#### **COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS**

### **DECEMBER 1, 2025**

### **GRANT, NEBRASKA**

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

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

Chairman Tucker called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. It was announced that notice of this meeting was published in The Grant Tribune-Sentinel on November 27, 2025. The chairman also announced the location of the Open Meetings Act Poster in the Commissioner's Room. The agenda was reviewed. Commissioner Robertson made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Bottom. A roll call vote was taken, with three ayes, and the motion carried. Commissioner Bottom made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 17, 2025, meeting as published in the Grant Tribune Sentinel, on Perkins County's website, and made public in the Clerk's Office. Commissioner Robertson seconded, roll call vote: three ayes. The motion carried.

Payroll and claims submitted to the County Board were reviewed. Commissioner Robertson made a motion to approve the payroll and claims, which Commissioner Bottom seconded. A roll call vote was taken, with three ayes, and the motion was approved.

COUNTY EMPLOYEES	
SALARIES	\$69,941.06
GENERAL	
Adams Bank & Trust - Grant	\$ 925.00
Aflac	\$ 989.61
Amazon Capital Services	\$ 129.94
Ameritas, Retirement Plans Division	\$11,125.69
Black Hills Gas Distribution, LLC	\$ 511.72
CenturyLink	\$ 38.16
Charles Kuskie	\$ 16.00
City Of Grant	\$ 1,933.39
DAS State Accounting - Cntrl. Finance	\$ 614.40
Datashield	\$ 138.36
Eakes Office Plus	\$ 144.79
Fiduciary Trust Co Of New Hampshire	\$ 625.00
Hamilton Information Systems, Inc.	\$ 2,113.45
Hometown Leasing	\$ 401.36
Ideal Linen	\$ 100.32
Intoximeters	\$ 370.75
Law Office Of Steven E Elmshaeuser	\$ 660.00
Medical Enterprises, Inc.	\$ 72.00
NE Association of Emergency Mgmt.	\$ 75.00
Nebraska Supreme Court	\$ 3,000.00
Penguin Management, Inc.	\$ 676.80

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Pinnacle Bank		37,975.63
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Pinnacle Bank - Grant	\$	202.93
Pinnacle Bank - Grant	\$	4,729.99
Point C	\$	355.50
Robert S. Harvoy	\$	1,113.40
Sandhills State Bank	\$	665.00
State of NE - Dept. of Revenue	\$	2,992.71
State of NE - Dept. of Revenue	\$	0.20
The Lincoln National Life Ins Co	\$	1,277.80
Trails West CASA, Inc.	\$	6,500.00
Verizon Wireless	\$	59.82
ROADS		
Amazon Capital Services	\$	637.84
Bomgaars Supply	\$	340.26
Consolidated Telcom, Inc.	\$	124.31
Cornhusker Glass, Inc.	\$	576.80
Lawson Products, Inc.	\$	525.72
Medical Enterprises, Inc.	\$	144.00
NPPD	\$	262.07
NE Child Support Payment Cnrt.	\$	250.00
Pinnacle Bank - Grant	\$	5,218.29
Ross Family Auto Parts, Inc.	\$	1,217.20
Sandhills State Bank	\$	10,643.08
T.C. Engineering, Inc.	\$	2,225.00
Vistabeam	\$	71.95
TRANSIT		
City Of Grant	\$	21.82
Perkins Co Senior Center	\$	602.00
INHERITANCE		
Penguin Management, Inc.	\$	2,707.20
WIRELINE 911		•
CenturyLink	\$	1,339.47
LOCAL AMBULANCE	·	,
Bound Tree Medical, LLC	\$	96.94
TRANSFER AMBULANCE	*	
Aurora Cooperative	\$	265.73
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# Correspondence:

Commissioners received a letter and the 2025 Annual Report from the Perkins County Community Foundation.

# Public Comment:

Opened at 8:40 a.m. and closed at 9:00 a.m., Ian Stevens discussed county roads, road materials, and payment rates for materials with Commissioners regarding a gravel pit lease Stevens has with Perkins County. Stevens also addressed specifics about boundary lines for his pit, overburden material used for spreading on county

roads, and inquired about the last per-yard rate he was paid. Commissioners introduced Stevens to Highway Superintendent Leimer to further discuss Stevens's concerns and identify solutions.

## Bid Opening:

At 9:00 a.m., Commissioners received and opened sealed bids for a packer roller attachment for a road grader. Bids were received from Nebraska Machinery Company, Murphy Tractor, and Bulldogger Services, Inc. Nebraska Machinery Company - Walk 'n' Roll Packer/Roller Model WR90 \$47,000.00, Walk 'n' Roll Packer/Roller with Articulator \$53,100.00. Murphy Tractor & Equipment – Wall 'n' Roll WR90 Oscillator Packer with Heavy Duty Lift Assembly \$38,135.00 with option Articulator with Manual Lock \$6,290.00, Handy-Hitch 90" Profile Packer Assembly with Cat Lift Assembly \$33,250.00. Bulldogger Services, Inc. Final Pass II 96" Grader Mounted Compacter with Lift Kit and Pressure Control Valve \$33,350.00. Commissioners plan to review the bids and select the winning bidder at the December 15, 2025, meeting.

#### **Business With Officials:**

County Clerk James Brueggeman updated the Commissioners on the Carrier HVAC project and the progress in fixing a heating issue in the building, both last week and over the weekend. Brueggeman also told the Commissioners that the County Attorney is reviewing a renewal contract with Hamilton Telecommunications, which provides IT support services for the county.

Sheriff Miller informed the Commissioners that he currently has two inmates at the Lincoln County Jail. Miller also reported that Benjamin Toliver started his employment earlier this morning as a deputy sheriff trainee and discussed the new business item regarding the employee training expenses agreement with the Commissioners.

Highway and Noxious Weed Superintendent Steve Leimer and Assistant Highway Superintendent Brian Brassfield provided the Commissioners with an estimate from Shelco Construction, LLC of Paxton for \$375,200.00 to pave the truck route east of Elsie, which connects the Elsie/Paxton Road and Highway 23. It was noted the county could do some of the road base work to reduce the project cost. Leimer and Brassfield informed the Commissioners that all paved county roads will need crack sealing and painting in the upcoming year. They also discussed repairing the first mile of Brandon Road south of Highway 23. Additionally, they mentioned that the skid steer leased by the courthouse would be moved to the county road department for road department use and then returned to the courthouse during winter weather events and during county fair time. Leimer and Brassfield also talked with the Commissioners about new gravel pit locations, rebuilding a damaged roller packer, a recent Nebraska Department of Agriculture scoring review, and provided a to-do list for the road department restructuring, which includes plans to purchase iPads with cellular capability for key personnel and road shops. They also discussed implementing a no-leave policy for road workers during harvest seasons, when roads are used more and require extra maintenance; updating the classification of all county roads; and maintenance requirements for minimum-maintenance roads.

EMT Travis Ogg provided the Commissioners with a report on ambulance runs, ongoing reports, and recent ambulance collections for the latter half of November. Ogg updated them on the mileage reimbursement from Northeastern Junior College in Sterling and recent skills training he completed in St. Francis, Kansas, for his

paramedic coursework. He also reminded the Commissioners that he will undergo additional skills training at medical facilities in the Denver Metro area in the coming weeks.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

Commissioners took no action on the discussion of the Perkins County Comprehensive Plan Update and Zoning Regulations and will address it again on the December 15, 2025, agenda.

Commissioners did not act on the Lightsource BP Conditional Use Permit 03-2025 and instead moved the item to the December 1, 2025, agenda.

#### New Business:

Commissioner Robertson moved, and Commissioner Bottom seconded, to have Chairman Tucker sign the December 2025 NACO Voter Registration paperwork, with Chairman Tucker listed to cast the Perkins County ballot and County Clerk James Brueggeman designated as the backup designee in case Chairman Tucker is unable to vote. A roll call vote was conducted, with all members voting in favor; the motion carried.

County Clerk Brueggeman reviewed the 2025 Nebraska Association of County Officials Salary Study for County Officials for the 2027-2030 term with the Commissioners. The Commissioners discussed the report and provided Brueggeman with proposed base salary information to prepare a resolution for consideration that establishes salaries of elected officials for the upcoming term.

Commissioners discussed and reviewed the 2026 Agreement between the Nebraska Administrative Office of Courts and Probation and Perkins County, Nebraska, regarding dual court services. Commissioner Bottom moved to approve the agreement with authorization for Chairman Tucker to sign. Commissioner Robertson seconded the motion. Roll call vote: three ayes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Robertson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Bottom. A roll call vote was taken, and all three members voted in favor, passing the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 10:32 a.m.

The upcoming regular meeting of the Perkins County Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Monday, December 15, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. at the Perkins County Courthouse in Grant, Nebraska.

James D. Brueggeman Perkins County Clerk