

COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES

The Clay County Board of Supervisors met at the Courthouse, Clay Center, Nebraska on April 28, 2026 at 9:00 A.M., as per public notice given in the Clay County News on April 22, 2026 a copy of the proof of publication being on file in the County Clerk's Office. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice of the meeting. All of the proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Chairman L. Wayne Johnson stated that the open meeting law poster is posted on the west wall in the back of the room and presided with roll call showing the following present: Scott Bitterman, Eric Samuelson, Glen Becker, James Pavelka, Jesse Mohnike, Richard Shaw and L. Wayne Johnson.

All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of the meeting held April 21, 2026 were provided to the board members prior to the meeting. Motion by Pavelka and seconded by Shaw to approve the minutes of the meeting held April 21, 2026. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Bitterman, Samuelson, Becker, Pavelka, Mohnike, Shaw and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

There was no public input.

Thomas Roemmich II, Highway Superintendent provided a report on the roads.

Greg Shuck, Weed Superintendent, presented his monthly report and provided tentative dates for the Household Hazardous Recycling on August 21, 2026 8:00am – 11:00am; and Electronic Recycling on September 25, 2026 from 11:00am – 2:00pm.

Barb Barnett, Planning & Zoning Administrator, presented her quarterly report.

Cassie Aksamit, County Clerk, asked the Board if the regularly scheduled Board Meeting on May 12, 2026 could be canceled due to the Primary Election being on that day and nothing pressing for said Board meeting has been presented to the County Clerk at this time. Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Shaw to cancel the May 12, 2026 Board Meeting and keep the other regularly scheduled meetings for May 19 and May 26. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Bitterman, Samuelson, Becker, Pavelka, Mohnike, Shaw and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Sara Mertens, Health Department Director, presented her quarterly report.

Kreighton Baxter, Chief Deputy Sheriff, presented the bid from Central Square via Sourcewell Bidding for upgrading the records systems for the 911, Sheriff and Emergency Management platforms in the amount of \$263,806.70. Motion by Shaw and seconded by Becker to approve the contract as presented and approve the same to be paid over a term of five (5) years, with the E911 Holding Fund (2914) to support the expense with what is statutorily allowed and the remaining balances due will be covered by the Inheritance Tax Funds. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Bitterman,

Samuelson, Becker, Pavelka, Mohnike, Shaw and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

The Board revisited discussion of the Public Defender Policy Board. Chairman Johnson has initiated contact with the local Clay County attorneys for sitting on said Board; however, commitments have not been made. The Chairman asked the remaining Board Members to assist in locating the required 2 attorneys and 1 layperson to commit to sitting on said Public Defender Policy Board. Discussion will continue at the May 19th meeting.

Claims were submitted by the County Clerk to be reviewed.

GENERAL FUND

Employees, Wages	\$158,219.78
Adams County Justice Center, Inmate Holds	\$110.00
Adams County Sheriff, Service Fees	\$57.00
Aflac, Insurance	\$1,129.90
Applied Connective Technologies, IT & Surveillance	\$14,220.24
Aspegren Repair, Tires & Repair	\$782.36
AT & T Mobility, Cell Phones	\$1,023.00
Auto Glass Experts LLC, Glass Repair	\$55.00
Barb Bonifas, Mileage Reimbursement	\$46.40
Beck's Farm Equipment, Supplies	\$17.00
Black Hills Energy, Utilities	\$916.81
Blue Cross Blue Shield, Insurance	\$74,062.56
Brandy VanDewalle, Mileage Reimbursement	\$71.63
Business World, Supplies	\$414.94
Capital Business Systems Inc, Copier Lease	\$61.02
CASA of South Central Nebraska, 1st & 2nd Qtr Contract Services	\$8,371.67
Cash-WA Distributing, Food Supplies	\$828.98
City of Clay Center, Utilities	\$164.98
Clay County News, Advertising & Subscriptions	\$985.50
Clay County Sheriff's Office, Service Fees	\$43.40
Clay County Treasurer, Postage	\$3,234.00
Clay County Treasurer, Transfer to Road & Bridge Fund	\$92,168.66
Clearly, Phone System	\$409.14
Collection Associates, Garnishment	\$352.84
Colonial, Insurance	\$395.02
Comfort Inn, Lodging	\$404.85
Cornerstone Bank, Deductions & Checks	\$109,225.94
CPI, Fuel	\$4,508.47
Credit Management Services Inc, Garnishments	\$682.47
Culligan of Hastings, Rent	\$67.95
Cummins Sales and Service, Generator	\$1,672.64
DAS State Accounting, Services	\$1,132.80
David Wangila, Mileage Reimbursement	\$46.69

Dollar General, Supplies	\$95.64
Douglas County, Certified Copy	\$1.00
Eagle View, Flight EV Cloud Subscription	\$49,833.33
Eakes, Supplies	\$4,712.24
Echo Group Inc, Generator Maintenance	\$964.75
Election Systems & Software LLC, Election Supplies	\$5,635.58
Emergency Service Marketing Corp Inc, Subscription	\$3,655.00
Fairfield Opera House, Safety Meeting Dinner	\$2,178.51
First Concord, Insurance	\$1,471.67
Glenwood, Internet Service	\$119.95
Goding Law LLC, Attorney Fees	\$1,012.00
Hamilton County Treasurer, VSO Contract	\$2,291.67
HD Arms LLC, Weaponry	\$3,145.80
Holiday Inn, Lodging	\$279.90
Hometown Leasing, Lease	\$1,443.56
John V Hodge, Special Prosecutor	\$899.50
King Risk Partners, Insurance	\$8,529.60
Lieske Lieske & Ensz PC LLO, Attorney Fees	\$197.00
Madison National Life, Insurance	\$320.91
Medical Air Services Assoc. (MASA), Insurance	\$837.50
Menards, Supplies & Vacuum	\$281.31
Microfilm Imaging Systems Inc, Rental	\$49.00
Mid-Nebraska Individual Services, Service Contract	\$1,526.00
MIPS, Service	\$3,684.41
Mutual of Omaha, Insurance	\$1,318.88
NACO, Central District Meeting & NACT Workshop	\$760.00
Nationwide, Retirement	\$2,075.00
NSA/POAN Law Enforcement, Registration	\$200.00
Nutrien AG Solutions Inc, Chemicals	\$5,102.40
Platte Valley Communications, License Key & Equipment & Installation	\$4,960.70
Point C Health, Insurance	\$160.00
Secretary of State, Certified Title 177	\$20.00
Security Equipment Inc, Alarm Monitoring & Inspection	\$426.00
Skalka, Baack & Fiala Law, Attorney Fees	\$1,769.85
Sorsen's Corner Market, Supplies	\$1,307.15
South Central Public Power District, Utilities	\$1,507.37
Stanard Appraisal Service, Appraiser Contract	\$41,640.00
Stephens-Peck Inc, Subscription	\$125.00
Sullivan Shoemaker, Public Defender	\$2,600.00
Summit Fire Protection, Fire Extinguisher Inspections	\$294.50
Sutton Auto Supply Inc, Parts	\$38.90
Sutton Electric Inc, Supplies	\$142.20
Sutton Memorial Chapel, Transfer & Mileage	\$1,100.00
Thayer County Sheriff, Service Fees	\$48.20
TK Elevator Corporation, Elevator Service	\$410.07

Trailblazer RCD, Sponsorship	\$400.00
Trustmark Universal Life, Insurance	\$1,477.50
Trusty Crust Co, Safety Meeting Meal	\$84.00
US Bank, Supplies & Subscriptions & Lodging & Parking	\$1,605.12
US Cellular, Phones	\$152.39
USDA APHIS, Service Contract	\$922.81
Vision Service Plan (CT), Vision Insurance	\$826.10
Wellness Partners, Wellness Clinic	\$4,800.00
Windstream, Service	\$557.46
Woods Aitken LLP, Professional Services	\$874.50
Woodward's Disposal, Garbage	\$357.50
York County Sheriff's Office, Service Fees	\$36.98
Zelle Human Resource Solutions, Consulting Services	\$4,500.00

ROAD FUND

Employees, Wages	\$71,456.64
A Street Auto Parts Inc, Parts	\$15.22
Aurora Cooperative Elevator Co, Fuel	\$130.98
Black Hills Energy, Utilities	\$1,014.92
Bomgaars Supply Inc, Supplies	\$8.98
C & M Supply Inc, Fuel	\$3,560.58
City of Clay Center, Utilities	\$91.98
City of Edgar, Utilities	\$71.00
City of Fairfield, Utilities	\$83.67
City of Harvard, Utilities	\$79.75
City of Sutton, Utilities	\$111.86
Cornerstone Bank, Deductions	\$13,535.39
Cornhusker Cleaning Supply, Supplies	\$208.12
CPI-Juniata, Fuel	\$8,195.47
Dollar General, Supplies	\$6.00
Eakes Office Solutions, Supplies	\$106.27
Filter Care of Nebraska LLC, Filters	\$220.15
Fleetpride, Parts	\$81.13
Floyd's Truck Center, Parts	\$124.83
Friesen Chevrolet Inc, Repairs	\$760.14
George Bro's Propane, Fuel	\$25,625.43
George's 66 Service, Fuel	\$199.53
Glenwood, Internet	\$209.70
Hamilton Telephone, Internet	\$74.95
Hays Land Surveying LLC, ROW Between 11 & 12 T8 R7	\$476.55
Inland Truck Parts & Service, Parts	\$648.22
Island Supply Welding Co, Supplies	\$178.34
John Deer Financial, Parts	\$324.22
Kully Pipe & Steel Supply Inc, Supplies	\$439.76
Loup Valley Lighting Inc, Supplies	\$750.00
Mary Lanning Healthcare, Drug Screen	\$100.00

Medical Enterprises Inc, Drug Testing	\$113.00
Mid-Nebraska Aggregate Inc, Gravel	\$20,610.18
Midwest Service & Sales Co, Culverts	\$22,594.65
Miller Tire & Service Point S, Repairs	\$7,480.00
MIPS, Service	\$131.92
Mitchell Repair Information Company, Data Subscriptions	\$5,328.00
NAPA Auto Parts, Supplies	\$95.98
Newman Signs Inc, Signs	\$323.75
NMC Exchange, Repairs	\$33,107.70
Nutrien AG Solutions Inc, Supplies	\$141.67
Pad LLC, Landfill Fees	\$594.36
Pavelka Truck & Trailer Repair, Parts	\$36.00
Protex Central Inc, Fire Extinguisher Inspection	\$280.00
Rush Truck Centers Inc, Parts	\$7.00
Sarah Dasher, Cleaning	\$300.00
Shirt Shack, Safety Items	\$525.92
South Central Public Power District, Utilities	\$557.60
Southern Public Power District, Utilities	\$85.88
Sutton Auto Supply, Parts	\$1,006.49
Thermo King Christensen Inc, Parts	\$763.53
Truck Center Companies West, Parts	\$857.16
US Bank, Supplies	\$58.03
Vestis Uniforms & Workplace Inc, Uniforms	\$671.01
Village of Trumbull, Utilities	\$89.00
Windstream, Internet	\$294.60
Woodward's, Garbage	\$65.00
VISITOR PROMOTION FUND	
Clay County Historical Society & Museum, Grant for Old Trusty Days	\$750.00
Harvard Community Foundation, Veteran's Car Show	\$400.00
VISITOR IMPROVEMENT FUND	
Clay County Historical Society & Museum, Repairs to Furnace	\$500.00
ROD PRESERVATION & MODERNIZATION FUND	
MIPS Inc, Program costs	\$538.81
OPIOID FUND	
Region 3 Behavioral Health Services, 4th Qtr Match	\$3,997.86
HEALTH FUND	
Employees, Wages	\$10,802.69
Black Hills Energy, Utilities	\$119.94
City of Clay Center, Utilities	\$42.68
Clay County News, Advertising	\$156.20
Cornerstone Bank, Deductions	\$1,867.64
Culligan of Hastings, Rent	\$36.00
South Central Public Power District, Utilities	\$99.98
US Bank, Memberships & Insurance	\$437.00
VaxCare, Hub Fee	\$20.00

911 FUND

Black Hills Energy, Utilities	\$131.97
Glenwood, Internet	\$204.95
South Central Public Power District, Utilities	\$87.74

E911 HOLDING FUND

Century Link dba Lumen, Internet	\$2,678.25
GeoComm, Maintenance	\$3,984.75

Motion by Pavelka and seconded by Bitterman to approve the claims that were presented and authorize the County Clerk to pay from the appropriate funds. Aye: Bitterman, Samuelson, Becker, Pavelka, Mohnike, Shaw and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Samuelson to adjourn this meeting at 10:44 a.m.; next regular meeting scheduled for May 19, 2026. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Bitterman, Samuelson, Becker, Pavelka, Mohnike, Shaw and Johnson; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Cassie Aksamit, County Clerk

L. Wayne Johnson, Chairman