

The Gage County Board of Supervisors met on September 2, 2026, at 8:45 a.m. as per public notice given on the county website and in the Beatrice Daily Sun on August 20, 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, Erich Tiemann, Gary Lytle and Eddie Dorn present, Terry Jurgens absent.

Let the record show that all proceedings are electronically recorded.

Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Chairman Tiemann 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 \$1,699,683.49 which does not include claim #2609000055 to Hard Rock Quarries LLC in the amount of \$676.94 and claim #2609000057 to Johnny's Welding in the amount of \$122.64 to be voted on separately; 4. approve correspondence received and place on file; 5. Approve paying warrants/claims by ACH. 6. Approve declaring 2017 Black Dodge Charger AWD, 176,346 miles – #2C3CDXKT7HH533847, 2020 White Ford Explorer 4x4, 94,875 miles – #1FM5K8AB2LGD01780, 2011 Dodge Nitro Heat SUV #1D4PU4GX6BW607584, 135,000 Miles, Cat transfer switch SN# 1411348, Cat transfer switch SN# 1411346, Breaker Box 3 P 250/400 Amp, Clark Finisher 1500 floor burnisher, Windsor Saber Auto Scrubber from 2002 & Tampax vending machine as surplus and selling on Purple Wave Auction; 7. Approve District Court Summary Fee Report & Register of Deeds Fee Report for the month of August 2026; 8. Approve receiving Step #3 on comp time grievance filed by FOP #45.

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount Allowed</u>
Courthouse Employees	Gross pay	179,209.72
Advanced Correctional Healthcare	Jail onsite medical svcs	11,593.90
Advanced Digital Forensics Solutions	Shf subscr.	995.00
AT&T Mobility Accounts	Shf veh data connectivity	695.18
Black Hills Energy Det 8852	Jail utilities	200.54
Black Hills Energy Ext 5089	Utilities	61.27
Black Hills Energy Shf 1674	Utilities	52.03
Charter Comm. Spectrum 2019	Jail cable TV, Prob internet	431.89
Cidnet	Data purchased	999.90
Community Physicians Clinic RHC	Inmate medical	260.00
Correctional Risk Services	Inmate medical	370.00
Datashield Corp.	Doc shredding	29.60
Deluxe Corp.	Co Ct cks, deposit slips	3090.01
Dept. of Correctional Svcs.	Boarding inmates	3434.04
Eakes Office Solutions	Offc supplies	173.80
Electronic Contracting Co.	Semi-annl fire alarm testing	433.00
First Wireless, Inc.	Svc agrmt., twr lease, freight	1219.38
Fox Funeral Home	Coroner svcs	400.00
Gage County	Trnsfr funds to Road	500,000.00
Gleason Dental Clinic	Inmate svcs	749.00
Griffiths Hovendick Chapel	Coroner svcs	425.00
Guardian RFID	Jail equip.	895.00
Joyce A. Kassing	Prior svc retirement	20.00
Kraviec Maurstad Law	Child Suppt Enf Atty	3076.92
Lammel Plumbing	Supplies	37.52
Merchant McIntyre & Assoc.	Grant writing	24,000.00
Midwest Process Svcs	Civil process fees	157.96
Murray Law	Atty fees	3132.85
NACO	Mtg regis.	80.00
Nelson, Clark & Timan	Public Defender	6346.15
NI Government Svcs.	Sat phone, 4 mos.	356.08
Quadient Finance USA	Shipping costs	294.75
Quill – Ext.	Offc supplies	434.74
Quill – Prob.	Offc supplies	424.70

Sandra Eltiste	Prior svc retirement	12.00
Secretary of State	Cert copies	40.00
Spectrum – Charter	EM subscr.	11.47
Stanard Appraisal Svcs.	Appraisal maint., TERC rep.	8370.00
Stun-Cuff	Inmate restraint	3600.00
Summit Food Svc.	Jail meal svc	6538.19
TreviPay	Offc equip	194.99
Turf Paradise	Sprnklr head	141.00
UNL – Haskell Ag Lab	Forum regis.	125.00
US Bank Purchase Cards	Shf supplies	676.27
US Postal Svc.	Pstg for meter	25,000.00
Verizon Wireless EMS 8923-1	Cell phones	223.93
Woods & Aitken, LLP	Prof. legal svcs	5080.00

Road Fund

Highway Department Employees	Gross pay	45,049.73
Beatrice Concrete Sand & Gravel	Rock & gravel	38,581.05
Black Hills Energy Hwy 6863	Utilities	78.60
Black Hills Energy Hwy 8861	Utilities	50.28
Bomgaars	Tools, bolts, supplies	225.80
Cather & Sons Construction	Asphalt	1893.18
Constellation NewEnergy Gas Div.	Utilities	32.18
Diversified Safety & Compliance	Drug/alcohol testing	215.00
First Wireless, Inc.	Repeater rental	350.00
Gus Construction	Proj C-34(1268, 1271), cert #3, Ad W, Clat S	59,977.34
Hard Rock Quarries	Twp rock	676.94
Jackson's Heavy Equip. Training	Motor grader trng.	10,560.00
Johnny's Welding, Inc.	Supplies, labor	122.64
Pavers, Inc.	Asphalt	6564.00
Vogt Enterprises, LLC	Culvert & brdg mtch contracts	354,609.60

Visitor's Promotion Fund

Gage Development Coalition	Lodging tax	9010.72
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Insurance Fund

Gage County Health Insurance	Employee hlth ins claims paid	155,395.84
Lucent Health Solutions	Ins. premiums, admin fees	44,128.20

Diversion Program Fund

Diversion Employees	Gross pay	2451.86
Vigilnet America, LLC	Electronic monitoring youth	1517.13
Yellow Cab of Beatrice	Safe ride vouchers	295.00

General Fund

Ameritas	County share of Employees Retirement	12,823.41
Security First Bank	Co. share of Empl. Soc. Sec. & Medicare	12,810.02
Gage County Clerk – Health Plan	Co. share of Empl. health ins. – Gen & Road	142,314.48

Road Fund

Ameritas	County share of Employees Retirement	3,040.87
Security First Bank	Co. share of Empl. Soc. Sec. & Medicare	3,264.02

Diversion Program Fund

Ameritas	County share of Employees Retirement	114.84
Security First Bank	Co. share of Empl. Soc. Sec. & Medicare	187.56

Motion made by Dorn, seconded by Lytle to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Dorn, seconded by Lytle to approve claim #2609000055 to Hard Rock Quarries LLC in the amount of \$676.94. Motion carried 5-0-1 with Tiemann abstaining due to conflict of interest.

Motion by Dorn, seconded by Lytle to approve claim #2609000057 to Johnny's Welding in the amount of \$122.64, bringing the total amount of claims paid through September 2, 2026, to \$1,700,483.07. Motion carried 6-0.

No public present for comments or request for future agenda items.

Committee reports were given by Dorn & Dave Jones on Building & Grounds; Tiemann on Equalization, Finance & Human Resources; Lytle on Law Enf & Emg Mgmt. & Haxby on Road & Bridge.

Discussed previously disapproved utility permit #1300 to Pinpoint Comm. Haxby shared concerns about what was stated by Pinpoint during the past board meeting and then they did not follow through with what was stated. Also speaking was Andrew Pollard, attorney for Pinpoint.

Motion by Adams, seconded by Clabaugh to approve reconsidering permit #1300. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Lytle, seconded by Dorn to approve agreement between Gage County and NAI FMA Realty up to \$30,000 to locate real property for purposes of construction of new facilities. Discussion on the agreement was paused for a timed public hearing agenda item.

Motion by Adams, seconded by Lytle to approve opening public hearing @ 9:30 a.m. to hear support &/or opposition for Livestock Regulation changes. Motion carried 6-0.

Speaking during the public hearing were: Vicky White, Marcella Rademacher, Steve Martin, Austin Zimmerman, Margaret Haith, Roy Mulder, Max Larsen, Patty Barnard & Terry Acton.

Motion by Clabaugh, seconded by Lytle to approve closing the public hearing at 11:02 a.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Short break at 11:03 a.m.
Back in session at 11:17 a.m.

Back to discussion on the NAI FMA Realty agreement. Clabaugh and Adams feel that the board should wait 1 or 2 months until discussion with the City can continue and then determine how to move forward. Vote on motion, carried 4-2 with Adams & Clabaugh voting nay.

Chairman Tiemann read the Proclamation declaring September 10, 2026 as Big Give Gage Day. Dee Enevoldsen, Gage Co Foundation was present to receive the proclamation.

Motion by Haxby, seconded by Clabaugh to move into closed session at 11:33 a.m. for possible litigation. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Adams, seconded by Clabaugh to come out of closed session at 11:57 a.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Adams, seconded by Dorn to approve affirming the sheriff's decision on the grievance filed on comp time and have Atty Jerry Pigsley to prepare response and authorizing the chairman to sign the response. Motion carried 6-0.

Adams out at 12:06 a.m.

Discussion took place on percent of the budget increase the county should request.

Recessed meeting at 12:25 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. public hearing at the Hevelone Center for Data Center Moratorium.

Reconvened board of supervisors meeting at 4:06 p.m. with Adams, Clabaugh, Haxby, Tiemann & Dorn Present. Lytle and Jurgens absent.

Motion by Dorn, seconded by Clabaugh to open Public Hearing at 4:12 p.m. to hear support &/or opposition on a data center moratorium as recommended by the P&Z Commission. Motion carried 5-0.

Lytle present in meeting at 4:17 p.m.

Speaking during the public hearing were: Denise Schlake-Ideus, Katie Wilkem, Tatiana Bargaen, Brian Koenig, Loren Ruskamp, Myron Dorn, Kevin Keller, Jim Nelson, Diane Mulder, Calleen Ideus, Jeff Beuchler, Brad Wilken, Bryce Nielson, Anna Wolken, Duane Parde, Tracy Riensche, Elizabeth Shotkoski Ferneding, Carlos Monzon, Marcella Rademacher, Jonathan Leo, Donald Peterson, Deb Ideus, Corby Stocpart, Arlen Fass, Karen Weston, Anthony Jensen, Mary Lenner & Clinton Fass.

Motion by Dorn, seconded by Clabaugh to close public hearing at 6:04 p.m. Motion carried 5-1 with Dorn voting nay.

Chairman declared Board of Supervisors meeting adjourned at 6:07 a.m. until September 16, 2026.

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

/s/ Dawn Hill
Dawn Hill
Gage County Clerk

/s/ Erich Tiemann
Erich Tiemann, Chairman
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 2nd day of September, 2026.

(SEAL)

/s/ Dawn Hill
Dawn Hill
Gage County Clerk