

**RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
JUNE 3, 2026**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Richardson County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Caverzagie at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 3, 2026. Roll call was answered by Campbell and Caverzagie. Commissioner Karas was absent. The Invocation was given by Chairman Caverzagie and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Campbell. Chairman Caverzagie announced that the open meeting laws have been posted at the entrance to the meeting room.

A motion was made by Campbell to approve the minutes of the May 27, 2026, meeting as presented. Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-absent, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Caverzagie to approve the agenda as posted. Motion seconded by Campbell. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-absent, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. The agenda is posted at the Richardson County Courthouse in the First Floor Lobby, the Lower-Level Lobby and on the Commissioner's Meeting Room door on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor and on the Richardson County website [www.richardsoncounty.ne.gov](http://www.richardsoncounty.ne.gov).

**ROAD & BRIDGE DEPT.**

Steve Darveau, Jr., Highway Superintendent was unable to update the Board on the routine road and bridge maintenance being done this week due to construction projects that are underway and being done by Road Department crew.

**LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER**

Sheriff Hardesty updated the Board on the routine business within the Law Enforcement Center this past week. Statistics for the month of May, 2026, are as follows: 563 total calls with 229 of those being traffic stops, 43 bookings into the jail (7 other agencies, 5 out-of-county and 31 Sheriff Department arrests).

The Village of Verdon contacted the Sheriff with regards to the possibility of the County Sheriff's Department enforcing the ordinances within the Village. No action was taken.

**JOHN KIRKENDALL**

John Kirkendall requested to meet with the Board to present information regarding the proposed plans for upcoming 4<sup>th</sup> fireworks display to be held at the Falls City Area Jaycees Field. The Falls City Area Chamber of Commerce and the Falls City Area Jaycees are sponsoring the event.

Mr. Kirkendall reported that during the fireworks display that a portion of 703 Loop would need to be barricaded as part of the safety zones required during the fireworks display.

The Board thanked Mr. Kirkendall for presenting the information to keep the County informed on the event.

**BRIAN KIRKENDALL, EMA DIRECTOR**

A brief discussion was held regarding the final plan of the All-Hazards Multi-Jurisdictional Mitigation Plan as prepared by the Nemaha Natural Resources District. The plan was provided to the County Board for review prior to the adoption. Commissioner Campbell reported that he reviewed the plan as presented.

Motion was made by Caverzagie to adopt Resolution 2025-2026-39 to approve and adopt the Nemaha NRD All-Hazards Mitigation Plan. Motion seconded by Campbell. Karas-absent, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. (Resolution Book 28, Page 110)

The Board also reviewed with Mr. Kirkendall the correspondence that was received from Dylan Handley, Clerk/Treasurer of the Village of Barada regarding the insurance coverage for the outdoor warning siren located within the corporate limits of the Village of Barada. The County requested that the village provide the insurance coverage for the siren while the County would continue to provide the maintenance. The Village of Barada has decided to not insure the siren at this time.

Discussion was also held regarding the outdoor warning siren within the corporate limits of the Village of Shubert which was furnished and completely maintained and insured by the Cooper Nuclear Station. Notice has been given to the County that the Cooper Nuclear Station will begin using the IPAWS, Integrated Public Awareness Warning System, to notify those within the emergency planning zones (EPZ) if an incident would occur. With the implementation of the IPAWS, the outdoor warning siren in the Village of Shubert, which is owned and serviced by the Cooper Nuclear Station, would be removed. Mr. Kirkendall plans to meet with the Village Board of Shubert to inform them of this matter and to determine if the Village was willing to provide for insurance of an outdoor warning siren if one was placed in the Village.

## CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER

### Fee Reports

Reports were approved for the following officials for fees collected during the month of May, 2026:

Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk	\$ 240.00
Mary L. Eickhoff, Register of Deeds	\$17,268.96
Pam Scott, Clerk of Dist Court	\$ 985.00

### Monthly Operating Statement

The Board reviewed the monthly operating statement for May, 2026.

## CLAIMS

Motion was made by Campbell to approve the payment of all claims that were submitted today. Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-absent, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried.

*(The claims listed below are available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk during regular business hours.)*

## GENERAL FUND

Amazon, supp	30.45
BuckIT, serv	7186.14
Capital Business Systems, supp	14245.00
Culligan, serv	11.70
Falls City Journal, ad	58.13
Falls City Sanitation, serv	60.00
Falls City Utilities, serv	4948.77
Fankhauser, Nelsen & Werts, fees PR26-11	1212.50
Farm & City Supply, supp	26.15
Humboldt Standard, ads	88.00
Kirkendall, Brian, reimb	32.35
Marvin Planning Consultants, serv	1550.00
Microfilm Imaging Systems Inc., serv	1032.00
Midwest Mobile Radio Service, serv	30.00
Miller, Judy	236.38
MIPS, serv	9022.24
NE Assoc. of Weed Control, fee	150.00
Postmaster, supp	702.00
Richardson County Clerk Petty Cash, reimb	9.70
Richardson County Court, fees	869.00
Richardson County EMA Petty Cash, reimb	472.24
Richardson County Sheriff, fees	1011.38
Richardson County Sheriff Petty Cash, reimb	1351.29

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CLAIMS (Cont.)

GENERAL FUND (Cont.)

Richardson, Kristy, reimb	49.63
Sapp Bros., fuel	153.01
Southeast Nebraska Communications, serv	1068.22
SumnerOne, serv	49.64
Uline, supp	285.57
US Signal, serv	1064.70
Verizon, serv	239.94
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$47,246.13</b>

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND

Bahr Welding, serv	360.00
Culligan, serv	35.10
East Richardson Rural Water #2, serv	46.00
Fastenal, supp	141.05
OPPD, serv	85.28
Operation & Expense Acct., reimb	253.39
Sapp Bros., supp	3102.80
Unifirst, serv	84.29
<b>TOTAL ROAD &amp; BRIDGE FUND</b>	<b>\$4,107.91</b>

REG OF DEEDS P&M FUND

MIPS, serv	324.92
<b>TOTAL REG OF DEEDS P&amp;M FUND</b>	<b>\$324.92</b>

DRUG COURT FUND

Hawkins, Seth, reimb	213.15
Morrissey, Morrissey & Dalluge, reimb	325.02
<b>TOTAL DRUG COURT FUND</b>	<b>\$538.17</b>

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Caverzagie to adjourn the meeting at 10:12 a.m. Motion seconded by Campbell. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-absent, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Wednesday, June 10, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. for the next regular weekly meeting in the Commissioner's Meeting Room, Courthouse, Falls City. The agenda is kept current at the County Clerk's Office.

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John Caverzagie, Chairman

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Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk