

PAWNEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

JULY 21, 2026

The Pawnee County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., which was open to the public, on Tuesday, July 21, 2026, in the first-floor meeting room in the Pawnee County Courthouse, Pawnee City, Nebraska. Notice of such meeting was published in the Thursday, June 25, 2026, issue of the Pawnee Republican. Present were Ron Seitz, Jan Lang, Lavon Heidemann and County Clerk, Lindsay Kostecka. Chairman Seitz opened the meeting and announced the open meeting law poster is posted on the east wall of the meeting room. Lang moved and Heidemann seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2026, as presented. Voting: Seitz (yes), Lang (yes), Heidemann (yes). Lang moved and Heidemann seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Voting: Lang (yes), Heidemann (yes), Seitz (yes). Lang moved and Heidemann seconded the motion to approve the claims as presented with corrections. Voting: Heidemann (yes), Seitz (yes), Lang (yes).

At 9:10 public comment was held. There was no public comment.

Josie Friedly, PCDC, met with the Board to discuss lodging tax. After discussion motion made by Heidemann, seconded by Lang to send letter requesting an updated list of all businesses and entities currently collecting and remitting the local lodging tax that contributes to the Pawnee County Visitors Promotion Fund. Voting: Seitz (yes), Lang (yes), Heidemann (yes).

Emily Sisco, Co. Attorney, met with the Board to discuss BraveBe contract. After discussion motion made by Heidemann, seconded by Lang to give Emily Sisco, Co. Attorney permission to sign the BraveBe contract. Voting: Lang (yes), Heidemann (yes), Seitz (yes).

Josh Smith, Janitor, met with the Board to discuss ceiling in Treasurer office. Quote received from Russ & Sons for repairing damaged ceiling. After discussion motion made by Lang, seconded by Heidemann to accept quote from Russ & Sons removing the sales tax in the amount of \$5,675.00. Voting: Heidemann (yes), Seitz (yes), Lang (yes).

Donnie Fisher & Pat Hatfield, Pawnee City city council, met with the Board to discuss law enforcement agreement. After discussion no action taken.

Chris Rauner, Hwy Supt, met with the Board to discuss rock report, project list, personnel, equipment and materials/supplies. Rauner requested to move to executive session at 10:24 am.

Motion made by Lang, seconded by Heidemann to move to executive session to protect the reputation of individual(s). Voting: Seitz (yes), Lang (yes), Heidemann (yes).

Motion made by Lang, seconded by Heidemann to come out of executive session at 11:16

Voting: Lang (yes), Heidemann (yes), Seitz (yes).

Motion by Heidemann, seconded by Lang to sign titles for truck and trailer involved in accident on July 14th over to NIRMA for insurance purposes. Voting: Heidemann (yes), Seitz (yes), Lang (yes).

Megan Buckley, Emergency Manager, met with the Board to give updates. After discussion no action taken.

The following claims were reviewed and signed:

NET PAYROLL 45223.03; FWH 3407.91; SWH 1716.13; FICA 7254.78; MICA 1696.64; NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT 600.00; RETIREMENT 7045.97; DELTA DENTAL 400.68; CHILD SUPPORT 213.56; GARNISHMENT 480.54; AMERITAS 115.95; AMERICAN HERITAGE 61.35; MADISON LIFE 85.72; UNITED HEALTHCARE 20107.63; DIRECT DEPOSIT FEE 10.00.

GENERAL FUND:

Black Hills, heat 7.83; Blue Rivers Area Agency on Aging, dues 841.50; City of Pawnee City, water 363.93; DAS State Accounting, data processing 230.00; Donahue & Sisco, rent/utilities 183.33; Segra, phone 706.34; HH Auto parts, parts 12.48; Jason Vetrovsky, mileage 108.75; Jill Hatfield, mileage 34.08; Johnson County Hospital, inmate medical 130.00; Keith Kollash, court appt counsel 228.00; Kraviec Maurstad Law, child support enforcement 1503.12; Kyles Service Center, vehicle repair 30.00; MIPS, notices and postage 2093.29; Nemaha Valley Veterinary Service, animal control 126.48; Pawnee City Thriftway, supply 13.47; Pawnee County Clerk, postage 48.29; Pawnee County Treasurer, imprest transfer 6114.90; Pawnee Republican, publishing 216.77; Pawnee True Value, supply 34.99; Richardson County Sheriff, inmate housing and medical 2843.23; SENDD, dues 6103.00; US Bank, supply 77.65; Verizon, sheriff phone 408.34.

ROAD/BRIDGE FUND:

Black Hills, heat 52.93; City of Pawnee City, water 89.88; Dens County meats, fuel 890.12; HH Auto parts, supply 1332.63; Hinton Mobile Heavy Repairs LLC, repairs 1650.00; Kyles service center, repair 3214.00; Mainelli Wagner, engineering 45449.81; Martin Marietta, rock/gravel 25175.00; Medical Enterprises, testing 113.00; Norfolk Lodge & Suites, lodging 440.00; NPPD, electric 73.68; OPPD, electric 33.00; Pawnee True Value, supply 28.12; Powerplan, repairs 1424.92; RDO, repair 37.37; Sapp Bros., fuel 3579.68; Smith Auto, repair 185.00; Windstream, phone 215.40.

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT:

Martin Marietta, rock 27795.37.

Chairman Seitz adjourned the meeting at 11:26 a.m.

S/ Ron Seitz

S/Jan Lang

S/Lavon Heidemann

Attest: Lindsay Kostecka, Pawnee County Clerk