

BOONE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
NOVEMBER 25, 2025
ALBION, NEBRASKA

The Boone County Board of Commissioners of Boone County, Nebraska, met in regular session at 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, November 25, 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 November 19, 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, November 21, 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 November 17, 2025 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren and Yosten. Nays: None. Abstain: Niewohner. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the County Payroll Claims filed for the pay period of October 22, 2025 through November 21, 2025. Motion made by Yosten, second by Niewohner to approve the County Payroll Claims filed for payment from the various funds: General \$144,817.21; BCBS \$47,846.23; Ameritas Ret \$10,247.22; EFTPS \$10,765.30; LTD Premiums \$0.00; Section 125 Fees \$105.00; HRA Admin Fees \$225.00; Funded HRA Fees \$3,486.00; Life Insurance Admin Fees \$82.00; BC/BS Deductible Buydown \$1,402.12; Wellness Program \$111.00; Road \$95,660.71; BCBS \$22,809.48; Ameritas Ret \$6,295.10; EFTPS \$7,228.14; HRA Admin Fees \$117.00; Funded HRA Fees \$1,577.00; BC/BS Deductible Buydown \$43.50; Ambulance \$5,144.70; Ameritas Ret \$92.76; EFTPS \$393.59. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten, Niewohner, and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Herbst Construction Inc won the bid for the Loretto West & Petersburg East project and Payment Application No. 1 for this project was presented to the Board for review. Motion made by Niewohner, second by Yosten to accept and authorize the Chairman to sign the Payment Application No. 1 for \$186,372.04 and to authorize payout as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Niewohner, Yosten, and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Due to John Morgan, County Attorney, death authorized signers for the County Attorney bank account at Cornerstone Bank need to be updated. Motion made by Yosten, second by Niewohner that the depository for the County of Boone, Attorney Account (192) will be the Cornerstone Bank of York, Albion Branch, to remove John Morgan, and add Commissioner Jon Lindgren as signee authorized to exercise the powers for said account effective November 25, 2025. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten, Niewohner, and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

An NMC Exchange LLC Customer Value Agreement was presented to the Board for review during the November 17, 2025 meeting. The Board tabled discussion until today's meeting to get more clarification on what unit the agreement was for and if the unit will be replaced soon. It is for a machine in District 1, Unit 1-36. Motion made by Niewohner, second by Yosten to authorize the Chairman to sign the Customer Value agreement for approximately \$3,592.00 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Niewohner, Yosten, and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

No questions were presented in regard to the Notice of Award, Notice to Proceed and Agreements for the Albion North road project. The bids were received and opened at the October 20, 2025 meeting and awarded to the apparent low. Motion made by Niewohner, second by Yosten to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the Notice of Award and Notice to Proceed and Agreements needed for the Albion North road project as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Niewohner, Yosten, and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A new agreement from the Administrative Office of the Courts and Probation for Ex-Officio District Court duties with the County Court Clerk Magistrate acting as the Ex-Officio office. This agreement was for the calendar year 2026 where the County of Boone

reimburses 50% of the Assistant Clerk Senior's salary. Motion made by Yosten, second by Niewohner to authorize the Chairman to sign the Agreement as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten, Niewohner, and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Nathan Olson leases the County owned dryland cropland acres located in a fractional part of the NE1/4 of Section 28, Township 20 North, Range 6 West of the 6th P.M., Boone County, Nebraska. Olson was present to discuss his 2025 report with the Board. Per the report Olson harvested 19 acres. Motion made by Lindgren, second by Niewohner to approve and accept the 2025 cropland lease payment based on 19 acres minus 3.49 acres to be paid to the City of Albion of harvested crop at \$230.00 per acre from Nathan Olson as submitted. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Niewohner, and Yosten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the 2025 calendar to set dates for the 2026 Board meetings. The Board usually meets every Monday but the first Monday of the month and if the Monday is a holiday, then Tuesday beginning at 9:00 A.M. The 22/21 payroll system requires the Board to change some of their meeting days from Monday to a different day for payroll approval. Motion made by Yosten, second by Lindgren to approve the following meeting dates for 2026 which are subject to change: January 5, 12, 20, and 28, February 9, 17, and 25, March 9, 16, and 27, April 13, 20, and 28, May 11, 18, and 27, June 8, 15, and 26, July 13, 20, and 29, August 10, 17, and 26, September 14, 21, and 28, October 13, 19, and 28, November 9, 16, and 25, December 14, 21, and 29. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten, Lindgren, and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Denny Johnson, County Sheriff, was present to discuss a Scope of Work and Cost Estimate quote received from Equature regarding NG9-1-1 Recording Infrastructure. Johnson requested the Board table discussion until more quotes and research can be done on other companies. Motion by Yosten, second by Niewohner to table discussion on 9-1-1 Recording Infrastructure until the December 8, 2025 meeting. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten, Niewohner, and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Denny Johnson, County Sheriff, also requested that the supplemental Equature Terms of Agreement be tabled until more research is done. Motion by Lindgren, second by Niewohner to table the supplemental Equature Terms of Agreement to be Table until the December 8, 2025 meeting. Roll call vote. Lindgren, Niewohner, Yosten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Board had previously discussed the 2027-2030 Elected Officials Salaries at the November 10th and 17th meetings and to be continued during today's meeting. The Board would like to bring in the current Elected Officials to discuss their intentions regarding salary rates for 2027-2030. Motion by Niewohner, second by Yosten to table the 2027-2030 Elected Officials Salary discussion until the December 8th meeting, to discuss with current Elected Officials. Roll call vote: Yeas: Niewohner, Yosten, and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Niewohner left the meeting at 11:35 A.M.

The Board finished reviewing proposed Handbook policy updates prepared by Zelle HR Solutions. Corrections to the proposed updates will be sent to Zelle HR Solutions by the County Clerk. Motion by Lindgren, second by Yosten to table discussion on handbook policy updates until the corrections can be made by Zelle HR Solutions. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren and Yosten. Nays: None. Absent: Niewohner. Motion carried.

Public Comments:

- Rebecca Frandsen discussed road maintenance concerns with Board and issues with buried phone lines being cut by motor grader.
- Rusty Bruland, Ambulance Administrator, discussed a control board in the ambulance that is malfunctioning. A replacement has been ordered.
- Rusty Bruland, Ambulance Administrator, also discussed possible local fire departments who may be interested in purchasing the current ambulance when the new one is delivered.
- The Board received a phone call from a citizen who has vehicle damage due to rocks hitting the vehicle from a county straight truck.

Chairman Lindgren declared the meeting adjourned at 2:05 P.M., with the next Board meeting scheduled for Monday, December 8, 2025.

Kate Noble,
Boone County Clerk

ATTEST:

Kate Noble, Boone County Clerk

APPROVED:

Jon Lindgren, Chairman