

BOONE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
FEBRUARY 17, 2026
ALBION, NEBRASKA

The Boone County Board of Commissioners of Boone County, Nebraska, met in regular session at 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, February 17, 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 February 11, 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, February 13, 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 Yosten, second by Lindgren to approve the County Board Proceedings of February 9, 2026 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten, Lindgren, and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Beth Grassau and Bri Szurpicki, One Billing Solutions, presented to the Board their Ambulance Billing company and software via Zoom call. They explained the process of switching companies, discussed rates and processes, and informed them about changes in ambulance billing regulations. Motion by Lindgren, second by Yosten to table discussion on switching ambulance billing companies until February 25, 2026 meeting. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Yosten, and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Brian J. Yosten, Chairman of the Boone County Safety Committee, opened the safety meeting at 10:00 A.M. to discuss routine business. The following committee members were present at the quarterly meeting: Commissioners Brian J. Yosten, Jon Lindgren; and Matt Niewohner, Rod Nelson, Courthouse Maintenance; Jenna Church, Region 44 Emergency Manager; and Denny Johnson, County Sheriff. Also in attendance was Abbey DeBoyes, County Attorney, Dan Evans, Road Supervisor, and Kate Noble, County Clerk.

Old business that was addressed/reviewed.

- Fire alarm alert panel in the Sheriff's Office has been disconnected from Good Samaritan and Boone County Health Center.

New business

- Additional camera for Petersburg road shop will be quoted by Applied Connective.
- A drip edge will be added above the north entrance to Courthouse to allow drainage not to collect on sidewalks.
- Jenna Church, Emergency Manager, will help with getting government ID/emergency cards for the Road department and other County Officials.

The Safety Committee meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Brian J. Yosten, Chairman of the Boone County Safety Committee at 10:12 A.M.

The Board requested proposals from online auction companies to host a Road Department surplus equipment auction. Proposals and commission rates were received from the following auction companies.

- Purple Wave – No seller commission (fees waived for Government agency)
- BigIron Auctions- 9% commission rate
- Jonn Temme Auction & Realty- 8% commission rate
- Adam Marshall Land & Auction- 8% commission rate

Motion by Yosten, second by Niewohner to accept Purple Wave auction proposal and authorize the chairman to sign the listing agreement. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten, Niewohner, and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Rod Nelson, Courthouse Maintenance, discussed quotes received for a new generator. One of the quotes received had lapsed due to date restriction and there were follow-up questions on the other quote. The Board and Nelson discussed the timeline for installation and other requirements for switching generator styles. Motion by Niewohner, second by Yosten to table the generator quotes discussion until updated quotes are received. Roll call vote: Yeas: Niewohner, Yosten, and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Elected Officials (Laurie Krohn, Treasurer, Dan Lueken, Assessor, Denny Johnson, Sheriff, Abbey DeBoyes, Attorney, and Kate Noble, Clerk), the Board of Commissioners, and Jordan Arndt, Zelle HR Solutions (via phone call) discussed changes in the newly adopted 2026 Handbook. Discussion included exempt employees, maximum comp time, vacation rollover, and funeral leave changes. No action taken.

Due to upcoming retirements of road employees, there will be several open positions within the Road Department. A newspaper employment ad will be created by Zelle HR Solutions. Motion by Yosten, second by Niewohner, to advertise for two weeks Albion News/Petersburg Press, Antelope County News, and Cedar Valley News once the new ad is received. Roll call vote: Yosten, Niewohner, and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Each county is to annually prepare and file on or before the anniversary date of the filing of its One and Six Year Road Improvement Program, a plan for specific road improvements for the current year. The public hearing was scheduled for February 25, 2026 but needs to be rescheduled due to publication issues. Motion by Yosten, second by Lindgren to approve Resolution 2026-05 to re-set the public hearing for 10:00 A.M. on March 16, 2026 for the County One and Six Year Road Improvement Program. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten, Lindgren, and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Public Comments:

- Dan Evans, Road Supervisor, discussed quotes received for 5th Wheel Trailer. The quotes will be an agenda item at the February 25th Commissioner meeting.
- Margaret Valladao, Weed Superintendent, informed the Board about the NET grant approval.
- Commissioner Lindgren has a Local Emergency Planning Committee and Region IV Behavioral Health meetings.
- Commissioner Yosten has the Boone County Development Agency meeting.
- Commissioner Niewohner has the East Central Heath Finance Committee meeting.

Chairman Lindgren declared the meeting adjourned at 12:25 P.M., with the next Board meeting scheduled for Wednesday, February 25, 2026.

Kate Noble,
Boone County Clerk

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Kate Noble, Boone County Clerk

Jon Lindgren, Chairman