

SUPERVISOR'S RECORD NO. 18

SAUNDERS COUNTY, NEBRASKA

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS January 6, 2026

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

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).

Chairman Lutton called for the Reorganizing of the Board of Supervisors for 2026 by selecting a Temporary Chairman, Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

Motion by Hrdlicka, seconded by Thiessen that Frank Albrecht serve as Temporary Chairman in the absence of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman for the year 2026. Voting yes were Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Thiessen, Albrecht, Smaus and Lutton. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Hrdlicka, seconded by Reece that Dave Lutton serve as the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, John Smaus serve as the Vice-Chairman of the Board for the year 2026. Voting yes were Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Thiessen, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton and Reece.

Public Works Director reported on the following:

- ~Dirt Crew – Working at Old Highway 77&E&F repairing a separated box culvert. also filling around culverts that are eroding
- ~Culvert Crew – working at County Road 23&S&T installing a new 24"x45' CMP. Will be moving to project (880) Ceresco West, County Road 20&A&Ashland Road, installing Twin 84"x42' CMPs on 15° skew (RHB)
- ~Contractor – Project (765) Ceresco South, County Road 18&19&Ashland Road, building triple 12'x10'x42' CBC on a 15° skew LHB. Contractor is working on grading and prepping project for seeding.
- ~Contractor – Project (890) Prague West County Road 29&Q&R, 90' span NU 900 Concrete Girder Bridge 0° skew. Last week contractor finished the sheet pile for Abutment 1 and moved the crane to Abutment 2. The bearing pile is stuck in place for Abutment 2 and ready to be driven. This week the contractor will drive the bearing pile and begin to drive the sheets at Abutment 2
- ~Contractor – Project 577 Wahoo Northwest County Road M&19&20 3-span continuous concrete slab bridge 20° skew RHB. Contractor started mobilizing last week. Started removing trees and debris around the old structure

Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Smaus to convene as an Equalization Board 9:17 a.m. Voting yes were Zaugg, Thiessen, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece and Hrdlicka. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS January 6, 2026

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

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.

Chairman Reece called the meeting to order at 9:17 a.m. and 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.

Chairman Reece called for the Reorganizing of the Board of Equalization for 2026 by selecting a Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

Motion by Hrdlicka, seconded by Zaugg that Bill Reece serve as the Chairman of the Board of Equalization, Frank Albrecht serve as the Vice-Chairman and Tom Hrdlicka serve as Temp Chairman in the absence of both the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, all for the year 2026. Voting yes were Thiessen, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka and Zaugg. 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 9:18 a.m.

ATTEST: _____
Saunders County Clerk

Chairman Board of Equalization

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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:

- NIRMA Structural Engineer inspected the Courthouse Roof – will be following up with a report
- Have one bid on Fire Alarm System for the Courthouse – getting more, looking for Grants to help Cover costs
- Work will be starting on the new water lines
- Demolition of men's bathrooms will be starting

Motion by Reece, seconded by Zaugg to adopt **Resolution #1-2026** designating the County Clerk to set the agenda and notify the Board of Supervisors of said meetings for the year 2026 into January 2027; **Resolution #2-2026** appointing Andy Nordstrom to the position of Public Works Director, as well as the position of the County Highway Superintendent for Calendar Year 2026; **Resolution #3-2026** appointing Mitch Polacek to the position of the Planning and Zoning Administrator/Building Inspector for 2026; **Resolution #4-2026** appointing William Bonney to the position of Veterans Service Officer; **Resolution #5-2026** appointing Ed Sladky to the position of Weed Control Supervisor; **Resolution #6-2026** appointing Grant Anderson to the position of Emergency Management Director; and **Resolution #7-2026** appointing Nick Wiese to the position of Director of Facilities and Grounds. Voting yes were Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg and Thiessen. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Smaus, seconded by Thiessen to adopt **Resolution #8-2026** declaring the depository banks for all funds collected and/or held by Saunders County for the period from January 1, 2026 into January of 2027; **Resolution #9-2026** authorizing the County Treasurer to invest excessive monies from the levies of the various taxing districts of Saunders County in the year 2026 into 2027; and **Resolution #10-2026** declaring FirstBank of Nebraska as the depository bank for all monies paid to or coming into the hands of the Judge or the Clerk of District Court from January 1, 2026 into January 2027. Voting yes were Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Thiessen and Albrecht. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Thiessen, seconded by Reece to approve the Committee Appointments of the Board Members for the Year 2026; committees remaining the same as last year except removing John Smaus from the Saunders County Economic Development Corporation Committee and adding John Zaugg. Voting yes were Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Thiessen, Albrecht and Smaus. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Zaugg, seconded by Hrdlicka to accept the County Treasurer's 6-month report as presented. Voting yes were Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Thiessen, Albrecht, Smaus and Lutton. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Smaus, seconded by Albrecht to adopt **Resolution #12-2026** approving the Lower Platte North NRD Hazard Mitigation Plan. Voting yes were Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Thiessen, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton and Reece. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Hrdlicka, seconded by Thiessen to approve the Special Designated Liquor License application by ANDGO LLC dba Woodcliff Restaurant, for a Wedding, January 24, 2026 from 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. at the Woodcliff Community Center, 980 County Road W Lot T1018, Fremont. Voting yes were Thiessen, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka and Zaugg. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Hrdlicka, seconded by Zaugg to approve the payroll for the January 9th Pay Period. The County Treasurer is hereby authorized to issue a check to the Saunders County Imprest Account for the full amount for all funds. Voting yes were Thiessen, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka and Zaugg. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

ALTEN: Board Member Reece received a call from Bill Thorson, Chairman, Village Board of Mead. The Lagoons are being treated. Sludge will be removed, old liner taken out and replaced with a new liner and the sludge put back in. The seed companies are wanting the Village of Mead to sign off on this project. They are not wanting to until they have more information.

Public Safety Radio Project: sidewalks are in, but there are some issues with loose bolts and issues with some of the Concrete

Motion by Hrdlicka, seconded by Thiessen to approve the minutes of the December 16th Board meeting. Voting yes were Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg and Thiessen. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Thiessen, seconded by Albrecht to convene in Closed Session at 10:03 a.m. (84-1410) for discussion of setting Elected Officials Salaries. Voting yes were Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Thiessen and Albrecht. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Reece, seconded by Thiessen to adjourn from Closed Session with no action and re-convene in Regular Meeting. Voting yes were Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Thiessen, Albrecht and Smaus. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Smaus, seconded by Zaugg to adopt **Resolution #11-2026** adopting the salaries of the Elected Officials for the term beginning January 2027 through January 2030. Voting yes were Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Thiessen, Albrecht, Smaus and Lutton. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

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Chairman Lutton declared the meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

ATTEST: _____
Saunders County Clerk

Chairman Board of Supervisors