

The Webster County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30am on Tuesday, September 2, 2025, for their regular Business Meeting at the Courthouse in Red Cloud, Nebraska. The Board stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman, Dan Shipman gave notice of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act Laws. The following Board Members were present for roll call: Dan Shipman (District One), Trevor Karr (District Two), Jeff Mans (District Three), Tim Gilbert (District Four) and Gary Ratzlaff (District Five). Motion was made by Ratzlaff, seconded by Mans to approve minutes of the August 19, 2025, meeting. Voting in favor: Shipman, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Mans and Karr. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None. Motion was made by Ratzlaff, seconded by Karr to pay claims and payroll for the September 2, 2025, meeting. Voting in favor: Shipman, Ratzlaff, Mans and Karr. Voting nay or absent: None. Abstaining: Gilbert. Commissioner Ratzlaff gave an overview of the hospital meeting he attended.

At 8:35am, Road Superintendent, Paul Stoner met with the board. Paul gave an update on culverts and ditch projects and equipment issues. Discussion was also had on purchasing a used belly dump trailer.

At 9:00am, Assessor Tami Scheuneman brought in Darrel Standard with Standard Appraisal in to introduce him to the board. Darrel is a licensed appraiser for Nebraska who will be working on assessing Webster County commercial properties.

At 9:10am, Tami presented a letter from Clay County Planning and Zoning on their upcoming meeting to approve their new comprehensive plan.

At 9:15am, County Clerk Abbey Harig discussed Webster County Dental rates as recommended from the budget meeting by our budget preparer, Caleb Johnson. After discussion, the original premiums are \$34.00 for an employee only, \$75.00 for an employee and spouse or child(ren) and \$100.00 for employee/family. The board decided to make employees and child(ren) a family premium and review how this change affects things next year. A motion was made by Karr, seconded Mans to approve this. Voting in favor: Shipman, Ratzlaff, Gilbert, Mans and Karr. Voting nay, absent or abstaining: None.

At 9:25am, Abbey then presented a flyer for the upcoming open house and silent auction for the old Sheriff's Office for the board to review. This will be Tuesday, September 16th from 10:00am – 6:00pm. Public will be able to walk through the old Sheriff's Office before any demolition is done. There will also be a silent auction for items in the sheriff's office and surplus items on the first floor of the courthouse.

At 9:30am, Nancy Miller stopped in to talk to the board about the Community Action Partnership of Mid Nebraska program that with challenges with federal funding people who participate will not have to pick up their food package in Hastings at the Adams County Fairgrounds and how this is affecting the people the participate in this.

At 9:45am, the board went to first floor and cleaned out an old storage room and found more items for the silent auction, after this they proceeded to clean up unused items in the parking lot.

Total Wages - \$9901.86. **GENERAL FUND:** Adams County Sheriff's Dept (Fees)-\$18.50; Ameritas Life Ins Corp (Health)-\$316.17; Black Hills Energy (Utility)-\$65.97; Katie Bolte (Mileage)-\$185.92; Business World Products (Supply)-\$409.05; Patrick Calkins (Expense)-\$50.00; CEI Security (Repairs)-\$1,224.50; Culligan of Hastings (Water)-\$67.65; DAS State Accounting (Fees)-\$242.00; EFTPS (SS/FICA)-\$349.92; Eakes Office Solutions (Supply)-\$45.79; First Concord Benefits (Buydown)-\$1,473.66; First Concord Benefits (Buydown)-\$1,473.66; First National Bank Omaha (Supply)-\$3,887.73; Gene Steffy Auto Group (Sheriff Vehicle)-\$46,641.00; Jon Gibson (Repairs)-\$830.90; Great Plains Communications (Phones)-\$1,738.85; J&A Auto Supply (Supply)-\$3.91; Carla Jameson (Expense)-\$114.71; Jared's Auto Expert (Repairs)-\$200.00; Madison National Life Ins Co, Inc (Life)-\$236.76; Midland Area Agency on Aging (Handibus)-\$6,652.25; Mips Inc (Fees)-\$2,573.16; NACO (Registration)-\$100.00; NE Dept of Revenue Property Assessment (Registration)-\$715.00; NE Law Enforcement Training Center (Training)-\$142.00; NE Labor Law Poster Services (Posters)-\$278.50; Alexa Pedersen (Mileage)-\$138.88; City of Red

Cloud (Utility)-\$1,483.91; Tami Scheuneman (Mileage)-\$103.60; South Central Pub Power Dist (Utility)-\$24.80; Clinton Stenka (Refund)-\$85.50; Amber Stoner (Mileage)-\$89.60; Daniel Vodicka (Contract)-\$601.80; Web Co Sheriff-Petty Cash Fund (Petty Cash)-\$260.16; Webster County Court (Fees)-\$51.00; Williams Exterminating, Inc (Pest Control)-\$88.00. ROAD/BRIDGE FUND: City of Blue Hill (Utility)-\$130.10; First National Bank Omaha (Supply)-\$197.90; Linda Grummert (Prior Service)-\$57.00; Jared's Auto Expert (Repairs)-\$125.58; John Deere Financial (Misc)-\$292.31; LRNRD Rural Water Project (Water)-\$23.20; Mips Inc (Fees)-\$112.25; Nebraska Machinery Company (Supply)-\$251.96; Olson Enterprises LLC (Fuel)-\$9,491.15; Ben Pavelka Trucking, Inc (Repairs)-\$5,063.72; R&M Disposal LLC (Utility)-\$94.00. MODERN RECORDS FUND: Mips Inc (Fees)-\$147.93. SELF-INSURED DENTAL FUND: Sean M Daly, DDS (Dental)-\$232.80; Dr Jesse Neal Dental Care (Dental)-\$271.60; Fort Theatre Dentistry (Dental)-\$872.00; Webster County Dental Clinic (Dental)-\$168.80. COUNTY MEDICAL/RELIEF FUND: NE Health & Human Services System (Beatrice/Lincoln)-\$186.00. INHERITANCE TAX FUND: Century Link (Phones)-\$1,778.37. RC AMUBLANCE SERVICE #1 FUND: EFTPS (SS/FICA)-\$242.75; Great Plains Communications (Phones)-\$49.36; Metro-Billing Services (Billing)-\$275.00. BH AMBULANCE SERVICE #2 FUND: EFTPS (SS/FICA)-\$164.83; Metro-Billing Services (Billing)-\$325.00.

Being no further business, Chairman, Dan Shipman adjourned the meeting at 11:15am. The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 16, 2025, at 8:30am. A current agenda and complete minutes are on file in the County Clerk's Office and at www.co.webster.ne.us.

Dated 2 day of September 2025
Webster County Board of Commissioners

Abbey Harig
Webster County Clerk