## COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

JUNE 30, 2025

GRANT, NEBRASKA

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Perkins County, Nebraska, was held at 8:30 a.m. in the County Courthouse in Grant, Nebraska.

Present: Commissioners Steve Tucker, Darin Robertson, Mark Bottom, Attorney Richard Roberts, and Clerk James Brueggeman.

Chairman Tucker called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. It was announced that notice of this meeting had been published in the Grant Tribune-Sentinel on June 26, 2025. Chairman announced the location of the Open Meetings Act Poster and handouts in the Commissioner's Room. The agenda was reviewed. Motion was made by Commissioner Bottom to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Robertson, roll call vote, 3 ayes, motion carried. Commissioner Robertson made the motion to approve the minutes of June 16, 2025, meeting as published in the Grant Tribune-Sentinel, on Perkins County's website, and made public in the Clerk's Office. Chairman Bottom seconded, roll call vote, 3 ayes, motion carried.

Payroll and Claims submitted to the County Board were reviewed. A motion was made by Commissioner Bottom to approve the payroll and claims, seconded by Commissioner Robertson, roll call vote, 3 ayes, motion carried.

COUNTY EMPLOYEES	
SALARIES	0.00
GENERAL	
American Legion Emblem Sales	422.81
Century Link	45.12
City of Grant	2511.85
Culligan Water Conditioning	45.00
DAS State Accounting	614.40
Ensz Hardware	84.81
Faber Signs	450.00
Goff Services	298.08
Hamilton Information Systems, Inc.	2147.60
Law Office Of Steven E Elmshaeuser	1112.50
Lincoln County Detention Center	1705.00

Michael Todd & Company	126.07
MIPS, Inc.	2180.86
Nebraska Health And Human Services	93.00
Perkins County Sheriff	6.50
Perkins County Historical Society	1282.02
Point C	5178.45
Robert S. Harvoy	743.75
Ross Family Auto Parts, Inc.	50.64
The Lincoln National Life Ins Co	1989.38
Tradewinds Lodge	178.00
US Bank	2684.59
University of Nebraska - Lincoln	64.50
Verizon Wireless	59.68
ROADS	
Haasbroek Farms, LLC.	3850.00
Hi-Line Cooperative, Inc.	68876.34
Pinnacle Bank - Grant	5218.29
Regier Truck Sales	35500.00
Sandhills State Bank	50109.86
PAVING	
Shelco Construction d/b/a Shelco	16760.00
FAIR	
Goff Services	301.64
Hatch's Super Foods, Inc.	465.57
Leibbrandt Lumber, Inc.	5517.69
TRANSIT	
City Of Grant	18.41
Cranmore Fire Protection, LLC.	60.00
WIRELINE 911	
Century Link	867.57
Elsie Communications, Inc.	195.12
LOCAL AMBULANCE	
Bound Tree Medical, LLC.	469.46
Frenchman Valley Coop	209.00

U.S. Postmaster	73.00
TRANSFER AMBULANCE	
Aurora Cooperative	213.19
Pinnacle Bank - Omaha	1440.94
T & A Alignment	355.02

# Correspondence:

No correspondence received.

#### Public Comment:

Opened at 8:40 a.m. and Closed at 9:00 a.m.

Grant Fire Chief Donald Softley requested permission from the Board of Commissioners to use the fairground facility for the annual Perkins County Chamber of Commerce fireworks show. Commissioners granted perpetual permission for the use of the fairgrounds for the fireworks show.

Ted Tietjen spoke briefly on solar panels and stated he had no objection to solar panels being located within the county.

Amity Lynn Balbutin-Burnham and Adam Iago with lightsourcebp attended the meeting and asked questions about the proposed moratorium on Planning & Zoning permits. Balbutin-Burnham and Iago presented Commissioners with information concerning a potential solar project proposed for locations to the east and southeast of the City of Grant.

## **Unfinished Business:**

Commissioners took no action regarding the moratorium on some permits related to Planning & Zoning while plans are revised and forwarded the agenda item to the July 7, 2025 meeting.

The HBSS Connect Corp, Inc. and Perkins County, Nebraska Integrated Transport Management Services Transware software and services contract is still undergoing legal review and revision. Commissioners forwarded the agenda item to the July 7, 2025 meeting.

Commissioners considered the request of The Midwest Electric Cooperative Corp., for a Conditional Use Permit 02-2025 for a Commercial Solar Conversion System, located in the W ½ SW ¼ 23-10-35, Perkins County, Nebraska. Jim and Lori Artz

were in attendance and stated they met with Jayson Bishop from Midwest Electric but expressed concern about the proposed solar facility being to close to their residence. David and Mary Lempke were present and attended the meeting in support of Jim and Lori Artz. David Lempke inquired if a glare study was conducted given the proposed solar facility is close to a county roadway. Jayson Bishop arrived at 8:56 a.m. and discussed the proposed facility with Commissioners and those in attendance. No action was taken on the Conditional Use Permit to give Jayson Bishop time to look at the possibility of alternate placement of the project. Commissioners forwarded the agenda item to the July 7, 2025 meeting.

Chairman Tucker recessed the meeting at 9:08 a.m. Chairman Tucker reconvened the meeting at 9:13 a.m.

#### New Business:

Commissioner Robertson moved to adopt Resolution 2025-10 authorizing signing of the Certificate of Completion – Statewide Upgrading Existing Stop Sign Locations of Rural Roads. Commissioner Bottom seconded the motion, roll call vote, 3 ayes, motion carried.

Commissioner Bottom moved to have the County Board sign the Certificate of Completion between the Nebraska Department of Transportation and Perkins County as drafted by Highway Superintendent Steve Leimer. Seconded by Robertson, roll call vote, 3 ayes, motion carried.

Commissioner Robertson moved to have Chairman Tucker sign a Service Agreement Termination letter for Perkins County Road Department Roads Tab with GWorks Corporation. Commissioner Bottom seconded the motion, roll call vote, 3 ayes, motion carried.

## **Business With Officials:**

Sheriff Jeffrey Miller provided an update to the board regarding personal injury to a deputy sheriff and property damage to two patrol vehicles sustained during a severe summer weather event in Grant on the evening of Saturday, June 28, 2025.

A-EMT Travis Ogg informed the board of new statewide medical protocols, Ogg's enrollment progress with Northeast Junior College to attend Paramedic Training, and discussed with Commissioners the policy for billing on lift assist only calls.

Commissioner Bottom made the motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Robertson, roll call vote, 3 ayes, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:37 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Perkins County Board of Commissioners will be held on Monday, July 7, 2025, 8:30 a.m. at the Perkins County Courthouse in Grant, Nebraska. The Perkins County Board of Commissioners will convene as the Perkins County Board of Equalization at 9:00 a.m.

James D. Brueggeman Perkins County Clerk