

**RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
OCTOBER 15, 2025**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Richardson County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Vice-Chairman Karas at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 15, 2025. Roll call was answered by Karas and Campbell. Chairman Caverzagie was absent. The Invocation was given and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice-Chairman Karas. Vice-Chairman Karas announced that the open meeting laws have been posted at the entrance to the meeting room.

A motion was made by Campbell to approve the minutes of the October 8, 2025, meeting as presented. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-absent. Motion carried.

A motion was made Karas to approve the agenda as posted. Motion seconded by Campbell. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-absent. Motion carried. The agenda is posted at the Richardson County Courthouse in the First Floor Lobby, the Lower-Level Lobby and on the Commissioner's Meeting Room door on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor and on the Richardson County website [www.richardsoncountyne.gov](http://www.richardsoncountyne.gov).

**ROAD & BRIDGE DEPT.**

Highway Superintendent, Steve Darveau, Jr. updated the Board on the routine road and bridge maintenance being done this week. Five new employees have passed their CDL written testing and will start the driver training.

Mr. Darveau reported that the crews are cleaning ditches, hauling rock and the motor graders are going.

An area on the "Pony Creek Road" was discussed and whether or not the planned improvements should begin at this time of year or wait until after winter weather. It was determined that waiting until after the winter weather to start this project would be in the best interest of those who travel this road.

The structure on 637 Avenue between 712 and 713 Road located NW of Dawson was discussed and contact has been made with local contractors to assist with this improvement.

Mr. Darveau presented to the Board the quotes received from Murphy Tractor and NE Machinery Company for the purchase of a new motor grader through the Sourcewell government contract awards. The Board will be reviewing these quotes further at next week's meeting.

Quotes were also presented to the Board for the purchase of a new 2026 pickup for the Road Department. Quotes were received from the following: Anderson Ford for a 2025 F250 pickup for \$54,365 with state bid contract #16214 OC; Hullman's Ford for a 2026 Ford F250 at \$54,900; Armbruster Motor Co. for a 2026 Chevrolet Silverado for \$56,950; Sid Dillon for a 2025 Chevrolet Silverado with state bid contract #16215 OC for \$51,943.00.

**LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER**

Sheriff Hardesty was unable to meet with the Board this week due to commitments with court hearings.

A report was received from the Nebraska Jail Standards that the Richardson County jail facility was found to be in full compliance after the annual inspection.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion was made by Karas to go into an executive session at 10:00 a.m. with EMA Director, Brian Kirkendall and County Attorney, Samantha Scheitel to discuss pending litigation and for the protection of the public interest. Motion seconded by Campbell. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-absent. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Karas to close the executive session at 10:30 a.m. and return to the regular meeting agenda. Motion seconded by Campbell. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-absent. Motion carried.

**CLAIMS**

Motion was made by Karas to allow the payment of all claims that were submitted today.

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Motion seconded by Campbell. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-absent. Motion carried.

*(The claims listed below are available for public inspection  
at the office of the County Clerk during regular business hours.)*

#### GENERAL FUND

|                                           |                     |
|-------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Amazon, supp                              | 13.78               |
| Ankrom, Jami, reimb                       | 291.20              |
| AT&T, serv                                | 739.05              |
| Clerk of District Court, fees             | 258.00              |
| Consolidated Management, serv             | 11077.50            |
| Culligan, serv                            | 163.60              |
| DAS State Accounting, serv                | 343.50              |
| Douglas County Sheriff, serv              | 68.76               |
| Holiday Inn, lodg                         | 269.90              |
| Humboldt Standard, adv                    | 130.35              |
| Jensen, Marianne, reimb                   | 333.20              |
| LA Police Gear, supp                      | 628.17              |
| Malcolm, Terry, serv                      | 420.00              |
| Maximus US Services, serv                 | 2500.00             |
| Midwest Process Service, serv             | 42.82               |
| MIPS, supp                                | 497.49              |
| NACO, fee                                 | 55.00               |
| NE Dept. of Health & Human Services, serv | 90.00               |
| NE Commission on Law Enforcement, , serv  | 160.00              |
| Nestor & Mercure, serv                    | 9166.66             |
| Norfolk Lodge & Suites, lodg              | 550.00              |
| Physicians Laboratory, serv               | 5750.00             |
| Pro Serv Business Systems, supp           | 328.83              |
| Richardson County Vendor, FICA/retire/etc | 25480.47            |
| Scheitel, Samantha, reimb                 | 154.00              |
| Schendel Pest Control, serv               | 69.88               |
| SNC, serv                                 | 2019.22             |
| SumnerOne, serv                           | 330.63              |
| US Signal Company, supp                   | 945.00              |
| Payroll Expense                           | 120531.79           |
| <b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND</b>                 | <b>\$183,408.80</b> |

#### ROAD & BRIDGE FUND

|                                        |                    |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Cornhusker International Trucks, supp  | 429.74             |
| Dept. of Correctional Services, supp   | 250.00             |
| Farm & City Supply, supp               | 150.48             |
| Farmer's Repair, supp                  | 189.36             |
| Martin Marietta Materials, rock        | 36426.56           |
| NMC, supp                              | 38.36              |
| Norris Quarries, rock                  | 5679.05            |
| Operation & Expense Account, reimb     | 15.00              |
| O'Reilly Automotive, supp              | 195.64             |
| Road Builders Machinery & Supply, supp | 45.57              |
| Sapp Bros., supp                       | 645.40             |
| SNC, serv                              | 104.73             |
| Stella, Village of, serv               | 137.90             |
| Unifirst, supp                         | 15.06              |
| Winter Equipment Company, supp         | 2604.53            |
| Payroll Expense                        | 36136.12           |
| <b>TOTAL ROAD &amp; BRIDGE FUND</b>    | <b>\$83,063.50</b> |

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**DRUG COURT FUND**

|                                      |                   |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Hawkins, Seth, serv                  | 1300.00           |
| Morrissey, Morrissey & Dalluge, serv | 1300.00           |
| <b>TOTAL DRUG COURT FUND</b>         | <b>\$2,600.00</b> |

**SHERIFF COMMISSARY FUND**

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|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
| SNC, serv                            | 167.00          |
| <b>TOTAL SHERIFF COMMISSARY FUND</b> | <b>\$167.00</b> |

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made Karas to adjourn the meeting at 10:53 a.m. Motion seconded by Campbell. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-absent. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Wednesday, October 22, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. for the regular weekly meeting in the Commissioner’s Meeting Room, Courthouse, Falls City. The agenda is kept current at the County Clerk’s Office.

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Rick Karas, Vice-Chairman

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Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk