

BOONE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
APRIL 28, 2025 ALBION, NEBRASKA

The Boone County Board of Commissioners of Boone County, Nebraska, met in regular session at 9:00 A.M. on Monday, April 28, 2025, in the Commissioners Meeting Room of the Courthouse in Albion, Nebraska.

Chairman Lindgren called the meeting to order, and Commissioners present for roll call were Jon Lindgren, Brian J. Yosten and Matt Niewohner. Notice of the meeting was posted on the Boone County Website-Public Notices, in the Courthouse north entrance, and at the Albion Post Office; and published in the Albion News/Boone County Tribune and Petersburg Press on April 23, 2025; and the convened meeting was open to the public.

The agenda was posted on the Boone County website; posted on the information board located in the Courthouse north entrance; emailed to the Board of Commissioners; and emailed to the Elected Officials and department heads on Saturday, April 26, 2025. Chairman Lindgren acknowledged the agenda and noted that the Open Meeting Laws are posted and available to the public. All who were present participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion made by Lindgren, second by Yosten to approve the County Board Proceedings of April 21, 2025 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Yosten and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the County Payroll Claims filed for the pay period of March 22, 2025 through April 21, 2025. Motion made by Niewohner, second by Lindgren to approve the County Payroll Claims filed for payment from the various funds: General \$146,469.84; BCBS \$56,769.21; Ameritas Ret \$10,421.18; EFTPS \$10,863.42; LTD Premiums \$0.00; Section 125 Fees \$90.00; HRA Admin Fees \$224.00; Funded HRA Fees \$4,095.00; BC/BS Deductible Buydown \$4,426.67; Wellness Program \$144.00; Road \$76,104.41; BCBS \$19,588.49; Ameritas Ret \$5,002.04; EFTPS \$5,731.74; HRA Admin Fees \$96.00; Funded HRA \$1,589.00; BC/BS Deductible Buydown \$0.00; Ambulance \$6,291.20; Ameritas Ret \$129.95; EFTPS \$481.27. Roll call vote: Yeas: Niewohner, Lindgren and Yosten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Chuck Rolf, Boone County Ag Society applied for a Special Designated License (SDL) for July 12, 2025 and July 14-16, 2025. The Board reviewed the application for Special Designated License (SDL) for the 2025 Boone County Fair, July 12, 2025 and July 14-16, 2025 at the Boone County Fairgrounds, 2624 Fairgrounds Road, Albion, Nebraska. Motion made by Yosten, second by Niewohner to approve the Application for Special Designated Liquor License request from Boone County Ag Society for the 2025 Boone County Fair to be held at the Boone County Fairgrounds in Albion, NE on July 12, 2025 and July 14-16, 2025 as submitted. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten, Niewohner and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Sarah Dickmeyer, Schneider GeoSpatial/Beacon, presented the Beacon GIS website to the Board and its capabilities. Dickmeyer went through the export, report, layering and viewing features. Dan Lueken, County Assessor, was also present to discuss why he was considering the change to Beacon. The Board thanked Dickmeyer for the presentation and asked a number of questions regarding the different features. Motion made by Yosten, second by Lindgren to table making a decision on the County's GIS services after gWorks gives a presentation. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten, Lindgren and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Victoria Olson, Zoning Administrator, presented the Board with a Letter of Recommendation to fill the Vacancy on the Planning Commission Board. Motion made by Lindgren, second by Yosten that Randy Langan be appointed to the Boone County Planning and Zoning Board and to represent the Boone County Joint Planning Commission, effective May 1, 2025 for the remainder of the 2025 term. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Yosten and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Bids/Quotes were collected for a rider lawnmower for the County Roads Department and they were as follows:

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| • AKRS-John Deere Z530M | 48ADeck | \$4,704.41 |
| • AKRS-John Deere Z530R ZTrak | 54HC Deck | \$5,264.41 |
| • Kayton International Inc.-Bobcat ZT3052 | 52 Deck | \$6,100.00 |

Motion made by Yosten, second by Lindgren to accept the AKRS John Deere Z530M, 48ADeck for approximately \$4,704.41 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten, Lindgren and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Denny Johnson, County Sheriff, was present to give an update regarding the fairgrounds tower equipment installation. Johnson stated that he needed to discuss this further with the Albion Fire Department. Motion made by Niewohner, second by Yosten to table further discussion until the May 12, 2025 meeting. Roll call vote: Yeas: Niewohner, Yosten and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the non-recognized Social Committee that has been planning courthouse events such as food days and other activities to raise County Employee morale. Later in the meeting several employees entered - discussion was reopened and continued. The Board didn't have guidelines or policies in place to recognize the committee during the Reorganizational Meeting, but was giving them a trial run to see how the new Committee and events were being perceived. Feedback has been mixed and the Board discussed having parameters/guidelines in place as well as changing who organizes the events in the hopes of having a more diverse participation. Proposed guidelines were as follows:

- Each office will hold an event/activity once a month.
 - Offices are not required to host or to participate in an event/activity, but it will be strongly encouraged.
- The proposed activity will need prior approval from the Board and be presented at a Commissioners meeting as a Board Agenda item.
- Notification of the event/activity will be communicated through internal email only.

The Board will propose the above idea to the offices that may be involved to see how many will be participating and if future action is needed. No action was taken at this time.

Public Comments:

- Rod Nelson, Courthouse Maintenance, gave an update on the Jail Window project.
- Chuck Rolf, Boone County Ag Society, stated that the Ag Society had purchased material to fill the potholes in the Fairgrounds Road if the County would do the labor.
- The Board discussed 270th Avenue and 170th Street, North of the stated intersection may need to be reclassified – the Board will talk to Brian McDonald about this process.
- Dan Lueken, County Assessor, shared a NACO email regarding Inheritance Tax.
- Commissioner Yosten attended the Boone County Trails Systems Committee and the Boone County Ag Society meetings and gave an update to the Board.
- Discussed how current County Road employees could become CDL holders.

Chairman Lindgren declared the meeting adjourned at 12:28 P.M., with the next Board meeting scheduled for Monday, May 12, 2025.

Sarah Robinson,
Boone County Clerk

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Sarah Robinson, Boone County Clerk

Jon Lindgren, Chairman