

**RICHARDSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SEPTEMBER 16, 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, September 16, 2026. Roll call was answered by Karas, Campbell and Caverzagie. The Invocation was given by Chairman Caverzagie and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Karas. Chairman Caverzagie announced that the open meeting laws have been posted at the entrance to the meeting room.

A motion was made by Karas to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2026, meeting as presented. Motion seconded by Campbell. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, 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-aye, 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 2nd Floor and on the Richardson County website www.richardsoncounty.ne.gov.

ROAD & BRIDGE DEPT.

Highway Superintendent, Steve Darveau, Jr. updated the Board on the routine maintenance being done on county roads and bridges this week.

Mr. Darveau presented information regarding the purchase of two new trailers from Brazos Trailers of Wills Point, TX at a price of \$44,350 each with a trade-in allowance on two the county is currently using which would make a total cost of \$51,680. A question was asked as to whether or not this purchase would need to be let out for sealed bids and it was discussed and more research will be done.

An update was given on the rock hauling currently being done and the lack of the rock that is available in the area.

Discussion was also held on the condition of the road, 642 Blvd south of 705 Road and north of 703 Trail. Discussion was held for consideration to make it a minimum maintenance road due to many different circumstances with mainly the condition of the bridge as it is not rated for more than 3 ton.

LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER

Sheriff Hardesty updated the Board on the routine business within the Law Enforcement Center this past week. He reported that there were currently 12 inmates being held in the jail.

The Nebraska Jail Standards conducted the Annual State Jail Inspection this past Thursday.

A quote was also received for the purchase and installation of new video cameras within the Law Enforcement Center to help alleviate blind areas that need to be covered due to past incidents. The quote was from Electronic Contracting Company, ECC of Lincoln and was \$49,695.41. More research will be done on this matter and review with Joe Buckminster, the county's IT coordinator.

CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER

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

A check was received from EMC insurance in the amount of \$3,087.00 for the damages from lightning to radio equipment on August 15, 2026.

A response was received from gWorks regarding an outstanding invoice for the early termination fee of which the Board had denied on May 27, 2026. gWorks has agreed to waive this early termination fee as a one-time exception.

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CLAIMS

Motion was made by Campbell to approve the payment of all claims that were submitted today including the claim held from August 26 meeting to FC EDGE for \$7,500. Motion seconded by Karas. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, 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

Airstream Heating & Cooling, serv	484.00
Ameriflex, fee	70.00
AT&T, serv	1013.88
Benchmark Government Solutions, serv	36.85
CMC, serv	327.36
DAS State Accounting, serv	343.50
Farm & City Supply, supp	31.97
First Concord, fees	562.50
Holiday Inn, lodg	873.99
Hullman's Ford, serv	74.52
Humboldt Standard, adv	76.00
Johnson County Sheriff, serv	19.40
Medica, ins	63932.20
Midwest Mobile Radio Service, serv	30.00
Nestor & Mercure, serv	9333.33
NSA/POAN, fees	440.00
O'Reilly Automotive, supp	277.30
Physicians Laboratory, serv	300.00
ProServ Business Systems, serv	115.00
Quill, supp	81.27
Ram Exterminators, serv	48.00
Richardson County Attorney Trust Acct., reimb	.50
Richardson County EMA Petty Cash, reimb	139.74
Richardson County Sheriff Petty Cash, reimb	1683.70
Richardson County Vendor, FICA/retire/etc	24074.07
Scholl Lawn & Landscape, serv	1156.00
SumnerOne, serv	28.49
University of NE, rent	484.59
W7 Design Co., supp	72.00
Weaver & Merz, reimb	81.60
Payroll Expense	119679.49
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$225,871.25

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND

Agco Finance, supp	388.50
Bahr Welding, serv	1200.00
Black Hills Energy, serv	49.80
Falls City Auto Supply, supp	167.02
Farm & City Supply, supp	71.76
Harmon's, serv	78.00
Martin-Marietta Materials, rock	11559.56
Michael Todd Industrial Supply, supp	1000.00
NPPD, serv	73.68
Operation & Expense Account, reimb	49.87
O'Reilly Automotive, supp	802.31
Schendel Pest Control, serv	250.00
Unifirst, supp	48.92
Wiltse Electric, serv	429.12
Payroll Expense	36909.90
TOTAL ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	\$53,078.44

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CLAIMS (Cont.)

DRUG COURT FUND

Hawkins, Seth, serv	1300.00
Morrissey, Morrissey & Dalluge, serv	1300.00
TOTAL DRUG COURT FUND	\$2,600.00

INHERITANCE TAX FUND

Falls City Edge, funding	7500.00
TOTAL INHERITANCE TAX FUND	\$7,500.00

SHERIFF COMMISSARY FUND

Richardson County Sheriff Petty Cash, reimb	79.99
TOTAL SHERIFF COMMISSARY FUND	\$79.99

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Karas to adjourn the meeting at 10:53 a.m. Motion seconded by Caverzagie. ROLL CALL VOTE: Karas-aye, Campbell-aye, Caverzagie-aye. Motion carried. The Board will meet again on Wednesday, September 23, 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.

John Caverzagie, Chairman

Mary L. Eickhoff, County Clerk