

HARLAN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

From July 21st, 2026

The Harlan County Board of Supervisors met in regular session Tuesday, July 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 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 claims. Motion to approve claims as submitted 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.

Chairman Boehler asked the Board if they had reviewed the Minutes from July 7th, 2026, regular board meeting and called for any corrections. Motion made by Bash to approve the minutes from July 7th, 2026, Seconded by Schnuerle. 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 July 14th, 2026, special board meeting and called for any corrections. Motion made by Clements to approve the minutes from July 14th, 2026, Seconded by Schnuerle. 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 July 16th, 2026, Protest board meeting and called for any corrections. Motion made by Schmidt to approve the minutes from July 16th, 2026, Seconded by Scott. Roll call votes: Schnuerle-yes; Schmidt-yes; Clements-yes; Boehler-abstain; Bash-yes; Scott-yes; Miller-Boston-abstain. Motion carried.

Jacki Haley with Two River Public Health came before the Board to give updates on things happening within the district.

Supervisor Clements recommended to the Board to appoint Ron Imm to the Hospital Board following a board vacancy. Motion made by Clements to appoint Ron Imm to the Hospital Board, Seconded by Miller-Boston. Roll call votes: Schnuerle-yes; Schmidt-yes; Clements-yes; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Scott-yes; Miller-Boston-yes. Motion carried.

Updates were given on the pending planning and zoning comprehensive plan that is being done by Marvin Planning. Discussion was held on resolution 2026-7 on a temporary moratorium on the development of data centers in Harlan County. Motion to approve resolution 2026-7 made by Bash and seconded by Scott. Roll call votes: Schnuerle-yes; Schmidt-yes; Clements-yes; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Scott-yes; Miller-Boston-yes. Motion carried.

Motion to open the public hearing at 10:31am for the permissive exemptions 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. Assessor Kim Fouts presented the board with the 2026 Permissive exemptions. Motion to approve the 2026 Permissive exemptions as presented by the Assessor 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. Motion to close the public hearing and return to regular session at 10:33am 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.

Stacy Neubauer and Chad Jay with the Harlan County Health System came before the Board with the agreement for understanding for Harlan County Public Transit services in the amount of \$47,955.00 and the 511 program agreement for federal aid funds supplemental agreement in the amount of \$24,383.00 from Harlan County. Motion to approve the agreement for understanding for Harlan County Public Transit services with adding Harlan County will provide three parking spots to number 5

and 511 program agreement for federal aid funds supplemental agreement made by Schnuerle and seconded by Schmidt. Roll call votes: Schnuerle-yes; Schmidt-yes; Clements-yes; Boehler-yes; Bash-abstain; Scott-yes; Miller-Boston-yes. Motion carried.

Motion to go into Board of Equalization at 10:45am made by Schmidt and seconded by Bash. Roll call votes: Schnuerle-yes; Schmidt-yes; Clements-yes; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Scott-yes; Miller-Boston-yes. Motion carried. Assessor Kim Fouts presented the Board with a report of damaged real property. Motion to approve the report of damaged real properties and lower to the values as recommended by the Assessor 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 Kim Fouts also presented the Board with over/under values and discussed the reason for them. Motion to approve the over/under values and correct the last three years as recommended by the Assessor 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. Assessor Kim Fouts presented the Board with tax list corrections 14-49 to 14-57. Motion to approve tax list corrections 14-49 to 14-57 as recommended by the Assessor made by Schnuerle and seconded by Scott. 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 10:51am made by Bash and seconded by Scott. Roll call votes: Schnuerle-yes; Schmidt-yes; Clements-yes; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Scott-yes; Miller-Boston-yes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve burial assistance application BA26-1 for up to \$1,000.00 made by Scott 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 open the public hearing at 11:00am for the termination of the townships within Harlan County made by Bash and seconded by Scott. Roll call votes: Schnuerle-yes; Schmidt-yes; Clements-yes; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Scott-yes; Miller-Boston-yes. Motion carried. Lengthy discussion was held on the townships and the state statues around the townships. Members of the public addressed the Board. Motion to close the public hearing and return to regular session at 11:48am 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 budgets and setting the raise percentage amount for the 2027 year for all nonunion employees and the Courthouse employees. Motion to give all nonunion employees and the Courthouse employees including the elected officials a 5.25% raise to take effect on January 1st, 2027, made by Schnuerle and seconded by Schmidt. Roll call votes: Schnuerle-yes; Schmidt-yes; Clements-yes; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Scott-yes; Miller-Boston-yes. Motion carried.

Patrick George, the Harlan County Veterans Service officer, gave updates.

Highway & Weed Superintendent, Tim Burgeson, came before the Board with updates.

Building and Grounds committee gave updates on the quotes that they got for an air handling system for the Courthouse. Motion to approve the quote from Rasmussen made by Scott and seconded by Clements. Roll call votes: Schnuerle-yes; Schmidt-yes; Clements-yes; Boehler-yes; Bash-yes; Scott-yes; Miller-Boston-yes. Motion carried. Supervisor Scott also gave updates that smoking signs were put up to mark the smoking areas. Chairman Boehler informed the Board that the bank account that was set up for miss liberty has been closed and money giving to the Treasurers office.

Personnel Committee had no updates at this time.

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 12:38 pm. Second by Schmidt. 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 12:38pm

The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 4th, 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: Claims: Jeff Artz-Millage \$5.00; Benchmark Government Solutions-Meals \$54.75; Calkins Law-Attorney Cost \$1,987.10; Chandler Law-Attorney Cost \$3,050.00; Custom Cage-Equipment \$1,030.00; CVSOAN-Dues \$60.00; Daake Law-Attorney Cost \$494.50; Dewald Deaver-Attorney Cost \$1,822.25; Dier, Osborne, Cox and Nelsen-Attorney Cost \$34.50; Eakes Office Solutions-Maintenance Agreement \$559.67; Franklin County Sheriff-Safekeeping \$1,235.00; GBE-Audit Cost \$5,000.00; Graham Tire-Service \$708.36; Harlan County Title-Title Search \$150.00; Hays Pharmacy-Medical \$27.16; Instakey-Service \$360.00; Internal Revenue Service-PCORI Reporting \$131.86; Intoximeters Inc-Supplies \$570.00; Klein, Brewster, Brandt and Messersmith-Attorney Cost \$5,352.46; Lieske, Lieske and Ensz-Attorney Cost \$173.50; M&B Business Machine Service-Maintenance \$153.00; Ne Law Enforcement Training Center-Lodging \$75.00; Nelson Law-Attorney Cost \$449.55; Justin Pape-Mileage \$23.20; Phelps County Sheriff-Safekeeping \$1,950.00; Quadient Finance USA-Postal Service \$500.00; Quill-Supplies \$356.80; Region 3 Behavioral Health-Mental Health Match \$1,957.79; Das State Accounting- Data Processing \$334.00; Dan Stoelting-Mileage \$5.00; Jeremy Vanboening-Mileage \$18.85; Vyve Broadband-Internet/phones \$2014.93; Doug Winz-Mileage \$27.55; GENERAL TOTAL \$30,671.78

ROAD FUND: Claims: Bosselman's Energy-Fuel \$23,513.85; Bosselman's Enterprises-fuel \$2,788.16; Cintas-Safety Supplies \$102.07; City of Alma-Trash \$75.47; Cooperative Producers-Supplies \$2,761.76; Harlan County Treasurer Transfer-Pickup from Sheriff \$13,500; Hireright Solutions-Drug Testing \$116.10; Hogeland Market-Supplies \$41.60; Holdrege Auto Parts-Parts \$117.50; Jims Ok Tire Store-Repair \$290.00; Main Street Variety-Supplies \$9.99; Paulsen-Gravel \$12,138.05; Reliable Pest Control-Pest Control \$315.00; Trustworthy Hardware-Supplies \$58.96; Twin Valley PPD-Light \$271.18; Verzion-Phone \$52.03; Village of Republican City-Water \$35.13; ROAD TOTAL \$56,186.85

Pay Roll Rates-2026 per Statue 23-122

Chairman \$1,895.39; Supervisors 1,595.39;

Clerk \$4,892.53; Deputy Clerk \$3,738.23; Clerical \$18.63;

Treasurer \$4,892.53; Deputy Treasurer \$3, 738.23; Clerical \$17.50;

Assessor \$4,892.53; Clerical \$18.63;

Planning and Zoning Admin \$727.88;

Maintenance \$22.77; Custodial \$36.22;

Extension Clerical \$20.04; Extension Assistant \$20.00;

Sheriff \$6,062.47; Chief Deputy \$30.24; Deputy \$21.73; Deputy \$25.11

Dispatcher \$18.63; Dispatcher \$19.35; Dispatcher \$18.00; Dispatcher \$21.30; Dispatcher \$23.78;

Emergency Manager \$926.61; Deputy Emergency Manager \$377.73;

Attorney \$6,268.10; Clerical \$19.15;

Veterans Admin \$28.52;

Road Superintendent \$7,207.57; Clerical \$20.27; Road Employee \$22.55; Road Employee \$21.55; Road Employee \$22.82;