

REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
KEARNEY COUNTY, NEBRASKA
February 3, 2026 – 9:30 A.M.

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Kearney County, NE was held February 3, 2026 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 Jenni Lupkes, Craig Lupkes EM Director, Scott White Co. Sheriff, Joe Anderson Hwy Supt., Carrie Marquis-Favinger Planning and Zoning Admin., 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 January 20, 2026.
- Approved Bills and Claims, January payroll and Hospital Taxes. (See below)
- Held a Public comment from 9:30 to 9:35 a.m.
- Approved the County Clerk Fee Report for January 2026.
- Approved Amended Interlocal Agreement with SCEDD
- Approved County Court office carpet to be paid out of Inheritance Tax Fund
- Adopted Resolution Reallocating Budget Authority of \$5,000 from Misc General to Misc Planning and Zoning
- Met with Philip Heun, Vet Svs Officer and approved sending a letter to State Representatives in opposition to LB1072, moving budgeted monies from the NE Veteran's Aid Fund to the NE Dept of Veteran's Affairs Fund
- Met with Rhonda Herrick, Extension Educator to hear annual report
- Accepted bid from Werner Construction for the 40 Rd Overlay project, the bids opened on January 8, 2026 and were as follows: Werner Construction, Inc., -Hastings, NE –\$729,601.20; Vontz Paving - Hastings, NE - \$722,505.09
- Held a Public Hearing at 10:00 AM for Administrative Subdivision 34-8-13 SE1/4 SE1/4 J&P Hoban Ag L.L.C.
- Met with Craig Lupkes, EM Director, for a Zoom Presentation with Jayden Eastman about Text My Gov services possibility for replacement of Onsolve services being currently used by the County.
- Adjourned the Board of Commissioners meeting at 11:19 a.m.

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

ATTEST:

/s/ Jenni Lupkes
Kearney County Clerk

GENERAL FUND

KC Payroll Acct	Payroll, Jan 2026	\$302,823.75
AT & T	Su	41.04
Melodie Bellamy, Co Attny	Sv	732.14
Black Hills	Sv	1,992.73
Business World	Su	347.09
Capital City Transfer Sv	Sv	1,012.75
City of Minden Ut Dept	Ut	1,095.73
CMRS-POC	Postage	4,500.00
Comm Action Ptnrshp of Mid-Ne	Sv	45.00
Eakes Ofc	Sv/Su	989.39
FGH Law Ofc	Sv	1,520.37
First Concord Ben	Self-Fund Ded	155.00

Great Plains Comm	Sv	700.92
Rhonda Herrick, Extension Ed	Mile	315.72
Hometown Leasing	Sv	348.50
KC Road & Bridge Fund	Transfer	54,000.00
KC Sheriff's Fund	Sv	151.60
Klein, Brewster, Brandt & Messersmith	Sv	471.50
Lockmobile	Sv	196.00
Craig Lupkes, EM Director	Dues	75.00
Madison Natl	Sv	1,057.35
Mason's	Su	191.23
Jacob Meyer, Deputy Co Attny	Phone	20.00
Minden Exchange ACH Coordinator	Sv	20.65
Minden Hrdwr	Su	34.96
Minden Med Clinic	Sv	121.29
MIPS	Su	261.11
NAPA	Sv	53.98
NACO	Reg	50.00
Ne Assoc Co Clerks Reg of Deeds	Dues	50.00
Ne Assoc of EM	Dues	150.00
Ne Public Health Environmental Lab	Sv	210.00
Ne State Fire Marshal	Sv	72.00
Physicians Laboratory	Sv	2,875.00
Pony Express Ford	Sv	97.95
Presto-X	Sv	95.50
Proforma	Su	1,662.02
Soarin Group	Sv	414.00
Stof Ne Dept of Corr Sv	Sv	561.44
Bryce K. Sweeney	Sv	51.25
Syndicate Publish	Sv	809.90
Woodward's Disposal Sv	Sv	<u>23.86</u>
TOTAL		\$380,397.72

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND

KC Payroll Acct	Payroll, Jan 2026	\$104,708.76
Joe Anderson, Hwy Supt	Phone	30.00
Black Hills	Ut	683.88
Carquest/Landmark	Su/Pts	63.70
City of Minden Ut Dept	Ut	247.83
Eakes Ofc	Su	299.95
Ed Broadfoot & Sons Sand & Gravel	Su	2,776.02
Equipment Blades	Su	3,439.04
First Concord Ben	Self-Fund Ded	355.48
Grayson Tool	Su	13.72
Great Plains Comm	Sv	136.58
Darin Haight, Custodial Staff	Su	129.00
J & A Traffic Products	Su	540.00
Jim's OK Tire	Sv	45.00
Landmark Implement	Sv	54.06
Menards	Su	28.95
Minden Hrdwr	Su	948.95
MIPS	Hwy App	124.16
NMC	Su	106.57

Oak Creek Engineer	Sv	17,751.34
Randy Pracht, Rd Mechanic	Phone	30.00
Presto-X	Sv	77.62
Quality Sound & Comm	Water Rent	79.00
Sahling Kenworth	Su	102.71
Soarin Group	Su	1,037.00
Southern Power District	Ut	811.50
Syndicate Publish	Pub	107.34
Wilcox Ut	Ut	<u>58.03</u>
	TOTAL	\$134,786.19

INHERITANCE TAX FUND

Kearney Co/Buffalo Co CASA Program	Annual Fund	<u>\$10,500.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$10,500.00

911 WIRELESS SERVICE FUND

CenturyLink	Sv	<u>\$856.98</u>
	TOTAL	\$856.98

JUVENILE SERVICES AID FUND

KC Payroll Acct	Payroll, Jan 2026	\$5,767.37
Morgan Wicht, JV Sv Aid	Mile	<u>\$147.22</u>
	TOTAL	\$5,914.59

COMMUNICATIONS FUND

KC Payroll Acct	Payroll Jan 2026	\$31,106.77
City of Minden Ut Dept	Ut	136.88
Eakes Ofc	Su	92.49
First Concord Ben	Self Fund-Ded	364.59
Great Plains Comm	Sv	73.92
St of Ne DAS – Central Fin	Sv	<u>537.60</u>
	TOTAL	\$32,312.25