

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, November 17, 2025, in the Commissioners Room, County Administration Building in Gering, Nebraska.

Notice of this meeting was published in the Star-Herald, October 30, 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 November 13, 2025.

A copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was acknowledged.

ROLL CALL: Mark Harris, Russ Reisig, Ken Meyer, Matt Parsley. Absent: Mike Blue.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Chairman Harris gave announcements.

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

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

Motion: Reisig. Second: Parsley. Enter into Board of Equalization at 4:35 PM. YEA: Harris, Reisig, Meyer, Parsley. NAY: None. Absent: Blue.

Motion: Meyer. Second: Parsley. Approve one (1) vehicle exemption CAPStone, Gering. YEA: Harris, Reisig, Meyer, Parsley. NAY: None. Absent: Blue.

Motion: Meyer. Second: Reisig. Approve one (1) vehicle exemption Cirrus House, Scottsbluff. YEA: Harris, Reisig, Meyer, Parsley. NAY: None. Absent: Blue.

Motion: Reisig. Second: Meyer. Leave Board of Equalization at 4:39 PM. YEA: Harris, Reisig, Meyer, Parsley. NAY: None. Absent: Blue.

Commissioner Blue arrived at 4:49 PM.

Motion: Meyer. Second: Reisig. Approve recommendation of Tourism Committee for capital improvement grant for the Scotts Bluff County Fairgrounds \$50,000 for three years. YEA: Harris, Reisig, Meyer, Blue, Parsley. NAY: None.

Discussion was held regarding reduced federal funding for Tri-City Roadrunner with Curt Richter, Transit Manager. No action taken.

Motion: Meyer. Second: Blue. Approve Chairman’s signature on MOU between Nebraska Department of Veterans’ Affairs and Scotts Bluff County for 2026-2028. YEA: Harris, Reisig, Meyer, Blue, Parsley. NAY: None.

Motion: Harris. Second: Blue. Receive resignation letter from Lisa Rien, Management Accountant. The Board thanked her for her time with the county. YEA: Harris, Reisig, Meyer, Blue, Parsley. NAY: None.

Old Business.

Time clock plus and payroll, no update.

USDA-Wildlife Services Program, no update.

The Board received comments from Stephen Lovelidge, Scotts Bluff County resident.

The Board received updates from Lisa Rien, Management Accountant; Steve Baird, Highway Superintendent; and Kelly Sides, County Clerk.

The Board gave updates on various agencies and committees.

Motion: Harris. Second: Meyer. Enter into Executive Session to finalize Union contract negotiation for Scotts Bluff County Communications Center for comparison wages at 6:28 PM. Participants: The Board, Jason Ossain, Lisa Rien and Cellinda Howard. YEA: Harris, Meyer, Blue, Parsley, Reisig. NAY: None.

Motion: Harris. Second: Blue. Approve new wage schedule for Scotts Bluff County Communications Center contract 2025-2026 with retroactive pay from July 2025, but not payable until April 2026.

Motion: Harris. Second: Blue. Move into Executive Session for the protection of the public interest to discuss an update and strategy regarding pending litigation pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statue § 84-1410(a) at 6:48 PM. Participants: The Board; Lisa Rien, Management Accountant; Sheriff Mark Overman and Jason Ossian, Attorney-at-Law. YEA: Harris, Reisig, Meyer, Blue, Parsley. NAY: None.

Return from Executive Sessions at 7:38 PM. No decisions or action taken.

Roll Call: Harris, Reisig, Meyer, Blue, Parsley.

Adjourn at 7:39 PM.

The following claims were audited, allowed and checks ordered drawn on the various funds, delinquent taxes deducted where owing: **GENERAL:** A ELLIOTT LAW, SVC, 3257; ALLO, SVC, 5170.98; AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, SUPP, 53.44; BOX BUTTE CO SHERIFF, SVC, 21.5; C BRANDT, SVC, 324.4; R BRENNER, SVC, 2981; BYTES, SVC, 31211.04; CENTURYLINK, SVC, 251.57; CHARTER COMM, SVC, 310; COLUMN SOFTWARE PBC, PUB, 43.63; CONNECTING POINT, SVC, 9775.63; CVSOAN, FEE, 300; S DAVIDSON, FUEL, 66.02; DENNIS SUPPLY, SUPP, 1214.76; DOCU-SHRED, SVC, 210; DOUGLAS KELLY OSTDIEK OSSIAN, SVC, 4703.5; EAKES, SUPP, 636.06; R FLOWER, SVC, 3510; FRANK PARTS, SUPP, 6.74; CITY OF GERING LANDFILL SYSTEM, RPR, 83.34; GREATAMERICA FINANCIAL SRVCS CORP, RENT, 144; HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS, TRVL, 398; IDEAL LAUNDRY AND CLEANERS, SUPP, 1132.5; IDEAL LINEN, SUPP, 57.76; INTL ASSOC OF ASSESSING OFFICERS, FEE, 255; JUSTICE WORKS, SVC, 150; M LADEAUX, TRVL, 138.1; J LANDERS, SVC, 4153; MADELUNG LAW, SVC, 7315; MATTHEW BENDER & CO, SUPP, 2508.83; MENARDS, SUPP, 12.99; MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS, RENT, 495.5; MIDWEST CONNECT, SUPP, 284; MIPS, SVC, 3038.22; MORRILL CO SHERIFF, SVC, 39.4; NE AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCTS, SVC, 4956; NEBRASKA HEALTH & HUMAN SVCS, SVC, 1110; NE STATE FIRE MARSHAL AGENCY, FEE, 108; NE WEED CONTROL ASSOC, FEE, 125; NEW VICTORIAN INN & SUITES, TRVL, 129.98; NIRMA, FEE, 10000; NOSSAMAN PETITT LAW, SVC, 7069.94; OREILLY AUTO PARTS, SUPP, 8.03; PAIGE'S POSIES, SVC, 780; PAMELA EPP OLSEN LAW, SVC, 420; PANHANDLE GEOTECHNICAL & ENVIR, SVC, 424; PELL REPORTING, SVC, 33; W PETERS, SVC, 1738.5; PETE'S QUICK LUBE, SVC, 63.73; RIVERSTONE BK, FEE, 10; T RODAK, SVC, 3000; SAPP BROS PETROLEUM, FUEL, 18242.28; SCB CO CLERK OF THE DIST CT FILING, FEE, 1486; SCB CO ROAD & BRIDGE, TRNS, 200000; SCB CO SHERIFF FEE ACCOUNT, SVC, 202.9; SCB CO TREASURER, POST, 503.2; SCB CO TREASURER, POST, 192.54; SCB FUELING STATION, FUEL, 572.85; B SCHLAGER, SVC, 1501.7; R SIMPSON, TRVL, 44.53; SOFTWARE UNLIMITED, SVC, 3492.72; STAPLES, SUPP, 285.02; L TABOR, SVC, 2555; P TALLMAGE, SVC, 178.35; THOMSON REUTERS, SVC, 2983.6; TRANE US, SVC, 4735.38; US BANCORP, MISC, 1199.75; VERIZON WIRELESS, SVC, 80.02; WITNESS FEES 622 COUNTY COURT, FEE, 165.2; **ROAD & BRIDGE:** ALLO, SVC, 9.58; AUTO WIZARD, RPR, 1457.82; BENZEL PEST CONTROL, SVC, 162.8; CONNECTING POINT, SVC, 547.06; EAKES, SUPP, 1180.48; FAT BOYS TIRE & AUTO, RPR, 497.49; FLOYD'S TRUCK, RPR, 2995.38; FRANK PARTS, RPR, 1676.62; HORSE CREEK TIRE, RPR, 69.4; IDEAL LINEN, SUPP, 16.34; INLAND TRUCK PARTS, RPR, 1777.1; JENNY'S CLEANING, SVC, 600; LOGOZ, SUPP, 87; MATHESON TRI-GAS, SUPP, 163.9; MUNICIPAL UTILITIES, SVC, 134.33; NEBRASKALAND TIRE, RPR, 496.32; NMC EXCHANGE, RPR, 16611.34; OREILLY AUTO PARTS, SUPP, 478.76; POWERPLAN, RPR, 865.43; SIMON CONTRACTORS, SUPP, 38473.91; STEVE'S TRUCK & EQUIP, SUPP, 145; US BANCORP, MISC, 435.01; VERIZON CONNECT FLEET, SVC, 504.4; VERIZON WIRELESS, SVC, 22.6; VILLAGE OF LYMAN, SVC, 113.88; WASTE CONNECTIONS, SVC, 215.04; WESTCO, SUPP, 5952.56; WPCI, SVC, 204; WYOMING BEARING & SUPPLY, RPR, 456.2; **TOURISM:** BEEF BEANS AND BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL, GRNT, 2000; HORIZON MUSIC FESTIVAL, GRNT, 9236.38; B LEISY, TRVL, 435.22; SCB CO MAPPING, SVC, 35; THE HEIRLOOM MARKET, GRNT, 1000; US BANCORP, MISC, 209.82; **SELF-INSURED MEDICAL FUND:** PLATTE VALLEY NTL BK, INS, 149777.43; **HANDY BUS:** AT&T MOBILITY, SVC, 148.1; CONNECTING POINT, SVC, 1098.82; CROWNE PLAZA, TRVL, 259.9; DOCU-SHRED, SVC, 35; EAKES, SUPP, 30.85; MAINTAIN X, SVC, 148.1; SCB FUELING STATION, FUEL, 7392.81; PODIUM AUTO GROUP DBA TWIN CITY AUT, RPR, 6402.93; **JUVENILE AID FUND:** CONNECTING POINT, SVC, 104.63; US BANCORP, MISC, 92; **KENO:** CITY OF MITCHELL, RLTY, 2176.56; CITY OF SCOTTSBLUFF, RLTY, 7344.34; VILLAGE OF MORRILL, RLTY, 2771.14; **E-911 FUND:** CENTURYLINK, SVC, 2214.5; **DETENTION CENTER:** ACE HARDWARE, SUPP, 17.98; ACTION COMM, SVC, 315; ADVANCED CORRECTIONAL HEALTHCARE, SVC, 85636.66; AIRGAS USA, SUPP, 106.81; ALLO, SVC, 239.97; BENZEL PEST CONTROL, SVC, 473.57; BOB BARKER CO, SUPP, 1406.6; COMM ACTION PARTNERSHIP OF WSTRN NE, SVC, 1647; CONNECTING POINT, SVC, 2874.71; COREMR, SVC, 500; CRESCENT ELECTRIC, SVC, 222.68; CULLIGAN, RENT, 422; EAKES, SUPP, 1218.44; ENGINEERED CONTROLS, SVC, 408; GALLS, SVC, 133.44; CITY OF GERING LANDFILL SYSTEM, SVC, 526.43; HONEYWAGON EXPRESS, SVC, 200; IDEAL LAUNDRY AND CLEANERS, SUPP, 2107.91; IDEAL LINEN, SUPP, 1330.31; MENARDS, SUPP, 498.73; RASMUSSEN MECHANICAL, SVC, 2710; SCB CO TREASURER, POST, 27.38; SCB FUELING STATION, FUEL, 1208.31; SNELL SERVICES, SUPP, 217.5; TRANSWEST FORD, RPR, 373.49; TRINITY SERVICES GROUP, SVC, 19909.93; US BANCORP, MISC, 8365.57; **CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS:** CENTURYLINK, SVC, 334.78; CENTURYLINK, SVC, 81; CHARTER COMM, SVC, 33.62; CONNECTING POINT, SVC, 1307.15.

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