

HARLAN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

From June 2nd, 2026

The Harlan County Board of Supervisors met in regular session Tuesday, June 2nd, 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 George Scott; Cindy Boehler; Janice Miller-Boston; Jeff Bash; Rob Schmidt; Mike Clements and Joe Schnuerle present. Also, present was County Clerk Jessie Martin, Highway and Weed Superintendent Tim Burgeson.

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 payroll and claims. Motion to approve claims as submitted with one Claim on hold for more clarification by Schmidt and seconded by Clements. 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 May 18th, 2026, regular board meeting and called for any corrections. Motion made by Scott to approve the minutes from May 18th, 2026, with one correction, Seconded by Bash. Roll call votes: Schnuerle-yes; Schmidt-yes; Clements-yes; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Scott-yes; Miller-Boston-yes. Motion carried.

Ryan Powers and Kyle Brown with the USDA Wildlife Service came before the board with the Work/Financial Plan Agreement with Harlan County and the United State Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Service. Discussion was held on the increase from the previous year. Motion to approve the Work/Financial Plan Agreement with Harlan County and the United State Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Service with the budget of \$14,057.39 for the July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027, year 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.

Tom Bokenamp with Ave Eaton Metals came before the board with the annual culvert bid. Motion to approve the annual culvert bid presented by Tom Bokenamp with the recommendation of Tim Burgeson made by Bash and seconded by Schmidt. Roll call votes: Schnuerle-yes; Schmidt-yes; Clements-yes; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Scott-yes; Miller-Boston-yes. Motion carried.

Highway & Weed Superintendent, Tim Burgeson came before the Board with updates regarding the railroad bridge by Oxford, road employee updates and Transfers for the next meeting. Burgeson also discussed with the Board troubles going on with the phone systems. IT Committee to meet after the Board meeting.

Motion to go into Board of Equalization at 11:06am made by Schnuerle and seconded by Clements. 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 14-45A. Motion made by Schnuerle to approve the tax list corrections 14-45A as presented by Assessor Fouts, seconded by Bash. 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 three properties that need value applied back to them. Motion to approve three valuations applied by the County Board 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. Motion to exit Board of Equalization and return to regular session at 11:13am 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.

Supervisor Bash opened the discussion on the townships within the county, and the Orleans Township has a board member on the cemetery board that does not live in that district. After lengthy discussions it was noted by County Attorney Schoeder that per State Statue 23-2,100 and 23-293 what the process looks like for the county if more than 50% of the townships become inactive and how to discontinue them and move to a commissioner form of government. A Public Hearing on the

discontinuation and termination of the township within Harlan County is being set for July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at 11am to get public input on the topic.

Building and Grounds Committee gave updates on the air handling systems and updates on filling the open job position.

Clerk Martin provided for the Board's review of the monthly Clerk and District Report

Treasurer Artz provided for the Board's review of the account balances, account trial balance list and the Delinquent tax listing.

With no further business, a motion was made by Bash to adjourn the meeting at 12:03 pm.

Second by Schuenerle. Roll call votes: Schnuerle-yes; Schmidt-absent; Clements-yes; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Scott-yes; Miller-Boston-yes. Motion carried. Chairman Boehler adjourned the meeting at 12:03pm

The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 16th, 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](http://harlancounty.ne.gov)

CLAIMS: GENERAL: Payroll: \$81,452.02/ Claims: American Family Life Assurance-Payroll Deduction \$251.48; Ameritas Life Insurance-Vision \$348.28; Ameritas Life Insurance Corp-Retirement \$12,946.48; Business World-Supplies \$407.73; Community Bank-HSA \$1,875.00; Daake Law-Salary \$4,375.00; Diamond Drugs-Medical \$6.48; Eakes Office Solutions-Maintenance \$159.78; First National Bank-Postage/Fuel/Supplies/Loding \$4,675.05; First State Bank- Payroll Deductions \$22,321.77; Kim Fouts-Mileage \$74.20; Happy Hookin Towing-Towing \$285.00; Harlan County Health System-Medical \$282.10; Harlan County Journal-Publishing \$45.40; Harlan County Treasurer-Postage \$500.00; Harlan County Treasurer Transfer-To Road Dept \$60,000.00; Home Town Leasing-Equipment Lease \$716.61; Justice Data Solutions Inc-Subscription \$3,400.00; Medica-Health Insurance \$19,850.51; Ron Melbye-Mileage \$48.32; NACO-Dues \$125.00; NARTEC Inc-Supplies \$95.83; NE Dept of Revenue- Payroll Deductions \$2,992.50; Darcie Porter-Phone \$45.00; S&W Auto Parts-Supplies \$239.57; South Central Nebraska Area Agency on Aging- Budget Match \$1,114.35; DAS State Accounting-Teletype Service \$537.60; Lincoln National- Insurance \$1,729.18; Tripe Motor-Repair \$560.44; Trustworthy Hardware-Supplies \$58.97; Winchell's Inc-Parts \$36.47; GENERAL TOTAL \$221,630.68

ROAD: Payroll \$37,881.93/Claims: Alma Auto Parts- Supplies \$69.57; American Family Life-Payroll Deduction \$893.19; Ameritas Life Insurance-Vision \$213.44; Ameritas Life Insurance Corp-Retirement \$6,038.57; Balder's Highway and Street-Crack Sealing \$9,884.00; ; Community Bank-HAS \$790.00; Credit Management-Garnishment \$880.06; Jim Dietz-Retirement \$25.00; First State Bank-Payroll Deductions \$11,321.00; JD Lumber-Lath \$1,150.20; M.J. Lubeck-Rent \$300.00; Medica-Insurance \$12,969.93; MIPS-Data Processing \$127.16; NE Dept of Revenue- Payroll Deductions \$1,531.25; Ne Child Support Payment Center- Payroll Deductions \$949.00; NMC Exchange Inc-Supplies \$4,106.88; Nebraska Public Employee Local 251- Payroll Deductions \$55.00; Lincoln National- Insurance \$897.77; ROAD TOTAL \$90,083.95

TOURISM: Jordann Dunlay-Wage \$1,200.00;

911 EMERGENCY FUND: City of Holdrege-E911 \$231.39