandra Gapp	\$45.00	
10/08/2015	2489	Sandra Gapp	\$45.33	
11/11/2015	2497	Sandra Gapp	\$45.50	A lease agreement that permitted an individual to
12/10/2015	2506	Sandra Gapp	\$45.50	maintain residence in a building owned by the Society
01/07/2016	2512	Sandra Gapp	\$45.50	required the Society to pay utilities. The monthly
02/11/2016	2514	Sandra Gapp	\$45.33	amount of utilities was not supported.
03/10/2016	2529	Sandra Gapp	\$45.53	
04/07/2016	2534	Sandra Gapp	\$45.33	
05/05/2016	2538	Sandra Gapp	\$45.33	
				The lease agreement provided was amended with a handwritten amount for utilities. In May 2016, the Board approved a minimum amount of \$45.33, but the
06/13/2016	2280	Sandra Gapp	\$45.33	lease agreement was not signed by both parties.
Totals		1 11	\$1,809.74	

No Documentation

The Society failed to provide any documentation at all to support the following seven disbursements of funds:

Check Register Date	Check Number	Payee	Amount
08/13/2015	2462	O'Keefe Elevator	\$275.58
09/10/2015	2473	Jefferson Co. Treasurer	\$28.50
09/10/2015	2474	Pla-Mar Lanes (Jimmy Gould)	\$30.00
09/20/2015	2477	Rose Anne Zach	\$160.00
09/20/2015	2478	Dave Moser	\$30.00
09/20/2015	2479	Dulcimers Band	\$150.00
11/11/2015	2498	Henry Klee	\$35.00
Totals			\$709.08

A system of proper internal control requires adequate procedures and sufficiently detailed records to support all disbursements of funds. Without such procedures and records, such as written contracts, signed timesheets, documented Board approval of pay rates, and invoices that adequately identify the nature of each payment, there is an increased risk for the loss or misuse of Society funds.

We recommend the Society implement procedures and maintain records to ensure the following:

• Written agreements are entered into with all paid workers;

- Board approval is documented for all changes to wage rates;
- Hours worked are adequately reviewed and verified by a second individual; and
- The specific nature of all fund disbursements is documented.

3. <u>Lack of Approval for Disbursements of Funds</u>

The Board failed to ensure all disbursements of funds were approved prior to payment. The following table summarizes the Board's lack of approval:

# of		
Transactions	Amount	Description
		Claims were not approved, as Board meetings were not held
24	\$8,112.99	in August or December 2015.
30	\$7,526.05	Claims were paid prior to Board approval.
		Claims were not approved, as they were not included on the
17	\$5,869.10	claims listings presented to the Board.
71	\$21,508.14	Totals

Lack of Board Approval Due to Absence of Meetings

The following 24 transactions were paid in August and December 2015, months in which no Board meeting was held; therefore, the payments were not properly approved prior to disbursement.

Check Register Date	Check Number	Payee	Description	Amount
08/13/2015	2456	Audrey Schoenbeck	Wages	\$782.00
08/13/2015	2457	Dick Schmeling	Gift Shop Inventory	\$124.12
08/13/2015	2458	Maatsch Oil Co.	Gasoline	\$152.47
08/13/2015	2459	Diode Communications	Internet	\$121.44
08/13/2015	2460	Steve Taylor	Mowing	\$210.00
08/13/2015	2461	Scherbarth Ace Hardware	Repairs	\$159.07
08/13/2015	2462	O'Keefe Elevator	Elevator Maintenance	\$275.58
08/13/2015	2463	Denise Andersen	Wages	\$1,000.00
08/13/2015	2464	Sandra Gapp	Utilities	\$45.33
08/13/2015	EFT	Capital One	Credit Card	\$1,000.00
08/13/2015	EFT	Windstream	Telephone	\$130.60
08/13/2015	EFT	Fby Light & Water	Utilities	\$649.65
08/13/2015	EFT	Fby Light & Water	Utilities	\$161.90
08/13/2015	EFT	Black Hills	Utilities	\$33.25
08/13/2015	EFT	Norris Public Power	Utilities	\$29.97
12/10/2015	2500	O'Keefe Elevator	Elevator Maintenance	\$275.58
12/10/2015	2501	Fairbury Journal News	Advertising	\$125.00
12/10/2015	2503	Diode Communications	Internet	\$60.72
12/10/2015	2504	Audrey Schoenbeck	Wages	\$714.00
12/10/2015	2505	Denise Andersen	Wages	\$1,350.00
12/10/2015	2506	Sandra Gapp	Utilities	\$45.50
12/10/2015	EFT	Black Hills	Utilities	\$80.03
12/10/2015	EFT	Fairbury Light & Water	Utilities	\$158.25
12/10/2015	EFT	Fairbury Light & Water	Utilities	\$428.53
Totals				\$8,112.99

Payments Made Prior to Board Approval

The following 30 transactions were paid prior to approval by the Board. As indicated below, all of these payments were electronic funds transfers (EFTs), as opposed to checks.

Check Register Date	Date Approved	Cleared Date	Check Number	Payee	Amount
N/A	07/09/2015	07/08/2015	EFT	Windstream	\$126.60
N/A	07/09/2015	07/01/2015	EFT	Fairbury Light & Water	\$469.84
N/A	07/09/2015	07/06/2015	EFT	Black Hills	\$50.73
09/10/2015	10/08/2015	09/30/2015	EFT	Norris Public Power	\$40.30
09/10/2015	09/10/2015	09/03/2015	EFT	Black Hills	\$33.10
09/10/2015	09/10/2015	09/03/2015	EFT	Fby Light & Water	\$866.36
09/10/2015	09/10/2015	09/09/2015	EFT	Windstream	\$129.26
10/08/2015	10/08/2015	10/05/2015	EFT	Black Hills	\$35.86
10/08/2015	10/08/2015	10/07/2015	EFT	Fby Light & Water	\$765.65
11/11/2015	11/11/2015	11/05/2015	EFT	Fairbury Light & Water	\$436.86
11/11/2015	11/11/2015	11/02/2015	EFT	Norris Public Power	\$40.04
11/11/2015	11/11/2015	11/03/2015	EFT	Black Hills	\$34.11
11/11/2015	11/11/2015	11/10/2015	EFT	Windstream	\$129.33
12/30/2015	01/07/2016	12/30/2015	EFT	Norris Public Power	\$32.66
12/31/2015	01/07/2016	12/31/2015	EFT	Fby Light & Water	\$349.34
01/07/2016	01/07/2016	01/04/2016	EFT	Black Hills	\$393.24
02/18/2016	02/12/2016	02/01/2016	EFT	Norris Public Power (1)	\$107.82
02/17/2016	02/12/2016	02/03/2016	EFT	Fairbury Light & Water	\$424.48
02/13/2016	02/12/2016	02/03/2016	EFT	Black Hills	\$686.82
02/09/2016	02/12/2016	02/09/2016	EFT	Windstream	\$130.27
03/10/2016	03/10/2016	03/02/2016	EFT	Fairbury Light & Water	\$513.62
03/10/2016	03/10/2016	03/03/2016	EFT	Black Hills	\$653.75
03/10/2016	03/10/2016	03/09/2016	EFT	Windstream	\$129.84
02/18/2016	03/10/2016	02/29/2016	EFT	Norris Public Power (1)	\$-
04/07/2016	04/07/2016	04/04/2016	EFT	Black Hills	\$356.08
05/05/2016	05/05/2016	05/02/2016	EFT	Norris Public Power	\$19.34
05/05/2016	06/07/2016	05/31/2016	EFT	Norris Public Power	\$35.24
06/07/2016	06/07/2016	06/06/2016	EFT	Black Hills	\$98.59
06/01/2016	06/07/2016	06/01/2016	EFT	Fairbury Light & Water	\$401.80
N/A	July 2016	06/30/2016	EFT	Norris Public Power	\$35.12
Totals				107.02	\$7,526.05

⁽¹⁾ The payment was recorded as one transaction for \$107.82 on the check register. However, there were two separate transactions for \$77.15 and \$30.67 on the bank statements.

Payments Not Approved

The following 17 transactions were not included on the claims listing provided to the Board; as a result, the transactions were not approved by the Board.

Check Register Date	Check Number	Pavee	Description	Amount
08/13/2015	2465	Wheel N Deal	Equipment Rental	\$295.38
09/10/2015	2473	Jefferson Co. Treasurer	Miscellaneous	\$28.50
09/10/2015	2474	Pla-Mar Lanes (Jimmy Gould)	Miscellaneous	\$30.00
09/20/2015	2477	Rose Anne Zach	Miscellaneous	\$160.00
09/20/2015	2478	Dave Moser	Miscellaneous	\$30.00
09/20/2015	2479	Dulcimers Band	Miscellaneous	\$150.00
10/19/2015	EFT	Capital One	Credit Card	\$1,000.00
11/20/2015	EFT	Norris Public Power	Utilities	\$32.55
12/10/2015	2502	NECO	Fire Alarm Service	\$115.62
12/10/2015	EFT	Windstream	Telephone	\$129.21
01/07/2016	2513	NE Dept of Revenue	Sales Tax Paid	\$26.52
01/07/2016	EFT	Capital One	Credit Card	\$1,200.00
02/16/2016	EFT	Capital One	Credit Card	\$1,200.00
03/11/2016	2520	Nebraska Secretary of State	Miscellaneous	\$30.00
03/30/2016	EFT	Fairbury Light & Water	Utilities	\$545.83
06/07/2016	2541	Fairbury Glass	Repairs	\$610.99
06/07/2016	2542	Fairbury Journal News	Advertising	\$284.50
Totals				\$5,869.10

An adequate system of internal controls requires procedures to ensure the Board approves all payments of Society funds prior to disbursement. Without such procedures, there is an increased risk for the loss or misuse of Society funds.

We recommend the Board implement procedures to ensure all payments of Society funds are appropriately approved prior to disbursement and are included on the claims listing provided to the Board.

Society Response: As of this letter, all Society accounts are paid by check. The use of EFT payments has been discontinued.

4. Other Disbursement Issues

The APA identified a few other issues with the Society's disbursement of funds, as described below.

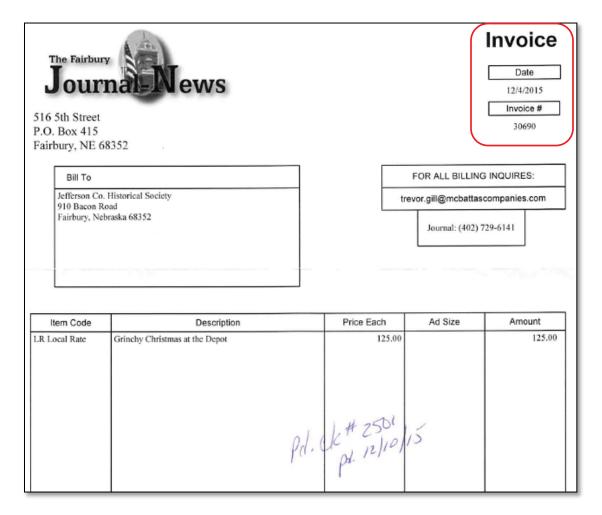
Duplicate Payment

The Society paid twice for the same invoiced service. Details of the duplicate payment are provided below.

• Check 2501, dated 12/10/2015, was paid to Fairbury Journal News for Invoice 30690 for advertising of "Grinchy Christmas at the Depot" totaling \$125.

• Check 2517, dated 02/11/2016, was paid to The Fairbury Journal News for Invoice 30690 totaling \$125, as noted above, and a \$3.64 late fee, for a total payment of \$128.64.

The following are copies of the two invoices that were provided to the APA to support each disbursement:



our	naMews		Date
5th Street			2/1/2016
Box 415 bury, NE 68	352	Journ	nal News: (402) 729-61
Bill To			
		Amount Due	Amount Enc.
		Amount Due \$128.64	Amount Enc.
Date	Description		Amount Enc.
01/01/2016	Balance forward	S128.64 Amount	Balance 125.0
		\$128.64	Balance

As of the issuance of this letter, the Society had not obtained a refund from The Fairbury Journal News for the duplicate payment.

Payments for Gasoline Purchases

The Board allowed gasoline purchases to be made on account at Maatsch Oil Company. The invoices provided did not indicate the business purpose for which the purchase of gasoline was needed. Furthermore, the Board lacked proper controls to monitor these purchases. The Board approved three payments to Maatsch Oil Company for purchases of gasoline by either its Treasurer or the Curator, as set out in the following table:

Check Register	Check				
Date	Number	Payee	Description	Amount	
					Four invoices as follows: (1) 07/05/15 -
					23.047 gallons, totaling \$65.66, by Denise
					Andersen; (2) 07/07/15 - 6.091 gallons,
					totaling \$17.35, by Zach Schacht; (3)
					07/08/15 - 14.86 gallons, totaling \$38.62, by
		Maatsch Oil			Zach Schacht; and (4) 07/18/15 - 10.824
08/13/2015	2458	Co.	Gasoline	\$152.47	gallons, totaling \$30.84, by Zach Schacht.
					Invoice dated 08/02/15 for 10.552 gallons of
					lead-free gas. The invoice was signed by
09/10/2015	2469	Maatsch	Gasoline	\$32.17	Zach Schacht.
					Invoice dated 09/18/15 for 10.03 gallons of
					lead-free gas. The invoice was signed by
10/08/2015	2483	Maatsch	Gasoline	\$27.07	Zach Schacht.
Totals				\$211.71	

Payments to Scherbarth Ace Hardware

The Board allowed charges to be made in its name at Scherbarth Ace Hardware. Although invoices were provided, the building for which each purchase was intended was not always clearly identified. Furthermore, the Board did not have proper monitoring procedures to ensure the items purchased were actually used for the Society's benefit and were not used personally. The following table contains a summary of these disbursements:

Check	a			
Register Date	Check Number	Payee	Amount	Description
		Scherbarth Ace		Invoice dated 07/18/15 for a hose discharge and sump pump.
08/13/2015	2461	Hardware	\$159.07	Handwritten note indicated it was for Steele City Church.
09/10/2015	2470	Scherbarth Ace Hardware	\$453.67	Invoice dated 08/15/15 for various supplies and materials, including paint, wood, cleaning supplies, and toilet paper. Invoice was signed by Denise Andersen.
10/08/2015	2487	Scherbarth Ace Hardware	\$175.49	Two invoices for this transaction: (1) 09/18/15 for two pieces of plywood totaling \$37.35; and (2) 09/19/15 for various repair supplies and trash bags for \$138.14. These invoices were referenced to Steele City.
03/10/2016	2527	Scherbarth	\$67.71	Invoice dated 02/20/16 for various cleaning supplies, such as Pledge polish, or paper towels and toilet paper.
				Transaction consisted of six different invoices: (1) 03/26/16 for clamps, glue, and wood totaling \$55.45; (2) 03/24/16 for pliers totaling \$22.24; (3) 03/16/16 for a corner brace totaling \$3.37; (4) 03/15/16 for paint and a paint brush totaling \$37.71; (5) 03/12/16 for wood, nails, paint, and other materials totaling \$223.73; and (6) 03/23/16 for hinges and a
04/07/2016	2532	Scherbarth	\$378.69	bolt totaling \$36.19.
05/05/2016	2539	Scherbarth	\$797.38	Statement included several invoices as follows: (1) 04/27/16 for sandpaper totaling \$5.78; (2) 04/28/16 for corner brace, pliers, and dustpan totaling \$37.67; (3) 04/19/16 for paint, primer, paper towels, toilet papers, dustpan, garden gloves and cleaning supplies totaling \$221.27; (4) 04/20/16 for paint pail and liners, glazing compound, putty knives, roller frames, and rollers totaling \$84.85; (5) 04/09/16 for screw, blades, and wood totaling \$185.32; (6) 04/27/16 for quart of paint totaling \$14.50; (7) 04/09/16 for wood and shop lights totaling \$208.88; (8) 04/11/16 for safety marker and push points totaling \$14.46; (9) 04/02/16 for paint and glazing compound totaling \$24.65. Purchases signed for by Denise or Zach.
				Payment was for three invoices: (1) 05/02/16 for paint and paint scraper totaling \$25.14; (2) 05/06/16 for a toilet tank repair kit totaling \$22.24; (3) 05/14/16 for 12 bags of concrete
06/07/2016	2279	Scherbarth	\$106.13	mix totaling \$58.65.
Total			\$2,138.14	

Lease of John Deere Gator

The Society leased a John Deere Gator utility vehicle from Oregon Trail Equipment L.L.C. on May 29, 2015, through May 31, 2016. According to the rental agreement, the rental rate was \$10 per hour used. At June 30, 2016, the utility vehicle had not been returned, and the Society had not been billed for its use. The Society lacked procedures to ensure the hours billed were

accurate and the vehicle was used only for Society business. The last lease payment for the use of the vehicle was made with check number 2444 in June 2015 for \$2,057, which equates to over 200 hours of use.

Amounts on Claims List and Checks Did Not Agree

The APA identified several variances between the claims listing and the actual check, as illustrated in the table below:

Check Register Date	Check Number	Payee	Claims Listing Amount	Amount Approved by Board	Variance	Notes
N/A	EFT	Fairbury Light & Water	\$469.84	\$468.84	\$1.00	Amounts don't match.
09/10/2015	2467	Fairbury Journal News	\$78.40	\$78.80	(\$0.40)	Amounts don't match.
09/10/2015	EFT	Fby Light & Water	\$158.89	\$158.80	\$0.09	Amounts don't match.
09/10/2015	2476	Sandra Gapp	\$45.00	\$45.50	(\$0.50)	Amounts don't match.
01/07/2016	2512	Sandra Gapp	\$45.50	\$45.33	\$0.17	Amounts don't match.
02/18/2016	EFT	Norris Public Power	\$107.82	\$77.15	\$30.67	Amounts don't match.
02/11/2016	2517	Fairbury Journal News	\$128.64	\$125.00	\$3.64	Amounts don't match.
03/10/2016	2529	Sandra Gapp	\$45.53	\$45.33	\$0.20	Amounts don't match.
02/18/2016	EFT	Norris Public Power	\$0.00	\$30.67	(\$30.67)	Amounts don't match.
04/07/2016	2532	Scherbarth	\$378.69	\$378.09	\$0.60	Amounts don't match.
						Check was written for \$45.33, which agreed to the check register and claims listing. However, the check cleared the bank at \$45.53; a \$0.20
04/07/2016	2534	Sandra Gapp	\$45.33	\$45.33	\$0.00	variance.

While these variances may not seem large, their lack of detection by the Board is a concern; moreover, the possibility exists that unauthorized transactions could be processed without detection.

Inaccurate Amounts Reported on 1099 Forms

The amounts reported as wage payments to Denise Andersen and Audrey Schoenbeck on the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Form 1099s issued by the Society did not agree to the wage amounts documented in the Society's own records for calendar year 2015.

The Society's accounting records reflect the following wage payments to Ms. Andersen during calendar year 2015:

Check Register Date	Check Number	Payee	Amount
01/08/2015	2265	Denise Andersen	\$1,000.00
02/06/2015	2274	Denise Andersen	\$1,000.00
03/12/2015	2428	Denise Andersen	\$1,000.00
04/09/2015	2436	Denise Andersen	\$1,000.00
05/09/2015	2443	Denise Andersen	\$1,000.00

Check Register Date	Check Number	Payee	Amount
06/11/2015	2451	Denise Andersen	\$1,000.00
07/14/2015	2455	Denise Andersen	\$1,000.00
08/13/2015	2463	Denise Andersen	\$1,000.00
09/10/2015	2475	Denise Andersen	\$1,000.00
10/08/2015	2488	Denise Andersen	\$1,000.00
11/11/2015	2496	Denise Andersen	\$1,350.00
12/10/2015	2505	Denise Andersen	\$1,350.00
Total			\$12,700.00

On her IRS Form 1099, however, the Society reported a total of \$13,350 paid to Ms. Andersen, a difference of \$650.

The Society's accounting records reflect the following wage payments to Ms. Schoenbeck during calendar year 2015:

Check Register Date	Check Number	Payee	Amount
01/08/2015	2263	Audrey Schoenbeck	\$680.00
02/07/2015	2272	Audrey Schoenbeck	\$544.00
03/12/2015	2427	Audrey Schoenbeck	\$238.00
04/09/2015	2435	Audrey Schoenbeck	\$306.00
05/09/2015	2442	Audrey Schoenbeck	\$748.00
06/11/2015	2450	Audrey Schoenbeck	\$782.00
07/14/2015	2454	Audrey Schoenbeck	\$680.00
08/13/2015	2456	Audrey Schoenbeck	\$782.00
09/10/2015	2466	Audrey Schoenbeck	\$748.00
10/08/2015	2480	Audrey Schoenbeck	\$714.00
11/11/2015	2495	Audrey Schoenbeck	\$782.00
12/10/2015	2504	Audrey Schoenbeck	\$714.00
Total			\$7,718.00

On her IRS Form 1099, however, the Society reported a total of \$7,731 paid to Ms. Schoenbeck, a difference of \$13.

A system of good internal controls requires adequate procedures and sufficiently detailed records to ensure the following: 1) claims payments are closely monitored to prevent duplicate expenditures and other errors; 2) every purchase made with Society funds has a legitimate business purpose; 3) the amount of each claim presented to and approved by the Board is identical to the amount of the correlative claim payment made; and 4) wage payments are properly reported to the IRS. Without such procedures and records, there is an increased risk for the loss or misuse of Society funds.

We recommend the Society implement procedures and maintain records to ensure claims payments are closely monitored to prevent duplicate disbursements and other errors. In relation thereto, the Society should contact The Fairbury Journal News to obtain a refund of the duplicate payment made to that entity. Additionally, if the Board chooses to continue allowing purchases to be made on accounts, the procedures implemented and records maintained should ensure and document the legitimate business purpose of those purchases. In particular, we recommend the Board consider whether the lease of the John Deere Gator utility vehicle is necessary. The Board's procedures and records should also ensure approved claim amounts are identical to those actually paid. Finally, the procedures implemented by the Board and the records maintained should ensure wage payments are reported correctly to the IRS.

Society Response: The charge accounts at Maatch's Oil Company and Scherbarth Ace Hardware have been suspended until proper controls can be implemented.

The Society has terminated the lease of the John Deere Gator through Oregon Trail Equipment L.L.C./Landmark Implement. The Society's current Board of Directors agree that the rental and use of such equipment is unnecessary.

5. Receipt Issues

The APA identified a number of issues pertaining to the Society's procedures over receipts, as described in detail below.

Timeliness of Deposits

The APA tested the Society's receipt of funds from Jefferson County and determined that 4 of 12 county receipts tested were not deposited in a timely manner. The following table summarizes the untimely deposit of funds to the Society's bank account.

Type of Receipt	Amount	Date of Check from County	Date of Deposit	Days Between Receipt and Deposit
Property Taxes and Interest and Homestead		_	_	
Exemption (1)	\$345.34	07/01/15	08/17/15	47 Days
Property Taxes and Interest and Carline Receipts	\$2,801.12	10/01/15	01/08/16	99 Days
Property Taxes and Interest, Motor Vehicle Pro Rate, and In Lieu –Wind Power Receipts	\$602.07	11/02/15	12/11/15	39 Days
Property Taxes and Interest, Motor Vehicle Pro-				
Rate, and In Lieu – Wind Power Receipts	\$1,514.84	02/01/16	02/22/16	21 Days
Total	\$5,263.37			

⁽¹⁾ This receipt was for taxes collected by the County in June 2015 and distributed to the Society in July 2015. Taxes are considered to be received when collected by the County; therefore, this receipt is not included in the fiscal year 2016 receipt total, but it was selected for testing nonetheless.

The APA also tested five other receipts, including for sales of merchandise and donations, and identified one deposit of \$104.03, which was comprised of the proceeds from three consignment sales, that were not made in a timely manner. This deposit included sales that ranged from 73 days to 194 days prior to the deposit of the funds. The following table summarizes those three sales:

		Date of		Days Between
		Remittance	Date of	Receipt and
Description	Amount	by Consignee	Deposit	Deposit
Rail Road Depot & Pioneer Trails	\$52.66	09/04/15	03/16/16	194 Days
Pioneer Tales Book	\$17.95	11/04/15	03/16/16	133 Days
Rock Island Depot	\$33.42	01/03/16	03/16/16	73 Days
Deposit Amount	\$104.03			

In addition to the consignment sales noted above, the APA identified three other purchases, totaling \$56.50, made at the Society's gift shop that lacked adequate documentation to support the amount received. As noted already in Comment 1, the Board did not approve the rates of merchandise sold. Due to the lack of documentation, the APA was unable to determine if the amount deposited was appropriate.

Finally, the APA confirmed the three largest donation amounts and dates. Two of the three donations confirmed were not deposited in a timely manner. The table below summarizes the number of days between receipt and deposit for these donations:

Donor	Amount	Donation Date	Deposit Date	Days between Receipt and Deposit
Donor 1	\$5,000.00	07/07/15	09/08/15	63 Days
Donor 2	\$1,474.00	12/11/15	01/08/16	28 Days
Total	\$6,474.00			

The APA could not determine if other donations were deposited in a timely manner due to the lack of documentation to indicate when the amounts were received.

When deposits are not made in a timely manner, there is an increased risk for the loss or misuse of Society funds.

We recommend the Society implement procedures to ensure all deposits are made in a timely manner.

Reimbursement of Prior Unauthorized Expense

In our May 23, 2016, letter to the Society, the APA identified a \$781.09 Society credit card payment to Verizon Wireless on February 11, 2015. The APA expressed concerns that the Society member responsible for that particular charge may have misappropriated Society funds for personal use, as the amount was not reimbursed until after the APA questioned the purchase.

On February 22, 2016, the Society deposited \$781.09 into its bank account and classified the transaction as a donation. That deposit was actually reimbursement for the suspect charge brought to light by the APA in early 2015, and it was made little over a year after the initial credit card purchase.

Further details regarding the unauthorized expense and the APA's original recommendation can be found in the APA's letter dated May 23, 2016.

6. Open Meeting Laws

The following issue was first reported in the APA's initial letter to the Society. Because of its significance, the APA felt the exclusion of the finding would be misleading.

The former Curator indicated to the APA that she thought the Society was not subject to the Open Meetings Act (Act), which is set out at Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 84-1407 to 84-1414 (Reissue 2014, Supp. 2015). Consequently, the Society has not followed the Act's many provisions, including those requiring public notice of meetings, publication of meeting agendas, and adherence to the aforementioned agenda.

Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-1409(1)(a) (Reissue 2014) offers the following definition of the type of "public body" to which the requirements of the Act apply:

Public body means (i) governing bodies of all political subdivisions of the State of Nebraska, (ii) governing bodies of all agencies, created by the Constitution of Nebraska, statute, or otherwise pursuant to law, of the executive department of the State of Nebraska, (iii) all independent boards, commissions, bureaus, committees, councils, subunits, or any other bodies created by the Constitution of Nebraska, statute, or otherwise pursuant to law, (iv) all study or advisory committees of the executive department of the State of Nebraska whether having continuing existence or appointed as special committees with limited existence, (v) advisory committees of the bodies referred to in subdivisions (i), (ii), and (iii) of this subdivision, and (vi) instrumentalities exercising essentially public functions[.]

The Society falls well within the above definitional language. Additionally, as noted in the financial statements, the Society relied upon \$47,263 in property taxes levied by the County to carry out its statutory duties during the fiscal year 2016.

Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-1408 (Reissue 2014) provides, in relevant part, the following intent for the Act:

It is hereby declared to be the policy of this state that the formation of public policy is public business and may not be conducted in secret.

Additionally, the Nebraska Supreme Court (Court) has made this observation regarding the proper interpretation and implementation of the Act:

[T] he open meetings laws should be broadly interpreted and liberally construed to obtain their objective of openness in favor of the public.

Schauer v. Grooms, 280 Neb. 426, 441, 786 N.W.2d 909, 922 (2010). The fact that the Society is empowered to receive and expend public funds, including tax monies levied specifically for its use, makes adherence to the requirements of the Act all the more crucial. Such adherence is the only way of ensuring that the citizens of Jefferson County may truly exercise their rights not only to observe but also to speak out regarding how their hard-earned tax dollars are being spent. This is essential to fulfilling what the Court has deemed the Act's "statutory commitment to openness in government." Wasikowski v. Neb. Quality Jobs Bd., 264 Neb. 403, 418, 648 N.W.2d 756, 768 (2002).

We recommend the Society take the steps necessary to ensure compliance with all requirements of the Act.

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It should be noted this report is critical in nature, as it contains only our comments and recommendations on the areas noted for improvement and does not include our observations on any strong features of the Society.

Draft copies of this report were furnished to the Society to provide management with an opportunity to review the report and to respond to the comments and recommendations included in this report. All formal responses received have been incorporated into this report. Where no response has been included, the Society declined to respond. Responses that indicate corrective action has been taken were not verified at this time, but they will be verified in the next audit.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Society, the appropriate Federal and regulatory agencies, and citizens of the State of Nebraska, and it is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, this report is a matter of public record, and its distribution is not limited.

Sincerely,

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