

A meeting of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners was convened in an open and public session at 9:00 a.m. on March 31, 2026, 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. County Attorney Beverly B. Louthan was present.

Public notice of this meeting was published in the Valley Voice, posted on the Gosper County Website, and on the Courthouse bulletin board on March 19, 2026. The published notice included information regarding the availability of the agenda. All proceedings of the Board were conducted during a duly convened meeting open to 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 March 11, 2026 were read. Motion by Bader, seconded by Lerdall to approve the minutes as read. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Hofman, Lerdall, Bader. Motion carried.

Audit and approval were made for the following payrolls and claims.

GENERAL FUND: Personal Services - March Payroll \$53,032.01 American Family Life Insurance \$288.76 Ameritas \$8,831.94 Beverly Bogle Louthan, P.C. \$2,845.58 BCBS \$17,046.11 Delta Dental \$1,004.07 Empower \$2,500.00 First Concord \$2,267.60 First Concord, LLC \$594.16 IRS \$15,276.31 Madison National \$58.17 Mutual of Omaha \$374.18 NE Dept of Revenue \$2,036.14 VSP \$236.30 Operating Expenses - American Towers \$416.28 Applied Connective \$2,655.72 ATC \$144.70 Benchmark Government Solutions \$27.90 Black Hills \$837.29 CAMAS Publishing \$654.44 Clearly \$541.42 J. Collins \$45.00 Community Action Partnership Mid-Ne \$687.74 DAS State Acctg-Central Finance \$167.75 Davis Law, LLC \$517.40 D. Davis \$45.00 Dawson Co Sheriff Inmate Housing \$440.00 Dawson Co Sheriff's Office \$500.00 Dawson Co Weed Control \$8,250.00 DPPD \$704.14 C. Devries \$174.00 Elwood Public Library \$972.67 Furnas Co Emergency Management \$3,002.50 M. Garrelts \$45.00 Gosper Co CASA \$1,000.00 Gosper Co Clerk of District Court \$36.00 Gosper Co Court \$117.00 J. Hudson \$145.00 Mid-States Organized Crime Info Ctr \$100.00 MIPS \$4,632.80 NACEB \$100.00 NE Clerks of District Court Assoc \$75.00 NE State Patrol Interagency Billing \$428.50 NE State Fire Marshal \$108.00 Nelson Law, P.C. \$162.50 Pinnacle Bank \$2,207.93 Pinnacle Bank \$517.80 Powertech \$750.00 Quadient \$4,000.00 J. Richie \$45.00 L. Swanson \$87.00 Urbom Law Offices \$277.51 Village of Elwood \$261.91 R. Wheeler \$43.50 Woodward's \$37.50 Supplies - Amazon \$175.44 Aurora Coop \$2,583.77 Coast To Coast Solutions \$2,260.98 Dollar General \$12.50 Flock Group Inc \$15,000.00 M. Garrelts \$51.72 Pinnacle Bank \$487.93 PIP Marketing \$399.52 Tyler Technologies Inc. \$475.94 U-Save \$62.44 Equipment Rental - Hometown Leasing \$217.61 Capital Outlay - Amazon \$219.99 AT&T \$527.59 Hometown Leasing \$82.86 Pinnacle Bank \$309.99 Platte Valley Communications \$1,625.07 Interfund Transfer - Gosper Co Treasurer \$273,606.60;

ROAD FUND: Personal Services - March Payroll \$27,548.05 Ameritas \$1,634.12 Ameritas-Retirement Plans Div \$2,451.19 BCBS \$11,176.56 Delta Dental \$832.92 First Concord, LLC \$348.33 IRS \$7,409.35 Madison National \$29.70 Mutual of Omaha \$169.96 NE Dept of Revenue \$923.63 Trustmark \$145.39 VSP \$99.32 Operating Expenses - ATC \$48.36 Aurora Coop \$2.78 Big Red Supply & Rental \$330.19 Black Hills \$504.84 Clearly \$71.27 DPPD \$139.21 Faw's Garage \$48.00 Lofquist Welding \$1,699.20 Mead Lumber \$64.54 NE Tech & Telecom \$164.34 NMC \$4,604.24 Twin Valleys Public Power \$73.04 Verizon \$119.96 Village of Elwood \$64.05 Supplies - Ag Valley Coop \$145.92 Aurora Coop \$974.98 Bauer Built \$627.00 Bomgaars \$42.97 CHS Inc. \$192.09 Faw's Garage \$95.00 John Deere Financial \$79.20 Lofquist Welding \$378.20

Matheson Tri-Gas \$60.92 Mead Lumber \$99.42 Menards \$230.84 Capital Outlay - Dept of Motor Vehicles \$180.00 Oak Creek Engineering \$1,718.00

KENO/LOTTERY FUND: Operating Expenses - Gosper Co Clerk \$100.00 Elwood Post Prom \$300.00

TREASURER'S MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS: \$192,694.87.

Sheriff Richie was present and gave a Sheriff's report.

County Attorney Beverly B. Louthan requested the Board enter into Closed Session to discuss contract negotiations. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Bader, to enter into closed session at 9:17 a.m. to discuss contract negotiations. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Hofman, Lerdall, Bader. Motion carried. The Board returned to open session at 9:28 a.m. No action was taken while in closed session.

Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Bader, to approve the Agreement and **Resolution No. 26-4** for the purchase of real estate from Charles Buchholz Family Farm, LLC, for the purpose of constructing a road westerly from Johnson Lake Drive to Road 425. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Hofman, Lerdall, Bader. Motion carried.

Hayley Huyser, Ben Martin, Leroy Wendland and Logan Wendland were present to discuss road work on Rd 424A and Road 741. Discussion was held regarding water drainage. No action was taken pending further review of possible options.

Asst. Hwy. Supt. Kelly Lehmann was present and gave a road report. Road employees completed cutting and chipping trees on Rd 427 north of Hwy 23 and began cutting trees on Rd 425 south of Rd 750. Lehmann also reported that the CNPPID boat ramps on the supply canal east of Hwy 283 and Rd 430 will be opening soon.

The Board adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

ATTEST:

Karen J. Corder, Deputy Clerk
(Seal)

Terry G. Lerdall, Chairperson

The next regular meeting of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners will be April 8, 2026, at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska. The Board will convene on April 29, 2026 at 9:00 a.m., at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska to conduct a regular session and to audit claims. Claims to be audited shall be filed with the County Clerk by April 22, 2026.