

July 8, 2025
Commissioner's Meeting
Minutes

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Colfax County, Nebraska was held in the Commissioners Room of the County Courthouse, Schuyler, Nebraska on the 8th day of July 2025. The County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30 a.m. Present were Carl Grotelueschen, Jim Mejsrik and Terry V. Wendt, County Commissioners, Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk and Bruce J. Prenda, County Attorney. Notice of this meeting was given in advance by posting written notice in at least three different public places as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice, publication in the Colfax County Press on June 25, 2025, and Colfax County's website. The availability of the proposed agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Board. Copies of the Open Meetings Act were posted and made available to the public. All proceedings shown were taken while the meeting was officially convened and open to the public.

The Chairman stated a copy of the Open Meeting Act statute is posted and available to the public.

Motion Mejsrik; second Wendt to approve the agenda. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejsrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Wendt; second Mejsrik to approve the minutes of 6/24/2025. Voting YES: Mejsrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The General Assistance Clerk presented a report on her department's activities, with no need for an executive session.

The Clerk provided the board with a copy of the monthly fees and STOP Revenue received.

The Board received the District Court Clerk monthly report.

The Sheriff submitted his monthly report to the Board, which will be filed.

The Vet Service Officer provided his monthly June report and July 1, 2025, claim reimbursements of services for Colfax County Veterans which will all be filed.

The Board received the Public Defender report for June.

The Officials and Department heads provided a report on their employees' vacation, necessary and compensatory time.

No report from the Extension office.

The Weed Superintendent has been treating known problem areas and actively searching for any additional infestations.

The County Attorney presented his 2025 2nd Quarter report.

The Board provided an opportunity for county employees to attend an "Agenda-less meeting."

Recessed at 9:20 a.m. to resume at 9:30 a.m.

Motion Wendt; second Mejsrik to recommend approval for a special designated liquor permit to Native 32 Winery, LLC. for an event held July 18, 2025, at the Colfax County Fairgrounds. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejsrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the budgets submitted by the Officials and Department heads.

The County Treasurer presented the supporting schedule-comparison statement of uncollected taxes as of June 30, 2024, to the Board, and it will be placed on file.

Motion Grotelueschen; second Wendt to allow CASA Connection the amount of \$10,000.00 for budget year 2025-2026. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejsrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The Zoning Administrator provided an update on permits issued and a recent boundary exchange. RWE Clean Energy submitted a petition containing 210 signatures in support of wind energy development in Colfax County. The company also asked the Board to reconsider the current property setback requirement of 1.5 times the total height, proposing a revision to 1.1 times the total height.

The Assistant Highway Superintendent provided an update on road department activities, including the progress of ongoing road and bridge projects.

A discussion was held regarding the purchase of a motor grader. The Assistant Highway Superintendent recommended purchasing a 2025 Caterpillar motor grader, with a trade-in of a 2018 model. Motion Grotelueschen, second Mejsrik to approve the purchase of the 2025 Caterpillar motor grader with a trade-in value of \$119,000.00 for the 2018 model, total purchase price of \$255,000.00. Voting YES: Mejsrik, Wendt, and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The Clerk summarized the day's agenda and action taken.

Motion Mejsrik; second Grotelueschen to adjourn BOC at 10:40 a.m. and to meet again July 22, 2025. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejsrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Colfax County, Nebraska was held in the Commissioners Room of the County Courthouse, Schuyler, Nebraska on the 8th day of July 2025. The County Board of Equalization met at 11:00 a.m. Present were Carl Grotelueschen, Jim Mejsrik and Terry V. Wendt, County Commissioners, Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk, and Bill White, County Assessor. Notice of this meeting was given in advance by posting written notice in at least three different public places as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice, publication in the Colfax County Press on June 25, 2025, and Colfax County's website. The availability of the proposed agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Board. A copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted and available to the public. All proceedings shown were taken while the meeting was officially convened and open to the public.

Motion Mejsrik; second Wendt to approve Under/Over Valued Property list submitted by the Assessor. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejsrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

No tax list correction was submitted by the Assessor.

The board reviewed protests and conducted valuation protest hearings with property owners.

Recessed at 12:00 p.m. to resume at 1:00 p.m.

The board reviewed protests and conducted valuation protest hearings with property owners.

Motion Wendt; second Mejsrik to adjourn BOE at 3:50 p.m. and to meet again July 10, 2025. Voting YES: Mejsrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

I, Rita M. Mundil, duly elected and qualified County Clerk of said county, do hereby state that the above minutes were recorded by me, are true and correct to my knowledge, are recorded in the Commissioners Records and were completed for public inspection and publication on the 9th day of July 2025.


Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk