

A meeting of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners was convened in open and public session at 9:00 a.m. on October 8, 2025, at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska. Present were Chairperson Terry Lerdall and Members Bruce Bader and Glenn Hofman. Clerk Karen Corder was present to record the proceedings. Co. Atty. Beverly B. Louthan was also present.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Valley Voice, Cambridge, NE on September 25, 2025. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the published notice. All proceedings of the Board were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The undersigned Clerk hereby certifies that these minutes were written and available for public inspection within ten (10) working days after the date of said meeting.

The meeting was duly called to order and Chairman Lerdall announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted on the wall of the meeting room.

The Minutes of September 30, 2025, meeting were read. Motion by Bader, seconded by Hofman to approve the minutes as read. Roll Call Vote: “Aye” Lerdall, Bader, Hofman, “Nay” none. Motion carried.

Kevin Hagan, Dawson/Gosper Weed Superintendent was present and gave a weed report.

Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Bader to convene as the **Board of Equalization**. Roll Call Vote: “Aye” Lerdall, Bader, Hofman, “Nay” none. Motion carried. Clerk Corder reviewed the Rates of Tax that are set by Gosper County. Motion by Bader, seconded by Hofman to approve the Rates of Tax for Gosper County, Nebraska for fiscal year 2025-2026. Roll Call Vote: “Aye” Lerdall, Bader, Hofman, “Nay” none. Motion carried. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Bader to adjourn as the **Board of Equalization**. Roll Call Vote: “Aye” Lerdall, Bader Hofman, “Nay” none. Motion carried. The Rates of Tax for Gosper County, Nebraska will be listed in the October 29, 2025, minutes after all the certifications have been received from the counties that are required to certify their rates of tax to Gosper County.

Motion by Bader, seconded by Hofman to approve the Clerk of District Court report for September. Roll Call Vote: “Aye” Lerdall, Bader, Hofman, “Nay” none. Motion carried.

The Board received a letter from the Elwood Area Foundation and a flyer from Elwood TeamMates regarding the 2025 Give Big Elwood event to be held on November 6, 2025. Motion by Bader, seconded by Lerdall to allow \$500.00 from the Keno/Lottery Fund to the Elwood Area Foundation and \$500.00 from the Keno/Lottery Fund to Elwood TeamMates for 2025 Give Big Elwood. Roll Call Vote: “Aye” Lerdall, Bader, “Nay” none. Motion carried.

Motion by Bader, seconded by Hofman to approve the Sheriff’s Quarterly Report for July through September 2025. Roll Call Vote: “Aye” Hofman, Bader, Lerdall, “Nay” none. Motion carried.

At 10:00 a.m., the Rush Street Paving Project Bid Letting was held. This is a shared project with the Village of Elwood. Present were Assistant Highway Superintendent Kelly Lehmann; Tom Martin, Chairman of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Elwood; Kirk Corder, Utilities Superintendent for the Village of Elwood; Tyler Hillmer, Engineer with Miller & Associates; Jedd Paulsen, Paulsen Inc., Cozad, NE; and Matt Nielsen, Nielsen Contracting L.L.C., Kearney, NE. Three bids were received and opened as follows: Nielsen Contracting L.L.C. in the amount of \$169,219.00; Paulsen Inc, Cozad, NE, in the amount of \$228,524.00; and Tri City Concrete, Kearney, NE, in the amount of \$195,898.00. Lehmann recommended accepting the bid from Nielsen Contracting L.L.C. Trustee Martin also supported accepting the lowest bid. Motion by Bader, seconded by Hofman, to award the bid to Nielsen Contracting L.L.C. in the amount of \$169,219.00. Roll Call Vote “Aye” Lerdall, Bader, Hofman, “Nay” none. Motion carried.

Assistant Highway Superintendent Kelly Lehmann was present to give a road report and request approval to sign a contract with Tillotson Enterprises for the installation of insulation on the west wall of the South County Shop. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Hofman, to approve signing the contract with Tillotson Enterprises. Roll Call Vote “Aye” Lerdall, Bader, Hofman, “Nay” none. Motion carried.

The Board adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

ATTEST:

Karen J. Corder, Clerk (Seal)

Terry G. Lerdall, Chairperson

The next regular meeting of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners will be October 29, 2025, at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska.