

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

June 8, 2026

The Red Willow County Board of Commissioners and the Board of Equalization met in the Commissioners' Room in the courthouse on June 8, 2026. A notice of the meetings was published in the McCook Gazette and posted on the County's website. The combined agenda was e-mailed to each commissioner and the news media, uploaded on the County's website, and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

At 8:30 a.m. Chairman Ted Gans called the Board of Commissioners meeting to order with the following members present: Commissioners Ted Gans, Randy Dean and Charles Fritsche. Gans informed the public about the location of the posted Open Meetings Act.

A motion was made by Fritsche, seconded by Dean, to approve the agendas as presented. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

The Board reviewed accounts payable claims.

At 9:00 a.m. Chairman Gans offered the floor for Citizens' Comments. Dale Stritt was present to ask the Board about tarping the gravel trucks. He said he followed the County gravel truck, and it was like being in a sandstorm. Gans explained that the tarp needs repair and will be in use soon.

Kaye T Bieck with the Family Resource Center presented an update for their agency. They are involved in the Toy Box and the Clothing Exchange. They offer free mending of children's clothing and basic supplies. A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to continue supporting the Family Resource Center in the amount of \$7,500 for the 2026/2027 fiscal year. Roll Call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

Val Jansante from Congressman Adrian Smith's Office presented an update on Legislative activities. Smith is making strides in USMCA and changes to the Social Security Administration among other duties.

A motion was made by Fritsche, seconded by Dean, to approve the following items on the consent agenda: 1) minutes from the previous Board of Commissioners and Board of Equalization meetings, 2) accounts payable claims in the amount of \$172,562.82 3) Reappoint Ron Soden and Joan Koch to Planning Commission, 4) Appoint Rick Loos to Planning Committee to replace Chuck Tines, 5) Resolution No. 1590 to schedule protest hearings. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file. 1) Viaero Fiber Networks, LLC's Certificate of Liability Insurance.

The following report was reviewed and placed on file: 1) District Court Clerk's monthly revenue report.

Ron Soden, Noxious Weed Supervisor, presented his April report card. He is starting to get complaints about weeds, and said thistle is starting to crown. Soden also reported that he has completed the required training.

Brandi Hilton-Hagemann from the Extension discussed changes happening at the Extension Office. Tasha Wulf has moved on, and they are looking for a new childcare expert to take her place. The office is also very busy as Fair time gets closer.

The NIRMA billing statement for 2026/2027 was reviewed. A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to keep the plan as is for the upcoming year. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

Dan Miller, CPA, joined the Board to advise them of changes necessary to the budget. A budget hearing will be held Monday, June 22, 2026, at 9:45 a.m.

The Board has started reviewing proposed budgets.

The following claims were allowed:

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CLAIMS – June 8, 2026

Abbreviations for this legal: S Supplies; SF Sheriff Fees; SC Services & Charges; LF Legal Fees; M Mileage, Meals, Meetings; D Dues, Reg. or Subs; DN Donation; R Rent; RF Refund; T Taxes; TR Training; MH Mental Health Hearing; I Insurance; BP Bond Payment; LP Lease/Loan Payment; C Contract Labor; WF Witness Fees

GENERAL FUND Election costs SC 1,006.25 Adriann Smith M 32.55 Applied Connective Technologies SC 3,959.96 Clerk of District Court Petty Cash SC 182.66 Cobblestone Inn & Suites - Holdrege M 330.00 Consolidated Management Company SC 11,105.76 Cornerstone Fellowship SC 50.00 Crowne Plaza M 639.80 Crystal Dack S 450.42 Double D Lawn & Landscaping SC 120.00 Donna Kircher M 175.45 Doyle Auto Repair SC 126.40 Eakes

Office Plus S 3,792.00 Eakes Office Solutions S 4,178.02 Evangelical Free Church SC 50.00 Farrells Pharmacy Inc SC 737.74 Frenchman Valley Co-Op S 2,014.55 Goodwin Siegfried LLC LF 2,081.25 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 437.15 Gretchen Wiebe S 1,880.92 Holiday Inn M 279.90 Hometown Leasing SC 1,178.17 Ideal Linen Supply SC 148.97 Jasmine Dimas M 48.74 Jessica Bortner M 30.45 Joseph Rothmeyer M 45.36 Lori Stevens M 63.40 MIPS Inc SC 3,940.19 Masonic Temple Craft Inc R 495.00 McCook Gazette SC 363.33 McCook Utilities SC 533.96 McCook Christian Church SC 65.00 McCook KC Hall SC 50.00 McCook Police Department S 2,119.00 Michael T Simmonds M 483.10 Microfilm Imaging Systems Inc SC 129.00 Mousel Brooks Schneider & Mustion LF 951.50 NACO SC 1,988.47 Nebraska Public Power District SC 1,715.24 Nicks Distributing Inc S 228.38 Our Saviors Lutheran Church SC 50.00 Patsy Janzen M 75.20 Patty Eisenach M 2.90 Quadient Finance USA, Inc SC 1,366.13 Red Willow County Court LF 414.00 Red Willow County District Court LF 180.00 Red Willow County Sheriff SF 293.22 Red Willow Dental LLC SC 1,246.97 Ruby Collins M 629.74 Ryan R Wilcox LF 8,100.00 Shred-It USA SC 443.05 SRK Enterprise LLC SC 546.00 St Catherines Church Hall SC 50.00 Teresa Thomas M 112.01 Tyler Esch M 12.33 US Bank SC 5,489.41 US Bank Equipment Finance SC 175.41 US Postmaster SC 198.00 Verizon Wireless SC 114.77 TOTAL 67,707.18 ROAD FUND Ag Valley Co-Op S 4,273.28 AKRS Equipment SC 4,712.33 B W Telcom SC 99.35 Cambridge Telephone Company SC 52.08 EIA LLC S 33,071.37 J & A Traffic Products S 1,901.50 Lingo Communications SC 28.80 McCook Utilities SC 93.61 Medical Enterprises Inc SC 36.00 Mid-American Research Chemical Corp S 525.46 Midwest Service & Sales Co SC 105.00 Mittens S 1,838.34 NMC Exchange LLC SC 2,667.86 Nebraska Public Power District SC 42.86 Powerplan SC 4,358.44 Ruggles Truck & Trailer Sales LLC SC 190.00 Southwest Farm & Auto Supply SC 274.58 Viaero Wireless SC 322.83 TOTAL 54,593.69 VISITOR ROMOTION FUND Acme Printing S 899.96 Flagship Publishing Inc SC 1,600.00 Honorbound IT SC 50.00 McCook Gazette SC 400.37 US Bank SC 1,236.65 TOTAL 4,186.98 VISITOR IMPROVEMENT FUND Elizabeth Aguirre C 2,059.00 Norris Institute D 1,000.00 Sarah Schneider C 1,500.00 TOTAL 4,559.00 FAIR FUND Moore Water and Air RF 100.00 Ace-Yuma SC 82.97 Caleb Dorenkamp SC 300.00 Cardmember Services SC 1,226.15 Frenchman Valley Co-Op S 90.53 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 171.42 Hometown Leasing SC 113.45 John Deere Financial SC 203.80 McCook Gazette SC 3.71 McCook Utilities SC 455.48 McCookNet Internet Service SC 44.00 7-D Lockshop SC 138.00 Nebraska Public Power District SC 1,205.27 Nicks Distributing Inc S 2,669.10 Rich McCauley SC 200.03 SRK Enterprise LLC SC 1,740.38 Walter Heating, Cooling & Const LLC SC 393.75 TOTAL 9,138.04 REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND Applied Connective Technologies SC 648.54 Hometown Leasing SC 52.77 TOTAL 701.31 SELF INSURANCE FUND Lucent Health Solutions LLC 19,959.81 TOTAL 9,959.81 ARENA FUND Arnold Motor Supply SC 55.14 Cardmember Services SC 399.98 Frenchman Valley Co-Op S 509.98 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 100.00 McCook Utilities SC 721.34 Nebraska Public Power District SC 1,394.58 Ravenswood Electric LLC SC 6,664.11 RWRS, LLC SC 8,280.00 TOTAL 18,125.13 HEALTH FUND Acme Printing SC 491.20 Applied Connective Technologies SC 5138.60 Culligan of McCook SC 14.50 Eakes Office Plus S 384.00 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 309.60 Hometown Leasing SC 86.12 Rhea Hernandez M 137.00 RXNT SC 178.00 US Bank SC 1,690.80 TOTAL 3,429.82 WASTE FUND McCook Utilities SC 58.54 Nebraska Public Power District SC 103.32 TOTAL 161.86 GRAND TOTAL 172,562.82

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to adjourn the meeting at 11:25 a.m. to June 22, 2026.

Ted Gans _____
Chairman, Board of Commissioners

Attest: Penelope Cooper _____
County Clerk