

A meeting of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners was convened in an open and public session at 9:00 a.m. on May 27, 2026, at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska. Present were Chairperson Terry Lerdall and Member Glenn Hofman. Member Bruce Bader was absent. Clerk Karen Corder was present to record the proceedings. County Attorney Beverly B. Louthan was also 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 May 14, 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.

Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Hofman to excuse Bruce Bader from the meeting. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Lerdall, Hofman, Absent: Bader, motion carried.

The Minutes of May 13, 2026 meeting were read. Motion by Hofman, seconded by Lerdall to approve the minutes as read. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Lerdall, Hofman, Absent: Bader, motion carried.

Tom Bokenkamp, Ace/Eaton Metals and Highway Superintendent Kelly Lehmann were present. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Hofman to renew the Culvert Bid Riveted Pipe and Culvert Bid Spi-Rol Pipe Contract with Ace/Eaton Metals, Kearney, NE for one year, from May 28, 2026 to May 28, 2027. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Lerdall, Hofman, Absent: Bader, motion carried.

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

GENERAL FUND: Personal Services - May Payroll \$58,334.59 Aflac \$288.76 Ameritas \$9,711.51 A. Moores \$228.00 Beverly Bogle Louthan, P.C. \$2,845.58 BCBS \$15,455.75 C. Nott \$240.00 C. Remmenga \$240.00 C. Taft \$232.00 C. Schmeekle \$212.00 Delta Dental \$875.82 Empower \$2,500.00 First Concord \$810.29 First Concord, LLC \$594.16 IRS \$16,701.80 K. Horn \$240.00 K. Beck \$232.00 L. Hagan \$224.00 Madison National \$72.82 M. Atterberry \$232.00 M. Kleppinger \$237.00 Mutual of Omaha \$397.20 NE Dept of Revenue \$2,281.58 S. Remmenga \$228.00 Trustmark \$46.22 Vicki VonLoh \$241.00 VSP \$204.46 Operating Expenses - American Towers \$416.28 Applied Connective \$2,986.93 ATC \$144.70 Black Hills \$122.91 P. Bogle \$145.00 CAMAS Publishing \$1,219.49 Clearlyfly \$541.06 J. Collins \$45.00 J. Collins \$294.41 Community Action Partnership Mid-Ne \$690.51 Contryman Associates \$17,000.00 D&N Lammels \$3,116.91 D. Davis \$45.00 Dawson Co Sheriff Inmate Housing \$80.00 DPPD \$588.74 C. Devries \$174.00 Election Systems & Software \$1,185.57 Elwood Public Library \$972.67 Family Advocacy Network \$660.00 FGH Law Office, \$909.45 M. Garrelts \$45.00 Gosper Co Clerk \$16.00 S. Griffith \$300.00 L. Hagan \$2.90 Heldt, Mckeone & Copley \$287.50 K. Horn \$10.88 J. Hudson \$45.00 M. Kleppinger \$18.13 Beverly Bogle Louthan, P.C. \$220.86 B. Louthan \$209.85 Menards \$706.24 MIPS \$2,222.54 National Sheriffs' Association \$835.00 Navigate360 \$749.00 Nelson Law, P.C., L.L.O. \$250.00 C. Nott \$17.40 Pinnacle Bank \$381.37 Platte Valley Communications \$4,200.85 J. Richie \$45.00 C. Schmeekle \$4.35 Schneider Geospatial \$4,635.00 Shaw Law, LLC \$1,304.45 L. Swanson \$316.10 Village of Elwood \$261.91 R. Warner \$300.00 R. Wheeler \$42.05 Woodward's \$37.50 Supplies - Amazon \$341.12 Aurora Coop \$2,942.57 Bomgaars \$87.93 Coast To Coast Solutions \$1,365.00 H. Collins \$56.91 Dollar General \$6.00 Eakes Office Solutions \$39.50 Mead Lumber Co \$11.98 Menards \$640.74 Midwest Connect \$135.00 Pinnacle Bank \$294.59 Quill \$549.96 U-Save \$950.38 Equipment Rental - Hometown Leasing \$217.61 Quadient Leasing. \$554.85 Capital Outlay - AT&T \$527.27 Hometown Leasing \$82.86 Mead Lumber \$579.98 Menards \$1,640.93;

ROAD FUND: Personal Services - May Payroll \$40,521.88 Ameritas \$5,922.68 BCBS \$11,403.16 Delta Dental \$645.32 First Concord, LLC \$348.33 IRS \$10,832.49 Madison National \$29.10 Mutual of Omaha \$169.96 NE Dept of Revenue \$1,551.46 Trustmark \$145.39 VSP \$118.56 Operating Expenses - ATC \$48.31 Aurora Coop \$90.10 Black Hills \$178.47 Clearlyfly \$71.23 DPPD \$120.59 Eustis Mechanic Shop \$210.11 Holdrege Auto Parts \$29.78 Kearney Towing & Repair Center \$537.00 Lofquist Welding \$1,769.20 NE Tech & Telecom \$541.16 NMC \$1,194.25 Platte Valley Communications \$96.50 PowerPlan \$43.38 RDO \$6,514.46 Southwest Farm and Auto \$11.49 Twin Valleys PPD \$62.89 Village of Elwood \$64.05 Weathercraft Co of N.P. \$1,075.00 Supplies - Ace Irrigation \$4,140.00 Ag Valley Coop \$199.28 Aurora Coop \$18,252.85 Bauer Built \$381.00 Bomgaars \$23.94 Card Services \$211.51 CHS Inc. \$394.78 John Deere Financial \$349.65 Nippon Sanso Matheson \$60.92 Mead Lumber \$39.59 NMC \$652.00 Overton Sand & Gravel \$13,660.15 Paulsen, Inc. \$380.52 Southwest Farm and Auto \$6.99 Capital Outlay - Card Services \$23.15 Lexington Regional Health Center \$70.00 Medical Enterprises \$72.00 Nebraska Crane \$13,050.00 Oak Creek Engineering \$11,080.40;

HIGHWAY BRIDGE BUYBACK FUND: Capital Outlay Furnas County \$43,308.85 Saul Ramos Construction \$15,809.42;

KENO/LOTTERY FUND: Operating Expenses - Gosper Co Senior Center \$3,764.0;

TREASURER'S MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS: \$360,647.06.

Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Hofman to convene as the **Board of Equalization**. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Lerdall, Hofman, Absent: Bader, motion carried. Assessor Pam Bogle and Deputy Assessor Nicole Atterberry were present and submitted three Tax List Corrections. Motion by Lerdall, seconded by Hofman to approve Tax List Corrections #1052, #1053 and #1054. Roll Call Vote: "Aye" Lerdall, Hofman, Absent: Bader, motion carried. Motion by Hofman, seconded by Lerdall to adjourn as the **Board of Equalization**. Roll Call Vote:

“Aye” Lerdall, Hofman, Absent: Bader, motion carried. Don and John Burks arrived following adjournment of the Board of Equalization meeting and were notified that the tax list corrections were approved.

Sheriff Joshua Richie was present and reported that Platte Valley Communications is working on setting up department vehicles on the statewide radio frequency system. This will allow officers and departments to communicate directly through the state radio system rather than having to go through dispatch or use their phones. He also reported that he is exploring the possibility of restarting the K-9 program and is looking into potential funding sources.

Highway Superintendent Lehmann was present to give a road report. He reported that construction on the new road 749A project is nearing completion of the dirt fill phase. Once the fill and build stage is complete, the road crew will back slope the shoulders and install the culvert drainage systems. Blade operators assisting with the project are rotating between working on the new road and maintaining the roads in their assigned areas.

The Board approved an application for Permit to Construct on County Road ROW submitted by Drew Samuelson/Holdrege Irrigation.

The Board adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

ATTEST:

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Karen J. Corder, County Clerk

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Terry G. Lerdall, Chairperson

The next regular meeting of the Gosper County Board of Commissioners will be June 10, 2026, at the Gosper County Courthouse, Elwood, Nebraska. The Board will convene on June 30, 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 June 23, 2026.