



# Kearney County Board Minutes



REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
KEARNEY COUNTY, NEBRASKA

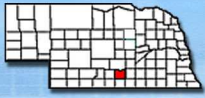
January 5, 2023 –9:30 A.M.

A Reorganizational Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Kearney County, NE was held January 5, 2023 at 10:15 a.m. in the Commissioners' Room of the Courthouse in Minden, NE. Present were Chairman Brent Stewart and Board Members Jason Sinsel, Heath Hofstetter, James Miller, Robert Swanson and Nathan Avery. Absent was Larry Landstrom. Also present were County Clerk Myra Johnson, Jody Payne County Treasurer, Melodie Bellamy Co. Attorney, Scott White Co. Sheriff, Randy Smith Hwy Supt. and Cindy Ramsey from the Minden Courier.

Detailed Minutes from the Board of Commissioners Meeting are available for inspection at the County Clerk's Office.

The Board of Commissioners took the following action for the reorganizational meeting:

- Elected Brent Stewart, Chairman and Larry E. Landstrom as Vice Chairman of the Board of Supervisors for 2023.
- Adopted a resolution to authorize the Kearney Co Treasurer to invest surplus funds.
- Approved the applications of Minden Exchange Bank & Trust Co. of Minden NE, First Bank & Trust Co. of Minden, NE, First State Bank of Axtell, NE, Cornerstone Bank of Wilcox, NE and Barney Financial Services, Kearney, NE to serve as depositories for Kearney County funds for 2023.
- Approved the Regular Meeting days of the Kearney County Board of Commissioners to be as follows: the first Tuesday after the first Monday, and the third Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners Room of the Kearney County Courthouse, Minden, NE in 2023.
- Approved the following holidays for 2023 that the Kearney County Courthouse will be closed. Martin Luther King Jr. Day - January 16, President's Day - February 20, Arbor Day - April 28, Memorial Day - May 29, Juneteenth National Independence Day-June 19, Independence Day - July 4, Labor Day – September 4, Columbus/Indigenous Peoples Day - October 9, Veteran's Day -November 10, Thanksgiving - November 23 & 24, Christmas - December 25, New Year's – January 1. And any other Federally declared day of observance.
- The following appointments were made by the Board of Commissioners for 2023.
  - KEARNEY COUNTY DOCTOR** – Dr. Andy Craig
  - KEARNEY COUNTY HEALTH SERVICES BOARD OF TRUSTEES** – RE: Section 23-3502, R.R.S., Nebraska, 1943 **(6 Year Terms)**: Trustees and expiration of terms are as follows: Steve Olson (January – 2026); A.J. Dahlgren (January – 2028); Sam Stadler (January – 2024); Jeffrey Hanson (January – 2024); and Dick McBride (January – 2026).
  - KEARNEY COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT** – Craig Lupkes, County Emergency Management Director; Amy Hickenbottom, County Emergency Management Deputy Director; Vacant, Duty Officer; Melodie Bellamy, County Attorney; Myra Johnson, County Clerk; and the entire Board of Commissioners.
  - FORT KEARNY PRESERVATION, RESTORATION AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD (3 Year Terms)** – Members and expiration of terms are as follows: Michael D. Hauff (January – 2025); Vacant (January – 2026) and Grant Newbold (January – 2024). Supervisor Nathan Avery serves as the County Board Liaison to the Fort Kearny Preservation, Restoration and Development Board.
  - KEARNEY COUNTY VISITORS PROMOTION COMMITTEE (4 Year Terms)** – Marcy Brandt, Minden, Nebraska (January – 2027); Eugene Hunt, Kearney, Nebraska (January – 2027); Vacant, Minden, Nebraska (January – 2027); Holly England, Axtell, Nebraska (January 2025); and Jennifer Kinerk, Wilcox, Nebraska (January – 2025).
  - KEARNEY COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION (3 Year Terms)** – Members to the Kearney County Planning Commission and expiration of terms are as follows: Terry Buettner – January 2024; Jody Casper – January 2024; Patty Lundeen – January 2024; Kevin Raun – January 2025; Tom Anderson – January 2025; John M. Kuehn – January 2026; and Malcom Dornhoff – January 2026.
  - KEARNEY COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT (3 Year Terms)** – Members are as follows:



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Regular Members – David McCroden-January 2025, Mike Miller-January 2025,  
Thomas Meisenbach-January 2026 and Dale Blum-January 2026.

Alternate – David Raffety; Representative from the Planning Commission – Patty Lundeen

**-APPOINTED OFFICIALS (calendar year 2023)** – Randall Smith/Hwy. Supt., Joe Anderson/Weed Supt. Planning Zoning Floodplain, Veteran Service Officer/Phil Heun, Emergency Manager/Craig Lupkes, Rebecca Miller/Child Support Attorney.

## **-COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS BY CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**ROAD AND BRIDGE COMM.**-Chairman, James Miller, Robert M. Swanson; Nathan Avery, Highway Supt. Randall Smith.

**BOARD OF EQUAL.**- Robert Swanson, Chm; Nathan Avery, Vice Chm. & entire Board of Commissioners

**BILLS AND CLAIMS COMM.**- James W. Miller, Chairman; Jason Sinsel, Nathan Avery

**BONDS AND INSURANCE COMM.**- James Miller, Chairman; Robert M. Swanson, Nathan Avery

**BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE** –James Miller Chm., Larry E. Landstrom, Heath Hofstetter

**SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE** - - Brent Stewart, Chairman; the entire Board of Commissioners

**PAYROLL COMMITTEE** – Larry Landstrom, Chairman, Brent Stewart, Heath Hofstetter

**APPOINTED OFFICIALS COMMITTEE** – Brent Stewart Chairman, Nathan Avery, Robert Swanson

## **SPECIAL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS FOR 2021**

**REGION III GOVERNING BOARD** - - Larry Landstrom

**MID-NEBRASKA INDIVIDUAL SERVICES, INC.** (Local & Regional) – Heath Hofstetter

**COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP OF MID-NEBRASKA** - - Nathan Avery

**TWO RIVERS HEALTH DEPARTMENT** - - Heath Hofstetter

**BUDGETS, VALUATIONS AND LEVIES** - - Larry Landstrom, Chm. and entire Board of Commissioners

**BLOCK GRANTS** - - Entire Board of Commissioners

**SOUTH CENTRAL NEBRASKA AREA AGENCY ON AGING** – Robert M. Swanson

**CENTRAL COMM. COLLEGE ADVISORY COUNCIL** - - Robert M. Swanson

**TRI-BASIN NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT LIAISON MEMBER** -Jason Sinsel

**EXTENSION BOARD LIAISON** – Jason Sinsel

**SOUTH CENTRAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** – Robert Swanson, Repr. Heath Hofstetter, Alt.

**KEARNEY COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** – Larry Landstrom, Repr, Heath Hofstetter, Alt

**KEARNEY CO. PERSONNEL AND HANDBOOK COMM.**- Brent Stewart, Chm., Myra Johnson, Jody Payne, Scott K. White, Randall Smith, Melodie Bellamy, Jennifer Pittner, Jill Fritson

**KEARNEY CO. HEALTH SERVICES LIAISON MEMBER** - - Brent Stewart

**AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT REPRESENTATIVES** - - Brent Stewart, Chairman; Randall Smith, Scott K. White

**MINDEN JOINT AIRPORT ZONING BOARD** - vacant

**KEARNEY CO. SAFETY COMM.**- Joe Anderson Chairman; Craig Lupkes, Doug Kring, Randy Smith, Ryan Gibbins, Shelly Gibbins, James W. Miller, Amy Ingraham

**VETERANS' SERVICE COMM.(Effective Dates to June 30)** – Members and expiration of terms are as follows: Gary Smidt – June 30, 2025; Robert Thompson – June 30, 2024; James M. Kuehn – June 30, 2022; Matt Cavanaugh– June 30, 2026; and Ron Knaus – June 30, 2023. Board Liaison is Nathan Avery. Phil Heun serves as the Veterans' Service Officer for Kearney County, Nebraska.

**TECHNOLOGY COMM.**- Joe Anderson (Weed Department, Planning & Zoning), Amy Ingraham (Clerk's Office), Entire Board (Supervisor), Laura Tobiassen (Clerk Magistrate's Office), Jill Fritson (Clerk of the District Court Office), Jennifer Miller (Sheriff's Office), Shelly Gibbins (UNL Extension Office), Jody Payne, (Treasurer's Office), Jennifer Pittner (Assessor's Office), Randall Smith (Road Department), Melodie Bellamy(Co. Attorney)

**AUDIT COMMITTEE** – Jason Sinsel, Larry Landstrom, Myra Johnson, Brent Stewart

**CENTRAL NEBRASKA DRUG COURT** – Nathan Avery



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**INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS COMMITTEE** – Heath Hofstetter, Melodie Bellamy, Larry Landstrom, Randy Smith

-Approved Fee Schedules -

-County Sheriff Fee Schedule

Finger Print: \$5.00

Photocopies: \$2.50

Pictures (disc): \$10.00

Work Release: \$10.00 per day

Additional: \$6.95 for ankle monitor

County Clerk Fee Schedule

Copies: \$.25

Copies Faxed: \$1.25

Copies Mailed: \$1.00 first page  
: \$.25 each additional page

-Approved Roberts Rules of Order as the rules by which the meetings of the Kearney Co. Board of Commissioners shall be governed.

-Approved the mileage rate of \$.655 per mile set by the IRS and the Department of Administrative Services effective January, 1, 2023. The Sheriff is entitled to charge an additional \$0.03 per mile for serving papers and orders.

- The Minden Courier is designated as the official Kearney County Newspaper for 2023 and to post the Board Meeting dates on the Kearney County website calendar.

-Adjourned the Board of Commissioners meeting at 11:30 a.m.

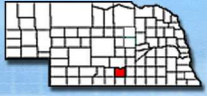
/s/ Brent Stewart, Chairman  
Kearney County  
Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

/s/ Myra Johnson

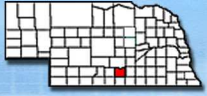
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