

July 29, 2025  
Gering, Nebraska

With appropriate advertising for Boiler Replacement at the Scotts Bluff County Courthouse, a meeting was held on July 29, 2025 at 9:58 AM, in the office of the Scotts Bluff County Clerk. Present: Jay Steinle, Facilities Manager and Kelly Sides, County Clerk. Three sealed bids were received and opened in the amount: Rasmussen Mechanical Services at \$182,049.00; High Plains Boiler & Mechanical at \$447,436.08 and Snell Services at \$292,340.00. The bids will be tabulated and awarding will be considered at the regular Scotts Bluff County Commissioners meeting on August 4, 2025 at 4:45 P.M. The meeting adjourned at 10:01 AM.

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The Board of Commissioners, Board of Corrections and Board of Equalization of Scotts Bluff County, Nebraska met in an open and public meeting at 4:30 PM, August 4, 2025, in the Commissioners Room, County Administration Building in Gering, Nebraska.

Notice of this meeting was published in the Star-Herald, July 31, 2025, and proof of publication is on record. Copies of the agenda, kept continuously current, were available from the County Clerk's office and were submitted to each of the Commissioners on August 1, 2025.

ROLL CALL: Mark Harris, Ken Meyer, Russ Reisig, Mike Blue. Absent: Charlie Knapper.

A copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was acknowledged.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion: Blue. Second: Reisig. Approve agenda presented. YEA: Harris, Meyer, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Chairman Harris gave announcements.

Motion: Meyer. Second: Blue. Approve Consent Agenda. YEA: Harris, Meyer, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Reisig. Second: Blue. Move into Board of Equalization at 4:37 PM. YEA: Harris, Meyer, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Blue. Second: Reisig. Approve homestead exemption for Villarreal parcel #010136924 as recommended by Robert Simpson, Assessor. YEA: Harris, Meyer, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Blue. Second: Reisig. Leave Board of Equalization at 4:41 PM. YEA: Harris, Meyer, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Blue. Second: Reisig. Approve MOU for Network Access and Support with NE State Patrol as presented by Sheriff Mark Overman. YEA: Harris, Meyer, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Meyer. Second: Reisig. Approve three (3) resolutions regarding Heartland Expressway. YEA: Harris, Meyer, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Harris. Second: Blue. Approve setting date for Preliminary Levy Allocations Resolution on August 26, 2025 at 4:30 PM. YEA: Harris, Meyer, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Meyer. Second: Blue. Approve awarding of bid for Boiler Replacement for Scotts Bluff County Courthouse to Rasmussen Mechanical Services at \$182,049 as recommended by Jay Steinle, Facilities Manager. YEA: Harris, Meyer, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Motion: Reisig. Second: Blue. Approve Resolution moving Payroll Department and functions from the Clerk's office to the Management Accountant/HR department. The Board received comments from Mitch Wagers, Scotts Bluff County resident; Kyna Ballinger, Deputy County Clerk; Nancy Leach, Deputy Treasurer and Kelly Sides, County Clerk. YEA: Harris, Meyer, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Discussion was held regarding Budget status and meetings schedule for 2025-26 budget between Lisa Rien, Management Accountant and the Board. Dates agreed upon will be August 7, 8, 11, 12, & 13, 2025 beginning at 4:00 PM each day. No action taken.

Discussion was held regarding the Commissioner budget for 2025-26 between Lisa Rien, Management Accountant and the Board. No action taken.

Old Business.

The Board received an update regarding Time clock plus and payroll from Lisa Rien, Management Accountant.

Public comment: Mitch Wagers, Scotts Bluff County resident voiced his concern for the Board entering into Executive Sessions inappropriately. Jason Ossian, Attorney-at-Law addressed Mr. Wagers.

The Board received comments/updates from Troy Brown, Chief Deputy Sheriff; Lisa Rien, Management Accountant and Kelly Sides, County Clerk.

The Board gave updates on various agencies and committees.

Motion: Harris. Second: Blue. Enter into Executive Session the purpose of Union contract negotiations for Sheriff’s Union at 6:46 PM. Participants: The Board, Jason Ossian, Attorney-at-Law; Troy Brown, Chief Deputy Sheriff; Sheriff Mark Overman and Lisa Rien, Management Accountant.

Return from Executive Session at 7:20 PM.

Roll Call: Harris, Meyer, Reisig, Blue.

Motion: Meyer. Second: Blue. Approve the use of 2025 Wage Comparison for Scotts Bluff County Sheriff’s Office and Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #41. YEA: Harris, Meyer, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Absent: Knapper.

Adjourn at 7:23 PM.

The following claims were audited, allowed and checks ordered drawn on the various funds, delinquent taxes deducted where owing: **GENERAL:** ACE HARDWARE, RPR, 110.93; AT&T DIST 12 PROBATION, SVC, 60.97; AT&T MOBILITY, SVC, 1574.35; BLACK HILLS ENERGY, SVC, 145.32; BOX BUTTE CO SHERIFF, FEE, 21.5; CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS, RENT, 114.24; CENTURYLINK, SVC, 26.08; CHARTER/LEROC, SVC, 50; CNA SURETY DIRECT BILL, SVC, 65; COLUMN SOFTWARE PBC, PUB, 166.47; COMM ACTION PARTNERSHIP OF WSTRN NE, SVC, 14625.07; DANA F COLE & CO, SVC, 40000; DAS CENTRAL SERVICES FINANCE, SVC, 307.2; DENNIS SUPPLY, SUPP, 188.91; DOCU-SHRED, SVC, 140; DOUGLAS KELLY OSTDIEK OSSIAN, SVC, 22668.5; EAKES, SUPP, 1081.44; FBG FACILITIES SERVICES, SVC, 8911; R FLOWER, SVC, 1960; CITY OF GERING LANDFILL SYSTEM, SVC, 15.83; CITY OF GERING UTILITY DEPT, SVC, 21188.05; GREATAMERICA FINANCIAL SRVCS CORP, RENT, 784.5; L HINTERGARDT, SVC, 351; HOLYOKE SNYDER LONGORIA REICHERT, SVC, 180; IDEAL LAUNDRY AND CLEANERS, SUPP, 191.48; IDEAL LINEN, SUPP, 57.76; R JONES-THURMAN, SVC, 600; MADELUNG LAW, SVC, 4380; MENARDS, RPR, 121.82; MILE HI WATER TEC, SUPP, 645; MORRILL CO SHERIFF, FEE, 18.7; NE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRNG CNTR, EDU, 80; NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB, SVC, 210; NORTHWEST PIPE, RPR, 64.55; OREILLY AUTO PARTS, SUPP, 16.86; PANHANDLE HUMANE SOCIETY, SVC, 2348.25; W PETERS, SVC, 2137.5; PHYSICIANS LABORATORY, SVC, 5910.5; POSTMASTER, FEE, 500; REGION 1 OHD, SVC, 35587.5; RYANS WELDING, RPR, 120; SCB CO ATTORNEY, MISC, 1638.49; SCB CO COURT COURT COSTS & FEES, FEE, 100; SCB CO PUBLIC TRANSIT, TRNS, 50000; SCB CO SHERIFF FEE ACCOUNT, FEE, 126.74; SCB CO TREASURER, POST, 97.31; SCB CO TREASURER, TAX, 152.35; SCB CO TREASURER QUADIENT, POST, 4000; SECRETARY OF STATE, SUB, 40; STAPLES, SUPP, 194.42; SUNSET LAW ENFORCEMENT, SUPP, 9944.7; L TABOR, SVC, 3399; THOMSON REUTERS, SUB, 1673.55; UNIVERSITY OF NE, SVC, 143.5; US BANCORP, MISC, 3159.13; VALLEY AUTO LOCATORS, SVC, 1861.69; VERIZON WIRELESS, SVC, 89.45; WITNESS FEES 622 COUNTY COURT, FEE, 288.2; AFLAC, INS, 337.67; COLONIAL LIFE, INS, 640.61; CREDIT MANAGEMENT, GARN, 359.32; EMPOWER ANNUITY INS CO OF AMERICA, CONT, 700; FNBO, CONT, 19292; FOP LODGE #41, DUES, 1362.6; LEGALSHIELD, INS, 89.7; NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT SOLUTIONS, CONT, 200; PLATTE VALLEY NTL BK, INS, 825; RIVERSTONE BK, P/R, 468363.55; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 15702; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 37782.7; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 2075.88; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 4087.7; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 107810; VISION SERVICE PLAN, INS, 1499.68; YMCA, DUES, 363.5; **ROAD & BRIDGE:** BAAS 24 HOUR TOWING, SUPP, 3824; CHIMNEY ROCK PUBLIC POWER, SVC, 130.83; EZ LINER INDUSTRIES, SUPP, 561.05; CITY OF GERING UTILITY DEPT, SVC, 1222.46; HORSE CREEK TIRE, RPR, 1528.94; JD'S ACE BODY SHOP, RPR, 3070.1; JENNY'S CLEANING SERVICE, SVC, 480; JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL, SUPP, 590.42; MUNICIPAL UTILITIES, SVC, 130.77; NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST, SVC, 529.93; POTTERS INDUSTRIES, SUPP, 7343; US BANCORP, MISC, 9833.13; US STORAGE, SUPP, 1328.56; VISTABEAM, SVC, 131.8; AFLAC, INS, 133.51; COLONIAL LIFE, INS, 408.74; FNBO, CONT, 4775; RIVERSTONE BK, P/R, 120768.91; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 3618.07; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 7384.91; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 568.47; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 1285.82; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 33885; SUGAR VALLEY FCU, CONT, 25; VISION SERVICE PLAN, INS, 440.32; WASHINGTON STATE SUPPORT REGISTRY, GARN, 207.26; **HIGHWAY/BRIDGE BUY-BACK FUND:** KEA CONSTRUCTORS, SVC, 29718.31; SPEECE LEWIS, FEE, 7167.87; **TOURISM:** HEEMAN FAMILY BASEBALL, GRNT, 7500; B LEISY, TRVL, 203.9; MALY MARKETING, SVC, 1800; MONUMENT MILE, GRNT, 150; US BANCORP, MISC, 229.91; FNBO, CONT, 200; RIVERSTONE BK, P/R, 5891.57; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 219.23; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 589.54; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 45.53; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 57.5; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 1135; VISION SERVICE PLAN, INS, 23.73; **SELF-INSURED MEDICAL FUND:** K LANG, SUPP, 11.98; MADISON NATIONAL LIFE, INS, 4138.13; REGIONAL CARE, INS, 70314.51; US BANCORP, MISC, 44.39; **HANDY BUS:** AL'S TOWING, RPR, 150; BLACK HILLS ENERGY, SVC, 31.76; CULLIGAN, SUPP, 30; CITY OF GERING UTILITY DEPT, SVC, 432; MENARDS, SUPP, 20.13; OREILLY AUTO PARTS, RPR, 163.02; SCB CO GENERAL FUND, TRNS, 2879.58; SEON SYSTEM SALES INC, SUPP, 1792.8; PODIUM AUTO GROUP DBA TWIN CITY AUT, RPR, 8146.45; US BANCORP, MISC, 115.84; FNBO, CONT, 1050; RIVERSTONE BK, P/R, 65368.44; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 1651.81; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 3630.02; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 105.36; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 267.5; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 13550; VISION SERVICE PLAN, INS, 77.03; **SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND:** RIVERSTONE BK, P/R, 2863.93; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 106.78; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 274.65; **JUVENILE AID FUND:** T FRYE, EQUIP, 99.97; PANHANDLE PARTNERSHIP, SVC, 2056.44; SCB CO TREASURER, POST, 20.01; US BANCORP, MISC, 1086.82; 3RD MILLENNIUM CLASSROOMS, EDU, 450; FNBO, CONT, 200; RIVERSTONE BK, P/R, 2541.35; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 62.75; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 192.38; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 13.15; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 35; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 1060; VISION SERVICE PLAN, INS, 9.62; **HOMELAND SECURITY FUND:** ADS, SUPP, 129012.67; N GOULD, TRVL, 518.72; MIDWEST CARD AND ID SOLUTIONS, SUPP, 5400; REGION 21 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, SVC, 55.31; REGION 23 EMERGENCY MNGT, MISC, 516.4; US BANCORP, MISC, 452.18; WMDTECH, SUPP, 1080; **E-911 FUND:** CENTURYLINK, SVC, 404.5; **DETENTION CENTER:** ACE HARDWARE, SUPP, 18.88; D AGUILAR, TRVL, 22.5; AT&T MOBILITY, SVC, 160.16; BENZEL PEST CONTROL, SVC, 112.34; BUDGE IT DRAIN, RPR, 645; CULLIGAN, RENT, 422; DOCU-SHRED, SVC, 112; ENGINEERED CONTROLS, RPR, 2353.38; FRANK PARTS, RPR, 40.65; CITY OF GERING UTILITY DEPT, SVC, 15467.06; GREATAMERICA FINANCIAL SRVCS CORP, RENT, 160; J HARRIS, SVC, 81.25; HONEYWAGON EXPRESS, SVC, 200; MENARDS, RPR, 248.37; PLASTOCON, SUPP, 834.22; RWMC, SVC, 1768.56; REGIONAL WEST PHYSICIANS CLINIC, SVC, 114.98; SANDBERG IMPLEMENT, RPR, 9.76; TRINITY SERVICES GROUP, SVC, 19074.33; US BANCORP, MISC, 153.08; VERIZON WIRELESS, SVC, 42.93;

WYOMING BEARING & SUPPLY, RPR, 11.04; ACCELERATED RECEIVABLES SOLUTIONS, GARN, 2640.77; AFLAC, INS, 342.28; COLONIAL LIFE, INS, 752.04; COMMUNICATIONS WORKERS OF AMERICA, DUES, 1281.5; CREDIT MANAGEMENT, GARN, 476.87; FNBO, CONT, 9937.5; PLATTE VALLEY NTL BK, CONT, 91; RIVERSTONE BK, P/R, 314460.44; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 10544.43; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 21666.62; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 1116.85; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 2252.84; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 72880; SUGAR VALLEY FCU, CONT, 850; VISION SERVICE PLAN, INS, 844.81; WYOMING CHILD SUPPORT, GARN, 450; YMCA, DUES, 644.25; **CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS:** CENTURYLINK, SVC, 131.3; DAS CENTRAL SERVICES FINANCE, SVC, 1459.19; PREVENTION & TREATMENT, SUPP, 365.95; US BANCORP, MISC, 84.38; AFLAC, INS, 113.81; COLONIAL LIFE, INS, 139.07; FNBO, CONT, 2873.32; FOP LODGE #41, DUES, 534.24; RIVERSTONE BK, P/R, 109560.66; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 4014.62; RIVERSTONE BK, TAX, 8253.18; SCB CO TREASURER, ION, 200.19; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 662.02; SCB CO TREASURER, INS, 18215; VISION SERVICE PLAN, INS, 182.42; YMCA, DUES, 108.

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