

BOONE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
JANUARY 12, 2026 ALBION, NEBRASKA

The Boone County Board of Commissioners of Boone County, Nebraska, met in regular session at 9:00 A.M. on Monday, January 12, 2026, 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 January 7, 2026; 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, January 9, 2026. 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 December 29, 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 of Equalization Public Hearing Proceedings of December 29, 2025. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten, Lindgren and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Niewohner, second by Lindgren to approve the County Board of Equalization Proceedings of December 29, 2025. Roll call vote: Yeas: Niewohner, Lindgren, and Yosten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Yosten, second by Niewohner to approve the County Board Reorganization Proceedings of January 5, 2026. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten, Niewohner, and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Lindgren, second by Yosten to approve the County Board of Equalization Reorganization Proceedings of January 5, 2026. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Yosten, and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Caleb Poore, Boone County Health Center, presented a Home Health Agency Renewal Licensure Application for the Board to review. The Boone County Health Center provides in-home services for physical, occupational, speech and intravenous therapy; nursing; social work; and home health aide. The Boone County Health Center serves patients in the counties of Antelope, Boone, Greeley, Madison, Nance, Platte and Wheeler. Motion made by Lindgren, second by Niewohner to approve and authorize the Board Chairman and Vice Chairman to sign the Home Health Agency Renewal Licensure Application as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Niewohner and Yosten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Victoria Olson, Zoning Administrator, was present to discuss a lot split application submitted by HM 76 LLC to split off 5.65 acres of existing house and outbuildings located in the W1/2 of Section 6, Township 20, Range 6 West of the 6th P.M. The surrounding crop ground is currently for sale. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended to approve this lot split at their December 22, 2025 meeting. Motion by Yosten, second by Lindgren to approve the lot split application as presented and to authorize the Chairman to sign the application. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten, Lindgren, and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 2021-42 was approved November 15, 2021 to authorize the County Treasurer to transfer the accrued interest from the Covid American Rescue Plan Fund (2580) to the General Fund (0100) on an as needed basis. The County Treasurer presented December 2025's accrued interest for the amount to be moved through the vendor process. Motion made by Lindgren, second by Niewohner to authorize the transfer of accrued interest from the Covid American Rescue Plan Fund (2580) to the General Fund (0100) in the amount of \$1,189.48. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Niewohner, and Yosten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Yosten, second by Lindgren to approve County Vendor Claims filed for Vendor #1806, White Star Oil Company LLC: General-\$1,051.27, Roads-\$12,735.35 and Ambulance-\$2,123.84. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten and Lindgren. Nays: None. Abstain: Niewohner. Motion carried.

Motion made by Yosten, second by Lindgren to approve County Vendor Claims filed for Vendor #155 Beaver Bearing Co: Roads-\$432.54. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten and Lindgren. Nays: None. Abstain: Niewohner. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a claim submitted by Rodney Wetovick for services as Interim County Attorney. Motion made by Yosten, second by Lindgren to approve the claim submitted by Rodney Wetovick in the amount of \$7,000.00 for service as Interim County Attorney. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten, Lindgren, and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Lindgren, second by Yosten to approve the Accounts Payable Vendor Claims filed for payment from the various funds: General (0100)-\$98,742.07; Road (0200)-\$762,847.82; ROD Preservation/Modernization Fund (1150)-\$236.99; Covid America Rescue Plan Fund (2580)-\$1,0189.48; 911 Emergency Management (2910)-\$474.28; 911 Wireless Service (2913)-\$7,088.62; 911 Wireless Service Holding (2914)-\$12,954.00; and Ambulance (5502)-\$10,621.29. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Yosten, and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

With the termination of County Employee(s), the County is required by statute to process their payroll in a timely manner, even if it means doing it out of a payroll cycle. Motion made by Lindgren, second by Yosten to approve the payroll claim filed for payment on the General Fund for the gross amount of \$1,637.21 with the withholding amounts being included in the Accounts Payable Vendor Claims also presented and approved today. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Yosten, and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

As provided by State Statute, Section 23-1302(4), the County Clerk shall certify to the County Treasurer as of June 15 and December 15 each year the total amount of unpaid claims of the county. Motion made by Niewohner, second by Lindgren to approve and accept the Certification from the County Clerk to the County Treasurer as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Niewohner, Lindgren, and Yosten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Lindgren, second by Niewohner to approve the following reports of the County Officials as presented for December 2025:

- Clerk - \$17,723.95 (State of Nebraska \$11,916.71) (County of Boone \$5,807.24)
- District Court - \$284.39 (State of Nebraska \$215.00) (County of Boone \$69.39)
- Sheriff - \$882.02
- Zoning - \$0.00
- Treasurer - Miscellaneous Receipt Nos. 22580-22644 - \$2,569,886.42
- Treasurer - Total Collections - \$6,334,396.80

Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Niewohner, and Yosten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The County Clerk and County Treasurer submitted copies of pledged securities (collateral) for their respective offices as of December 31, 2025. Motion made by Niewohner, second by Yosten to acknowledge and approve the pledged securities (collateral) as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Niewohner, Yosten and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The County Treasurer submitted a Semiannual Statement for July 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025. Motion made by Lindgren, second by Yosten to accept and approve the County Treasurer's Semiannual Statement as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Yosten and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Three Contractual Interest Statement, NADC Form C-3, were presented for between the County of Boone and White Star Oil Company LLC, Beaver Bearing Company, and Sidump'r Trailers for review for the remainder of 2026 calendar year. Motion made by Lindgren, second by Yosten to accept the three NADC Form C-3s as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren and Yosten. Nays: None. Abstain: Niewohner. Motion carried.

Denny Johnson, County Sheriff, presented a Custom Cage quote for a patrol vehicle cage for the newly ordered patrol vehicle. Motion by Niewohner, second by Yosten to approve the Custom Cage quote for approximately \$1,145.00 as presented. Roll call vote: Niewohner, Yosten and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Lindgren, second by Yosten to open executive session per Open Meeting Act §84-1410, pertaining to the prevention of needless injury of an individual requesting assistance at 11:41 A.M. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Yosten and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion made by Niewohner, second by Yosten to close the executive session at 11:43 A.M. Roll call vote: Yeas: Niewohner, Yosten, and Lindgren. A request was received for supplemental time to be given from the Catastrophic Fund since the employee did a life-saving medical donation. Motion made by Lindgren, second by Yosten to approve 18.18 hours to be given from the Catastrophic Fund to supplement the hours needed for the week of donation. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Yosten and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Resolution 2026-01, to trench an electrical line underneath a County Road in Section 32 and 5, Township 21, Range 7 West of the 6th P.M. commonly known as 220th Street was presented for the Board to review. Ben Stuhr submitted the request to trench the wire for electrical to a stock well. Brian McDonald, Highway Superintendent, had previously reviewed the request. Motion made by Niewohner, second by Lindgren to approve Resolution 2026-01 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Niewohner, Lindgren, and Yosten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Board conducted an employment evaluation with Margaret Valladao, Weed Superintendent.

Margaret Valladao, Weed Superintendent, presented the 2025 Weed Reports. Valladao discussed key points of each report and any differences compared to previous reports. Motion made by Niewohner, second by Yosten to approve the 2025 Weed Reports as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Niewohner, Yosten, and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Board received an updated proposed Handbook prepared by Zelle HR Solutions after their previous corrections had been submitted. Corrections to the updated proposed Handbook will be sent to Zelle HR Solutions by the County Clerk. Motion by Lindgren, second by Niewohner to table further discussions on the proposed Handbook until the final version is received. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Niewohner, and Yosten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The primary use of the Boone County Visitors Promotion Fund is to promote, encourage and attract visitors to come to the county through advertisement for the event. The Boone County Visitors Promotion Committee received two requests for advertisement funding.

- St. Michael's Parish requested assistance to advertise for the St. Patrick's Carnival event schedule for March 22, 2026. Motion made by Niewohner, second by Yosten to approve the application requesting funding assistance from St. Michael's Parish for the St. Patrick's Carnival event from the Visitor's Promotion fund as submitted. Roll call vote: Yeas: Niewohner, Yosten, and Lindgren. Nays: None
- BCDA, Inc requested assistance for an advertisement in the Discover Northeast Nebraska Travel Guide. Motion by Yosten, second by Niewohner to deny the application requesting funding assistance from BCDA, Inc for the travel guide advertisement as the application does not meet the funding guidelines. Roll call vote: Yosten, Niewohner and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

An Interlocal Agreement between the County of Greeley and the County of Boone was presented for the Board to review. Boone County's Veterans Service Officer (VSO) provides once a week in-person services to the Veterans of Greeley County. This is an annual agreement that the Counties enter and review. Motion made by Niewohner, second by Yosten to approve the agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Niewohner, Yosten and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Public Comments:

- Judd Allen, Nebraska Association of Counties, introduced new staff member Tim McGonigal.
- Brent Pribnow and Kent Hamilton, Road Foreman, discussed road department personnel.
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- Abbey DeBoyes, County Attorney, and Denny Johnson, County Sheriff, discussed minimum maintenance road with electrical fencing crossing over.
- Dan Lueken, County Assessor, regarding office personnel and hours.
- Commissioner Lindgren has Region IV Behavioral Health and Northeast Nebraska Area on Aging meetings.

Chairman Lindgren declared the meeting adjourned at 1:40 P.M., with the next Board meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 20, 2026.

Kate Noble,
Boone County Clerk

ATTEST:

Kate Noble, Boone County Clerk

APPROVED:

Jon Lindgren, Chairman