



Nance County Board Minutes



April 28th, 2026

A meeting of the County Board of Supervisors of Nance County, Nebraska was convened in open session on April 28th, 2026 in the Supervisor's Room, Nance County Courthouse, Fullerton, Nebraska.

Chairman the meeting to order at 9:05 am with the following members present- Andrew Ditter, Steve Crouse, Robert Voichoskie, Ralph Horacek, Darren Nelson, Scott Russell and Timothy Cornwell; Absent-None. Also, present is County Clerk, Adrian Chlopek and County Attorney, Rod Wetovick.

Chairman advised those present of the open meetings act and its posting in the Supervisor's Room.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publication in the Genoa Leader Times on April 22nd, 2026.

Notice of the meeting was given to the Board and a receipt of their acknowledgment is on file in the Clerk's office.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited at previous Board of Equalization meeting.

Moved by Voichoskie and seconded by Ditter to approve the agenda.

Moved by Voichoskie and seconded by Russell to approve minutes of the April 14th, 2026 meeting.

Moved by Horacek and seconded by Crouse to approve all claims submitted.

GENERAL FUND

Applied Connective Tech, svcs.-\$3,339.43; Ashley Boryca, mileage-\$80.77; Axon Enterprise Inc., supplies-\$7,321.42; Black Hills Energy, svcs-\$279.00; Bryan Physician Network, svcs-\$385.00; Capital Business Systems, copies/lease-\$147.50; Chad Borowiak, mileage-\$255.93; Cintas, supplies-\$30.84; City of Fullerton, ambulance & water-\$575.48; City of Genoa, ambulance-\$250.00; Clearly, phone svc-\$695.99; Columbus Community Hospital, svcs-\$4,880.51; Culligan, reverse osmosis-\$239.97; D&H Truck & Auto Parts, parts/supplies-\$94.84; DAS- State of NE-Central Finance, svcs-\$709.60; Eakes, supplies & copies-\$1,537.04; Ecolab, svcs-\$234.54; Election Systems & Software, election-\$4,415.13; Farm & Home Publishers, supplies-\$270.00; First Concord, buy down-\$8,288.20; Genoa Leader Times, pub.-\$468.38; Sonya Glup, mileage -\$234.39; Griffin's Forge, retirement gift-\$75.00; Heartland Disposal, svcs-\$404.94; Holiday Inn, lodging-\$279.90; Hometown Leasing, svcs-\$840.87; Howard County, dispatching-\$39,000.00; Intrepid Networks, svcs-\$1,176.00; Janette Bialas, retirement-\$35.00; Len & Jo's - supplies-\$148.33; Lifeguard MD, supplies-\$1,251.15; Loup Power Dist, elect.-\$1,360.88; Megan Zoucha, mileage-\$303.07; MIPS, svcs-\$3,125.68; NACO, regs-\$450.00; Nance County Court, claim #307-\$90.00; Nance County District Court, claim #348-\$39.00; NENEDD, dues-\$930.00; Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center, supplies-\$142.00; Nebraska Weed Control Association, dues-\$175.00; Olsson, svcs-\$999.00; Paper Tiger Shredding, svcs-\$76.00; Pappy's Place, fuel-\$35.70; Steve Pritchard, mileage-\$149.29; Purchase of Cash, clerk-\$119.95; Red Coal Repair, svcs-\$150.00; Service Master, svcs-\$3,353.00; Eric Klutman, atty fees-\$2,166.25; Sparrow Publications, pub.-\$709.67; St. Rose of Lima, rent-\$50.00; UNL, equipment-\$1,193.67; US Bank, regs/supplies-\$150.00/\$1,168.74; Wex, fuel-\$1,188.00; Brandi Yosten, atty fees-\$1,137.50; **Health Insurance-\$22,006.31; Retirement-\$8,357.86; Social Security-\$8,476.06; Disability-\$24.97; Life Insurance-\$28.99; First Concord-\$139.50;**

ROAD FUND

A.J.'s of Genoa, fuel-\$281.35; Appeara, supplies-\$36.26; Applied Connective Technologies, svcs-\$1,044.25; B's Enterprises, supplies-\$5,600.00; Black Hills Energy, heating fuel-\$409.00; Bowman, svcs-\$80.00; Casey's, fuel-\$498.16; Central City Scale, parts-\$14.50; City of Fullerton, water/sewer-\$76.67; City of Genoa, water/sewer-\$38.64; Clearly, svcs-\$47.64; Cornhusker PPD, electricity-\$85.18; D&H Truck & Auto Parts, parts & supplies-\$570.92; Dale R Johnson Enterprises, gravel-\$5,316.44; Eakes, supplies-\$25.13; Elite Door, svcs-\$435.00; FilterCare, parts-\$266.65; Genoa Leader Times, pub.-\$23.50; Grainger, supplies-\$799.46; Heartland Disposal, svcs-\$179.69; Hometown Leasing, svcs-\$59.30; JA Traffic Products, supplies-\$400.00; Kayton International, parts-\$65.35; Lawson Products, parts-\$202.20; Loup Power Dist., electricity-\$707.19; Medical Enterprises, svcs-\$249.25; MIPS, svcs-\$116.53; NE Machinery Company, parts & svcs-\$1,541.94; Pappy's, fuel-\$1,048.56; Prairie Creek Township, road maint.-\$2,500.00; RDO Truck Centers, parts-\$1,115.00; Riverside Portable, LLC, svcs-\$280.00; Sack Lumber, supplies-\$42.43; Sapp Brothers, fuel -\$21,637.42; Smith & Sons Repair, svcs-\$10,037.79; T&R Parts Store, parts-\$19.99; Tom's Auto Care, svcs-\$16.05; US Bank, supplies-\$560.19; Verizon, svcs-\$199.87; Verizon Connect, svcs-\$301.87; Village of Belgrade, water & sewer svc-\$55.50; Willscot, rental-\$310.00; **Health Insurance-\$16,896.30; Retirement-\$5,811.86; Social Security-\$6,371.93; Disability-\$12.49; Life Insurance-\$16.23; First Concord-\$96.00;**

VISITORS PROMOTION

SINKING BRIDGE FUND

HWY BRIDGE/ROAD BUYBACK PROGRAM FUND

SINKING ROAD EQUIPMENT FUND

Caterpillar Financial Services Corp, equipment-\$88,807.02;

APPRAISAL FUND

REGISTER OF DEEDS FUNDS

VMP FLOW THROUGH FUND

Loup Power, elect.-\$119.00;

CANINE FUND

DISASTER FUND

Applied Connective Technologies, svcs-\$7,093.97; B-D Construction, svcs-\$165,927.00;

LOCAL ASSIST/TRIBAL CONSISTENCY FUND

SINKING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND

INHERITANCE TAX FUND

911 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND

Century Link, phone-\$282.23; Clearly, phone svc-\$23.82; Frontier Citizens, phone-\$72.56; Great Plains Communication, phone-\$82.40; Loup Public Power, electricity-\$33.96;

BUILDING FUND

SALARY CLAIMS	\$92,089.61
GENERAL FUND	\$97,207.55
ROAD FUND	\$57,294.87

The Board reviewed and approved the County Treasurer's Miscellaneous Receipts #26010050 through #26010104 in the amount of \$2,357,659.26 for the month of February, 2026. The Board reviewed and approved the County Treasurer's Miscellaneous Receipts #26030001 through #26030074 in the amount of \$440,835.65 for the month of March. Moved by Horacek and seconded by Crouse to approve Treasurer's Miscellaneous Receipts for February and March 2026.

RESOLUTION #26-5

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NANCE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS to authorize the County Treasurer to make the following transfer in accordance with the adopted 2025-2026 budget: transfer \$225,000.00 from the General fund to the Road fund. Moved by Nelson and seconded by Crouse to approve said resolution.

Copyright discussion on a picture that was used on the website once for less than a week, was taken off when notified. There was no copyright trademark on the picture. The artist is claiming \$2,500 for a one time use license fee plus damages. Discussion on how to handle the issue. Moved by Russell and seconded by Ditter to offer \$5,000. Discussion held. Roll call: AYES: Russell; NAYS: Voichoskie, Horacek, Nelson, Crouse, Ditter, Cornwell. Motion failed. Moved by Ditter and seconded by Crouse to offer \$2,500 for the licensing fee. Roll call: AYES: Horacek, Crouse, Nelson, Ditter; NAYS: Voichoskie, Russell and Cornwell. Motion carried.

9:30 am County Assessor, Megan Zoucha present.

Discussion about purchasing a different county vehicle. Two dealerships gave options, 1 option, 2026 Explorer for \$37,872 from Gene Steffey in Columbus and 4 from Woodhouse, all 2026: Explorer \$46,240, Explorer \$41,278, Durango \$47,930 and Traverse \$46,719. Discussion held. SuAnn Engel discussed where it would be budgeted from, from assessor and building fund. Chlopek stated she would have some in her fund line to assist if needed. Motion made by Horacek and seconded by Crouse to accept bid from Gene Steffey for the 2026 Ford Explorer for \$37,872. Roll call: AYES: Voichoskie, Horacek, Nelson, Crouse, Ditter, Cornwell; NAYS: Russell. Motion carried.

9:35 am County Sheriff, Ben Bakewell present.

County will be having a silent auction of surplus inventory once the road remodel is complete, including but not limited to desks, filing cabinets, small trailer, other miscellaneous inventory. We will advertise once all items are available for the sale.

Tony Bernt, Highway Superintendent, gave updates on the road department. Stock piling gravel, since it has been raining. Working on culverts and driveways. Moving equipment to the Forbes FEMA project on Valley Road. Will be working on the fairground's drainage project. Have been working in the shop taking out wall to allow for more parking and building shelves upstairs to be able to utilize more spaces for storage. Still have a few projects that have to be finished up on Road building remodel and waiting on electrical inspection. Once remodel is done will have items to put on the surplus inventory sale. Will be focusing on finishing up on 2024 FEMA Flood projects, have one large one the bridge on Valley Road by Forbes and have about 7 smaller projects, will have crews running on them as available.

Discussion and review of the Utility Right-of-Way permit was held. After discussion, was decided to make the following changes: 1. Change the bore fee to \$500 per bore, \$2500 for plowing per mile with minimum of a mile, and \$5,000 for trenching per mile with minimum of a mile. 2. Add that a bond from the Utility Company for at least one half the permitting fee (minimum \$10,000) is to be on deposit for a period of 2 years or after fulfilling all of its repair obligations. 3. Require that the Certificate of Liability Insurance be from the Utility company requesting the permitting, while also supplying one from the contractor. Moved by Horacek and seconded by Russell to make the changes to the Utility Right-of- Way permit.

Discussion of intersection at N 140th and N 530th. Discussion was held on more traffic on road going north and south. Stop signs are on the north-south side of intersection. Discussion held on wanting traffic study. Bernt stated he could look into what a new traffic counter would cost and other options that might be available. After further discussion. Moved by Ditter and seconded by Horacek to table item until next meeting when information on doing a traffic study can be brought to the board. Roll call: AYES: Voichoskie, Horacek, Ditter, Cornwell; NAYS: Nelson, Crouse, Russell. Motion Carried.

11:07 am moved by Nelson and seconded by Russell to enter into executive session for privacy concerns. 11:34 am moved by Horacek and seconded by Ditter to reconvene into open session. No action taken.

SuAnn Gabel, HR/Budget presented a budget handout to the board members, with 2026-2027 budget calendar, budget letter and month end reports. She asked for items that the Board would like to be taken to the departments for them to be aware of when working on their budgets: they would like to have wage increases set on employees' evaluations (if they are not set by resolution) with a suggested 3% max (this would include cost of living). Blue Cross Blue Shield rates are not out yet, will need to be decided at next board meeting. Open enrollment is at the end of May. Budget worksheets will be handed out to the department heads to work on and returned by May 15th.

Moved by Horacek and seconded by Nelson to adjourn the meeting.

All motions, except where specified, had the following roll call vote: AYES- Voichoskie, Horacek, Crouse, Nelson, Russell, Ditter Cornwell; NAYS-None; ABSENT- None.
Motion carried.

Timothy C. Cornwell
Chairman

Adrian F. Chlopek
County Clerk