

REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
KEARNEY COUNTY, NEBRASKA
September 2, 2025 – 9:30 A.M

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Kearney County, NE was held September 2, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. in the Board of Commissioners' Room of the Courthouse in Minden, NE. Present were Chairman Brent Stewart and Board Members Jeff England, James Miller, Nathan Avery, Robert Swanson and Heath Hofstetter. Absent was Commissioner Jason Sinsel. Also present were County Clerk Jenni Lupkes, Joe Anderson Hwy. Supt., Scott White County Sheriff, Craig Lupkes Emerg. Mgmt. Dir., Melodie Bellamy Co. Attorney, Jennifer Pittner County Assessor, Jody Payne County 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 on August 19, 2025.
 - Approved Bills and Claims, July payroll and Hospital Taxes. (See below)
 - Approved the County Clerk and Clerk of the District Court Fee Reports for August 2025.
 - Held a Public Comment. No comments were made.
 - Met with Jody Payne, Co. Treasurer. Discussed the purchase of real estate from the Annual Report Real Estate Taxes Delinquent 2 years or more, tabled the subject until another BOC meeting for further review. Adopted resolution to strike uncollected personal property tax from 2023 Delinquent Tax List. Reviewed the Co. Treasurer verification of Sheriff's distress warrants return.
 - Approved Chairman Stewart to sign the Audit Year End June 30, 2024 single Federal Audit agreement with Dana Cole & Co.
 - Approved Chairman Stewart to sign Budget engagement letter with Contryman Assoc.
 - Discussed County email server migration dates and Approval for Elected officials, Sheriff sworn in Officers, Craig Lupkes, Emergency Management Director, and Joe Anderson, Hwy Superintendent to have county email on their personal devices.
 - Approved paying Road Dept. radio update claim out of Inheritance
 - Met with Melodie Bellamy, County Attorney to discuss Glenwood Telephone permission to post numbers for County offices in Phone Book.
 - Met with Jennifer Pittner, County Assessor to discuss Courthouse Dome repair public survey
- Adjourned the meeting at 10:22 AM

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

ATTEST:

/s/ JENNI LUPKES
Kearney County Clerk

GENERAL FUND

| | | |
|------------------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Kearney County Payroll Acct | Payroll, Aug '25 | \$256,399.69 |
| Melodie Bellamy, Co Attorney | Cell/Sv | 30.00 |
| Black Hills Energy | Ut | 199.27 |
| Carpenter & Skalka | Sv | 229.20 |
| City of Minden Ut Dept | Ut | 1,845.21 |
| Eakes Office Solutions | Su | 123.53 |
| FGH Law Office | Sv | 2,463.30 |
| First Concord Benefits Grp | Self-Fund Ded | 448.45 |
| Google | Sv | 950.40 |
| Great Plains Comm | Sv | 641.16 |
| Great Plains Reporting Co | Sv | 189.10 |

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| Rhonda Herrick, Extension Educator | Mile | 530.08 |
| Philip Heun, Veterans Service Officer | Mile/Cell/Sv | 274.09 |
| Hometown Leasing | Copy Lease | 344.89 |
| Julie Johnson, Deputy Assessor | Mile | 27.30 |
| Kearney County Court | Court Costs | 211.00 |
| Kearney County Road & Bridge Fund | Transfer | 129,000.00 |
| Kearney County Road Dept | Fuel | 1,632.51 |
| Kearney County Sheriff's Fund | Fees | 92.04 |
| Landmark Implement | Su | 44.94 |
| Madison National Life | Ins | 978.52 |
| Mason's Supermarket | Su | 52.42 |
| Jacob R. Meyer | Cell | 20.00 |
| Minden Courier | Sub | 65.00 |
| Minden Exchange Bank and Trust Company – ACH | Fees | 20.95 |
| Minden Medical Clinic | Sv | 74.79 |
| MIPS | Sv | 3,151.94 |
| Napa Auto Parts | Su | 47.02 |
| Nebraska Assoc of Co Officials | Reg | 50.00 |
| NSA/ POAN Law Enforcement Conference | Reg | 450.00 |
| Phelps County Sherriff's Ofc | Sv | 6.00 |
| Platte Valley Comm | Sv | 173.30 |
| Presto-X | Sv | 92.50 |
| Raynor Garage Doors of Central Nebraska | Sv | 236.83 |
| State of Nebraska Dept of Correctional Sv | Sv | 3,244.85 |
| State of Nebraska DAS Central Finance | Sv | 150.00 |
| Syndicate Publish | Pub | 60.77 |
| Woodward's Disposal Services | Sv | 76.76 |
| TOTAL | | \$404,627.81 |

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND

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| Kearney County Payroll Acct | Payroll, Aug '25 | \$107,319.02 |
| Joe Anderson, Hwy Supt | Cell | 30.00 |
| Black Hills Energy | Ut | 53.09 |
| Boss Fuels | Fuel | 16,939.78 |
| Carquest/Landmark Implement | Su | 574.28 |
| City of Minden Utility Dept | Ut | 122.51 |
| Copycat Printing | Su | 72.00 |
| Tracy A Donley | Mow | 70.00 |
| First Concord Benefits Group | Self-Fund Ded | 224.00 |
| Great Plains Communications | Sv | 136.52 |
| Island Supply Welding Co | Su | 108.47 |
| J.I.L. Asphalt Paving | Su/Sv | 1,137.36 |
| Landmark Implement | Sv | 382.34 |
| Mid-Nebraska Ag | Gravel | 21,580.34 |
| Minden Hardware | Su/Parts | 159.90 |
| MIPS | Sv | 124.16 |
| Murphy Tractor & Equipment | Su | 1,280.00 |
| NCK Quarrier | Gravel | 6,529.03 |
| NMC Exchange | Su | 1,006.07 |
| Randy Pracht, Road Mechanic | Cell | 30.00 |
| Presto-X | Sv | 74.62 |
| Quality Sound & Comm | Water Contract | 79.00 |

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| Road Builders Machinery & Su | Su | 1,513.39 |
| Southern Power District | Ut | 472.74 |
| Superior Fenders | Su | 2,030.00 |
| Wilcox Utilities Dept | Ut | <u>5.84</u> |
| | TOTAL | \$162,054.46 |

| <u>INHERITANCE TAX FUND</u> | | |
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| Platte Valley Comm | Sv | <u>\$3,141.25</u> |
| | TOTAL | \$3,141.25 |

| <u>911 WIRELESS SERVICE FUND</u> | | |
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| CenturyLink | Sv | <u>\$674.99</u> |
| | TOTAL | \$674.99 |

| <u>JUVENILE SERVICES AID FUND</u> | | |
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| Kearney County Payroll Account | Payroll, Aug '25 | \$5,926.36 |
| Morgan Wicht, Juvenile Svcs Officer | Mile | <u>84.23</u> |
| | TOTAL | \$6,010.59 |

| <u>COMMUNICATIONS FUND</u> | | |
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| Kearney County Payroll Acct | Payroll, Aug '25 | \$25,910.96 |
| City of Minden Utility Dept | Ut | 98.22 |
| Eakes Office Solutions | Copy | 470.50 |
| First Concord Benefits Group | Self-Fund Ded | 2,305.00 |
| State of Nebraska DAS Central Finance | Sv | 30.00 |
| State of Nebraska DAS-State Central Finance | Sv | <u>537.60</u> |
| | TOTAL | \$29,352.28 |