

**RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OCTOBER 29, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Richardson County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Caverzagie at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 29, 2025. Roll call was answered by Karas, Campbell and Caverzagie. The Invocation was given by Chairman Caverzagie and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice-Chairman Karas. Chairman Caverzagie announced that the open meeting laws have been posted at the entrance to the meeting room.

A motion was made by Caverzagie to approve the minutes of the October 22, 2025, meeting as presented. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Karas to approve the minutes of the October 22, 2025, Board of Equalization minutes as presented. Motion seconded by Campbell. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Caverzagie to approve the agenda as posted with the deletion of the appointment with the County Treasurer who will meet with the Board next week. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-aye. 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 2nd Floor and on the Richardson County website 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. An application for the County Bridge Match funds through the Nebraska Department of Transportation has been submitted for a replacement of a structure on 634 Blvd south of 712 Road. He also reported that crews are preparing equipment for the winter weather.

LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER

Sheriff Hardesty updated the Board on the routine business within the Law Enforcement Center this past week. He reported that 11 inmates are currently being held in the Jail. An application has been submitted to the NE Department of Transportation for the grant funding available, Click It or Ticket, which reimburses the County for overtime paid to deputies for the period November 26 through November 30.

A discussion was held on the vehicles within the department and those that have been deemed to be surplus. A listing will be compiled from the Sheriff's Office and the Road Department to be presented to the Board at a later date, and to be approved to offer for sale at a public auction.

Sheriff Hardesty also reported that an application is being completed to seek grant funding for safety vests for the deputies.

A visit was also made to the Falls City Middle School for a presentation given to the students for Red Ribbon Week on drug awareness.

Commissioner Campbell updated the Board on the roof project at the Law Enforcement Center and that the contractor has reported that the project should be completed this Saturday, November 1. There was a delay in the completion of the project due to the weather the past week.

Motion was made by Caverzagie to approve the purchase of weapons and ammunition and to allow the trade-in of current equipment for a total purchase amount of \$7,390.20 from GT Distributors of Pflugerville, TX. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Karas to approve the appointment of Dexter Holliday as Chief Deputy Sheriff, effective November 3, 2025, after the resignation of Jeremiah Franks whose last day is November 2, 2025. Motion second by Campbell. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

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SE NE COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERS, INC.

Katelin Gildersleeve, Family & Community Partnership Coordinator and Shannon DePrey, Family Service Advocate of the SE NE Community Action Partners, Inc. presented the Annual Report of the Headstart program in Richardson County.

A report was also presented to the Board from the Falls City SENCA Outreach Office for October 24-September 2025.

MISSY CAMPBELL

Missy Campbell of Rulo met with the Board to discuss the adoption and enactment of the zoning overlay district floodplain management ordinance/resolution that was approved by the County Board on September 14, 2021, and became effective October 7, 2021.

She requested that the County Board repeal this ordinance/resolution. No action was taken.

CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER

Sub-division Resolution 2025-2026-14

Motion was made by Karas to approve a subdivision for Janet Warrick McMullen, Trustee of the Janet Warrick McMullen Trust located in S16, T3, R15 and to adopt Resolution 2025-2026-14. Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 28, Page 74)

Transfer of Funds Resolution 2025-2026-13

Motion was made by Campbell to adopt Resolution 2025-2025-13 with regards to a transfer of funds from the Federal Forfeiture Fund in the amount of \$238,841.22 and to close this fund as it has been deemed to be no longer needed. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-aye. (Resolution Book 28, Page 73)

Transfer of Funds Resolution 2025-2026-12

Motion was made by Caverzagie to adopt Resolution 2025-2026-14 with regards to a transfer of funds from the Inheritance Tax Fund to the General Fund in the amount of \$250,000 as per FY25-26 budget document. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 28, Page 72)

CLAIMS

Motion was made by Caverzagie to allow the payment of all claims that were submitted today. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

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

GENERAL FUND

Airstream Heating & Cooling, serv	300.00
Amazon, supp	179.09
BuckIT, serv	1400.00
Clapper, Katie, reimb	79.38
Comfort Inn, lodg	440.00
DAS State Accounting, serv	1009.30
Dept. of Correctional Services, serv	3183.57
Dorr & Clark Funeral Home, serv	525.00
East Richardson Rural Water Dist. #2, serv	334.66
El Camino Electric, serv	68377.70
F&M Bank, supp	52.00
Falls City Mercantile, supp	111.81

GENERAL FUND (Cont.)

Farm & City Supply, supp	24.95
Johnson County Sheriff, serv	116.00
Karas, Rick, reimb	408.80
Merz Ink, serv	49.00
Midwest Auto Fire Sprinkler, serv	337.50
MIPS, supp	1.86
Petersen Reporting, serv	757.60
Quill, supp	422.54
Richardson County Vendor, FICA/retire/etc	24095.78
Road & Bridge Fund, levy tax	128954.57
Sapp Bros., fuel	5473.44
Spartan Nash, supp	15.27
SumnerOne, serv	49.64
Tichy, Rob, serv	4800.00
Tyler Technologies, serv	951.88
Verizon, serv	239.92
Visual Edge IT, serv	230.65
Weaver & Merz, reimb	18.39
Wolfe's Printing, supp	18.75
Payroll Expense	127512.95
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$370,472.00

FEDERAL MATCHING FUND

Road & Bridge Fund, transfer	238841.22
TOTAL FEDERAL MATCHING FUND	\$238,841.22

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND

Black Hills Utility Holdings, serv	50.81
Capital Business Systems, supp	590.19
Custom Products Corporation, supp	95.94
Haug Communications, serv	240.15
Lemkau Service Solutions, serv	246.45
Martin-Marietta Materials, rock	37648.03
NPPD, serv	44.83
Operation & Expense Account, reimb	31.99
Rulo, Village of, serv	30.00
Schendel Pest Control, serv	250.00
Turbo Technologies, supp	84.84
Unifirst, supp	22.78
Payroll Expense	35439.77
TOTAL ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$74,775.78

INHERITANCE TAX FUND

County Treasurer, transfer	250000.00
TOTAL INHERITANCE TAX FUND	\$250,000.00

SHERIFF COMMISSARY FUND

CPC, serv	2234.62
TOTAL SHERIFF COMMISSARY FUND	\$2,234.62

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ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made Karas to adjourn the meeting at 11:20 a.m. Motion seconded by Campbell. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Wednesday, November 5, 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.

John Caverzagie, Chairman

Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk