

June 9, 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 9th day of June 2026. The County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30 a.m. Present were Carl Grotelueschen, Jim Mejstrik 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 Schuyler Sun on May 28, 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.

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: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Wendt; second Mejstrik to approve the minutes of 5/26/2026. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

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

The Weed Superintendent reported on department activities and reviewed budget considerations, including a proposed increase in funding for chemicals and the potential purchase of a pickup truck.

TJ Prochaska, Extension Office, presented a report on the office's activities and discussed the upcoming budget.

The Clerk provided the Board with a copy of her monthly fees, STOP Revenue received, Clarkson Public Library annual report, and NIRMA/NIRMA II 2026-2027 Billing Statement. Correspondence from Central Nebraska Community Action Partnership, Inc. is informing the Board that Central Nebraska Joint Housing Authority (CNJHA) is requesting volunteers to sit on the CNJHA Board of Commissioners.

The Board received the District Court Clerk's monthly fee report.

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

The Board reviewed the Internal Controls of the following offices: Attorney, Clerk, Clerk of District Court, Road Department, Planning and Zoning, Sheriff, Treasurer, Veterans' Aid Service and Noxious Weed.

The Vet Service Officer provided his monthly May report and June 2, 2026, claim reimbursements of services for Colfax County Veterans which will all be placed on file.

The Board received the Public Defender's report for May.

The County Attorney advised the Board that a draft of the proposed County Artificial Intelligence (AI) Guidelines had been distributed to all elected officials and department heads for review and consideration of any suggested changes or additions. Motion Wendt; second Mejstrik to approve the Colfax County guidelines for the use of Artificial Intelligence. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Carrie Rodriguez and Morgan Campbell from District 5 Probation reviewed their budget request, gave a presentation, and provided a report on services for Colfax County clients in 2025. The Platte County Board of Supervisors approved the District 5 Probation budget, with Colfax County's portion being \$28,683.03. An Interlocal Agreement for Adult Drug Court Probation District 5 with Butler, Colfax and Saunders County was presented.

Motion Mejstrik; second Grotelueschen to approve the Problem Solving Court Interlocal Agreement. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

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

Motion Mejstrik; second Wendt to approve Minda McKitrick/District Court Clerk as the signatory for 2026 Child Support documents that are signed by the Board so they can be completed online. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Wendt; second Mejstrik to authorize the Chairman to sign the appointment of Mark Arps, Emergency Manager to the Governance Board of Emergency Management Regional group known as East Central Region and Shawn Messerlie, Sheriff as alternate. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the Board Nomination Form to the Nebraska Regional Interoperability Network (NRIN) Board of Directors for the East Central Region. Motion Grotelueschen; second Wendt to vote for Jamie Carlson for the Board of Directors on the NRIN Governance Board for the East Central Region. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Recessed at 9:50 a.m. to resume at 9:55 a.m.

The Zoning Administrator provided an update on recently issued permits and noted that the next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for June 17, 2026.

Correspondence from the Federal Emergency Management Agency on a Letter of Map Revision Based on Fill Determination Document (Removal) on Case No.: 26-07-0340A was read.

The Colfax County Surveyor presented the Board with a report detailing completed projects, hours worked, materials purchased, mileage incurred and a map of corners that have been located.

The Road Office Manager presented a report on the office's activities and discussed the potential purchase of a dump truck.

Recessed at 10: 50 a.m. to resume at 10:55 a.m.

Motion Grotelueschen; second Mejstrik to recess Board of Commissioners meeting and open Board of Equalization meeting. Voting YES: Mejstrik and Grotelueschen. Absent: Wendt. 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 9th day of June 2026. The County Board of Equalization met at 11:00 a.m. Present were Carl Grotelueschen and Jim Mejstrik, County Commissioners, Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk and Bill White, County Assessor. Absent: Terry V. Wendt, 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 May 28, 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. 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 practice and procedures of the County Assessor's office were made available for all hearings.

Commissioner Wendt entered the meeting at 11:05 a.m.

The Board confirmed that the hearings on form 422A, completed by taxpayers and filed with the clerk, will be conducted on June 23rd and July 6th, 7th 8th 13th and 21st. The final day for equalization hearings is July 24th.

The Board reviewed the lists of Under/Over Valued Property submitted by the Assessor. Motion Mejstrik; second Wendt to approve #20 through #38 of the Under Values & Over Valued Property submitted by the assessor (and send Board notices). Voting YES: Wendt and Mejstrik. Abstaining: Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

No tax list corrections were submitted.

The County Attorney provided an update on the pending TERC cases.

The County Assessor and Board Chairman will hold an open house to review valuation notices and answer questions on June 9th, 10th, and 11th in the Community Room at the Colfax County Courthouse, and on June 11th and 18th at the Clarkson Fire Station.

Motion Mejstrik; second Grotelueschen to adjourn BOE and re-open the Board of Commissioners meeting at 11:30 a.m. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

No interview for the Custodial position was held.

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

Motion Mejstrik; second Wendt to adjourn BOC at 11:35 a.m. and to meet again June 23, 2026. Voting YES: Mejstrik, 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 10th day of June 2026.


Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk