

July 14, 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 14th day of July 2026. 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 Schuyler Sun on July 2, 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 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 6/23/2026. 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, STOP Revenue received, Fuel refund and Opioids Settlements Funds received. Correspondence from Lower Platte River Corridor Alliance on information of available funding and to apply for Federal Clean Water Act Section 319 grant funding.

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 June 30, 2026, 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.

TJ Prochaska with Extension provided a report on the office's activities. He also encouraged everyone to monitor social media for updates regarding schedule changes and moving times during the Colfax County Fair this week due to the anticipated heat index.

The Weed Superintendent reported on the activities of his office, including ongoing efforts to spray thistles throughout the county.

The County Attorney presented his 2026 2nd Quarter report.

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

Motion Wendt; second Mejsrik to recommend approval for a special designated liquor permit to Park Place, LLC. for an event held August 22, 2026, at the Colfax County Fairgrounds. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejsrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Wendt; second Mejsrik to recommend approval for a special designated liquor permit to Rambler Grill, LLC. for an event held August 1, 2026, at the Colfax County Fairgrounds. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejsrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Grotelueschen; second Mejsrik to recommend approval for a special designated liquor permit to Native 32 Winery, LLC. for an event held July 17, 2026, at the Colfax County Fairgrounds. Voting YES: Mejsrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Wendt; second Mejsrik to approve the appointment and salary of Aaron D. Kleensang to Deputy Sheriff with an effective date of June 29, 2026. 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, 2026, to the Board, and it will be placed on file.

Motion Grotelueschen; second Mejstrik to allow CASA Connection the amount of \$10,000.00 for budget year 2026-2027. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The Zoning Administrator provided an update on permits issued. July 21, 2026 the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing for a Conditional Use application for a Commercial Composting Facility, located on Road 7 North of Road F.

Recessed at 10:05 a.m. to resume at 10:10 a.m.

The 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 12-Yard Dump Truck with a Trade-in on our 5-Yard Dump Truck.

An Interlocal Agreement for Stream Bank Stabilization Project on the Southwest Bank of the East Fork Maple Creek at County Road 17 with Lower Elkhorn Natural Resource District (NRD) was reviewed. Motion Wendt; second Mejstrik to authorize the Chairman to sign the Interlocal Agreement with Lower Elkhorn NRD for a Stream Bank Stabilization Project on the Maple Creek at County Road 17. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Wendt, and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

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

Motion Mejstrik; second Grotelueschen to adjourn BOC at 10:45 a.m. and to meet again July 28, 2026. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and 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 14th day of July 2026. The County Board of Equalization met at 11:00 a.m. Present were Carl Grotelueschen, Jim Mejstrik 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 Schuyler Sun on July 2, 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.

Motion Grotelueschen; second Mejstrik to approve the minutes of July 6th, July 7th, July 8th and July 13th meeting. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

No Under/Over Valued Property list was submitted by the Assessor.

No tax list correction was submitted by the Assessor.

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

Recessed at 11:55 a.m. to resume at 1:05 p.m.

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Motion Mejstrik; second Grotelueschen to adjourn BOE at 4:25 p.m. and to meet again July 15, 2026. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. 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 16th day of July 2026.


Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk