# Nebraska Municipal Clerks Newsletter

### **JANUARY 2022**

### **MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Linda Jensen, MMC, City Clerk/Treasurer, City of Central City NMCA President





Picture taken in January 2021

Picture taken in January 2022

I thought it would be fun to show the difference between January 2021 and January 2022. This apple tree is outside my office window at the city hall in Central City. What a difference a year makes.

Greetings, from the Heartland Clerks Association.

Back Row: Gwenda Horky, Sargent; Peggy Eynetich and Lauren Brandt, Kearney; Lanette Doane, Ansley; Jill Granere, Grand Island; Kellie Crowell, Ravenna; Jessica Owen and Kandi Peters, Broken Bow; RaNae Edwards, Grand Island.

Front Row: Christy Osburn, Cairo; Linda Jensen, Central City; Jaime Rathman, Cairo; Raquel Felzien, Franklin; Dana Bebensee, Hildreth; Michele Rahrs, Franklin; Rachel Cox, Ravenna. DON'T FORGET THE CHALLENGE! I challenge all associations to take a picture of those in attendance at your next association meeting and email me the picture with the names and towns included.

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I have spoken with Rachel Wittler, Senior Auditor from the State of Nebraska. The continuing education hours for City Treasurers is an annual requirement. Eight hours is needed for cities with over \$100,000 of expenditures and four hours is required for entities with less than \$100,000 of expenditures. There are several opportunities throughout the year to obtain those hours.

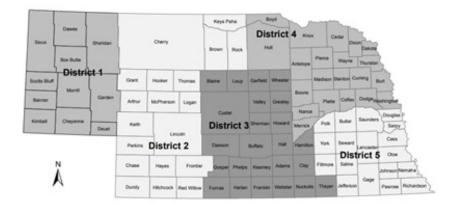
**Save the Date:** Clerks Institute and Academy is scheduled for March 13-19, 2022. Mark your calendars. Ellen Freeman-Wakefield has asked that you pay the tuition for the clerks conference in March by credit card, if possible. The bookkeeping is much easier that way. The on-line portal to register for the conference is now available.

**An evening of fun** is being planned for the Hospitality Night at the clerks conference in March. The Heartland Clerks are busy planning the banquet for the March conference, also. Make plans to attend both events. It is another way of associating with your fellow clerks. Watch for details in upcoming newsletters. Have you thought of being on the Board for NMCA? The Nominating Committee will be seeking nominations for several positions that are coming up in March 2022. District Directors positions and a Secretary/Treasurer position are open. (Below is a map to show the districts.) The eligibility requirements in the by-laws state: "Only active members who have had two consecutive years experience as Clerk or Deputy City Clerk and two years of membership shall be eligible for nomination and election. The election of Officers and District Directors shall take place at the Annual Meeting. The nominee receiving the highest number of votes cast for the respective office shall be declared duly elected thereto." The by-laws also state: "All District Directors are elected to serve a two year term. Directors from District 1 and 2 are elected in the odd numbered years. Directors from District 3, 4 and 5 are elected in the even numbered years."

#### The Nominating Committee Members are:

RaNae Edwards, Grand Island – redwards@grandisland.com Kandra Kinne, Cambridge – kkinne@swnebr.net Lauren Brandt, Kearney – Ibrandt@kearneygove.org

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### Nebraska Municipal Clerks' Association Districts

District 1: Panhandle Area Clerks' Association

District 2: Southwest Area Clerks' Association; Undesignated North-Central Area

District 3: Heartland Area Clerks' Assocation; South Central Clerks' Association; Midlands Area Clerks' Association

District 4: Northeast Area Clerks' Association; Three Rivers Clerks' Association District 5: Southern Seven Area Clerks' Association; Southeast Area Clerks' Association

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**The annual** Snowball Conference offered by the League is scheduled for Jan. 26-27, 2022, at the Holiday Inn, Kearney. Make plans to attend.

**IIMC Conference** is scheduled for May 22-25, 2022, in Little Rock, Ark. If you are planning on attending the IIMC Conference, the rooms are available for booking. The details are on the IIMC Website.

**Congratulations** to Pamela A. Buethe of La Vista for receiving her MMC (Master Municipal Clerk).

**Congratulations** to Kimberley Wright of Scottsbluff for receiving her CMC (Certified Municipal Clerk).

Hats off to Pamela and Kimberley for a job well done!

Please consider attaining your CMC or MMC (Master Municipal Clerk) status. It shows your Municipal Board and Mayor that you are continuing to perfect what you do for your community.

**Sign-up sheets** will be displayed at the conference in March for several committees. Please consider serving on a committee.

I have a dream that all my wishes will come true in 2022. I sincerely hope yours do, too. May 2022 bring you good health and happiness! Have a great January!

Linda Jensen, MMC NMCA President City Clerk/Treasurer City of Central City 1702 31st St. Central City, NE 68826 308-946-3806 linda@cc-ne.com

### FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

| Nancy Schaad       | Leigh      | . 2/1  |
|--------------------|------------|--------|
| Shawna Moore       | Tilden     | . 2/3  |
| Melanie Johnston   | Hemingford | . 2/3  |
| Jeanie Schmidt     | Campbell   | . 2/4  |
| Barbara Mikkelsen  | Aurora     | . 2/6  |
| Theresa Busse      |            |        |
| Shawna Kubik       |            |        |
| Carol Martin       | Gering     | . 2/7  |
| Jane Dailey        | Crawford   | . 2/9  |
| Lisa Smith         |            |        |
| Erin Reimer        | Fairbury   | . 2/11 |
| Kathy Welfl        | Gering     | . 2/11 |
| Lori Vorderstrasse | Hastings   | . 2/11 |
| Nichole Fleecs     | Sutherland | . 2/11 |
| Leora Hofmann      | Pleasanton | . 2/14 |
| Nancy Walsh        |            |        |
| Lanette Doane      | Ansley     | . 2/18 |
| Donna Tannahill    | Arapahoe   | . 2/18 |



| Cynthia Ouraoa    | .Colon       | 2/20 |
|-------------------|--------------|------|
| Susan Kohmetscher | .Blue Hill   | 2/22 |
| Sandra Meyer      | .Plattsmouth | 2/24 |
| Kelly Oelke       | .Hickman     | 2/25 |
| Staci Hayden      | .Sprague     | 2/27 |
| Beth Bonderson    | .Emerson     | 2/27 |

## Municipal Legal Calendar (All statute citations to Revised Statutes of Nebraska)

#### FEBRUARY 2022

| CITIES OF THE FIRST CLASS  |  |  |                                   |  |
|--|--|--|-----------------------------------|--|
| Within 15 days of PassageClerk publishes ordinances passed. (16-405)   |  |  |                                   |  |
| Within 10 days from meeting or before  |  |  |                                   |  |
| next meeting (whichever is sooner)Clerk to have minutes available for public inspection. (84-1413)<br>On or before second MondayAnnual Library Board report due. (51-213)<br>Within 30 days from Council meetingClerk publishes official proceedings of meeting. (19-1102) |  |  |                                   |  |
|  |  |  | Within 20 days after end of month | Treasurer files monthly financial report. (16-318)               |
|  |  |  |                                   | Clerk must prepare agenda prior to next Board meeting. (84-1411) |
| CITIES OF THE SECOND CLASS   |  |  |                                   |  |
| Within 15 days of Passage  | Clerk publishes ordinances passed. (17-613)                        |  |                                   |  |
| Within 10 days from meeting  |  |  |                                   |  |
| or before next meeting   |  |  |                                   |  |
| (whichever is sooner)  | Clerk to have minutes available for public inspection. (84-1413)   |  |                                   |  |
| On or before second Monday   | Annual Library Board report due. (51-213)                          |  |                                   |  |
| Within 30 days from  |  |  |                                   |  |
| Council meeting  | Clerk publishes official proceedings of meeting. (19-1102)         |  |                                   |  |
|  | Treasurer files monthly financial report. (17-606)                 |  |                                   |  |
|  | Clerk must prepare agenda prior to next Council meeting. (84-1411) |  |                                   |  |
| VILLAGES   |  |  |                                   |  |
| Within 15 days of Passage  | Clerk publishes ordinances passed. (17-613)                        |  |                                   |  |
| Within 10 days from meeting or before  |  |  |                                   |  |
| next meeting   |  |  |                                   |  |
| (whichever is sooner)  | Clerk to have minutes available for public inspection. (84-1413)   |  |                                   |  |
| On or before second Monday   | Annual Library Board report due (51-213)                           |  |                                   |  |

| (whichever is sooner)   | Clerk to have minutes available for public inspection. (84-1413) |  |
|---|--|--|
| On or before second MondayAnnual Library Board report due. (51-213) |  |  |
| Within 30 days from   |  |  |
| Trustees' meeting   | Clerk publishes official proceedings of meeting. (19-1102)       |  |
| Within 20 days after end of month                                   | Treasurer files monthly financial report. (17-606)               |  |
| **  | Clerk must prepare agenda prior to next Board meeting. (84-1411) |  |