The Gage County Board of Supervisors met on October 28, 2026, at 8:45 a.m. as per public notice given on the county website and in the Beatrice Daily Sun on October 15, 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 $930,897.27; 4. approve correspondence received and place on file; Approve Utility Permit #1357 to John Linder. Mr. Linder will be occupying the Gage County Right-of-way to install a new retaining wall and driveway entrance. Located North of Section 11, T-2-N, R-7-E, Blue Springs/Wymore Twp.; 6. approve 2025-2026 FY NBCS Report; 7. approve cancelling check #5233 to Summit Foods in the amount of $9,618.15.

General Fund	Description	Amount Allowed
Courthouse Employees	Gross pay	186,900.37
Advanced Correctional Healthcare	Jail onsite mdcl svcs	15,892.15
Applied Connective Tech.	IT svcs	2278.00
AT&T Mobility Accounts	Shf mobile devices	712.18
AutoZone	Parts, suppl.	46.12
BASWA	Brush disposal	30.00
Beatrice Board of Public Works	Utilities	5678.90
Beatrice Daily Sun	Publication	451.95
Black Hills Energy Det 8852	Utilities	192.07
Black Hills Energy Ext 5089	Utilities	61.61
Black Hills Energy Shf 1674	Utilities	51.33
Blue Rivers AAA	Funding	34,860.00
Centec Cast Metal Products	Military grave markers	1029.35
Charter Comm. Spectrum 2019	Jail cable TV	249.00
City of Beatrice	Utilities	2502.98
Crowne Plaza Kearney	Lodging	929.70
DAS St. Accntng Cntrl Fin	Data Proc	46.00
DataShield Corp.	Doc destruction	103.00
Dept. of Corr. Svcs.	Boarding inmates	2713.03
Eakes Offc. Sol.	Offc suppl	145.63
Election Systems & Software	Elec. setup, ballots, suppl.	22,415.03
Farmers Coop.	Tire repair	25.00
First Wireless	EM mnthly maint	739.38
Fox Funeral Home	Coroner expns	250.00
Gage Co. Shf.	Shf fees/mlg	2055.68
Gracie Univ.	Shf cont ed	1500.00
Guardian RFID	Inmate trkng software	4995.00
Hlth & Human Svcs X-ray Reg.	Security equip	200.00
Holiday Inn Kearney	Lodging	139.95
ISolved Benefit Svcs	Admin svcs	191.10
Jack's Uniforms & Equip.	Shf suppl	43.94
Jamie Fugate	Mlg reimb	139.84
Kraviec Maurstad Law	Child Suppt Enf Atty, pstg	3105.00
Kristine Riekenberg	Ct reporting	199.00
Megan Overbeck	Ext Offc janitorial svc	200.00
Merchant McIntyre & Assoc.	Grant writing	8000.00
Murray Law	Atty fees	2904.00
NACO	Conf regis	220.00
NE Hlth & Human Svcs.	St. Inst.	360.00
Nelson, Clark & Timan	Public Defender	6634.61

NI Govt. Svcs	Maint. agrmt	178.04
Norris Public Power	Utilities	51.05
NE NE Juvenile Svcs.	Boarding inmates	7843.00
NPZA	P/Z wkshp	100.00
Philippi Electric	Jail outlet	203.98
Physicians Lab	Autopsy expns	424.00
Priority Printing	Assr suppl	145.05
Quadient Finance	Shipping costs	118.10
Questioned Document Examiner	Evidence proc.	2000.00
Quill – Prob.	Suppl.	780.45
Region 5 Systems	EPC	6848.00
Richardson Co. Jail	Boarding inmates	1100.00
Sec. of State	Cert copies	40.00
SENDD	Grant writing	1250.00
Soap Opera Laundry	Mop/rag cleaning	29.75
Spectrum (Charter)	EM Cable TV	11.47
Stanard Appraisal Svcs.	TERC rep.	4117.50
Summit Fire Prot.	Inspection	419.00
Summit Food Svc.	Jail meal svc	16,525.28
TreviPay	Prob suppl	89.98
UNL IANR Finance & Personal	Ext Offc expns	17,755.64
Veritext LLC	Ct costs	105.75
Verizon Wireless EMS 8923-1	EM cell phones	224.01
Verizon Wireless EMS 6384-1	EM cell phones	325.16
Washington Co. NE Shf.	Boarding inmates	1950.00
Washington Co. KS Shf.	Boarding inmates	13,500.00
Westlake Ace Hardware	Supplies	355.96
Woods & Aitken	Prof lgl svcs	19,792.60
<u>Road Fund</u>		
Highway Department Employees	Gross pay	45,119.33
BASWA	Waste disposal	36.00
Beatrice Board of Public Works	Utilities	448.48
Beatrice Concrete Sand & Gravel	Rock & gravel	83,886.47
Black Hills Energy Hwy 6863	Utilities	77.29
Black Hills Energy Hwy 8861	Utilities	50.36
BlackStrap, Inc.	Road salt	1751.10
Bomgaars	Supplies	407.08
City of Beatrice	Gbg svc	78.00
Larry's Tire & Svc.	Repairs, changeovers	240.00
Norris Public Power	Utilities	283.12
Pavers, Inc.	Asphalt	11,592.00
Rewound Power Motors	Part	100.74
Westlake Ace Hardware	Bldg suppl.	48.21
<u>Visitor's Promotion Fund</u>		
Gage Development Coalition	Lodging tax	12,598.44
<u>Insurance Fund</u>		
Gage Co. Health Insurance	Empl. hlth ins claims paid	51,913.86
Lucent Health Solutions	Hlth ins premiums, admin fees	87,912.80
Mutual of Omaha	Life Ins.	507.62
<u>Diversion Program Fund</u>		
Diversion Employees	Gross pay	2,000.16
<u>911 Emergency Management Fund</u>		
City of Beatrice	Qrtrly 911 EMS svcs	63,031.63
<u>General Fund</u>		
Ameritas	County share of Employees Retirement	13,350.16
Security First Bank	Co. share of Empl. Soc. Sec. & Medicare	13,464.42
Gage County Clerk – Health Plan	Co. share of Empl. health ins. – Gen & Road	138,835.48
<u>Road Fund</u>		
Ameritas	County share of Employees Retirement	3,045.57
Security First Bank	Co. share of Empl. Soc. Sec. & Medicare	3,269.35

Diversion Program Fund		
Ameritas	County share of Employees Retirement	100.38
Security First Bank	Co. share of Empl. Soc. Sec. & Medicare	153.01

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

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

Committee reports were given by Dave Jones on Building & Grounds; Tiemann on Equalization & Human Resourses; Haxby on Finance/Insurance; Keil Mick on Veterans Committee; Lytle, Gus & Lisa W. on Law Enf & Emg Mgmt: Kuhnke on Rd & Bdg. Items reported on included boring for generator line, need volunteers for Honor Guard, Grievances filed, safety committee & P&Z mtg.

RESOLUTION NO. 26-25

WHEREAS, the Gage County Board of Supervisors has been presented with a request and application for a special use permit, (SUP) #2026-6 for the placement of a commercial operation, with a stated intended purpose requiring the approval of an SUP according to section 5.15 of the Gage County Zoning Regulations;

WHEREAS, this special use permit application is for a tract of land in a general agriculture use zoning district (A1), located in the northeast quarter of 23-2-7, of the Blue Springs/Wymore Township in Gage County, Nebraska at 9085 East Olive Road, Wymore; and

WHEREAS, the Gage County Planning and Zoning Commission has held a public hearing to consider this special use permit, the date of said public hearing being September 17, 2026, at 7:15 p.m., in the Board of Supervisors meeting room;

WHEREAS, the Gage County Planning and Zoning Commission has recommended approval of this special use permit #2026-6, finding the application was in compliance with the Gage County Zoning Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Gage County Board of Supervisors on October 14, 2026, at 9:30 a.m., held a public hearing to take input on this special use permit after proper notice and publication of said hearing for approving or disapproving Special Use Permit #2026-6; and

WHEREAS, the opportunity for public comments was heard in support of, as neutral to, and in opposition to the special use permit and were considered by the Gage County Board of Supervisors; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GAGE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF GAGE COUNTY, NEBRASKA, that the special use permit #2026-6 for the placement of a commercial operation, located on a tract of land in the northeast quarter of 23-2-7, of the Blue Springs/Wymore Township in Gage County, Nebraska at 9085 East Olive Road, Wymore, shall be;

☒ approved for the reasons stated on the record.

☐ approved with conditions: _____.

☐ disapproved for the reasons stated on the record.

Motion made by Adams, seconded by Dorn to adopt the foregoing Resolution. All members present as listed and voted as follows:

Yea: Adams, Clabaugh, Haxby, Tiemann, Lytle, Dorn

Nay: None

/s/ Erich Tiemann
Chairman

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of October, 2026.

/s/ Dawn Hill
Gage County Clerk

Motion by Adams, seconded by Dorn to adopt Resolution #26-25 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 6-0.

RESOLUTION

SIGNING OF THE
YEAR-END CERTIFICATION OF COUNTY HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT
2026

Resolution No. 26-26

Whereas: State of Nebraska Statutes, sections 39-2302, and 39-2501 through 39-2505 detail the requirements that must be met in order for a county to qualify for an annual Incentive Payment; and,

Whereas: The State of Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) requires that each county must annually certify (by December 31st of each year) the appointment(s) of the County Highway Superintendent(s) to the NDOT using the Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent form; and,

Whereas: The NDOT requires that such certification shall also include a copy of the documentation of the county highway superintendent's appointment, i.e., meeting minutes showing the appointment of the County Highway Superintendent by their name as it appears on their License (if applicable), their License Number (if applicable) and Class of License (if applicable), the type of appointment, i.e., employed or under contract (consultant, or interlocal agreement with another county and/or incorporated municipality), and the beginning date of the appointment; and,

Whereas: The NDOT also requires that such Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent form shall be signed by the County Board Chairperson and shall include a copy of a resolution of the County Board authorizing the signing of the Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent form by the County Board Chairperson.

Be it resolved that the County Board Chairperson of Gage County is hereby authorized to sign the attached Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent form(s).

Adopted this 28th day of October, 2026 at Beatrice, Nebraska.

County Board Members
/s/ Eddie Dorn
/s/ Emily M. Haxby
/s/ Rex Adams
/s/ Erich Tiemann
/s/ Gary Lytle
/s/ Rick Clabaugh

County Board Member Lytle moved the adoption of said resolution. Member Dorn seconded the motion. Roll Call 6 Yes 0 No 0 Abstained 1 Absent Resolution adopted, signed, and billed as adopted.

Attest:
/s/ Dawn Hill
Signature of Clerk
(SEAL)

Motion by Lytle, seconded by Dorn to adopt Resolution #26-26 on Signing of the Year-end Certification of County Highway Supt. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Lytle, seconded by Dorn to approve Year-End Certification of County Highway Supt. for determining Incentive Payment in Calendar Year 2026. Motion carried 6-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 26-27

WHEREAS, the County of Gage is the owner and holder of several certificates of tax sale of several parcels of real estate, Certificate #11348, 11349, 11350, 11351, 11352, and 11353, issued to the County of Gage for all delinquent regular taxes thereon, and which have been regularly advertised and offered for sale at a tax sale, and remaining unsold for want of bidders, or having been sold to the County of Gage and certificates of tax sale issued thereon under provisions of Nebraska Revised Statutes, Section 77-1809 (1943); and,

WHEREAS, as of October 1, 2026, more than Three (3) years and less than Three (3) years Nine (9) months have elapsed since the issuance of such respective certificates of tax sale and by reason thereof the right of redemption of the owners or claimants of such respective tracts has expired.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GAGE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS that Amanda Fanning, Gage County Attorney, by and through her Deputy County Attorneys, be and hereby is directed, as promptly under the circumstances as it is reasonably possible so to do, to institute action to foreclose the lien of all taxes delinquent, whether regular or special, on all real estate within Gage County, Nebraska, which having been heretofore advertised and offered for sale and remaining unsold for want of bidders were sold to the County of Gage, and Certificates of Tax Sale issued thereon, and that the costs of abstracting be paid from the General Fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Gage County Treasurer be and is hereby directed to issue Treasurer's certificates of tax sale in favor of Gage County on all parcels of real estate offered for sale for less than Three (3) consecutive years that were not sold for want of bidders.

Motion made by Adams, seconded by Dorn to adopt the foregoing Resolution. All members present as listed and voted as follows:

Yea: Adams, Clabaugh, Haxby, Tiemann, Lytle, Dorn
Nay: None

/s/ Erich Tiemann
Chairman

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of October, 2026.

/s/ Dawn Hill
Gage County Clerk

Motion by Adams, seconded by Dorn to adopt Resolution #26-27 directing the Gage County Attorney to institute action to foreclose delinquent real estate taxes. Motion carried 6-0.

Discussion took place on paying part of a medical bill to City of Beatrice on the Bradley Allen Settlement. It was brought that the county had security expenses as well and should be considered as a portion toward the payment if approved

Motion by Adams, seconded by Lytle to approve payment of invoice for Bradley Allen Settlement to City of Beatrice in the amount of $21,079.84 less the security cost for a total of $18,494.84 to be paid. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Adams, seconded by Lytle to approve the contract between Gage County and Don't Panic for Gage Connect App with changes to the signature page from company to county. Motion carried 6-0.

Discussion took place on the process changes. It is recommended by our insurance & labor attorney to move to the accurate time vs rounding. Some concerns were shared pertaining to overtime, and others expressed that employees knew the time to clock in and clock to gain time. It was expressed that we want to pay employees appropriately.

Motion by Lytle, seconded by Clabaugh to approve process changes of attendance time from rounding to accurate time effective November 15, 2026. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Dorn, seconded by Adams to approve moving into closed session personnel at 10:16 a.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Haxby out at 10:27 a.m.

Motion by Dorn, seconded by Clabaugh to approve coming out of closed session at 10:42 a.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Chairman declared Board of Supervisors meeting adjourned at 10:43 a.m. until Thursday, November 12, 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 28th Day of October 2026.

(SEAL)

/s/ Dawn Hill
Dawn Hill
Gage County Clerk