

SUPERVISOR'S RECORD NO. 18

SAUNDERS COUNTY, NEBRASKA

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS July 1, 2025

Pursuant to adjournment, the Board met with Bill Reece, John Zaugg, Robert Thiessen, Frank Albrecht, John Smaus and David Lutton present. Tom Hrdlicka was excused.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by published notice in a legal newspaper as shown by the proof of publication filed in the County Clerk's office. Notice of the meeting was emailed to all members of the Board and a copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of notice and agenda is attached. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public, except when in closed executive session.

Chairman Lutton called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. informed the public of the location of the posting of the Open Meetings Act & Title VI Policy Statement are posted on the North wall (right hand side) as you enter the Board Room.

Public Works Director reported on the following:

- ~Dirt Crew – Working at County Road 2&P concrete culvert separated. Will be moving to Cedar Bluffs tower site to Repair road when it dries out
- ~Culvert Crew – Will be working at County Road C&13&14 installing 86'x75' CMP (FEMA) then 10&11&C installing 48'x60' CMP drop pipe. Will be moving to Project (615) – County Road 7&8&Q Installing 72'x50' CMP with steel headwalls
- ~Contractor – Project (600) Ithaca Northeast County Road H&12&13 Triple Span 91'0" Slab Bridge on 0° skew. The contractor has started to mobilize
- ~Contractor – Project (859) Weston Northwest County Road 27&28&L Triple Span 91'9" Slab bridge on 0° skew. The contractor plans on mobilizing next week
- ~Contractor – Project (490) Mead East County Road 9&M&N Triple 12'x6'x59' CBC on 45° skew LHB. The contractor Plans on mobilizing this week.

Motion by Smaus, seconded by Reece to open bids at 9:04 a.m. for a concrete box culvert for Ceresco South C-78(765). Voting yes were Reece, Zaugg, Thiessen, Albrecht, Smaus and Lutton. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

SAUNDERS COUNTY, BRIDGE REPLACEMENT

C-78(765) C007815625 CERESCO SOUTH

Bid Letting: July 1, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

BIDDER (Name & Address)	BOND	START DATE	COMPLETION DATE	TOTAL BID
A&R Construction Co. PO Box 121 Plainview, NE 68769	XX	April 2026	July 2026	S 330,051.28
Bauer Infrastructure LLC 18570 SW 29th St, PO Box 29 Martell, NE 68404	XX	TBD	4/1/2026	S 563,499.42
Dixon Construction 1319 Hackberry St., PO Box 47 Correctionville, IA 51016	XX	9/15/25	60 working days	S 363,382.60
Gus Construction Co, Inc. PO Box 77 Casey, IA 50048	XX	9/1/2025	10/31/2025	S 300,974.90
JK Construction, LLC 6700 Little Salt Rd Ceresco, NE 68017	XX	8/2025	85 working days	S 322,620.39
ME Collins Contracting Co Inc PO Box 83 Wahoo, NE 68066	XX	1/15/2026	4/1/2026	S 332,805.56
Nemaha Infrastructure 541 S. 1st St Lincoln, NE 68508	XX	8/2025	75 working days	S 357,629.04
Vogt Enterprises, Inc 8901 S 83rd, Suite D Lincoln, NE 68516	XX	9/2025	11/15/2025	S 275,874.60

Highway Supt and Rep from Mainelli Wagner were to go over the bids and come back to the Board with a recommendation.

Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Thiessen to convene as an Equalization Board at 9:11 a.m. Voting yes were Zaugg, Thiessen, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton and Reece. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS

Pursuant to adjournment Sine Die, the Board met with John Zaugg, Robert Thiessen, Frank Albrecht, John Smaus, David Lutton and Bill Reece present. Tom Hrdlicka was excused.

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Motion by Thiessen, seconded by Zaugg to approve (12) Over/Under Valued Property Corrections as presented by the County Assessor. Voting yes were Thiessen, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece and Zaugg. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Smaus, seconded by Zaugg to approve the appeal of Casey's retail for filing late personal property form as recommended by the State of Nebraska Property Assessment Division. The late filing was due to an error made by the Post Office. Voting yes were Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Zaugg and Thlessen. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Lutton, seconded by Smaus to approve the Application for Tax Exemption from motor vehicle taxes by Encounter Life Ministries, Mead. Voting yes were Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Zaugg, Thiessen and Albrecht. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

The proceedings of the foregoing meeting were recorded and are on file in the County Clerk's office. All items considered by the Board of Equalization were included in the agenda published or posted prior to said meeting.

Chairman Reece declared the meeting adjourned Sine Die at 9:21 a.m.

ATTEST: _____
Saunders County Clerk

Chairman Board of Equalization

Upon the adjournment of the Equalization Board, the Saunders County Board of Supervisors reconvened in their Regular Board meeting.

Director of Facilities and Grounds reported on the following:

- ~Refrigerant will be done tomorrow
- ~Compressors under warranty

Motion by Thiessen, seconded by Albrecht to accept the bid of Vogt Enterprises, Lincoln in the amount of \$275,874.60 for the concrete box culvert for Ceresco South C-78(765) and reject all others. Voting yes were Lutton, Reece, Zaugg, Thiessen, Albrecht and Smaus. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Candace Meredith, Deputy Director of NACO spoke to the Board about legislative updates that affect the Counties and what NACO is doing and resources for Counties on the NACO website

County Attorney Jennifer Joakim, Deputy County Attorney Darren Hartman and County Sheriff Chris Lichtenberg spoke to the Board about storage needs. Vehicles need to be held until a court case has been completed, the charge for these can be quite high. Would like to have somewhere to store these vehicles on County property. The Board told them to look into County property to see if anything the County currently owns will work.

Motion by Lutton, seconded by Reece to approve the cash advance to History Nebraska in the amount of \$4,800.00 for Part 2 review to Tax Credits for the Bathroom Renovation Project. Voting yes were Reece, Zaugg, Thiessen, Albrecht, Smaus and Lutton. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Smaus, seconded by Zaugg to approve to approve the Special Designated Liquor License application by Saunders County Ag Society, for a Concert, August 2, 2025 from 3:00 p.m. to August 3, 2025 12:00 a.m. at the Saunders County Fairgrounds Pit Area, 635 E 1st St, Wahoo. Voting yes were Zaugg, Thiessen, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton and Reece. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Doug Elting of Berggren & Assoc spoke to the Board about the opening of bids for the Bathroom Restoration Project. Derek Schmitz of Sandcreek Construction also spoke with the Board.

Motion by Thiessen, seconded by Reece to open the bid received for the Bathroom Restoration Project. Voting yes were Thiessen, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece and Zaugg. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

One bid was received: Sandcreek Construction/JEO in the amount of \$799,000.00.

Motion by Smaus, seconded by Zaugg to table the accepting of the bid. Voting yes were Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Zaugg and Thiessen. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

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Motion by Smaus, seconded by Albrecht to approve the Payroll for the July 11th Pay Period. The County Treasurer is hereby authorized to issue a check to the Saunders County Imprest Account for the full amount of all funds. Voting yes were Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Zaugg, Thiessen and Albrecht. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Open Discussion from the Public: Jerry Johnson would like to see open discussion from the Public moved to the beginning of the agenda. That is how they do it at the City Council meetings.

Committee Reports: Emergency Management Director met with one of the committees; he would like the County to Purchase him a vehicle instead of using his personal vehicle for work related business

Some of the Board members attended an Economic Development Seminar – need to really start Thinking about economic development in the County

Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Reece to convene in Closed Session at 10:51 a.m. for negotiations (84-1410) Voting yes were Reece, Zaugg, Albrecht, Smaus and Lutton. Voting no were none. Thiessen was absent during roll call and not voting. Motion carried.

Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Zaugg to adjourn from Closed Session at 12:00 p.m. with no action taken. Voting yes were Zaugg, Thiessen, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton and Reece. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Smaus, seconded by Reece to table action on Non-Bargaining Employees wages. Voting yes were Thiessen, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece and Zaugg. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Reece, seconded by Zaugg to authorize the Chairman to sign the engagement letter with Woods Aitken for services on an hourly basis for general labor and employment matters and other matters as submitted by Pam Bourne. Voting yes were Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Zaugg and Thiessen. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Reece, seconded by Smaus to approve Woods & Aitken's proposal for Culture Assessment and Leadership Training. Culture Assessment & Employee Interviews \$15,500.00; Written Report & Recommendation \$6,500.00; Leadership Training \$6,500.00. Voting yes were Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Zaugg, Thiessen and Albrecht. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

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Chairman Lutton declared the meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

ATTEST:

Saunders County Clerk

Chairman Board of Supervisors