

REGULAR MEETING  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
KEARNEY COUNTY, NEBRASKA  
May 6, 2025 – 9:30 A.M.

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Kearney County, NE was held May 6, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. in the Board Room of the Courthouse in Minden, NE. Present were Chairman Brent Stewart and Board Members Heath Hofstetter, James Miller, Robert Swanson, Jason Sinsel, Jeff England and Nathan Avery. Also present were County Clerk Myra Johnson, Melodie Bellamy Co. Atty., Craig Lupkes Bldg & Grds. Super., Scott White Co. Sheriff, Joe Anderson Hwy Supt. Jennifer Pittner Assessor, Jody Payne Treasurer and Cindy Ramsey of 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:

- Approved minutes of the Board of Commissioners meeting of April 15, 2025.
- Approved Bills and Claims, April payroll and Hospital Taxes. (See below)
- Held a Public comment from 9:30 to 9:35 a.m.
- Approved the County Clerk and Clerk of the District Court Fee Reports for April 2025.
- Approved Pmt. #2 for the Fairgrounds paving project.
- Approve the Bond for Loren Holl, Lowell Drainage District.
- Held a Public Hearing at 10:00 a.m. to vacate a portion of U Rd 1400 Block.
- Adopted a Resolution to vacate apporportion of U Rd 1400 Block and adopt a resolution to accept an easement from Ft. Kearny Consolidated, Brian Kissinger to move the road across his property.
- Myra Johnson, County Clerk presented the new rates for Blue Cross FY25/26. The health insurance was a 5.4% increase with the dental insurance staying the same. The Board approved staying with the \$500 deductible buy down with the County paying 100% for the employee and 75% for any dependents. Cash in lieu will stay at \$500 per month.
- Met with Joe Anderson, Road Supt. to discuss road matters. Some McConnell subdivision citizens have some concerns over the new asphalt and are also requesting a streetlight. Mr. Anderson also informed the Board that he will be advertising for a new employee.
- The Board approved the weed spraying contract for Flying M Enterprises. Inc.
- Held interviews to fill the position of County Clerk effective July 1, 2025. Jenni Lupkes, Deputy County Clerk and Markus Ramsey, Clerk staff both interviewed for the position. Jenni Lupkes was appointed to fill the vacancy as of July 1, 2025 through January 7, 2027.
- Adjourned the Board of Commissioners meeting at 11:30 p.m.

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

ATTEST:

/s/ Myra Johnson  
Kearney County Clerk

**GENERAL FUND**

Kearney Co. Payroll	April 2024	\$246,105.44
AT&T	Sv.	40.04
Joe Anderson, Hwy Supt.	Cell Ph.	30.00
Melodie Bellamy, Co. Atty.	Mil.Ldg/Su.	434.54
Beyke Signs Inc.	Su.	475.00
Black Hills Energy	Ut.	856.63
Business World Prod.	Su.	189.87
Charm-Tex, Inc.	Su.	492.30

City of Minden	Ut	1,598.62
Clerk of the Dist. Ct	Sv.	148.00
Comm. Action Ptnsp of Mid-NE	Senlow Bus	1,233.42
Care Assist LLC	Sv.	120.00
Dawson Co. Sheriff	Fees	18.56
Eakes	Su.	689.62
F Johnson Bldg	Rent	325.00
FGH Law Office, LLC	Sv.	678.50
First Bank & Trust Co.	Su.	54.26
First Concord Benefits Grp, L.L.C.	Self-Fund Ded.	2,311.22
First Concord Benefits Grp, L.L.C.	Fees	65.00
Google Inc.	Sv.	924.00
Gray Law Firm, LLC	Sv.	897.00
Great Plains Comm.	Sv.	641.38
Grummert Prof. Serv., LLC	Sv.	3,700.00
GIS Workshop LLC	Sv.	12,422.00
Rhonda Herrick, Ext. Educ.	Mil.	661.94
Philip Heun, Vet. Serv. Officer	Cell Ph./Mil./Su.	332.43
Jim's OK Tire Store L.L.C.	Sv.	46.00
Johnson Landscape, Inc.	Mulch	630.00
K & K Auto Rep. Inc.	Sv.	269.59
Kearney Co. Court	Sv.	138.00
Kearney Co. Rd & Bridge Fund	Transfer	64,000.00
Kearney Co. Sheriff's Fund	Fees	195.93
Klein, Brewster, Brandt & Messersmith	Sv.	4,603.75
Craig Lupkes, Bldg and Grds Sup.	Su.	97.89
Madison Natl. Life	Ins.	990.79
Mason's Supermarket	Su.	94.07
Mid-States Organized Crime Info Ctr	Fees	100.00
Midwest Radar & Equip.	Su.	280.00
Minden Exch. Bk and Trust Co.	Fees	20.20
Minden Hdwe	Su.	29.99
Minden Lawn & Spr., LLC	Sv.	375.00
MIPS, Inc.	Sv.	2,622.93
NE Fire Spr. Corp.	Sv.	977.00
NE Public Heath Env. Lab.	Sv.	105.00
NE State Fire Marshall Agy	Sv..	120.00
Pedley Drug Store	Su.	56.33
Personnel Eval., Inc.	Reg.	25.00
Physicians Lab., P.C.	Sv.	2,750.00
Pikes Reporting Co., LLC	Su./Sv.	340.75
Platte Valley Comm.	Su.	564.81
Pony Express Ford	Sv.	673.22
Preto-X	Ext.	92.50
Quill Corp.	Su.	585.93
Rapid Fire Prot., Inc.	Sv.	175.00
RR Donnelley Co.	Su.	76.28
Shop 4-H/Natl. 4-H Council	Su.	459.74
Soarin Group, LLC	Sv.	1,953.00
Sunset Law Enf., LLC	Su.	309.20
Syndicate Publ.	Publ.	364.22
UNL Print & Copy Serv.	Su.	249.58

Verizon	Sv.	101.98
Scott K. White, Co. Sheriff	Su.	75.49
Morgan Wicht, Juv. Serv. Officer	Mil.	152.46
Woodward's Disp. Serv. Inc.	Sv.	20.80
Lowel Yung, PT Custodian	Su.	<u>133.84</u>
	TOTAL	\$360,301.04

#### **ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND**

Kearney Co. Payroll	April 2024	\$83,947.29
Ben Pavelka Excav. & Crushing	Concrete	30,060.00
Black Hills Energy	Ut.	296.89
Carquest/Landmark Impl.	Pts & Su.	3,431.57
City of Minden	Ut.	60.96
Eakes	Su.	409.04
Filtercare of NE, LLC	Sv.	57.40
First Concord Benefits Grp LLC	Self-Fund Ded.	280.82
Great Plains Comm.	Ut.	136.56
Landmark Impl. Inc.	Su.	15,620.54
Medical Enterprises Inc.	Sv.	77.00
Menards	Su.	47.96
Mid-NE Aggregate Inc.	Grav	1,770.95
Minden Hdwe	Su.	136.10
NAPA	Su.	358.89
NMC, LLC	Su./Sv.	3,590.31
Olsen Cattle & Diesel	Su.	270.98
Randy Pracht, Rd Mech.	Cell Ph.	30.00
Presto-X	Ext.	68.46
Quality Sound & Comm.	Water Contract	79.00
Road Builders Mach. & Supply Co.	Su./Sv.	5,630.96
Southern Public Power Dist.	Ut.	437.74
Werner Constr. Co.	Concrete Proj.	65,062.61
Wilcox Ut. Dept.	Ut.	5.32
Winzer	Su.	<u>135.94</u>
	TOTAL	\$212,003.29

#### **REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND**

MIPS Inc.	Sv.	<u>\$418.74</u>
	TOTAL	\$418.74

#### **COVID AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUND**

Werner Constr. Co.	U Rd Overlay	<u>\$147,873.25</u>
	TOTAL	\$147,873.25

#### **INHERITANCE TAX FUND**

Platte Valley Comm.	Sv.	\$4,695.50
Saathoff Constr., LLC	Fairground Proj.	<u>55,468.80</u>
	TOTAL	\$60,164.30

#### **911 WIRELESS SERVICE FUND**

CenturyLink	Sv.	<u>\$496.36</u>
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TOTAL	\$496.36
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**COMMUNICATIONS FUND**

Kearney Co. Payroll	April 2024	\$25,068.35
CenturyLink	Sv.	9.69
City of Minden	Ut.	155.49
Cummins Sales & Serv.	Sv.	900.35
First Concord Benefits Grp LLC	Self-Fund Ded.	106.70
Great Plains Comm., Inc.	Sv.	147.84
NE Tech & Telecomm.	Sv.	634.05
State of NE DAS Central Fin.	Teletype	<u>30.00</u>
State of NE DAS Central Fin.	Teletype	<u>537.60</u>
	TOTAL	\$27,590.07