

**RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
NOVEMBER 26, 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, November 26, 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 November 19, 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 agenda as posted. Motion seconded by Campbell. 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.

AMANDA BARTEK-RAMSEY

Motion was made by Caverzagie to approve the replacement of pledge securities from F&M Bank and State Bank of Table Rock: F&M Bank receipt JC94843E to replace receipts #JC93033 and #JC93011C and the replacement of the Irrevocable Letter of Credit #90428 from State Bank of Table Rock expired on November 21, 2025 with an Irrevocable Letter of Credit #97366 which will expire November 23, 2026. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

ROAD & BRIDGE DEPT.

Steve Darveau, Jr., Highway Superintendent updated the Board on the routine road and bridge maintenance being done this week. He reported that equipment is being prepared for the winter snow, new employees are also working to receive their commercial driver's licenses and that applications for another round of funding through County Bridge Match program for bridge projects has been submitted to the NE Department of Roads.

LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER

Sheriff Hardesty updated the Board on the routine business within the Law Enforcement Center this past week. There are 9 inmates currently being held in the Jail.

Items discussed were repairs that are needing to be done at the jail, the new generator installation and hook-up for the Law Enforcement Center and problems that occurred this last week with the radio system which have been corrected with Motorola.

BETHANY GODEMANN

Bethany Godemann met with the Board to provide more information on the possibility of installing Christmas lighting and/or decorations within and around the Courthouse. With the information provided to the Board and the costs that were involved, it was suggested that the group form a fund-raising event to accomplish this project. The Board also stressed that with the recent improvements to the roof and upper area of the Courthouse that any permanent attachment of decorations would need further consideration.

BRIAN KIRKENDALL, EMA DIRECTOR

Motion was made by Caverzagie to approve an interlocal agreement with the cities and villages within Richardson County for outdoor warning siren insurance and maintenance. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 28, Page 78) This agreement has been sent to the cities and villages within Richardson County for their acceptance.

Motion was made by Karas to approve an agreement with Cornhusker Boy Scout Camp for outdoor warning siren insurance and maintenance. Motion seconded by Campbell. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 28, Page 79)

CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER

Motion was made by Karas to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the certification statement for the cost allocation plan for fiscal year end, June 30, 2024. Motion seconded by Campbell. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

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

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| Amazon, supp | 19.09 |
| DAS State Accounting, serv | 150.00 |
| Lincoln National Life Ins., life ins | 1467.58 |
| Nestor & Mercure, serv | 9166.66 |
| Richardson County Vendor, FICA/retire/etc | 28189.70 |
| Schendel Pest Control, serv | 69.88 |
| Wolfe’s Printing, supp | 33.63 |
| Payroll Expense | 137803.14 |
| TOTAL GENERAL FUND | \$176,899.68 |

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND

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| Diversified Drug Testing, serv | 240.00 |
| Harmon’s, supp | 60.00 |
| Midwest Engineering, serv | 54547.50 |
| NPPD, serv | 43.29 |
| Operation & Expense Account, reimb | 338.82 |
| Rulo, Village of, serv | 30.00 |
| TreviPay, supp | 338.00 |
| Unifirst, supp | 56.31 |
| Woods & Aitken, serv | 2591.50 |
| Payroll Expense | 35648.53 |
| TOTAL ROAD & BRIDGE FUND | \$93,893.95 |

DRUG COURT FUND

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| Hawkins, Seth, serv | 1300.00 |
| Morrissey, Morrissey & Dalluge, serv | 1529.88 |
| TOTAL DRUG COURT FUND | \$2,829.88 |

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Karas to adjourn the meeting at 10:40 a.m. Motion seconded by Campbell. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Wednesday, December 3, 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