

MINUTES OF THE CUSTER CO. BOARD OF SUPERVISOR
June 24, 2025

The Custer County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, June 24, 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 north wall and publication of the meeting notice was on June 19th, 2025. The following board members were present – Blowers, Longmore, Parliament, Markham, Fox, Kleebe, Gibbons, and Constance Gracey, Custer County Clerk.

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion by Gibbons, 2nd Markham, to approve the minutes of June 10, 2025. Roll call vote.
Ayes-all Abstain-Fox

GENERAL FUND CLAIMS: Salary-\$125500.59;SS-9105.42;Ret-8645.02;Exp-8389.03;

Amy Schauda	Mileage	10.5
Applied Connective Technologies	IT, comp.	23,791.43
Bc/Bs Of Nebraska	Prem.	26,713.92
Bonnie Weinman	Mlg.	128.8
Borders Law Office	Pub. Def.	8,438.00
Bow Locksmith	4949	102
Broken Bow Airport Authority	Support	1,083.33
Burwell Tribune	Publ.	142.89
Central Nebraska Reporting Inc	4185	985
Combined Public Communications	45814	1,200.00
Cornhusker State Industries	365260	2,970.00
Crowne Plaza Kearney	Rms.	579.8
Custer County Chief	Publ.	1,099.56
Custer County Court	Unwaiv. Crt Csts.	5,939.68
Custer County Highway Department	Fuel	15.3
Custer County Imprest Account	Fees	10
Custer County Sheriff	Exp	108.66
Custer County Treasurer	Fees	25
Custer Public Power District	Serv	233.04
Custer Transfer Station Inc	Rent	4,812.00
Das State Accounting-Central Financ	Prog.	564
David Haumont	Mlg.	92.4
Deuel County Sheriff	Fees	25
Eakes Office Solutions	Off Supp	9,240.92
Egan Supply Company	401677	363.06
Elliott Plumbing & Home Improvement	Rep	355.44
Erickson Law Llc	Fees	450
Fidlar	Program	17,500.00
First Concord Benefits Group Llc	Fees	70
Garrett Tires & Treads	21701642	539.12
Gateway Motors Inc.	90322	3,987.63

Government Forms & Supplies	55970	1,806.85
Great Plains Communications	Serv	215.24
Grocery Kart	Groc	625.25
Grocery Kart - Cardboard	Crdbd.	90
Harouff Law Pc Llo	Fees	987.5
Holt County Treasurer	Fy24-25 2nd	5,422.13
Jeff Witthuhn	Mlg.	49
Jones Automotive	Rep	3,805.46
Kearney County Sheriff's Dept	Fees	44.28
Lancaster County Sheriff	Fees	15.65
Microfilm Imaging Systems Mis	98268	194
Midwest Alarm Services	Inspect.	95
Miller & Associates Consulting	Eng.	4,714.70
Mips Inc	Prog.	11,387.02
Motorola Solutions	Subsc Yr 5	4,186.04
Motorola Solutions, Inc	Supp.	15,116.40
Nansel's Best Service	Fuel	119.85
Ne County Attorney's Association	Dues	1,100.00
Ne Health And Human Services	St. Instit.	72
Nebraska.Gov	Prog.	108.5
Presto-X	77147489	74.25
Prime Plumbing Llc	3708	675
Quill Corporation	Off Supp	232.7
Richard Cool	Mlg.	32.2
Rt Ace Hardware	Parts	34.77
Sandhills Custom Creations	3573	77.48
Sheri L Bryant	Mlg.	33.04
Sikyta Law Office Llc	Fees	37.5
Stamm Romero & Associates Pc Llo	Eng.	4,840.65
Sunset Law Enforcement	11957*In	3,021.40
Syndicate Publishing	Publ.	158.7
Tabbi SeEVERS	Mlg.	56
Trotter Service	Fuel	2,238.00
Trotters Whoa & Go West	Fuel	2,735.71
Troy Schauda	Mlg.	70
Us Postal Service	Pstge	2,000.00
Valley County Sheriff	Fees	91.12
Varney Healthmart	Inmate	122.08
Verizon Wireless	Serv	54.09
Village Uniform	624082	40
Motion by Gibbons, 2 nd Longmore, to approve the General Fund Claims, Roll call vote. Ayes-All		

ROAD FUND CLAIMS: Salary-\$89258.44;SS-6622.13;Ret-5567.33;Exp-2229.22;

Barco Municipal Products	In-252159	100.19
--------------------------	-----------	--------

Bc/Bs Of Nebraska	Prem.	18,651.76
Bk Commodities Inc	780212	6,103.26
Burwell Tribune	Publ.	44.89
Carquest Of Broken Bow	296580	142.51
Cintas Corporation	First Aid	216.82
Colonial Research Chemical Co	Chem	1,004.48
Contech Engineered Solution	So# 9770154	11,754.00
Custer County Postage	25-May	65.58
Eakes Office Solutions	Off Supp	159.83
Elan Financial Services	18050451	44.04
Fastenal Company	Nekea212471	187.14
First Concord Benefits Group Llc	Fees	15
Floyd's Truck Center	Nplcm929878	1,301.97
General Collection Company	Fees	103.03
Hamilton Sales & Service	75416	46,445.00
Harmony Inn & Suites	Rms.	642
Jebro Inc	301033	117,938.96
K & R Reese Farms Llp	2005	20,283.75
Kaco Supplies	6651	560.39
Karly Mack	25-Jun	500
Lcl Truck Equipment	Equip.	60,700.00
Martin Marietta Materials Inc	46025149	6,523.61
Medical Enterprises Inc	Testing	36
Mike's Small Engine	K710	1,251.15
Mills Hardware	150368/1	199
Mt Custer Truck Sales	23811	366.9
Myers Construction Inc	9283	19,912.50
Nmc Exchange Llc Ne Machinery Co	Cui1471108	728.22
Oak Creek Engineering Llc	Eng.	14,548.00
O'reilly Auto Part	Parts	125.25
Overton Sand & Gravel	Gravel	45,752.39
Platte Valley Communications	IT	1,026.60
Power Solutions	14589	403.5
Rose Equipment Inc	18494	789
Rt Ace Hardware	116989	143.94
S & L Sanitary	Trash	74
Sapp Bros Petroleum	B/L 1480676	19,628.87
Saul Ramos Construction Inc	RR Anselmo	195,961.77
School House Graphics	Signs	113.84
Sg Concrete Pros Inc	RR Anselmo	55,000.00
Spencer Quarries Inc	55665	17,089.88
Trotter's Fertilizer	61536	633.7
Trumbull Repair & Towing	25-227	525.97
Ulrich Gravel Inc	24298	14,105.90
Verizon	Serv	213.05

Wenquist Inc.	Parts	995.82
---------------	-------	--------

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

COMMUNICATIONS FUND CLAIMS: Salary-\$11213.55;SS-818.63;Ret-740.88;

Bc/Bs Of Nebraska	Prem.	2,414.43
Centurylink	Serv	1,051.94
First Concord Benefits Group Llc	Fees	10
Great Plains Communications	Serv	450.96
Mills Hardware	149507	58.47
Naco	psap conn.	3,600.00

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

HIGHWAY BUYBACK FUND CLAIMS:

Midwest Service & Sales Co	6162025	35,586.52
----------------------------	---------	-----------

Motion by Fox, 2nd Parliament, the Highway Buyback Fund claims. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

DISASTER RELIEF FUND CLAIMS:

Inheritance Fund	Loan transfer	95,873.23
------------------	---------------	-----------

Motion by Markham, 2nd Parliament, to approve the Disaster Relief Fund claims. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

INHERITANCE TAX FUND CLAIMS:

Custer County Highway Department	Trans/Budget	650,000.00
Road Hard Surface Sinking Fund	Trans/Budget	1,500,000.00

Motion by Markham, 2^{ne} Parliament, to approve the Inheritance Tax Fund claims. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

E911 WIRELESS HOLDING FUND CLAIMS:

Geocomm, Inc	Grant	7,008.00
--------------	-------	----------

Motion by Markham, 2^{ne} Parliament, to approve the E911 Wireless Holding Fund claims. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Motion by KleeB, 2nd Parliament, to adjourn as the County Board and convene as the **Board of Equalization at 9:15 a.m. Roll call vote. Ayes-all**

E. Taylor, Co. Assessor presented these corrections:

Motion by Fox, 2nd KleeB, Dist. 3, to approve over/under corrections for 2025, as per Assessor's recommendation for Berggren Family Tr; B. Quackenbush(3), N. Jacobson, C. Drake. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Motion by KleeB, 2nd Gibbons, Dist. 2, to approve over/under corrections for 2025, as per Assessor's recommendation for B. Vavricek; BJP Investments; A. Forster. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Motion by Gibbons, 2nd Parliament, Dist. 1, to approve over/under corrections for 2025, as per Assessor's recommendation for J. Kemp; M Olson, Govaerts Ranch; R. Cook. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Motion by Gibbons, 2nd Parliament, to approve a tax list correction for 2024 for Ella J. Amos, 100% homestead exemption, deduct \$14.16. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Motion by Blowers, 2nd Longmore, Dist. 5, to approve over/under corrections for 2025, as per Assessor's recommendation for McDowell Cattle Co; M. Bierman; Wm. Medich, T. Thompson. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Motion by Longmore, 2nd Markham, Dist. 6, to approve over/under corrections for 2025, as per Assessor's recommendation for G. Ridder; M. Reiff; R. Rundlett(2); R. Edwards; T. Travis; J. Nicholson; L. Franssen; S. Palmer. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Motion by Parliament, 2nd Markham, Dist. 7, to approve over/under corrections for 2025, as per Assessor's recommendation for M. Shepherd; T. Fecht; Six D Farms; V. Blakeman. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Motion by Markham, 2nd Parliament, Dist. 4, to approve over/under corrections for 2025, as per Assessor's recommendation for K. Woodward, Muddy Creek Ranch; C. Geiser. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Clerk Gracey presented Resolution for Budget shortages. Motion by Gibbons, 2nd Longmore, to approve Res. #14-2025, to transfer from Gen. Fund to Co. Attorney Child Support-\$159.30 for over budget expenditure, and to Co. Jail-\$9839.59 for over budget expenditure. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

S. Bryant, Co. Treasurer presented these annual motor vehicle exemptions for approval; Motion by Parliament, 2nd Longmore, to approve MV Exempt. For American Red Cross, 2003 Expr trailer. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Motion by Markham, 2nd Parliament, to approve MV Exempt. For Berean Bible Church, 2002 Cargo Trailer. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Motion by Markham, 2nd Gibbons, to approve MV Exempt. For Berean Fellowship of Churches a 2022 GMC SUV Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Motion by Gibbons, 2nd Longmore, to approve a MV Exempt. For Callaway Good Life Center a 2010 Chrysler, 2009 GM/Chevrolet. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Motion by Longmore, 2nd Parliament, to approve a MV Exempt. For Callaway Hospital District, a 2013 Dodge, 2019 Dodge, 2022 Chrysler. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Motion by Kleeb, 2nd Longmore, to approve a MV Exempt. For Custer Care, 14 vehicles. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Motion by Parliament, 2nd Markham, to approve a MV Exempt. For Homeward Trail Inc, 8 vehicles. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Motion by Kleeb, 2nd Gibbons, to approve a MV Exempt. For Mid-NE Individual Serv. A 07 Ford, 22 Chevy, 16 Ford, 14 Ford. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Motion by Parliament, 2nd Markham, to approve a MV Exempt. For Jennie MM Memorial Medical Center, 07 Chev, 18 Aluma, 22 Chev, 23 Chev. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Motion by Markham, 2nd Parliament, to approve a MV Exempt. For Third City Christian Church, 2002 Chev bus. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Motion by Longmore, 2nd Kleeb, to approve a MV Exempt. For VSL Broken Bow, a 16 Dodge Van, 18 Dodge Van, 16 Dodge Van. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Motion by Kleeb, 2nd Gibbons, to adjourn as the Board of Equalization and reconvene as the County Board at 9:45 a.m.

Ryan Powers, USDA and Kyle Brown, USDA, introduced themselves, reported Wayne Homan had retired, and presented a Work/Financial Plan for the wildlife services. The Co. Board would like a report of the last year's work performed before making decisions and to table to next meeting.

J. Sennett and W. Roberts were present to review the Conservation Easement Application again, Sennett stated this is on the 10 acre track of land, it will not affect the tax base, and if approved he would like it to be contingent on Mr. Dolton taking title within 3-6 months. Tibbs reported that the Planning Comm. board denied. Motion by Parliament, 2nd Fox, to table until next mtg. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Senator Tanya Storer updated the Co. Board on many things that came about from legislature and many items discussed for future, including property tax credit reform, inheritance tax, Community Colleges. The Co. Board's input was on the local county roads that are being used for all traffic and the expense of upkeep.

E. Haynes, Veterans Officer, report on Jack Steinback resigning from Veteran's Serv. Comm. board. Motion by Gibbons, 2nd Parliament to appoint Lyle D Runyan, to the Veteran's Serv. Comm. board, term ending 6-30-2030. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Loup Basin Health Dept. – Amanda Jeffres and Stephanie Gideon introduced themselves and reviewed all their staff and job titles, and a new building will be opened in Burwell by fall.

A r-o-w application was read:

Motion by Blowers, 2nd Longmore, to approve an application for CPPD to bore underground with 4' hdpe duct with cable, under Road #430 and Hwy 92. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

K. Flynn, Recycling, presented/reviewed his Quarterly Inventory report for end of June, 2025.

T. Conover, Weed Supt., requested for Sandhills Weed Mgt. to include their equipment on Custer County's insurance with NIRMA. Sandhills Weed Mgt. will reimburse County for cost of the insurance per year. Motion by Longmore, 2nd Fox, to accept the Sandhills Weed Mgt. equipment to be covered by NIRMA insurance, with the understanding it can only be used for Sandhills Weed Mgt. purposes and not by any other county departments, with a Contract/liability waiver signed with all 20 counties, along with reimbursement for costs of insurance coverage each year.(Steve-Co. Attorney will draft) Roll call vote. Ayes-all

The Clerk's office requested some direction from the Co. Board on budgets and wages. Motion by Fox, 2nd Gibbons, to approve a 2.15% increase on salaries. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Public Comment.

Motion by Gibbons, 2nd Fox, to go into Closed session for Evaluation of Job Performance of a Person when necessary to prevent needless injury to the reputation of a person and such person has not requested a public meeting. Roll call vote. Ayes-all

Chairman Blowers repeated the motion is to go into Closed session at 12:05 a.m., for evaluation of Job Performance of a person when necessary to prevent needless injury to the reputation of a person and such person has not requested a public meeting.

Chairman Blowers called the Co. Board out of closed session at 1:10 p.m. No decision was made.

Meeting adjourned at 1:12 p.m.

Constance Gracey, Custer County Clerk