

HARLAN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

From April 21st, 2026

The Harlan County Board of Supervisors met in regular session Tuesday, April 21st, 2026, in the Community Room of the Harlan County Courthouse in Alma, NE, as advertised in the Harlan County Journal and posted on the County website harlancounty.ne.gov, with Supervisors Mike Clements; George Scott; Cindy Boehler; Janice Miller-Boston; Jeff Bash; Rob Schmidt and Joe Schnuerle present. Also, present was County Clerk Jessie Martin, Highway and Weed Superintendent Tim Burgeson and County Attorney Whitney Schroeder.

At 9:30am Chairman Boehler called the meeting to order, announced that there is a copy of the Open Meetings Act posted at the south end of the room which will be followed by the Board. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The board reviewed and discussed claims. Motion to approve claims as submitted by Clements and seconded by Bash. Roll call votes: Schnuerle-yes; Schmidt-yes; Clements-yes; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Scott-yes; Miller-Boston-yes. Motion carried.

Chairman Boehler asked the Board if they had reviewed the Minutes from April 7th, 2026, regular board meeting and called for any corrections. Motion made by Scott to approve the minutes from April 7th, with one correction and Seconded by Bash. Roll call votes: Schnuerle-yes; Schmidt-yes; Clements-yes; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Scott-yes; Miller-Boston-yes. Motion carried.

Motion to go into Board of Equalization at 9:58am made by Bash and seconded by Schnuerle. Roll call votes: Schnuerle-yes; Schmidt-yes; Clements-yes; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Scott-yes; Miller-Boston-yes. Motion carried. Assessor Fouts presented the Board with some tax list corrections (14-45 through 14-48). Motion made by Clements to approve the tax list corrections as presented, seconded by Schmidt. Roll call votes: Schnuerle-yes; Schmidt-yes; Clements-yes; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Scott-yes; Miller-Boston-yes. Motion carried. Assessor Fouts presented the Board with a form 425 to destroy real property for Ron Luedke since the house was burnt down. Motion to approve the form 425 for destroyed real property made by Schmidt and seconded by Schnuerle. Roll call votes: Schnuerle-yes; Schmidt-yes; Clements-yes; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Scott-yes; Miller-Boston-yes. Motion carried. Motion to exit Board of Equalization and return to regular session at 10:01am made by Schnuerle and seconded by Bash. Roll call votes: Schnuerle-yes; Schmidt-yes; Clements-yes; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Scott-yes; Miller-Boston-yes. Motion carried.

Mark Bennett with Pinpoint Communications came before the Board to discuss putting equipment on a tower by Orleans. Discussion was to get a lease with all the information and put on the next agenda for review.

Justin Clark with Patterson Harbor Marina came before the board with a SDL permit for July 25 for a concert they will be having. Motion to approve the SDL permit for Patterson Harbor Marina made by Clements and seconded by Schmidt. Roll call votes: Schnuerle-yes; Schmidt-yes; Clements-yes; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Scott-yes; Miller-Boston-yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the employee handbook and pending updates. Meeting with Handbook committee and the Elected officials later this week. Updates to be presented to the Board at a later date.

Patrick Moore with energyRe came before the Board to discuss a solar farm project that would go west of Orleans. Board Members and members of the public were allowed to ask questions about the project. Chairman Boehler did remind everyone that Harlan County is in a moratorium, and no action can be taken at this time.

Bonnie Kresser with the Harlan County Senior Center came before the Board to discuss her budget for the next budget year. Request to be approved during budget time.

Highway & Weed Superintendent, Tim Burgeson presented the Board with updates to bids on sealing and fixing cracks in the road on Cornhusker.

Building and Grounds committee gave updates on projects.

Motion to go into executive session for a strategy session with respect to pending litigation at 12:15pm made by Schnuerle and seconded by Bash. Roll call votes: Schnuerle-yes; Schmidt-yes;

Clements-yes; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Scott-yes; Miller-Boston-yes. Motion carried. Motion to come out of executive session at 12:35pm made by Clements and seconded by Schnuerle. Roll call votes: Schnuerle-yes; Schmidt-yes; Clements-yes; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Scott-yes; Miller-Boston-yes. Motion carried.

Treasurer Brittany Artz provided for the Board's review the account balances, trial balance list, delinquent tax listing and pledged securities report.

With no further business, a motion was made by Bash to adjourn the meeting at 12:37 pm. Second by Schnuerle. Roll call votes: Schnuerle-yes; Schmidt-yes; Clements-yes; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Scott-yes; Miller-Boston-yes. Motion carried. Chairman Boehler adjourned the meeting at 12:37pm. The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 5th, 2026, commencing at 9:30 a.m.

ATTEST: /s/ Jessie Martin, County Clerk

/s/ Cindy Boehler, Chairman

Agenda & Minutes can be found on the County website: **harlancounty.ne.gov**

CLAIMS: GENERAL FUND: Alma Family Dentistry-Medical \$85.50; Mickayla Blender-Mileage \$47.13; Bob Barker Company-Supplies \$343.17; Daake Law Office-Attorney Fees \$207.00; Dell Marketing- Office Equipment \$2,318.10; Diamond Drugs-Medical \$6.48; Diamond Exterminating-Pest Control \$150.00; Eakes Office Solutions-Supplies \$498.37; Elections Systems and Software-Data Processing \$6,756.12; Pat George-Mileage \$236.64; Harlan County Journal-Publishing \$67.04; Hays Pharmacy-Medical \$86.07; Holdrege Soft Water-Maintenance \$289.50; Klein, Brewster, Brandt & Messersmith-Attorney Fees \$3,857.46; M&B Business Machine Service-Maintenance \$153.00; Nebraska Public Power District-Electricity \$550.11; Nelson Law-Attorney Fees \$829.05; NIRMA-Training \$189.00; Phelps County Sheriff-Safekeeping/Service Fees \$1,578.00; Quill-Supplies \$313.96; Region # Behavioral Services \$1,976.97; Kayla Schouest-Mileage \$480.00; Das State Accounting-Data Processing \$334.00; Thomas S Stewart-Attorney Cost \$97.75; Sunset Law Enforcement-Supplies \$1,223.40; Twin Valley Public Power District- Utilities \$582.97; USDA Aphis Wildlife Services-Predatory Control \$6,690.09; Vyve-Internet/Phone \$179.27; 911 Customs-Equipment \$2,079.20; TOTAL: \$32,178.35
ROAD FUND: Ace Irrigation-Culverts \$8,875.93; B.H. Hesseman Shop-Supplies \$332.77; Bosselman Energy-Fuel \$17,276.37; Bosselman Enterprises – Fuel \$1,421.08; Cintas-Supplies \$54.58; Cooperative Producers-Supplies \$988.30; Dept Of Agriculture Central-License \$90.00; Hogeland Market-Supplies \$52.78; Holiday Inn-Lodging \$139.95; J&A Traffic Products Jims Ok Tires-Grader Tires \$7,584.96; NMC Exchange-Supplies \$70.82; NIRMA-Training \$324.00; Oak Creek Engineering-Fees \$6,580.00; Overhead Doors-Repairs \$307.00; Overton Sand & Gravel-Gravel \$2,777.51; Paulsen-Gravel \$14,933.44; Reliable Pest Control Services-Pest Control \$315.00; Trustworthy Hardware-Supplies \$17.15; Twin Valley Public Power-Utilities \$365.87; Verizon-Phone 52.02; Village of Republican City-Water \$35.13; Whites Auto Glass-Repairs \$200.00 TOTAL: \$75,319.66
911 EMERGENCY: City of Holdrege-911 \$162.36