

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETINGS

October 13, 2026

The Red Willow County Board of Commissioners and the Board of Equalization met in the Commissioners' Room in the courthouse on October 13, 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 8:34 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.

Chairman Gans recessed the Commissioners' meeting at 9:10 a.m. for the Board of Equalization.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING:

Chairman Randy Dean called the Board of Equalization meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. with the following members present: Commissioners Ted Gans, Randy Dean and Charles Fritsche. Dean informed the public about the location of the posted Open Meetings Act.

A motion was made by Gans, seconded by Fritsche, to recess the regular meeting and enter into a public hearing at 9:11 a.m. to receive public comments on the 2026/2027 final levies. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

Clerk Penny Cooper presented levies for the following political subdivisions for which the Red Willow County Board of Equalization is empowered to levy or certify a tax levy: McCook Public Schools and Southwest Public Schools, ESU No. 15, Cities of McCook and Indianola, Villages of Bartley, Danbury and Lebanon, rural fire districts of Bartley, Beaver Valley, Indianola and Red Willow Western, cemetery districts of Danbury, Hamburg and Lebanon, Middle Republican NRD, High Plains Historical Society, and the County.

A motion was made by Fritsche, seconded by Gans, to adjourn the public hearing at 9:14 a.m. and reconvene the regular BOE meeting. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

A motion was made by Gans, seconded by Fritsche, to levy the necessary taxes for 2026 and certify all levies as presented for said political subdivisions. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

Lori Stevens, Assessor, presented Tax Roll Correction No. 10 for 2026. A local business closed and the taxes were accelerated.

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

Chairman Dean adjourned the Board of Equalization meeting at 9:20 a.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING: (Reconvened)

Chairman Gans reconvened the Board of Commissioners meeting at 9:20 a.m.

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 \$467,563.99, 3) Special Designated Liquor License for HoJo's Hideaway. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: 1) City of McCook – Notice of Public Hearing, Walters Second Addition, 2) Notice of Request for Special Exception, Hegwood Concrete.

The following reports were reviewed and placed on file: 1) Clerk's monthly revenue report, 2) District Court Clerk's monthly revenue report, 3) HHW quarterly report.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to recess the regular meeting and enter into a public hearing at 9:30 a.m. to receive public comments on the Application for Conditional Use Permit submitted by Jay Sporer of Lake Side Land Company, LLC for a Conditional Use Permit for a temporary asphalt plant site for a Nebraska Department of Roads highway project on property described as a tract of land being Part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (SE1/4 SE1/4) Section 20, Township 3 North, Range 30 West of the 6th P.M., Red Willow County, Nebraska on 10 acres. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

A motion was made by Fritsche, seconded by Dean, to adjourn the public hearing at 9:40 a.m. and reconvene the regular meeting. Roll call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to adopt Resolution No. 1625, Book 25, Page 15, to approve the Conditional Use Permit for Jay Sporer of Lake Side Land Company, LLC for a Conditional Use Permit for a temporary asphalt plant site for a Nebraska Department of Roads highway project on property described as a tract of land being Part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (SE1/4 SE1/4) Section 20, Township 3 North, Range 30 West of the 6th P.M., Red Willow County, Nebraska on 10 acres. Roll Call: Ayes: Gans, Dean, Fritsche.

The following claims were allowed:

GENERAL FUND Reimbursements M 305.59 Ace Hardware S 295.90 Adriann Smith M 145.49 Applied Connective Technologies SC 3,090.56 Arnold Motor Supply S 77.97 Ashley K Spahn LF 500.00 Bob Barker Company Inc SC 562.63 Brico Pest Control SC 120.00 Central Plains Valuation LLC SC 13,360.00 Clerk Of District Court Petty Cash SC 118.49 Community Hospital SC 14,994.90 Cranmore Fire Protection LLC SC 305.00 Crystal Dack S 164.16 Daniel D Miller CPA SC 5,100.00 Domestic Abuse/Sexual Assault Serv D 10,601.00 Donna Kircher M 543.44 Doyle Auto Repair SC 90.35 Eakes Office Solutions S 1,000.93 Election Systems & Software Inc SC 2,542.75 ESRI Inc SC 602.00 Farrells Pharmacy Inc SC 480.70 Frenchman Valley Co-Op S 2,981.96 Goodwin Siegfried LLC LF 275.00 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 436.85 Holiday Inn M 389.85 Hometown Leasing R 1,328.98 Ideal Linen Supply SC 159.40 Jessica Bortner M 31.92 Justin M Daake LF 37.50 Language Line Services SC 1.18 MIPS Inc SC 4,511.16 Maximus Inc SC 2,600.00 McCook Gazette SC 1,853.76 McCook Humane Society Inc D 450.00 McCook Utilities SC 617.04 Mead Lumber S 109.92 Melissa Wilcox SC 125.00 Michael T Simmonds M 86.64 Microfilm Imaging Systems Inc SC 129.00 Mid American Research Chemical Corp S 349.79 Miller & Associates Consulting Eng SC 4,550.00 MNB Bank 135.62 Mousel Brooks Schneider & Mustion LF 700.85 NACO SC 5,202.20 NE Law Enforcement Training Center D 175.00 Nebraska Department Of Labor 0.42 Nebraska Public Health Environment SC 210.00 Nebraska Public Power District SC 2,949.82 Nicks Distributing Inc S 688.75 Patty Eisenach SC 3.04 Prairie Plains CASA D 10,000.00 Quadient Finance USA, Inc SC 1,003.00 Quadient Leasing USA, Inc SC 191.97 Quill Corporation SC 154.26 Rapid Fire Protection Inc SC 621.00 Red Willow County District Court LF 294.00 Red Willow County Sheriff SF 108.92 Retirement Plans Division Ameritas 119.66 Ruby Collins M 215.84 Ryan R Wilcox C 8,100.00 Shred-It USA SC 368.46 SRK Enterprise LLC SC 546.00 Streaky-Clean Window Cleaning SC 300.00 Teresa Thomas M 370.22 TK Elevator Corporation SC 561.91 Tracy Zink M 18.24 Tyler Esch M 12.92 US Bank SC 2,120.99 U-Save Pharmacy & Medical Supply SC 18.16 Verizon Wireless SC 114.78 Volz Inc SC 80.00 Walter Heating, Cooling & Const LLC SC 1,854.00 Net Salary 1,772.80 Total 115,039.64 ROAD FUND Ag Valley Co-Op S 9,473.49 AKRS Equipment S 518.92 BW Telcom SC 104.34 Baum Hydraulics S 1,639.52 C & K Distributors S 14.97 Commercial Industrial Supply Co SC 204.05 D & S Hardware S 59.57 EIA LLC S 12,007.08 Frenchman Valley Co-Op S 1,768.29 Les Honeymann SC 254.25 Lingo Communications SC 19.10 Lords Inc S 167.70 Malleck Oil Company S 61.45 McCook Utilities SC 98.55 McCook Concrete, Inc S 26,333.23 Mead Lumber S 25.99 Mittens S 5,826.64 Modern Equipment Heartland NH S 609.87 Nebraska Public Power District SC 43.81 Powerplan SC 1,430.59 Ruggles Truck & Trailer Sales LLC SC 155.00 Southwest Farm & Auto Supply S 368.23 Titan Machinery SC 38.50 Village Of Bartley SC 111.10 Winzer SC 360.75 TOTAL 61,694.99 VISITOR PROMOTION FUND Flagship Publishing Inc SC 723.00 McCook Gazette SC 22.44 Miles Partnership SC 5,000.00 Nebraska Game & Parks D 625.00 US Bank SC 483.08 TOTAL 6,853.52 VISITOR IMPROVEMENT FUND City Of McCook D 50,000.00 Elizabeth Aguirre C 2,059.00 Heritage Hills Golf Course D 50,000.00 Sarah Schneider C 1,500.00 TOTAL 103,559.00 FAIR FUND Michelle McNea SC 60.00 Ace-Yuma SC 144.87 Black Hills Energy SC 225.65 Brico Pest Control SC 400.00 Caleb Dorenkamp SC 300.00 Cardmember Services SC 783.16 Clarice Shields SC 160.63 David Bunnell SC 1,250.00 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 171.38 Hometown Leasing SC 113.45 John Deere Financial SC 116.81 Justin Bright SC 200.00 McCook Gazette SC 4.37 McCook Utilities SC 613.76 McCookNet Internet Service SC 44.00 Mead Lumber S 307.72 Nebraska Public Power District SC 2,153.56 Nicks Distributing Inc S 2,463.53 NKC Tire SC 85.80 Platte River Paint McCook SC 195.97 Rapid Fire Protection Inc SC 2,890.00 Ravenswood Electric LLC SC 88.00 SRK Enterprise LLC SC 1,740.38 TOTAL 14,513.04 SELF INSURANCE FUND Lucent Health Solutions LLC I 108,453.77 TOTAL 108,453.77 ARENA FUND AKRS Equipment S 3,412.68 Black Hills Energy SC 295.15 Brico Pest Control SC 400.00 Cardmember Services SC 369.75 David Bunnell SC 12,700.00 Frenchman Valley Co-Op S 1,125.69 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 100.00 John Deere Financial S 299.98 Kully Pipe & Steel Supply SC 942.56 Maris General Construction LLC SC 2,100.00 McCook Utilities SC 762.37 Michaelis Heating & Cooling LLC SC 170.00 Nebraska Public Power District SC 1,593.20 Ruggles Truck & Trailer Sales LLC SC 45.00 The Buddy Trailer SC 2,091.91 TOTAL 26,408.29 OPIOID FUND Region II Services SC 5,886.00 TOTAL 5,886.00 HEALTH FUND Applied Connective Technologies SC 134.03 Community Hospital SC 44.93 Eakes Office Solutions SC 182.72 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 311.13 Hometown Leasing SC 86.12 Jaymie White M 97.73 Sanofi Pasteur Inc SC 24,249.75 Susan Ihrig M 40.00 US Bank SC 748.48 TOTAL 25,894.89 WASTE FUND McCook Utilities SC 61.99 Nebraska Public Power District SC 98.98 TOTAL 160.97 GRAND TOTAL 468,464.11

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 a.m. to October 26, 2026.

Ted Gans
Chairman, Board of Commissioners

Randy Dean,
Chairman, Board of Equalization

Attest: Penelope Cooper
County Clerk