

September 8, 2026
Budget Hearing
Minutes

The Budget Hearing for Colfax County, Nebraska was held in the open and public session on September 8, 2026, at 8:15 a.m. in the Commissioners Room of the County Courthouse, Schuyler, Nebraska. Advance notice of the hearings was given by publication in the Schuyler Sun on September 3, 2026.

The Budget Hearing was opened at 8:15 a.m. by Chairman Grotelueschen for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations of taxpayers relating to the proposed budget.

The Board Chairman announced that the open meetings act is available for review in the Commissioner's room and a copy may be obtained from the County Clerk's office upon request.

Present were Carl Grotelueschen, Jim Mejsrik and Terry V. Wendt, County Commissioners, and Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk. No public was present.

The Clerk presented the final FY26-27 budget document and explained expenditures, revenues, transfers, and the property tax request.

Motion Wendt; second Mejsrik to close the Budget Hearing at 8:25 a.m. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejsrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The Special Hearing to Set Final Tax Request was opened at 8:25 a.m. by Chairman Grotelueschen for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observation of taxpayers relating to setting the final tax request.

Present were Carl Grotelueschen, Jim Mejsrik and Terry V. Wendt, County Commissioners, and Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk. No public was present.

The Clerk informed the Board that this year's tax request of \$6,295,926.01 will require a levy of .216569 which is lower than last year's levy of .227403.

Motion Mejsrik; second Wendt to close the Special Hearing to Set Final Tax Request at 8:30 a.m. Voting YES: Mejsrik, Wendt, and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

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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 September 2026. The County Board of Commissioners met at 8:15 a.m. following the Budget Hearing in the Commissioners Room of the County Courthouse, Schuyler, Nebraska. Present were Carl Grotelueschen, Jim Mejsrik and Terry V. Wendt, County Commissioners, and Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk. Notice of this meeting was given in advance thereof 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 September 3, 2026, and the 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 made available to review. 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 available to review.

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

Motion Wendt; second Mejsrik to approve the minutes of 8/25/2026. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejsrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Grotelueschen; second Wendt to approve Resolution 9-8-2026(1) for Adoption and Appropriations of the FY26-27 county budget. Voting YES: Mejsrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Grotelueschen; second Mejsrik to approve Resolution 9-8-2026(2) that sets the tax levy request for the current year at .216569. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejsrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Mejstrik; second Wendt to approve Resolution 9-8-2026(3) that provides a transfer of \$2,815,903.73 from the General Fund to the Road-Bridge Fund. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Grotelueschen; second Mejstrik to approve the resolution 9-8-2026(4) that provides a transfer of \$600,000.00 from the Inheritance Tax Fund to the General Fund. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The Weed Superintendent reported that he attended a Leafy Spurge workshop and will be working at Husker Harvest Days. He has begun his fall spraying, and the Platte River is scheduled to be sprayed on September 21st.

The General Assistance Clerk reported on her department's activities, stating that an executive session was not necessary.

The Clerk provided the board with a copy of her monthly fees and STOP Revenue received. Correspondence from NIRMA notifying the Annual Membership Meeting and Luncheon will be October 23, 2026, at the Younes Conference Center North in Kearney in conjunction with NIRMA's annual Self Defense conference for County Officials. Nomination/Election of NIRMA Board Members form needs to be returned to the NIRMA office by September 23, 2026. Correspondence from Central Nebraska Joint Housing Authority (CNJHA) is requesting volunteers to sit on the CNJHA Board of Commissioners.

The Board received the District Court Clerk monthly report.

The Vet Service Officer submitted his July monthly report and claim reimbursements for August 25, 2026, to be filed.

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

The Board received the August Public Defender monthly report.

Northeast Nebraska Solid Waste Coalition provided a July 2026 Landfill Site Observation report which will be placed on file.

No report from the County Attorney.

Motion Wendt; second Mejstrik to enter executive session at 8:55 to discuss the Cultural Assessment of the Road Department. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejstrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Wendt; second Mejstrik to exit executive session and resume regular session at 9:50 a.m. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejstrik and Wendt. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The Chairman stated no action was taken while in executive session.

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

Recessed at 9:50 a.m. and reconvened at 10:00 a.m.

The Zoning Administrator reported the Colfax County Planning Commission will meet twice this month, on September 16th and September 22nd for continued review of the Comprehensive Plan. DEE notice on Gall Feedlot Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations for a NPDES General Permit for Issued Permit – Modification of NPDES General Permit Coverage was reviewed.

Motion Mejstrik; second Grotelueschen to recommend approval for a special designated liquor permit to Rambler Grill, LLC. for an event held October 3, 2026, at the Colfax County Fairgrounds. Voting YES: Mejstrik, Wendt and Grotelueschen. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Bids for Project C19(573) that were received by the 10:30 a.m. deadline were publicly opened and read. Ten companies submitted bids. Discuss, consider and/or take action will be at the September 22nd meeting.

The Highway Superintendent provided a report on the activities of the Road Department and gave an update on current road and bridge projects. Bid proposals for the purchase of a pickup truck will be presented at the September 22, 2026, meeting. The Board also discussed establishing an inspection and inventory policy for county culverts.

Bids for a new 2026 or 2027 Dump Truck that were publicly opened and read by August 25th - 10:30 a.m. deadline were reviewed. Four companies submitted bids. Motion Grotelueschen; second Mejsrik to award the bid to Freightliner Truck Center Company for a 2026 Freightliner Dump Truck, purchase price \$172,500 less trade of #1274 Kenworth of \$43,000.00 total \$129,500.00. Voting YES: Wendt, Grotelueschen and Mejsrik. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

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

Motion Wendt; second Mejsrik to adjourn BOC at 11:10 a.m. and to meet again September 22, 2026. Voting YES: Grotelueschen, Mejsrik 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 8th day of September 2026. The County Board of Equalization met at 11:10 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 Schuyler Sun on September 3, 2026, and the 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 made available to review. All proceedings shown were taken while the meeting was officially convened and open to the public.

No tax list corrections were submitted from the Assessor.

Motion Wendt; second Mejsrik to adjourn BOE at 11:15 a.m. 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 September 2026.


Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk