

August 25, 2025
Gering, Nebraska

The Board of Commissioners of Scotts Bluff County, Nebraska met in an open and public meeting at 3:16 PM, August 25, 2025, in the Commissioners Room, County Administration Building in Gering, Nebraska.

Notice of this meeting was published in the Star-Herald, August 21, 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 25, 2025.

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

A copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was acknowledged.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Discussion was held regarding budgets for County Attorney, Detention Center, Sheriff, Road & Bridge, Clerk of the District Court, County Clerk. No action taken.

Kelly Sides, County Clerk, requested an Executive Session for the purpose of the protection of an individual regarding a budget matter.

Motion: Knapper. Move into Executive Session. Motion fails for lack of second. Discussion held. Sides will contact Jason Ossain, Attorney-at-Law, per direction of the Board.

General Budget discussion continued. No action taken.

Meeting adjourned at 5:10 PM.

August 26, 2025
Gering, Nebraska

The Board of Commissioners of Scotts Bluff County, Nebraska met in an open and public meeting at 4:32 PM, August 26, 2025, in the Commissioners Room, County Administration Building in Gering, Nebraska.

Notice of this meeting was published in the Star-Herald, August 21, 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 25, 2025.

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

A copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was acknowledged.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion: Blue. Second: Reisig. Approve agenda as presented. Discussion was held regarding an Executive Session. Blue & Reisig rescinded motion & second.

Motion: Harris. Second: Blue. Approve agenda adding an Executive Session prior to Budget Discussion. YEA: Harris, Knapper, Meyer, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None.

Motion: Blue. Second: Knapper. Approve Resolution for subdivision preliminary levies for FY 2025-2026 as presented by Kelly Sides, County Clerk. YEA: Harris, Knapper, Meyer, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None.

Motion: Meyer. Second: Blue. Approve Sheriff Wage request for fiscal year 2025-2026, based on comparable county wage review. YEA: Harris, Knapper, Meyer, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None.

Motion: Harris. Second: Blue. Enter into Executive Session at 4:50 PM for the purpose of the protection of an individual regarding a budget matter. YEA: Harris, Knapper, Meyer, Reisig, Blue. NAY: None. Participants: The Board; Jason Ossain, Attorney-at-Law; Lisa Rien, Management Accountant; Kyna Ballinger, Deputy County Clerk and Kelly Sides, County Clerk.

Vice-Chairman Knapper was excused at 5:20 PM.

Return from Executive Session at 5:25 PM.

Roll call: Harris, Meyer, Reisig, Blue. Absent: Knapper

Discussion was held regarding the County Budget. No action taken.

Meeting adjourned at 6:53 PM.

SCOTTS BLUFF COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Ken Meyer

Mark Harris

Russ Reisig

ATTEST:

Mike Blue

Kelly Sides, County Clerk

Charlie Knapper