

The Gage County Board of Supervisors met on July 22, 2026, at 8:45 a.m. as per public notice given on the county website and in the Beatrice Daily Sun on July 7, 2026, copy of the proof of publication being on file in the County Clerk's Office. The agenda for all meetings is kept continually current and is available for public inspection at the County Clerk's Office during normal business hours and was communicated in the advance notice of the meeting. The Board of Supervisors has the right to modify the agenda to include items of an emergency nature only, at such public meeting. All of the proceedings shown hereafter were taken while in the convened meeting which was open to the attendance of the public.

Supervisors Rex Adams, Rick Clabaugh, Emily Haxby and Gary Lytle, present, Erich Tiemann, Eddie Dorn, and Terry Jurgens absent.

Let the record show that all proceedings are electronically recorded.

Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Vice Chairman Haxby announced that a complete copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted at the back of the Board of Supervisors Room.

Consent Agenda included the following items: 1. General Agenda; 2. Minutes from previous meeting and committee meetings; 3. claims audit in the amount of \$703,720.91; 4. approve correspondence received and place on file; 5. Approve 6-month Board Settlement Report for Gage Co funds ending June 30, 2026; 6. Approve specs and call for bids on 2026 Gage County Culvert Project Group 1. Bids to be opened on August 19, 2026, at 9:15 a.m.

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount Allowed</u>
Courthouse Employees	Gross pay	178,605.56
Advanced Correctional Healthcare	Jail on-site medical svcs	1203.66
AutoZone	Shf veh repair	62.48
Basepoint Bldg Automations	Svc call	755.00
BASWA	Rubbish disposal	30.00
Beatrice Board of Public Works	Utilities	5681.92
Beatrice Daily Sun	Vets subscr.	313.99
Benchmark Govt. Sol.	Shf meals at trng	564.60
Bennett's Fire Protection	Extngshr supplies	1509.54
Blue Valley Sod	Sod	295.00
CharmTex	Inmate provisions	1826.56
City of Beatrice	Gbg svc	378.00
Column Software	Publications	1922.98
Correctional Risk Svcs.	Inmate medical	1449.98
Culligan of Lincoln	Water cooler	350.00
CVSOAN	Vets conf. reg.	60.00
DAS St. Acctng Cntrl Fin 6506	Data proc.	196.00
Davis Design	Prof. svcs.	2060.98
Diode Technologies	Monitoring	62.94
Eakes Office Solutions	Custodial suppl.	1607.10
Elite Court Reporting	BOE prep	2292.55
Fenkhauser, Nelsen, et al	Atty fees	3465.00
First Natl. Bank of Omaha	Media	50.00
First Wireless	Twr rental	440.00
Gage Co. Petty Cash	Reimb. expenditures	100,000.00
Gage Co. Shf.	Shf fees/mlg	8962.54
Garcia Clinical Lab	Inmate medical	54.50
Green Way Lawn Svcs.	Mowing/fert.	1172.00
High Threat Training Group	Shf trng	995.00
Hometown Leasing	Atty copier lease	152.41
ISolved Benefit Svcs.	HSA admin fees	157.82
Janet McKittrick	BOE	406.70
Ken's Pest Control	Cths/Jail spraying	800.00
Kraviec, Maurstad Law	Child Suppt. Enf. Atty, pstg	3100.32
Kristine Riekenberg	Ct reporting	719.00
Lammel Plumbing	Labor	382.90
Midwest Process Svcs.	Process server	313.92
NACO	Assr wkshp	450.00
Nelson, Clark & Timan	Public Defender	6346.15
Noakes	A/C svc call	249.20
Northeast Auto	Towing	500.00
Paper Tiger Shredding	Doc shredding	81.90

General Fund cont.

Physicians Lab	Coroner/autopsy fees	3326.63
Polaris Law Group	Atty fees	2223.00
Quill – Ext.	Offc suppl	106.79
Quill – Prob.	Offc suppl	525.743
Reagan Law Offcs.	Atty fees	250.00
Sapp Bros. Petroleum	Shf/Jail fuel	2181.08
SE NE Communications	Prob phones	114.49
Secretary of State	Cert copies	80.00
Security Services	Monitoring	70.00
SEND D	Admin svcs	1250.00
Sheridan Ind.	Ext Offc janitorial svcs	120.00
Smith, Schafer, Davis	Atty fees	1587.50
Soap Opera Laundry	Mop/rag cleaning	36.75
Software Unlimited	Annl maint.	5888.73
Stanard Appraisal Svcs.	Appr. maint.	11,745.00
Summit Food Svc.	Jail meal svc	6246.00
T-Mobile USA	TDOA	100.00
Tad Eickman	Atty fees	1821.00
Thomson Reuters	Law Library subscr.	3763.97
TK Elevator Corp.	Elevator maint.	291.28
TreviPay	Prob supplies	708.56
Twin Rivers	Veh ins deductible	1000.00
U.S. Bank Purchase Cards	Supplies, meals, provisions, etc.	998.83
VeriText, LLC	Transcripts	631.35
Washington Co. NE Shf.	Boarding inmates	2015.00
Washington Co. KS Shf.	Boarding inmates	13,500.00
Westlake Ace Hardware	Equip., supplies	1332.07
Woods & Aitken, LLP	Prof. legal svcs	1966.50
Zultys, Inc.	Prob phones	474.50

Road Fund

Highway Department Employees	Gross pay	44,596.40
Ace Irrigation/Eaton Metals	Proj pipe	39,084.50
BASWA	Rubbish disposal	420.00
Beatrice Board of Public Works	Utilities	423.90
Beatrice Concrete Sand & Gravel	Rock & gravel	27,804.01
Beatrice Daily Sun	Subscr.	306.00
Beatrice Iron & Metal	Tools, supplies	852.46
Black Hills Energy Hwy 8861	Utilities	50.28
Cather & Sons Const.	Asphalt	1886.93
City of Beatrice	Gbg svc	78.00
City of Wymore	Utilities	88.50
Crete Lumber	Ice	122.50
Echo Electric	Supplies	107.39
Eldon Ideus	Easements	365.10
Farmer's Cooperative	Propane, tire repair	1785.52
First Wireless	Twr rental	350.00
Gage Co. Register of Deeds	Filing fee	66.00
Jackson's Heavy Equip. Trng.	Motor grader training	2000.00
Larry's Tire & Svc.	Repairs, changeovers	550.00
Marlan Ideus	Easements	365.10
Midwest Unlimited	Supplies	101.70
NE Machinery Co.	Part	106.35
Newman Signs	Signs	6388.92
O'Reilly Auto Parts	Supplies	280.33
Pavers, Inc.	Asphalt	2281.53
Pickrell Lumber	Bridge nails	414.00
RDO Truck Center	Parts	648.50
Rock On, Inc.	Hauling	2600.46
Rose Equipment, LLC	Parts	314.54
Sapp Bros. Petroleum	Fuel, oil	13,750.34
SE Comm. College Ed. Found.	Easements	472.93
Summit Fire Prot.	Extngshr maint.	221.25
Truck Center Companies	Part	78.78
Verizon Connect Fleet USA	Veh GPS	380.60
Village of Adams	Utilities	25.00
Village of Odell	Utilities	60.75

<u>Road Fund cont.</u>		
Yant Testing Supply & Equip.	Safety supplies	65.00
<u>Insurance Fund</u>		
Dept. of the Treasury (PCORI)	Ins. admin fees	652.80
Gage Co. Health Insurance	Employee hlth ins claims paid	54,368.16
Mutual of Omaha	Ins. premiums	519.62
<u>Diversion Program Fund</u>		
Diversion Employees	Gross pay	2,298.95
<u>General Fund</u>		
Ameritas	County share of Employees Retirement	12,883.11
Security First Bank	Co. share of Empl. Soc. Sec. & Medicare	12,646.23
Gage County Clerk – Health Plan	Co. share of Empl. health ins. – Gen & Road	69,619.31
<u>Road Fund</u>		
Ameritas	County share of Employees Retirement	3,010.29
Security First Bank	Co. share of Empl. Soc. Sec. & Medicare	3,266.63
<u>Diversion Program Fund</u>		
Ameritas	County share of Employees Retirement	107.41
Security First Bank	Co. share of Empl. Soc. Sec. & Medicare	175.86

Motion made by Lytle, seconded by Clabaugh to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 4-0.

Debra Ideus, Ryan Dorn, and Jeff Becker spoke under public comments about wanting a public hearing for the discussion about a moratorium on data centers.

Committee reports were given by Dave Jones on Bldg. & Grounds/Winter Lights; Haxby on Equalization; Lytle on Finance/Insurance; and Mark K on Road & Bridge.

Motion by Lytle, seconded by Adams to approve Agreement for EPC Services between Region 5 Systems and Gage County for July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027. Motion carried 4-0.

Recess at 9:03 a.m. Back in session at 9:13 a.m.

Motion by Adams, seconded by Lytle to move into closed session at 9:13 a.m. for contract negotiations. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Lytle, seconded by Adams to come out of closed session at 9:53 a.m. Motion carried 4-0.

Vice Chairman declared Board of Supervisors meeting adjourned at 9:53 a.m. until August 5, 2026.

Board minutes can also be viewed on the Gage County website at www.gagecountyne.gov.

<u>/s/ Dawn Hill</u>	<u>/s/ Emily M. Haxby</u>
Dawn Hill	Emily M. Haxby, Vice Chairman
Gage County Clerk	Gage County Board of Supervisors

I, Dawn Hill, County Clerk of Gage County, do hereby certify that the above records are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.
Witness my hand and official seal this 22nd day of July, 2026.

(SEAL)	<u>/s/ Dawn Hill</u>
	Dawn Hill
	Gage County Clerk