## BOONE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS AUGUST 18, 2025 ALBION, NEBRASKA

The Boone County Board of Commissioners of Boone County, Nebraska, met in regular session at 9:00 A.M. on Monday, August 18, 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 August 13, 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 Friday, August 15, 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 August 11, 2025 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Yosten and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Yosten, second by Lindgren to approve the County Board Public Hearing Proceedings of August 11, 2025 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten, Lindgren and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Randall Bruland, Ambulance Administrator, was present to discuss a Stryker quote for the new ambulance unit. Bruland explained the quote presented in the Fall of 2024 was for a service agreement – not a cot and loading system. The quote received from Stryker was for \$71,708.70 which is greater than the allowable amount for accepting only one bid. This was discussed with the vendor and they submitted a Sole Source letter. The Board asked John Morgan, County Attorney, to attend the meeting to give his opinion on the Sole Source letter. Morgan stated that the Board should ask for an additional quote. Motion made by Lindgren, second by Niewohner to table until the August 27, 2025 meeting for another quote to be obtained. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Niewohner and Yosten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Brent Pribnow, Jack Nordeen and Kent Hamilton; District Road Foremen was present to discuss the general road report. Items discussed were as follows:

- Discussed consider newly hired employees and performances.
- Discussed a District 1 F250 pickup need new tires but it is also a pickup that was on the District 1's disposal schedule to be replaced.
- Discussed motor graders
  - o Bigger unit size or regular unit size was discussed
    - Foremen stated that the bigger unit size would be more helpful when spreading material, pulling windrow out or to plow snow.
  - o Discussed reclaimers but more quotes will be needed.

Motion made by Niewohner, second by Lindgren to accept the general road report as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Niewohner, Lindgren and Yosten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Three quotes for belly dump trailers were presented for the Board to review. They were as follows:

 Iowa Trailer MFG, CO. LLC
 2026 ITM Trailer 46'6"
 \$69,950.00

 Boyer Ridge Manufacturing Inc
 2026 46'6" Triple Axle
 \$63,800.00

 Active Trailers
 2026 46'6" Tri Axle
 \$71,977.00

The Board discussed the differences between the three quotes with the foremen. The road foremen stated that each district could use a new trailer. Motion made by Yosten, second by Niewohner to accept and approve the order of three lowa Trailer MFG Co, LLC for approximately \$69,950.00 each. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten, Niewohner and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Two Sourcewell quotes were received for motor graders for the Road Department. Jake Ryba, John Deere; Road Foremen and the Board discussed different add-on options and the presented John Deere quote. The received Sourcewell quotes were as follows:

Entity	Unit	Unit Price	Trade In Allowance	Quote Total
John Deere	John Deere 772	\$400,320	\$94,000	\$306,320
John Deere	John Deere 872	\$432,970	\$94,000	\$338,970
NMC Exchange LLC	Caterpillar 160	\$481,300	\$157,500	\$323,800

Motion made by Yosten, second by Niewohner to table a decision regarding the motor graders until the August 27, 2025 meeting. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten, Niewohner and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A Customer Value Agreement from NMC Exchange LLC was presented for the Board to review. It is for a payloader in District 2 which would be for 3 years beginning September 15, 2025 and ending September 14, 2028. Motion made by Yosten, second by Niewohner to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the Customer Value Agreement from NMC Exchange LLC for approximately \$1,320.00. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten, Niewohner and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Lindgren, second by Yosten to table the discussion regarding the Mack Truck motor repair/replacement until the August 27, 2025 meeting. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Yosten and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Monte Olson, Chuck Rolf and Jeryl Kettelson, Boone County Ag Society; and Paul Kettelson were present to discuss the Ag Society's levy allocation request for the 2025-2026 fiscal year. The Board wanted to discuss the Sinking fund request which was to include the concrete project estimated to begin in the summer of 2026. The Sinking fund's carryforward balance and current obligations were discussed as well as the tax cycle/Boone County Treasurer payment schedule. Motion made by Niewohner, second by Lindgren to reduce the Boone County Ag Society's Sinking Fund allocation from \$200,000 to \$175,000 for the 2025-2026 fiscal year. Roll call vote: Yeas: Niewohner, Lindgren and Yosten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Margaret Valladao, Weed Superintendent, was present to discuss the State Fair and the county's participation. Valladao stated that a sign up sheet is sent in the various weed management groups to help with booth coverage at the State Fair and Husker Harvest Days. The Board stated that all future meetings would need to be approved beforehand since some of those meetings/events do not apply directly to the county. If Valladao were to attend the State Fair it would be as a participant, not as representation of the County. No action taken.

Motion made by Lindgren, second by Yosten to not move forward with the TextMyGov proposal and agreement for push notifications only. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Yosten and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Rod Nelson, Courthouse Maintenance, was present to discuss a Jarecki's Lawncare quote for an additional weed treatment for the Courthouse lawn. Motion made by Yosten, second by Lindgren to approve the additional weed treatment for \$385.00 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten, Lindgren and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

## Public Comments:

- Chuck Rolf discussed 220<sup>th</sup> Avenue and the grading procedures the county employees use.
- Rod Nelson, Courthouse Maintenance, updated the Board regarding the BCDA Inc roof and the ongoing leak. No treatment has been done since the leak is small enough to not be detected while inspected.
- Margaret Valladao, Weed Superintendent, updated the Board regarding grant funds and upcoming Cedar River Helicopter surveying project. The helicopter is a part of an NET Grant submission submitted by through Sandhills Weed Management.
- County Attorney was present to discuss the county office and the written consent for BCDA Inc to sublet to AEDC.
- Commissioner Yosten will be attending the Boone County Ag Society, Boone County Historical Society, BCDA Inc and Northeast Nebraska Juvenile Services meetings.

Chairman Lindgren declared the meeting adjourned at 12:09 P.M., with the next Board meeting scheduled for Wednesday, August 27, 2025.

Sarah Robinson, Boone County Clerk		
ATTEST:	APPROVED:	
Sarah Robinson, Roone County Clerk	Jon Lindgren, Chairman	