

SUPERVISOR'S RECORD NO. 18

SAUNDERS COUNTY, NEBRASKA

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS May 5, 2026

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

Vice-Chairman Smaus 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 – Cleaning ditches and preparing for County Road L Base Bind project.
- ~Culvert Crew – 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 (890) Prague West County Road 29&Q&R, 90' span NU 900 Concrete Girder Bridge 0° skew. Last week the Contractor seeded project and rocked project. Contractor plans on opening road to the public on Friday 5.8.26.
- ~Contractor – Project (577) Wahoo Northwest County Road M&19&20 3-span continuous concrete slab bridge 20° skew RHB. Last week, contractor worked on the falsework. This week taking shim shots and tying rebar. Plan on pouring the deck middle to end of next week.

Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Hrdlicka to set public hearing for May 19, 2026 for the County's One & Six Year Road Plan. Voting yes were Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Thiessen, Albrecht and Smaus. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Hrdlicka, seconded by Thiessen to authorize Flagmen of Prague, NE to use County roads for their Tractor Drive on June 7, 2026. Voting yes were Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Thiessen, Albrecht, Smaus and Reece. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Brian Styskal, Jail Director talked to the Board about the RFPs for food services at the jail that he received. He received three; Consolidated Correction Food Services; Trinity Services & Summit Food Services (current provider), all submitted on time and all met requirements. All came in lower than the current contract. He recommends Trinity Services due to having a comprehensive proposal and being the lowest price.

Motion by Thiessen, seconded by Reece to approve the proposal of Trinity Services for food services at the jail. Voting yes were Zaugg, Thiessen, Albrecht, Smaus, Reece and Hrdlicka. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Jonathan Mohr of Spheros Environmental Presentation of Hydrogeologic Assessment on Groundwater Availability for Saunders County

Mitch Polacek, Zoning Administrator presented the Board with Application #1352 by Timothy Robinson for classic car restoration (small business), parcel ID #004028502, 821 County Road S, 31-16-9, Leshara Township

Timothy Robinson spoke to the Board about his application

Larry Jobeun, Omaha representing Got It Covered LLC and Pawnee Ridge Development – spoke against the Board setting precedence in approving this application. Feels it would impede future growth of subdivisions such as Pawnee Ridge that it is a Land Use issue, Land Use is really for a salvage yard when this area is really zoned for residential purposes, this is really an industrial use permit should go along Highway 92 between Wahoo & Mead according to the County's Comprehensive Plan. Maybe do a temporary use permit with review from time to time

Motion by Reece, seconded by Zaugg to approve Application #1352 by Timothy Robinson for classic car restoration (small business).. Voting yes were Thiessen, Albrecht, Smaus, Reece, Hrdlicka and Zaugg. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Danielle Dring Attorney with Koley Jessen, Omaha, representing River Resort LLC aka Graff Island – spoke to the Board about accepting the ceding of jurisdiction from Douglas County to Saunders County for this piece of land IF Douglas County cedes it

ALTEN – Lots of dump trucks coming & going

Economic Development – David, Bill, John & Jennifer will be meeting with Jerry Johnson, Jovan Lausterer & possibly other city reps

Reece will be speaking at the GWDF meeting to explain plans moving forward

Motion by Reece, seconded by Thiessen to adopt the County Inclement Weather Policy as submitted. Voting yes were Thiessen, Albrecht, Smaus, Reece, Hrdlicka and Zaugg. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

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Motion by Hrdlicka, seconded by Albrecht to approve the minutes of the April 28th meeting. Voting yes were Albrecht, Smaus, Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg and Thiessen. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

Open Discussion from the Public: Abram Marshall, Fremont, spoke to the Board about the presentation Hydrogeologic Assessment on Groundwater Availability, he developed Whispering Ridge subdivision, Planning & Zoning Board members told them that there was no water to do this subdivision, they (the developers) had a water study done at the time and hired an engineer to bring all the wells in the area and the depth that they were that said the water supply was fine, they met with opposition from the County twice. Developing Pawnee Ridge, 81 lots, irrigation in the area uses more water than those 81 wells will. Feels his projects get held up by the County. It took 13 months from 1st application to approval of the Whispering Ridge Subdivision. He is a resident of the County, would never hurt the County & is helping to bring tax dollars to the County

Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Zaugg to convene in closed session at 10:59 a.m. for personnel (84-1410). Voting yes were Albrecht, Smaus, Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg and Thiessen. Voting no were none. Motion carried.

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

Motion by Hrdlicka, seconded by Zaugg to approve the Payroll of the May 15th Pay period. Voting yes were Reece, Hrdlicka, Zaugg, Thiessen, Albrecht and Smaus. Voting yes were none. Motion carried.

Motion by Reece, seconded by Thiessen to send a 30 Day notice to RFCC of services no longer needed. County Attorney to draft. Voting yes were Zaugg, Thiessen, Albrecht, Smaus and Reece. Voting no was Hrdlicka. 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.

Vice-Chairman Smaus declared the meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
Saunders County Clerk

Vice-Chairman Board of Supervisors