BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETINGS
November 9, 2026

The Red Willow County Board of Commissioners and the Board of Equalization met in the Commissioners' Room in the courthouse on November 9, 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. Vice-Chairman Randy Dean called the Board of Commissioners meeting to order with the following members present: Commissioners Randy Dean and Charles Fritsche. Ted Gans was absent. Dean informed the public about the location of the posted Open Meetings Act.

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

The Board reviewed accounts payable claims.

At 9:00 a.m. Vice-Chairman Dean offered the floor for Citizens' Comments. No one was present.

Dean announced a Planning & Zoning meeting Tuesday, November 17, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.

There were no issues for the Board of Equalization.

The Board discussed gravel purchases. A local vendor has been billing the County for gravel without weigh tickets.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, for the commissioner in the maintenance district to be the person who orders the gravel. Dean also moved to accept only gravel that is accompanied by scale tickets indicating driver, date, time, location. Roll call: Ayes: Dean, Fritsche. Absent: Gans.

Sheriff Downing joined the Board to inquire about bi-weekly pay periods. The jail is currently undergoing a staff study. It would cost less to move to a more frequent pay period.

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 meeting, 2) accounts payable claims in the amount of $528,990.53, 3) appoint Troy Bruntz to Airport Zoning Board to replace Mike Kugler, term to expire August 31, 2028, 4) amended 2026/2027 Tax Levies, 5) Memorandum of Understanding for Community-Based Juvenile Services and Program, 6) Maximus Certification Statement, 7) reappoint Kelli Soden and Jessica Myers to Fair Board, terms to Expire December 31, 2029, 8) accept resignations from Joseph Robinson and Brian Reynolds from the Fair Board, 9) appoint Craig Merrihew to Hillcrest Board to replace Mike Eklund, term to Expire December 31, 2031, 10) extend Skid Steer lease for Arena. Roll call: Ayes: Dean, Fritsche. Absent: Gans.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to pull the claim for the Fair to repay the Fair Operating Fund for 4-H ribbons. Roll call: Ayes: Dean, Fritsche. Absent: Gans.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: City of McCook – Notice of Public Hearing, Clary Subdivision Replat #4, Red Willow County Health Board Minutes.

The following reports were reviewed and placed on file: Clerk of District Court's monthly revenue report, 2) Treasurer's Distress Warrant report.

The Board performed the quarterly Jail Inspection. Everything was found to be satisfactory.

The following claims were allowed:

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 Ace Hardware S 57.54 ACME Printing SC 69.00 Adriann Smith M 8.21 Applied Connective Technologies SC 3,090.56 Ashley K Spahn LF 500.00 Blakes Service SC 20.00 Brico Pest Control SC 100.00 Clerk of District Court Petty Cash R 68.92 Cummins Sales and Service SC 384.79 Doyle Auto Repair SC 330.10 Eakes Office Solutions SC 3,322.16 Farrells Pharmacy Inc SC 389.29 Frenchman Valley Co-Op S 3,335.37 Georgia Kautz M 50.48 Goodwin Siegfried LLC LF 1,106.25 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 436.85 Holiday Inn TR -389.85 Hometown Leasing SC 1,187.69 Ideal Linen Supply SC 159.40 Lincoln County Sheriff SF 25.55 MIPS Inc SC 4,366.16 Masonic Temple Craft Inc R 495.00 McCook Gazette SC 996.55 McCook Utilities SC 579.89 Mead Lumber S 229.97 Melissa Wilcox SC 375.00 Michael T Simmonds M 151.24 Microfilm Imaging Systems Inc SC 129.00 Mid-American Research

Chemical Corp S 198.56 Midwest Connect SC 581.00 Modern Cleaners SC 58.00 Mousel Brooks Schneider & Mustion LF 751.75 NACO D 165.00 Nebraska Department of Labor SC 8,448.00 Nebraska Public Health Environment SC 210.00 Nebraska Public Power District SC 2,037.61 Nicks Distributing Inc S 143.39 Quadient Finance USA, Inc SC 513.98 Quality Urgent Care PC SF 4,000.00 Rapid Fire Protection Inc SC 1,446.94 Red Willow County Court LF 159.00 Red Willow County District Court LF 214.00 Red Willow County Sheriff SF 61.68 Ryan R Wilcox C 8,100.00 Shred-It USA SC 497.87 Tammie Hilker C 352.50 TKO Pest Control LLC SC 85.00 US Bank SC 2,470.51 US Postmaster S 59.00 US Bank Equipment Finance SC 142.16 Verizon Wireless SC 114.87 Total 52,385.94 ROAD FUND Ag Valley Co-Op S 9,583.64 American Agricultural Lab SC 100.00 BW Telcom SC 104.34 C&K Distributors SC 10.91 Cambridge Telephone Company SC 62.54 D&S Hardware S 12.26 EIA LLC S 6,693.03 Landmark Implement Inc S 47.41 Lingo Communications SC 19.10 McCook Utilities SC 98.67 McCook Concrete, Inc S 7,415.76 Medical Enterprises Inc SC 36.00 Messersmith Auction Company SC 5,000.00 Mittens S 2,778.71 Modern Farm Equipment Corp S 2,455.07 Nebraska Public Power District SC 41.46 Powerplan SC 1,038.15 Quality Urgent Care SC 50.00 Viaero Wireless SC 109.23 Village Of Bartley SC 106.64 Total 35,762.92 VISITORS PROMOTION FUND McCook Little Britches Rodeo DN 2,000.00 ACME Printing SC 143.12 Armstrong Software SC 2,700.00 McCook Economic Development Corp SC 760.35 McCook Gazette SC 22.44 McCook Community Foundation SC 400.00 Travelstorysgps LLC SC 600.00 US Bank S 217.53 Total 6,843.44 VISITORS IMPROVEMENT FUND Elizabeth Aguirre C 2,059.00 McCook Chamber Of Commerce DN 3,797.99 Sarah Schneider C 1,500.00 Total 7,356.99 FAIR FUND Wil Steinbeck SC 1,500.00 Black Hills Energy SC 430.20 Brico Pest Control SC 100.00 Caleb Dorenkamp C 300.00 Cardmember Services SC 842.28 Electronic Systems Inc SC 155.00 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 171.38 Hometown Leasing SC 113.45 Ideal Linen Supply SC 28.95 John Deere Financial SC 247.81 McCook Gazette SC 3.71 McCook Utilities SC 563.30 McCookNet Internet Service SC 44.00 Nebraska Public Power District SC 1,205.69 SRK Enterprise LLC SC 1,740.38 Total 7,446.15 SELF INSURANCE FUND Lucent Health Solutions LLC I 42,330.44 Total 42,330.44 ARENA FUND Buddy Trailer SC 12,500.00 Black Hills Energy SC 700.61 Cardmember Services SC 1,628.84 Electronic Systems Inc SC 230.00 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 100.00 Mc Cook Utilities SC 607.34 Nebraska Public Power District SC 1,276.23 Total 17,043.02 OPIOID FUND Ambience Counseling Center LLC SF 624.60 Total 624.60 HEALTH FUND Applied Connective Technologies SC 134.03 GlaxoSmithKline Pharmaceuticals S 2,375.76 Great Plains Communications Inc SC 310.32 Hometown Leasing SC 86.12 Kristen Puckett M 119.00 Mc Cook Gazette SC 10.70 McKesson Medical Surgical S 206.74 Medico-Mart Inc S 13,503.11 Nebraska Rural Radio Association SC 250.00 Pathology Services PC SC 3,893.30 Sanofi Pasteur Inc SC 21,170.88 US Bank SC 1,273.28 Total 43,333.24 JAIL BOND FUND Bokf, NA BP 315,712.50 Total 315,712.50 WASTE FUND McCook Utilities SC 61.69 Nebraska Public Power District SC 89.60 Total 151.29 Grand Total 528,990.53

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to recess the meeting at 9:45 a.m. for the jail inspection.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Fritsche, to adjourn the meeting at 10:50 a.m. to November 23, 2026

Randy Dean
Vice-Chairman, Board of Commissioners

Attest: Penelope Cooper
County Clerk