

The Gage County Board of Supervisors met on October 14, 2026, at 8:57 a.m. as per public notice given on the county website and in the Beatrice Daily Sun on September 29, 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 and Eddie Dorn present. Gary Lytle and 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 \$997,875.53; 4. approve correspondence received and place on file; 5. approve receiving Step 3 grievance on July 12 – July 25, 2026, paycheck filed by FOP #45; 6. approve Legal Representation letter from Woods Aitken and authorizing Chairman to sign.

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount Allowed</u>
Courthouse Employees	Gross pay	188,627.60
Advanced Correctional Healthcare	Jail on-site medical	11,593.90
Amazon Capital Svcs	DC suppl.	53.17
Applied Connective Technologies	IT svcs	11,507.68
Charm-Tex, Inc.	Inmate prov	129.00
Charter Comm. Spectrum 2019	Prob. internet	220.76
Cidnet	Data purchased for inmates	999.90
Clearlyfly Comm.	Co. phones	2852.10
Clerk of District Court	Ct costs	557.11
Culligan of Lincoln	Water cooler	202.00
Davis Design	Prof. svcs.	2617.50
Des Moines Stamp Mfg.	Co Ct supplies	99.00
Diode Technologies	Monitor alarms	62.94
Eakes Office Solutions	Offc suppl.	5731.41
Election Systems & Software	Elec costs	7047.96
Electronic Contracting	Fire alarm monitoring	600.00
Farmers Cooperative	Suppl., repairs	1244.37
GBE, CPA	Co audit	7000.00
Glenwood Telecomm.	Prob phones	79.90
Governmental Law	Legal fees	182.50
Green Way Lawn Svcs.	Lawn care	1197.00
Hometown Leasing	Prob equip leases	458.56
Jamie Fugate	Mlg reimb.	261.44
Jerry Shelton Atty	Atty fees	2656.25
Kalkwarf & Smith Law Offcs.	Atty fees	1498.00
Ken's Pest Control	Spraying	130.00
Kraviec Maurstad Law	Child Suppt. Enf. Atty	3076.92
Lammel Plbg.	Jail repairs	414.95
Lancaster Co. Shf.	Svc fees	26.37
London Law Offc.	Atty fees	1800.00
Matthew Kosmicki Law, LLC	Atty fees	1125.74
Maximus US Svcs.	Prepare cost alloc plan	2600.00
Microfilm Imaging Systems	Scanning equip rent	457.00
MIPS, Inc.	Prof svcs	40,436.50
NACO	Conf. regis.	5678.56
Nelson Clark & Timan	Public Defender	6634.61
Noakes	Repairs	978.22
Northeast Auto	Veh lease	550.00
Paper Tiger Shredding	Doc shredding	91.80
Pinnacle Bank	ROD supplies	241.32
Pinpoint Comm.	Internet	275.17
Quill – Ext.	Offc suppl.	77.16

Quill – Prob.	Offc suppl.	336.01
Riverside Technologies	Offc equip	9760.00
Sack Lumber	Door repair	380.06
Sapp Bros. Petroleum	Shf/Jail fuel	2217.01
SDS Organic Solutions	Inves. expns	1125.50
SE NE Communications	Prob. phones	113.67
Secretary of State, Elec. Div.	ID cards	100.00
Security First Bank	DC SD box	50.00
Security Svcs.	Monitoring	70.00
Sheridan Ind.	Ext Offc janitorial svcs	90.00
Stanard Appraisal Svcs.	TERC case rep.	1620.00
State of NE, AS Material	EV apps	1251.07
Summit Food Svc.	Jail meals	6723.01
Thomson Reuters	Law Library	3763.97
TK Elevator Corp.	Elevator maint.	291.28
TreviPay	Offc equip	89.99
UNITI	Wilber Prob phones	55.13
US Bank Purchase Cards	Suppl., prov., travel, meals	3680.96
Verizon Wireless GCSO	Cell phones	930.42
Verizon Wireless Prob.	Cell phones	312.82
Wendy Cutting	Ct docs	130.00
Zultys, Inc.	Prob phones	475.41

Road Fund

Highway Department Employees	Gross pay	45,282.89
Bauer Built Tire	Tires	882.72
Beatrice Concrete Sand & Gravel	Rock & gravel	61,248.23
Beatrice Iron & Metal	Supplies	522.02
Blackstrap, Inc.	Road salt	5313.76
City of Wymore	Utilities	89.58
Constellation NewEnergy Gas Div.	Utilities	27.99
Farmers Cooperative	Fuel, propane, tire repair	1028.36
Fastenal	Nuts, bolts	774.50
Inland Truck Parts	Parts	161.32
Lampton Welding	Suppl.	312.88
Landmark Implement	Parts	217.81
Mead Lumber	Suppl.	133.53
Menards	Roofing materials	179.71
MIPS, Inc.	Hwy prog.	192.32
Motor Fuels Div.	Diesel tax	1548.00
NE Machinery Co.	Parts, labor	8715.96
Nippon Sanso Matheson	Welding suppl.	486.82
O'Reilly Auto Parts	Parts, suppl.	266.89
Pavers, Inc.	Asphalt	6695.20
R.L. Tiemann Const.	Rock & gravel	19,755.53
RDO Truck Center	Parts, labor	6721.89
Rock On, Inc.	Gravel	7015.21
Rose Equipment	Parts	44.18
Sapp Bros. Petroleum	Fuel, oil	27,625.79
Sign Solutions USA	Signs, posts	586.90
US Bank Purchase Cards	Camera svc mwl	240.00
Verizon Connect Fleet USA	Veh GPS	547.50
Village of Adams	Utilities	29.20
Village of Odell	Utilities	71.00

Register of Deeds Preservation & Modernization Fund

MIPS, Inc.	Deeds online	228.27
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Insurance Fund

Gage County Health Insurance	Empl. hlth ins claims paid	73,649.90
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Diversion Program Fund

Diversion Employees	Gross pay	1671.59
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Federal Grant Fund – Transportation Development

Felsburg, Holt & Ullevig	Prof. svcs	2805.00
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Inheritance Fund

Axon Enterprise, Inc.	BWC Connectivity	75,466.80
MIPS, Inc.	Assessment consulting	148,993.75

General Fund

Ameritas	County share of Employees Retirement	13,367.05
Security First Bank	Co. share of Empl. Soc. Sec. & Medicare	13,596.55
Gage County Clerk – Health Plan	Co. share of Empl. health ins. – Gen & Road	138,835.48

Road Fund

Ameritas	County share of Employees Retirement	3,056.60
Security First Bank	Co. share of Empl. Soc. Sec. & Medicare	3,281.86

Diversion Program Fund

Ameritas	County share of Employees Retirement	95.84
Security First Bank	Co. share of Empl. Soc. Sec. & Medicare	127.88

Motion made by Adams, seconded by Haxby to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Dorn, seconded by Adams to approve claim #2610000084 to R.L. Tiemann Const. Inc. in the amount of \$19,755.53. This brings the total claims paid through October 14, 2026, to \$1,017,631.06. Motion carried 4-0-1 with Tiemann abstaining due to conflict of interest.

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

Committee reports were given by Dorn and Dave Jones on Building & Grounds; Tiemann on Equalization and Human Resources; Haxby on Finance; Lisa Wiegand on Em Mgmt and Mark Kuhnke on Road.

Motion by Adams, seconded by Dorn to close bids for Snow removal bids. Motion carried 5-0.

Bids were received from Seths Lawn Care & Beatrice Lawn Care.

Bids were given to Dave, Building & Grounds Supt. to review and come back with a recommendation later in meeting.

Carlee Fiddes presented the Beatrice Humane Society annual report.

Break in the presentation of the annual report for public hearing.

Motion by Adams, seconded by Haxby to open public hearing to hear support and/or opposition from the public on Special Use Permit 2026-6 for the placement of a commercial agriculture retail business to be located on a tract of land on part of the Northeast quarter of Section 23 – 2 – 7 of Blue Springs - Wymore Township in Gage County, Nebraska. Motion carried 5-0.

Lisa presented the P&Z recommendation. They had no opposition.

The applicant Jonathan Acton spoke about his business.

Motion by Dorn, seconded by Adams to close public hearing at 9:37 a.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Resumed presentation of the Beatrice Humane Society annual report. Steph Clark, Humane Society board member, spoke about the processes that Carlee has implemented that have made a positive difference.

Motion by Dorn, seconded by Adams to approve Visitors Improvement Grant to Beatrice Rotary Foundation in the amount of \$10,000 for the Beatrice Veterans Memorial Park/Memorial type sculpture for each branch. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Dorn, seconded by Adams to approve Visitors Improvement Grant in the amount of \$20,700 for a Tourism Sign for the Gage Historical Society & Museum. Motion carried 5-0.

Caleb Fjone – Executive Director, Gage Development Coalition – Presented “You can build Something here” new marketing campaign.

Fjone introduced Blythe Applegarth as the new Gage Development Coalition Rural Outreach Director.

Motion by Haxby, seconded by Adams to approve Memorandum of Understanding on Apprehension and Arrest Cost Sharing Agreement between Gage County and City of Beatrice. Motion carried 4-0 with Dorn temporarily out.

Agenda item for payment to City of Beatrice for invoice on Bradley Allen Settlement was moved to the next meeting in 2 weeks to allow the City to provide the needed documents.

Motion by Haxby, seconded by Adams to approve the Interlocal Agreement for Law Enforcement Mutual Aid & Assistance between Gage County and the City of Beatrice. Motion carried 4-0.

No closed session was needed.

Motion by Haxby, seconded by Dorn to approve action on Step #3 grievance July 12 – July 25, 2026, paycheck filed by FOP #45 and authorizing chairman to sign. Motion carried 5-0.

Dave Jones presented recommendation on the snow removal bid. He recommended Seth's Lawn Care as lowest bid.

Motion by Haxby, seconded by Clabaugh to approve Seth's Lawn Care as lowest bidder for Snow Removal. Motion carried 5-0.

Chairman declared Board of Supervisors meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m. until October 28, 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 14th day of October 2026.

(SEAL)

/s/ Dawn Hill
Dawn Hill
Gage County Clerk