

MINUTES OF THE CUSTER CO. BOARD OF SUPERVISOR
April 15, 2025

The Custer County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, April 15, 2025, in the boardroom of the Custer County Courthouse. Chairman Blowers called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and reported the Open Meeting Laws are posted on the south wall and publication of the meeting notice was on April 10th, 2025. The following board members were present – Blowers, Longmore, Parliament, Markham, Fox, Kleeb, Gibbons, and Constance Gracey, Custer County Clerk.

Motion by Parliament, 2nd Kleeb, to approve the minutes of April 8, 2025. Roll call vote. Ayes- all Abstain-Longmore, Fox

GENERAL FUND CLAIMS: Salary-\$139068.30;SS-10152.18;Ret-9575.87;Exp-2599.59;

911 Custom	59639	7,407.44
Rt Ace Hardware	Parts	164.49
Adams County Sheriff's Dept	Fees	18.5
Applied Connective Technologies	IT-equip.	7,742.59
At&T Mobility	Serv	493.26
Bc/Bs Of Nebraska	Prem	24,827.19
Black Hills Energy	Serv	431.22
Broken Bow Municipal Utilities	Serv	5,044.03
Callaway True Value	35433/1	23.99
Carrot-Top Industries Inc	Inv138175	83.49
Central Ne Medical Clinic Pc	316261	192.15
Central Plains Valuation Llc	Contr.	6,248.75
Charron Lawn Care & Sprinkler Repai	25-Mar	1,200.00
Clint R Jordan Dds	Inmate	432
Colonial Research Chemical Co	Chem.	181.18
Contryman Associates, P.C.	Audit	26,000.00
Custer County Attorney Petty Cash	Reimb.	61.75
Custer County Chief	Adv.	295.14
Custer County Clerk Of Dist Court	Fees	592
Custer County Highway Department	Fuel	385.97
Custer County Imprest Account	ACH	10
Custer County Sheriff	Exp.	504.22
Custer Transfer Station Inc	3777334	36
County Vet's Service Officers	Reg	100
Dollar General Store	Supp.	146.35
Eakes Office Solutions	Off Supp.	1,626.54
Elan Financial Services	Supp.	1,153.30
Evans Feed Company Inc	591577	4.75
Govier Brothers Mortuary	Co. Burial	2,200.00
Conni Gracey	Ref.	390.56
Great Plains Communications	Serv	1,873.68
Grocery Kart	Groc	677.08

Howard County Clerk	Bail.	8,371.95
Jacobsen, Orr, Nelson, Wright	Fees	545.1
Kirkpatrick Cleaning Solutions, Inc	13764	4,363.26
Lincoln County Sheriff	Fees	41.68
Lyne's	7272	499
Madison County Sheriff	Fees	6
Markham Construction	Lights,Warnings	500
Melham Memorial Medical Center	Care	1,463.96
Microfilm Imaging Systems Mis	97734	96
Mid-Nebraska Individual Services Bb	Labor	224
Miller & Associates Consulting	Eng.	2,563.40
Mips Inc	Prog.	4,282.84
Lana Moran	Ref.	412.37
Naco	Reg	260
Nansel's Best Service	19552	113.55
Ne District Court Clerk Association	Dues	75
Ne Health And Human Services	Inmate	19,136.00
Ne Public Health Environmental Lab	588289	210
Ne State Fire Marshall	Inspect.	36
Norfolk Lodge & Suites	Rms	250
Peterson Legal Services Pc Llo	Fees	4,800.00
Colleen Peterson	Ref.	247.41
Presto-X	74582307	68.12
Quill Corporation	Off Supp.	200.46
Red Willow County Sheriff's Office	Fees	19.46
Region Iii Mental Health	Qrterly.	6,968.46
Ross Electric Inc	rep	1,610.15
Sennett Duncan Jenkins & Wickham	Fees	7,834.82
Seven Springs Inc	Inv#0120608	113
Stamm Romero & Associates Pc Llo	Fees	6,890.90
Syndicate Publishing	Adv.	29.62
Tabbi's Treats	Fire Fighters	429.7
Taylor Heating & Cooling Inc	Rep	1,345.38
Trotter Service	3551	119
Trotters Whoa & Go West	Cussh	2,817.29
Uline	190867204	144.99
Unitech	13583	347
Us Postal Service	April	2,292.00
Usda, Aphis, Wildlife Services	Pred. Qrtly.	12,053.31
Varney Healthmart	Safety	199.07
Verizon Wireless	Serv	85.88
Verizon Wireless	Serv	263.13
Verizon Wireless	Serv	54.1
Village Uniform	618342	80
Wroblewski & Gawrych Law Office Llc	Fees	6,272.50

Zelle Human Resource Solutions HR Serv. 5,000.00
 Motion by Kleeb, 2nd Longmore, to approve the General Fund Claims, Roll call vote. Ayes-All

ROAD FUND CLAIMS: Salary-\$90,293.31;SS-6785.05;Rert-6003.67;Exp-1415.33;

Rt Ace Hardware	Parts	100.43
Akrs Equipment	2827608	199.85
Akrs Equipment	Rep	382.29
Bc/Bs Of Nebraska	Prem	15,830.94
Bk Commodities Inc	779360	48,882.28
Broken Bow Municipal Utilities	Serv	1,182.06
Callaway Light & Water	Serv	118.32
Carquest Of Broken Bow	Parts	124.35
Central Nebraska Bobcat	Kq1696	444.73
Colonial Research Chemical Co	Chem.	495.25
Cooperative Producers	135411	572.18
Country Partners Cooperative	264-C66775	74
Custer County Chief	Adv.	73.83
Custer County Highway Petty Cash	Reimb.	81.32
Custer County Postage	25-Mar	24.15
Custer Public Power District	Serv	562.18
Eakes Office Solutions	Off Supp.	259.91
Fastenal Company	Nekea204237	89.99
Filter Care	133835	295.6
Garrett Tires, Treads & Appliances	21700764	1,573.87
Gateway Motors Inc.	130347	2,713.40
Interstate Battery Systems	340007326	318.9
K & R Reese Farms Llp	1949	9,281.20
Kaco Supplies	6646	10,969.88
Mainelli Wagner & Associates, Inc	Dec'24-Jan'25	16,955.00
Martin Marietta	Eng.	7,827.82
Michael Todd Industrial Supply	218173	417.99
Mips Inc	Prog.	192.32
Murphy Tractor & Equipment	2425294	242.93
Nace	2025 Dues	320
Nebraska Truck Center	Nplcm902879	904.91
Nmc Exchange Llc Ne Machinery Co	Cui1465690	4,615.88
O'reilly Auto Part	Parts	152.75
S & L Sanitary	15-3-1/3/31	74
Sargent Municipal Utilities	413-2/24-3/21	138.47
Syndicate Publishing	Adv.	50.99
Trotter Service	Fuel	10,324.00
Unitech	13582a	916
Verizon	Serv	213.05
Verizon Wireless	Serv	85.88
Wenquist Inc.	428177	858.32

Motion by Parliament, 2nd Markham, to approve the Road Fund claims. Roll call vote. Ayes-All

COMMUNICATIONS FUND CLAIMS: Salary-\$18766.14;SS-1393.82;Ret-1251.54;

Bc/Bs Of Nebraska	Prem	2,877.45
Centurylink	Serv	356.82
Custer Public Power District	Serv	464.24
Das State Accounting-Central Financ	Prog	844.8
Great Plains Communications	Serv	450.96
Ne Central Telephone Co	Serv	211.12
Platte Valley Communications	IT rep.	690
Village Of Ansley	Serv	41.89
Zelle Human Resource Solutions	HR serv.	128.57

Motion by Longmore, 2nd Parliament, to approve Communications Fund claims. Roll call vote. Ayes-All

DEEDS PRESERVATION/ MODERNIZATION FUND CLAIMS: Salary-\$293.56;SS-22.46;

Microfilm Imaging Systems Mis	97729	36
Mips Inc	Prog.	359.4

Motion by Markham, 2nd Parliament, to approve the Deeds P&M Fund claims. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Motion by Fox, 2nd Kleeb, to adjourn as the County Board and convene as the **Board of Equalization at 9:10 a.m. Roll call vote. Ayes-all**

E. Taylor, Co. Assessor presented these:

Motion by Longmore, 2nd Parliament, to approve a 2024 tax list correction for Conroy Land/Lomax Community, no deed, deduct \$68.32.

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Motion by Longmore, 2nd Parliament, to approve a 2024 tax list correction for Conroy Land/RF James, no deed, deduct \$34.16.

Motion by Longmore, 2nd Parliament, to approve a 2024 tax list correction for Conroy Land/A. Blakeslee, no deed, deduct \$5.48.

Motion by Longmore, 2nd Parliament, to approve a 2024 tax list correction for Conroy Land/D. E. Leonard, no deed, deduct \$68.32.

Motion by Longmore, 2nd Parliament, to approve a 2024 tax list correction for Conroy Land/WA Dickman, no deed, deduct \$34.16.

Motion by Longmore, 2nd Parliament, to approve a 2024 tax list correction for Conroy Land/Bank of Miller, no deed, deduct \$34.16.

Motion by Longmore, 2nd Parliament, to approve a 2024 tax list correction for Conroy Land/Woodriver Improvement, no deed, deduct \$34.16.

S. Bryant, Treasurer presented/reviewed 2 MV Exemptions:

Motion by Parliament, 2nd Longmore, to approve two motor vehicle exemption applications for Homeward Trail, Inc, M. City, for a 07 Trailer, 17 Ford Van. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Motion by Fox, 2nd Longmore, to adjourn as the **Board of Equalization** and reconvene as the County Board **at 9:25 a.m.** Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Motion by Kleeb, 2nd Longmore, to approve the March monthly fee reports for the Clerk, Reg of Deeds, Clerk District Court, Sheriff, and Recycling. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

The Co. Attorney, Bowers, filed his quarterly court case report, #23-1201(2) ending 3/31/2025, with the Board of Supervisors and Clerk.

D. Tibbs, Zoning – reported that the Conservation Easement application was not complete and it will be on the next regular board meeting.

Motion by Fox, 2nd Parliament, to go into Closed session to discuss pending litigation, it being necessary for the protection of the public interest, or needless injury to the reputation of an individual, for the purpose of discussing strategy regarding pending litigation. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Chairman Blowers repeated the motion is to go into Closed session at 9:30 a.m., it being necessary for the protection of the public interest, or for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual, or for the purpose of discussing strategy regarding pending litigation.

Chairman Blowers called the Co. Board out of closed session at 9:35 a.m.

Motion by Fox, 2nd Gibbons, an application for Sick Leave bank was presented, all requirements have been met, and the Co. Board approved the application for the Sick Leave Bank recipient. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Hwy. Dept. applications:

Motion by Gibbons, 2nd Kleeb, to approve an application for Dalen Moody, for electrical lines across road for installing pivot., Rd. #817 & R. #448. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Motion by Longmore, 2nd Parliament, to approve an application for Holdrege Irrigation, Lex., to trench across Pressey E Rd to buy wire for new pivot. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Motion by Parliament, 2nd Longmore, to award the Bid for Asphalt to Jebro Inc, for HFE-300 - 3.28,CSS-1H-1.69; to Asphalt Fuel Supply for MC-250-2.99, MC-800-2.97. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Motion by Parliament, 2nd Markham, to award the Gravel Bids as presented/tabulated by the Highway Supt. and attached. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

The Co. Board discussed in depth again the Cash in Lieu option offered for Custer County, an excel summary sheet of premiums paid was reviewed. Motion by Fox, 2nd Parliament, to increase from \$450.00 to \$475.00, with approval of Resolution #11-2025, stating \$475.00, effective May 1, 2025. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Fox reviewed the transformer needing moved, the City provides the transformer, but the cost of moving is the County's responsibility and it needs done as soon as possible. Three different companies presented quotes for the transformer move, also discussed was a switch for possibly a generator hookup. After discussion and the cost of about \$20,000.00, it was decided against. Motion by Markham, 2nd Gibbons, to approve the quote from Cole Electric, \$15,000.00 and no transfer switch, this will be paid from Sinking Fund. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

S. Bowers, Attorney and K. Clark, Dep. Attorney, discussed the process for reviewing claims and Open meetings law. The Co. Board directed the Co. Attorney's to work with Clerk Gracey and get an electronic submission process established.

Eakes Office representatives, J. Bond, C. Bosshamer, C. Pohlenz, presented a Proposal for a new phone system/phones to save the County many dollars. A comparison was presented and informed the Co. Board of a lease cost and will get a purchase price figured. No decisions were made.

Public Comment

Meeting adjourned at 11:04 a.m.

11:30 a.m. a workshop was opened by Chairman Blowers, with Applied Technologies working with the Co. Board on laptops and set up.

Workshop adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Constance Gracey, Custer County Clerk