

March 24, 2026
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 24th day of March 2026. The County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30 a.m. Present were Jim Mejstrik and Terry V. Wendt, County Commissioners, Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk and Bruce J. Prenda, County Attorney. Absent: Carl Grotelueschen, County Commissioner. 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 Schuyler Sun on March 12, 2026, 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.

Commissioner Wendt served as acting Chair for the March 24, 2026, meeting.

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

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

Motion Wendt; second Mejstrik to approve the minutes of 3/10/2026. Voting YES: Wendt and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Absent: Grotelueschen. Motion carried.

The Clerk provided the fund balance, STOP Revenue and January Lodging Tax Revenue. The Visitor Promo Committee will meet April 1, 2026, at the Clarkson Public Library.

The Vet Service Officer provided claim reimbursements for March 10, 2026, which will be placed on file.

The inmate logs from Antelope and Butler County were provided to the Board and will be placed on file.

No report from Northeast Nebraska Solid Waste Coalition.

The Weed Superintendent reviewed the Reports and Requirements sheet from the Nebraska Department of Agriculture (NDA), which oversees and assesses Colfax County's Weed Control Authority throughout the year. The evaluation is based on a point system, with a total possible score of 3,400 points. The County received a score of 3,325.

Motion Mejstrik, second Wendt to authorize the acting Chairman to sign the Reports and Requirements Summary. Voting YES: Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Absent: Grotelueschen. Motion carried.

The County Attorney presented a Resolution declaring retired Sheriff's Department K9 Mars surplus personal property and authorizing the Sheriff to execute a bill of sale, waiver of liability, and hold harmless agreement with the transferee. Discuss, consider and/or take action of this Resolution will be placed on the April 14th agenda.

Motion Mejstrik; second Wendt to approve the following claims and issue checks for them. Voting YES: Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Absent: Grotelueschen. Motion carried.

	<u>All Funds</u>	
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	Health Premiums	49,582.77
Ameritas Life Ins. Co.	Retirement Premiums	21,632.40
EFTPS	FICA/Medicare	23,827.54
	<u>Attorney Grant Fund</u>	
Schuyler Community Schools	Truancy	4,083.30
	<u>E911 Fund</u>	
CenturyLink	Service	1,056.91
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Frontier	Service	464.91
	<u>911 Wireless Fund</u>	
CenturyLink	Support coverage	14,001.90
	<u>ROD P & M Fund</u>	
MIPS	Microfilming/Deeds on Line	298.71

Road Fund

Salaries		72,830.81
AG 91 Energy LLC	Fuel/heating fuel	6,709.87
Albracht Disposal Service Inc.	Service	60.00
All Makes	Overage charge	33.88
Arps Gravel & Concrete	Concrete	1,184.38
AT&T Mobility	Cell phone	32.48
Benes Service	Equipment parts	127.91
Bomgaars Supply	Shop supplies	64.92
Cappel Auto Supply Inc.	Shop supplies	17.72
City of Clarkson	Utilities	79.20
Clarkson Plumbing & Heating	Shop supplies	97.94
Column Software PBC	Notices	33.66
Cooperative Supply Inc.	Fuel	140.93
Corral Auto Repair & Towing	Equipment parts/labor	915.72
Culligan	Equipment/water	140.50
Dept. of Utilities	Utilities	1,451.59
Doernemann Farm Service, Inc.	Grease fitting	3.22
Eakes Office Solutions	Janitor supplies	81.22
Farmers Union Coop Gas	Fuel	306.09
Frontier	Service	108.53
Howells Journal	Notices	8.65
Jackson Services Inc.	Janitorial supplies	72.37
JMN Construction LLC	C19(564, 574, 577)	185,074.15
John Deere Financial	Equipment parts	3,526.19
Kroeger Sand & Gravel Co.	Gravel/hauling	16,029.18
Loup Public Power-Columbus	Services	527.44
Mainelli Wagner & Assoc. Inc.	Consultant/engineering	57,953.70
Matheson-Linweld	Oxygen	371.82
Midwest Service & Sales Co.	Signs/culverts	6,311.90
Nebraska Assoc. of County Officials	Registration	35.00
Nebraska Machinery Co.	Equipment parts	1,311.08
Occupational Health Services	Screening	90.00
Parkview Express	Fuel	231.79
Parkview One Stop	Fuel	653.38
Pinnacle Bank	Heart smart	1,293.81
Power Plan	Equipment parts/labor	5,246.64
Prochaska Tire LLC	Oil change/tire repair/tires	393.95
Prusa Welding	Oxygen	44.20
Sapp Bros. Petroleum, Inc.	Fuel	218.38
Schuyler Cooperative Assn.	Heating fuel/fuel/seed	8,100.90
Seals and Service, Inc.	Equipment parts/labor	397.90
Stanton Telecom	Wireless	50.90
Stealth Broadband	Internet	552.24
Tom's Auto Service	Oil change	95.95
Tomka Repair	Equipment parts/labor	216.86
U & I Sanitation Service	Service	35.00
Verizon Connect	Vehicle tracking	411.70
Village of Howells	Service	93.12
Village of Leigh	Service	22.25
Volkman Plumbing & Heating Inc.	Building repair	964.52

General Fund

Salaries		245,695.37
Daniel Acosta	Cell phones/uniforms	100.00
Agri-City Insurance Agency LLC	Surety Bond	80.00
Albers All Around	Brass fitting	33.16
Elise Anderson	Mileage	84.10
Anytime Fitness	Usage	120.00
Applied Connective Technologies	Computer Surge Damage	945.00
AT&T Mobility	Wireless	1,528.67
Samantha H. Barnes	Cell phones/uniforms	100.00
Black Hills Energy	Service	548.87
Aleisha Bohaboj	Mileage/Notary	90.91
Bomgaars Supply	Janitorial supplies	112.92
Jordon A. Brichacek	Cell phones/uniforms	100.00

Butler Co Detention Center	BOP	7,800.00
Cappel Auto Supply	Windshield wipers	32.86
Cenex Voyager Fleet	Fuel	1,104.96
Clearly	Phone service	851.26
Clerk of the District Court	Court Costs	186.00
CMRS-FP	Postage	500.00
Colfax County Court	Court Costs	406.00
Colfax County Sheriff	Feb Uncollected	18.50
Colfax County Treasurer	Road transfer	340,365.95
Column Software PBC	Notices/ad	39.55
Constellation NewEnergy Gas	Service	2,693.70
Corral Auto Repair Towing	Vehicle repair	1,809.44
Creative Product Source Inc.	Fingerprint Cards	3,067.15
Crowne Plaza Kearney	Lodging	949.70
Culligan	Equipment/water	505.65
DAS Central Finance	Network service	2,233.07
David City Discount Pharmacy	Pharmacy	238.73
Department of Utilities	Utilities	3,002.46
Didier's Grocery Inc.	Program supplies	5.54
Brenda Dolezal	Mileage	33.35
Eakes Office Solutions	Office supplies/copies/toner	2,505.73
Egis Technologies	Monthly service	6,317.00
Egr, Birkel & Wollmer	Atty fees	2,187.50
ESRI Inc.	Maintenance	2,675.00
Farmers Union Coop Gas	Fuel	518.92
First Concord Benefits Group LLC	Participation fees	60.00
Austin Forman	Cell phone/uniforms	100.00
Francotyp-Postalia Inc.	Postage machine rental	104.85
Daniel Freed	Cell phone/uniforms	100.00
Garratt-Callahan Co.	Water treatment	170.46
Great American Financial Services	Copier/copies	295.35
Great Plains Communications	Phone/internet	416.09
Carl Grotelueschen	Mileage	268.11
Hanel Oil, Inc.	Fuel/oil change	461.40
Juana Hanson	Cell phone	51.29
Health & Human Services	Norfolk	177.00
	Beatrice	177.00
	Lincoln	1,154.53
Hometown Leasing	Copiers	776.83
Howells Journal	Notices	213.60
Indoff	Office/janitorial supplies	2,284.66
J & L Automotive	Tire repair	25.00
Jackson Services Inc.	Janitorial supplies	132.76
John E. Reid & Assoc. Inc.	Training	149.00
Keep Schuyler Beautiful	Electronic waste	5.50
Tracy Kennedy	Cell phone/uniforms	100.00
Knock Out Print & Design	Election envelopes	145.64
Christopher B. Koliha	BOA Mileage	15.08
Kodie Kracl	Mileage	41.47
Mark D. Kratochvil	BOA Mileage	28.86
Sheryl Langdon	CPR Class	160.00
Language Line Services	Interpreting	202.96
Alyssa Ledon	Cell phones/uniforms	100.00
Lee Enterprises Advertising	Proceedings	362.71
Madison National Life Insurance Co.	Life/LTD insurance	139.11
Main-Stop LLC	Fuel	282.63
Nancy J. Marty	Meals	66.29
Keith A. Marvin	Comprehensive Plan	2,000.00
Brian Mastny	BOA Mileage	23.20
James J. Mejstrik	Mileage	80.77
Shawn Messerlie	Cell phone/uniforms	100.00
Microfilm Imaging Systems Inc.	Service	290.00
MIPS	Software support/website	3,484.59
ML Smith Law Office	Atty fees	4,700.00
NACEB	Dues	100.00

Nebraska State Patrol	MACH/RMS Licenses	5,356.00
Nebraska Voad	Dues	30.00
Nebraska.Gov	Certified copy	18.00
William J. Neiman	Public defender contract	8,333.33
Katelynn Ness	Mileage	213.15
James Palensky	Cell phone/uniforms	100.00
Matthew Papa	Mileage	89.91
Parkview Express	Fuel	62.83
Parkview One Stop	Fuel	724.08
Aaron Peterson	Cell phone/uniforms	100.00
Physicians Laboratory PC	Autopsy	250.00
Scott Pieper	BOA Mileage	23.35
Pinnacle Bank	Reg/silencer/surge protector	532.03
Pinnacle Bank	Health deductibles	6,623.92
Pinnacle Bank	Adobe	19.99
Pinnacle Bank	Office supplies/subscription	599.21
PIP	Office supplies	939.58
Platte County	Vet Service Contract/reimbursements	3,121.52
Point C	Participation fees	288.75
Prochaska Tire LLC	Oil change/vehicle repair	393.01
Region 4 Behavioral Health System	4th quarter	6,915.25
Michele Root	Notary	31.75
Schieffer Signs	Pink Patch/K-9 Units	1,655.00
Schuyler Cooperative Association	Fuel	2,551.08
Stanard Appraisal Services Inc.	Maintenance	405.00
Brett Struebing	Cell phone/uniforms	100.00
Thomson Reuters-West	Westlaw	613.73
Tilden Drug	Pharmacy	52.04
Total Fire & Security Inc.	Building repair	435.00
Trouba Law Offices LLC	Atty fees	2,768.75
U & I Sanitation Service	Service	152.00
University of Nebraska	Computers	3,252.94
Verizon	Cell phone	122.21
Chirs Yosten	BOA Mileage	4.35

Motion Wendt; second Mejstrik to recommend approval for a special designated liquor permit to the Colfax County Ag Society for the county fair activities planned for July 16-19, 2026, at the Colfax County Fairgrounds. Voting YES: Wendt and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Absent: Grotelueschen. Motion carried.

Nextlink shared an update via phone conference, noting that gigabit speeds and expanded high-speed internet service are now available in Clarkson and the surrounding areas. They also provided information on Nebraska BEAD Preliminary Award locations throughout the County.

Katie Hansel, an Electronic Engineering Consultant, will present a firm offer for the sale of dispatch consoles in partnership with Motorola Solutions at the April 14 meeting.

Recessed at 9:45 a.m. and reconvened at 10:00 a.m.

The Zoning Administrator provided an update on the zoning permits that had been issued, as well as the Planning Commission meeting held on March 18th.

The Floodplain Manager presented a Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA) for the City of Schuyler. Representatives from the City, their engineering consultants, and the County met to discuss FEMA's LOMA review, the proposed floodway, potential benefits, and any questions or follow-up items from the County.

Motion Mejstrik; second Wendt authorizes the Flood Plain Manager to sign the Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA). Voting YES: Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Absent: Grotelueschen. Motion carried.

Monte Montelegre of Egis presented a list of aging computers along with a quarterly overview of the IT security and services they provide.

The Highway Superintendent gave a report on the activities of his department. Equipment purchases and budget were discussed. Gravel bids will be received and publicly opened at 10:30 a.m. on April 14th with discuss, consider and/or take action to follow.

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Motion Mejstrik; second Wendt to accept the three bids for aggregate hauling with the lowest bidder being the 1st company to be called. Voting YES: Wendt and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Absent: Grotelueschen. Motion carried.

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

Motion Mejstrik; second Wendt to adjourn BOC at 10:50 a.m. to meet again April 14, 2026. Voting YES: Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Absent: Grotelueschen. 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 24th day of March 2026. The County Board of Equalization met at 11:00 a.m. Present were Jim Mejstrik and Terry V. Wendt, County Commissioners, Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk and Bill White, County Assessor. Absent: Carl Grotelueschen, County Commissioner. 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 Schuyler Sun on March 12, 2026, and Colfax County's website. The availability of the proposed agenda was communicated in the advanced 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.

The Board acknowledged four tax list corrections submitted by the County Assessor:

Property ID: 1220365.00-RE, Statement number: 93

Property ID: 0010919005-PP, Statement number: 94

Property ID: 0321330.00-RE, Statement number: 97

Property ID: 0321330.00-RE, Statement number: 98

Motion Mejstrik; second Wendt to adjourn BOE at 11:10 a.m. Voting YES: Wendt and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Absent: Grotelueschen. 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 25th day of March 2026.



Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk