

BOONE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
JULY 13, 2026 ALBION, NEBRASKA

The Boone County Board of Commissioners of Boone County, Nebraska, met in regular session at 9:00 A.M. on Monday, July 13, 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 July 8, 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, July 10, 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 June 26, 2026 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten, Lindgren, and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Lindgren, second by Niewohner to approve the Board of Equalization Public Meeting Proceedings of June 26, 2026 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Niewohner, and Yosten. 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 June 2026's accrued interest for the amount to be moved through the vendor process. Motion made by Niewohner, second by Yosten to authorize the transfer of accrued interest from the Covid American Rescue Plan Fund (2580) to the General Fund (0100) in the amount of \$1.30. Roll call vote: Yeas: Niewohner, Yosten, and Lindgren. 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-\$1,390.00, Roads-\$11,617.97 and Ambulance-\$419.71. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten and Lindgren. Nays: None. Abstain: Niewohner. Motion carried.

Motion made by Lindgren, second by Yosten to approve County Vendor Claims filed for Vendor #155 Beaver Bearing Co: Roads-\$121.92. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren and Yosten. Nays: None. Abstain: Niewohner. Motion carried.

Motion made by Niewohner, second by Yosten to approve the Accounts Payable Vendor Claims filed for payment from the various funds: General (0100)-\$78,241.79; Road (0200)-\$245,863.96; ROD Preservation/Modernization Fund (1150)-\$240.15; Covid America Rescue Plan Fund (2580)-\$1.30; 911 Emergency Management (2910)-\$555.69; 911 Wireless Service (2913)-\$577.86 and Ambulance (5502)-\$2,448.90. Roll call vote: Yeas: Niewohner, Yosten, and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Matt Childress, Applied Connective Technologies, was present to discuss updating one of the County's Servers due to end of life coming up in January. The project would involve updating it to a new server and coordinating with JDS to install programming. Childress presented a quote for approximately \$2,375.00 to update the server and installation. The quote does not include the migration fee from JDS for approximately \$1,000.00. Motion by Niewohner, second by Yosten to approve Applied Connective Technologies quote for server update for approximately \$2,375.00 as presented and authorize the County Clerk to sign the quote. Roll call vote: Yeas: Niewohner, Yosten, and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Board received and reviewed a County funeral/burial request. Motion made by Lindgren, second by Yosten to approve the maximum amount that the County provides, per resolution, for an individual (county resident) funeral/burial expense paid directly to Levander Funeral Home. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Yosten, and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The County Treasurer submitted a Semiannual Statement for January 1, 2026 through June 30, 2026. Motion made by Niewohner, second by Yosten to accept and approve the County Treasurer's Semiannual Statement as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Niewohner, Yosten, and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The County Clerk and County Treasurer submitted copies of pledged securities (collateral) for their respective offices as of June 30, 2026. Motion made by Yosten, second by Niewohner to acknowledge and approve the pledged securities (collateral) as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten, Niewohner, and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The County Clerk submitted a Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for fiscal year end June 30, 2026. Motion made by Niewohner, second by Lindgren to accept and approve as presented the County Clerk/Register of Deeds 2025-2026 fiscal year-end report. 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 June 2026:

- Clerk - \$15,382.79 (State of Nebraska \$9,003.74) (County of Boone \$6,379.05)
- District Court - \$2,161.65 (State of Nebraska \$1,127.00) (County of Boone \$1034.65)
- Sheriff - \$773.87
- Zoning - \$1,208.18
- Treasurer - Miscellaneous Receipt Nos. 22979-23066- \$1,442,180.12
- Treasurer - Total Collections - \$1,752,062.91

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

Denny Johnson, County Sheriff, was present to discuss possible wages for a part-time law enforcement officer. This position would be part-time as needed to fill in to cover shifts occasionally. Motion by Yosten, second by Lindgren to approve an hourly wage of \$30.00 for a part-time as needed law enforcement officer. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten, Lindgren, and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Dan Evans, Road Supervisor, was present to discuss quotes received for a new semi-truck. Discussion included different brands and specifications. Motion by Yosten, second by Niewohner to table discussion on semi-trucks until we hear back from insurance on damages to an existing truck. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten, Niewohner, and Lindgren. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Dan Evans, Road Supervisor, presented a Sourcewell quote received for a Sidump'r trailer.

- 2027 Sidump'r SDR342.49 Model C for \$73,950.00

Motion by Lindgren, second by Yosten to approve the Sidump'r quote as presented and authorize Dan Evans, Road Supervisor, to sign the quote. Roll call vote: Yeas Lindgren and Yosten. Nays: None. Abstain: Niewohner. Motion carried.

A former road employee had applied for a position within the road department. Per the County Handbook, the County Board must give their approval before the employee can start their employment with the County again. Discussion included wage and benefit hour longevity due to the employment history length. Motion by Niewohner, second by Lindgren to rehire Mark Iburg for the road department with keeping the same hourly rate and vacation benefit hour monthly allotment. Roll call vote: Yeas: Niewohner, Lindgren, and Yosten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Resolution 2026-17, to bore a gas line underneath a County Road in Sections 17 and 20, Township 20, Range 6 West of the 6th p.m., commonly known as Old Mill Road, was presented for the Board to review. Black Hills Nebraska Gas, LLC requested to bore a gas pipeline underground to provide service to a new subdivision. Brian McDonald, Highway Superintendent, had previously reviewed the request. Motion by Niewohner, second by Lindgren to approve Resolution 2026-17 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Niewohner, Lindgren, and Yosten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Resolution 2026-18, to bore a gas extension underneath a County Road in Sections 27 and 28, Township 20, Range 6 West of the 6th p.m., commonly known as 250th Avenue, was presented for the Board to review. Black Hills Nebraska Gas, LLC requested

to bore a gas extension. Brian McDonald, Highway Superintendent, had previously reviewed the request. Motion by Lindgren, second by Yosten to approve Resolution 2026-18 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Yosten, and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Brian McDonald, Highway Superintendent, was present to discuss the Lindsay West, Boone Co bridge re-deck. Thiesen Construction Inc submitted two proposals regarding the project

- Remove and replace 4 timber stringers and install new hollywood deck for approximately \$49,500.00.
- Disposal of old materials from re-deck project for approximately \$4,500.00.

Motion by Lindgren, second by Yosten to accept the proposal to remove/replace stringers and install new deck for approximately \$49,500.00 and for County Road employees to do disposal of the old materials. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Yosten, and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Brian McDonald, Road Superintendent, requested advertising for sealed bids for road culvert project within Boone County. Advertising would be done for three consecutive weeks on July 29, August 5, and August 12 with sealed bids to be opened on August 17th at 10:00 A.M. Motion by Lindgren, second by Niewohner to authorize the County Clerk to advertise for sealed bids for road culvert project. Roll call vote: Lindgren, Niewohner, and Yosten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Brian McDonald, Road Superintendent, provided an update regarding the microsurfacing project and other upcoming road projects. No action taken.

Brian McDonald, Road Superintendent, and Dan Evans, Road Supervisor, provided an update regarding possible bridge damages due to an overweight vehicle crossing without a permit and informed that County Attorney is looking into this. No action taken.

Brian McDonald, Road Superintendent, presented a road feasibility study for vacating a portion of 330th Avenue as requested by Resolution 2026-07. His report recommended a closure of the road and land to be returned to adjacent landowners. Motion by Lindgren, second by Niewohner to accept the feasibility study as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Niewohner, and Yosten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Resolution 2026-19 was presented regarding setting a public hearing regarding testimony in favor or against the closure of 330th Avenue for August 10th, 2026 at 10:30 a.m. Motion by Yosten, second by Lindgren to approve Resolution 2026-19 as presented. Roll call vote: Yeas: Yosten, Lindgren, and Niewohner. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The meeting recessed at 12:55 p.m.

The meeting resumed at 1:15 p.m.

The Board reviewed the preliminary 2026-2027 budget submissions from the County Offices. Motion by Niewohner, second by Lindgren to table discussion on the preliminary budget submissions until the July 20, 2026 meeting. Roll call vote: Yeas: Niewohner, Lindgren, and Yosten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Public Comments:

- Motion by Lindgren, second by Niewohner to enter executive session at 9:14 a.m. per Open Meeting Act §84-1410, pertaining to the prevention of needless injury of an individual. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Niewohner, and Yosten. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion by Lindgren, second by Yosten to close the executive session at 9:31 a.m. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Niewohner, and Yosten. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- Dan Evans, Road Supervisor, discussed road complaints.
- Denny Johnson, County Sheriff, discussed damage to a cell door by an inmate and looking for repair options.
- Commissioner Lindgren has Northeast Area on Aging meeting.
- Commissioner Yosten has Boone County Development Agency and Juveniles Services meetings.

Chairman Lindgren declared the meeting adjourned at 2:40 P.M., with the next Board meeting scheduled for Monday, July 20, 2026.

Kate Noble,
Boone County Clerk

ATTEST:

Kate Noble, Boone County Clerk

APPROVED:

Brian J. Yosten, Vice Chairman

**MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING PROCEEDINGS
CO2 PIPELINE REGULATIONS**

Jon Lindgren, Chairman of the Boone County Board of Commissioners, called for a motion to open a public hearing on Monday, July 13, 2026 at 11:30 A.M. in the Boone County Courthouse Commissioners Meeting Room in Albion, Nebraska. Motion made by Commissioner Lindgren and second by Commissioner Niewohner to open said public hearing. Commissioners present for said public hearing were Jon Lindgren, Brian J. Yosten and Matt Niewohner. Also present for said hearing to answer any questions was Victoria Olson, Zoning Administrator. Chairman Lindgren read the notice for the record and noted that the Open Meeting Laws are posted and available to the public.

Notice of the meeting was posted on the Boone County Website-Public Notices on July 8, 2026, and published in the Albion News/Boone County Tribune and Petersburg Press on July 8, 2026. The public hearing notice and agenda were 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, July 10, 2026. The convened hearing was open to the public.

The purpose of the public hearing is to discuss, consider, review, and take the necessary action to amend the Boone County Zoning regulations regarding the CO2 pipeline regulations.

Kate Noble, County Clerk, informed those present that there was an error in the publication date and proper notice was not given. Action cannot be taken.

Motion by Lindgren, second by Niewohner to close said public hearing at 11:31 a.m. Roll call vote: Yeas: Lindgren, Niewohner, and Yosten. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Kate Noble,
Boone County Clerk

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Kate Noble, Boone County Clerk

Brian J. Yosten, Vice Chairman