

SUPERVISOR'S RECORD NO. 18

SAUNDERS COUNTY, NEBRASKA

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS September 23, 2025

Pursuant to adjournment, the Board met with Bill Reece, Tom Hrdlicka, Robert Thiessen, Frank Albrecht, John Smaus and David Lutton present. John Zaugg 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 31&T cleaning out ditch and installing culvert. Will be moving to Cedar Bluffs tower site to repair road
- ~Culvert Crew – moving to Project (885) County Road 28&Y&Z Triple 60"x41' CMP with steel headwalls. Will be moving to County Road 21&E&F
- ~Contractor – Project (859) Weston Northwest County Road 27&28&L Triple Span 91'9" Slab bridge on 0° skew. Last week the contractor continued grading roadway and ditches. Contractor also installed 24" driveway pipe on southeast corner of project. Guardrail and seeding will be scheduled when grading is complete.
- ~Contractor – Project (879) Ceresco North County Road 18&19&B Twin 10'x10'x42' CBC 0° skew. Last week the Contractor stripped walls and deck and began grouting the form holes. This week the contractor hopes to back fill and grade the site with seeding to follow

Discussion was held in regards to County Road 10 – Marietta Township Board Members were present – Timothy Johnson, Marc Johnson and Roger Nelson – Timothy Johnson spoke about the condition of 3 miles of County Road 10, with the clean up at ALTEN, the Borrow Pit owned by Josh Girmus and used by ME Collins Construction Company with trucks driven by Wenninghoff Seeding to haul dirt to the ALTEN site. According to Mr. Johnson 3 miles of County Road 10 are destroyed and unsafe. It is the busiest most traveled road in the precinct. Highway Department will work with the Township, County will grade it 2 to 3 times per week, Mike Collins of ME Collins will make sure the road is in working order when the project is done

Rhonda Andresen, County Assessor/Register of Deeds spoke to the Board about Pictometry quote. 6-year quote with every other year fly over of the County with 3" changefinder would be \$80,510.00 per year. The Board would like the County Attorney to review the contract and for Rhonda to come back to the Board at another time

Director of Facilities and Grounds reported on the following:

- ~Flat roof on LEJC work will start tomorrow
- ~Highway Department Building roof will start next week

Still a leak in the Law Library – it was supposed to have been taken care of; Board wants it looked at again

Grant Anderson, Emergency Management Director gave the Board an update of Emergency Management

- ~G402 class for Elected and Appointed Officials – he recommends everyone attend – lets them know what part they Play in a disaster
- ~Waiting to hear on NEMA grant – reimburses his salary and some expenses
- ~Working with SMC on Radios
- ~Finishing classes to become certified
- ~should be receiving about 50 weather radios to distribute to those in need

Jerry Berggren of Berggren Architects spoke to the Board about the billing of projects

Motion by Hrdlicka, seconded by Smaus to adopt Resolution #29-2025 appropriating funds to the various Elected and Appointed Officials and other various functions for the operation of County business for Fiscal Year 2025-2026. That said appropriated funds are adopted using a total tax levy rate of .226680. Voting yes were Reece, Hrdlicka, Thiessen, Albrecht, Smaus and Lutton. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Reece, seconded by Thiessen to approve the Vendor Claims for the month of September, 2025; 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 Hrdlicka, Thiessen, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton and Reece. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

ALTEN: EPA monitored – everything is improving
Public Safety Radio System: Wahoo Tower up

Motion by Smaus, seconded by Hrdlicka to approve the Fee & Activity reports submitted by various offices for the month of August 2025. Voting yes were Thiessen, Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece and Hrdlicka. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Committee Reports – Bill Reece will be meeting with Caleb Fjone, Executive Director, Ashland Area Economic Development Corporation, to discuss economic development for the County

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Motion by Reece, seconded by Smaus to amend the agenda and add an emergency item: Location Agreement – Lusid Media to allow filming in County Buildings for a documentary. Voting yes were Albrecht, Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka and Thiessen. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Richard Register of the Saunders County Attorney's office, said there were some issues with the agreement. He has been communicating with Lusid Media's legal department to make amendments to the agreement.

Motion by Thiessen, seconded by Smaus to approve the Location Agreement with amendments as recommended by the County Attorney. When County Attorney is satisfied with the document, the Chairman of the Board is approved to sign the document electronically. Voting yes were Smaus, Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka, Thiessen and Smaus. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Smaus, seconded by Albrecht to convene in Closed Session at 11:17 a.m. for Personnel (84-1410). Voting yes were Lutton, Reece, Hrdlicka, Thiessen, Albrecht and Smaus. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Reece to adjourn from Closed Session at 11:55 a.m. with no action taken. Voting yes were Reece, Hrdlicka, Thiessen, Albrecht, Smaus and Lutton. 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 Supervisors were included in the agenda published or posted prior to said meeting.

Chairman Lutton declared the meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

ATTEST: _____
Saunders County Clerk

Chairman Board of Supervisors