

A regular meeting of the Fillmore County Board of Supervisors was convened in open and public session, in the Boardroom of the Courthouse in Geneva. Notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Nebraska Signal and posted on the County Clerk’s office door. The agenda for all meetings is kept continually current and is available for public inspection at the County Clerk’s office during normal business hours. The agenda is held open until one business day prior to the meeting for appearance before the Board. The Board of Supervisors has the right to modify the agenda to include items of an emergency nature only at such public meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while in the convened meeting which was open to the attendance of the public.

The Fillmore County Board of Supervisors convened on August 11, 2026, at 9:02 a.m.
Present: Chairman: Jeff Neiman
Members: Larry Cerny, Ralph Graham, Kenny Harre, Mark Lightwine, Merle Noel, and Wade Sluka
County Clerk: Amy Nelson

Visitor: Brian Mumm

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Chairman Neiman announced that a complete copy of the Open Meetings Act is available in the Board of Supervisors room.

MINUTES APPROVED

Chairman of the Board, Neiman declared the minutes of the July 28, 2026, Board meeting was approved as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ronnie Wilson asked the Board if they had given any thought to adding video recording of their meetings.

CLAIMS

The claims were presented for payment. The following abbreviations describe the expenditures: Equip – equipment, HDM’s – home delivered meals, Insur – insurance, Main – maintenance, Mtgs – meetings, Mile – mileage, Misc – miscellaneous, Post – postage, Pro – proceedings, Rep – repairs, Ret – retirement, Ser – service, SS – social security, Sup – supplies, Uti – utilities, Wksh – workshop expense.

GENERAL FUND:

34 Electric, LLC	Rep	143.61
A Street Auto Parts Southwest	Sup	22.98
Amazon Capital Services	Sup	430.47
APCO International, Inc.	Training	2,159.00
Applied Connective Technologies	Ser	5,076.39
Anjanette Bauer	Ser	1,600.00
Bi-Versal Services, LLC	Ser	702.99
Black Hills Energy	Uti	220.87
Chaney Chemical, Inc.	Sup	1,258.75
City of Geneva	Uti	33.50
Clearfly	Uti	529.79
County Vets Service Officers Association	Wksh	60.00
Jill R Cunningham	Rent	183.34
Diane Deepe	Ser	525.00
Eakes Office Solutions	Sup, Ser	1,019.24
Entenmann-Rovin Co.	Sup	283.85
Exeter Senior Center	Pass-thru	535.70
Fairmont Aging Services	Pass-thru	2,385.00
Farmers Cooperative	Fuel	97.62
Fillmore County Clerk of the District Court	Fees	36.00
Fillmore County Court	Fees	157.00
Fillmore County HRA	Insur	315.26
Fillmore County Treasurer	Transfer	50,000.00
First Concord Benefits Group	Ser	52.50
First Wireless, Inc.	Rep	664.64
Fortify Group	Sup	40.00
Geneva Arnold Motor Supply	Sup, Rep	439.96
Geneva Family Dentistry	Ser	112.00
Geneva Senior Center Foundation, Inc.	Pass-thru	3,425.90
Geneva Super Foods	Sup	1,289.45
Glenwood Telecommunications, Inc.	Uti	374.70
Great Plains Uniforms, LLC	Sup	496.49
Hitz Towing, Inc.	Main	93.22
Kimberly J Hirth	Rent	183.33
Hometown Leasing	Ser	1,901.85
Jim’s U-Save Pharmacy	Sup	16.90
Kalkwarf & Smith Law Offices	Ser	4,591.44
Kiesler Police Supply	Equip	88.50
Kopchos Sanitation, Inc.	Uti	197.00

MIPS, Inc.	Ser	3,889.53
Murray Law PC, LLO	Ser	1,873.10
Nebraska Association of County Officials	Wksh	80.00
Nebraska Cooperative Extension Assoc.	Mile	109.44
Nebraska Public Power District	Uti	1,307.24
Nebraska Signal	Pro, Ads	1,054.58
Point C	Insur	352.00
Postmaster	Post	90.00
Precision Signs & Graphics, LLC	Sup	611.00
Quadiant Finance USA, Inc.	Post	700.00
Reeves Company, Inc.	Sup	125.34
Roger Schropfer	Misc	75.00
Skalka & Baack & Fiala Law Firm	Ser	473.48
Dawn M Stites	Rent	183.33
Sullivan Shoemaker PC, LLO	Ser	538.52
Thayer County Treasurer	Sup	649.45
Trans Union Risk & Alternative	Main	456.00
Unifirst Corporation	Sup	734.70
US Bank CPS	Sup, Main	2,495.03
Vigilnet America, LLC	Ser	342.20
Weaver Pharmacy	Sup	36.12
Woodward's Disposal Service, Inc.	Ser	87.50
Payroll	Salaries	61,456.24

ROAD/BRIDGE FUND:

Amazon Capital Services	Equip	299.89
Beatrice Sand & Gravel	Gravel	38,890.61
Bi-Versal Service, LLC	Ser	1,637.28
Black Hills Energy	Uti	9.58
Blaine & Rachel Richards	Easement	1,196.62
City of Geneva	Uti	83.25
Farmers Cooperative	Fuel	420.87
Galyen Energy Supply, LLC	Fuel	3,214.89
Geneva Arnold Motor Supply	Parts, Main, Equip	403.01
Geneva Building Supply	Parts, Sup	117.95
Geneva Implement Co., Inc.	Parts, Sup	170.75
Geneva Super Foods	Sup	11.98
Geneva Tire and Auto, Inc.	Tire, Rep	3,735.12
Geneva Welding & Supply, Inc.	Rep	41.50
Glenwood Telecommunications, Inc.	Uti	64.95
Grafton Oil, Inc.	Fuel	4,025.23
Hometown Leasing	Ser	172.26
Kopchos Sanitation, Inc.	Uti	70.00
Medical Enterprises, Inc.	Sup	6.25
Mid-Nebraska Aggregate, Inc.	Gravel	15,757.48
MIPS, Inc.	Ser	147.20
Nebraska Machinery Company	Rep, Ser	7,043.89
Perennial Public Power District	Uti	129.84
Power Plan	Ser	10,887.00
Schroyer's Mobile Flat Glass, LLC	Rep	235.00
Village of Exeter	Uti	49.00
Village of Fairmont	Uti	59.84
Village of Grafton	Uti	59.71
Village of Milligan	Uti	60.00
Village of Shickley	Uti	200.79
Werner Aggregates, Inc.	Gravel	46,025.31
Payroll	Salaries	39,018.69

REGISTER OF DEEDS PRESERVATION AND MODERNIZATION:

MIPS, Inc.	Ser	154.62
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INHERITANCE TAX FUND:

First Wireless, Inc.	Equip	217,553.82
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911 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND:

Andrews Electric Co., Inc.	Rep, Main	197.50
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911 WIRELESS SERVICES FUND:

Glenwood Telecommunications, Inc.	Uti	744.80
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HOSPITAL OPERATING / TAXES FUND:

Fillmore County Hospital	Taxes July	864.61
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CLAIMS APPROVED

Cerny moved and Sluka seconded the motion to approve the claims as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Cerny, Graham, Harre, Lightwine, Neiman, Noel, and Sluka
Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

FEE REPORTS FOR JULY 2026

After review, Lightwine moved and Noel seconded the motion to approve the fee reports for July 2026 as presented:

County Clerk \$19,112.62 (State \$11,597.55 & County \$7,515.07)
Clerk of the District Court \$576.43
County Sheriff \$2,265.25

Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Cerny, Graham, Harre, Lightwine, Neiman, Noel, and Sluka
Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

SURPLUS ITEMS

After discussion, Sluka moved and Graham seconded the motion to declare all outdated and unused electronics (computers, battery backups, switches, etc.) as surplus. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Cerny, Graham, Harre, Lightwine, Neiman, Noel, and Sluka
Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

ADDITIONAL BUDGET AUTHORITY

Sluka moved and Lightwine seconded the motion to authorize up to one percent (1%) additional budget authority for fiscal year 2026/2027 as allowed by statute. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Cerny, Graham, Harre, Lightwine, Neiman, Noel, and Sluka
Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

OCCUPY COUNTY RIGHT-OF-WAY PERMIT

After review, Lightwine moved and Cerny seconded the motion to approve the following occupy county right-of-way permit as presented:

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service – installation of a stock well on Road 8, between Road G and Road H, between the N ½ of Section 5 and the E ½ of Section 6, Geneva Township. The owner will cooperate fully with the officials of Fillmore County and keep them fully and immediately informed of all construction and maintenance work required in the county right-of-way.

Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Cerny, Graham, Harre, Lightwine, Neiman, Noel, and Sluka
Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

PROPOSED FORCE MAIN SEWER FOR VILLAGE OF SHICKLEY

Shickley Village Board members Bart Brinkman and Tanya Kempf were present for the discussion regarding placing a force main sewer line in the county right-of-way either along Road 6 or Road 7.

After discussion, Harre moved and Noel seconded the motion to deny the Village of Shickley to access the county right-of-way for their sewer project. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Cerny, Harre, and Noel
Nays: Graham, Lightwine, Neiman, and Sluka

The Chairman declared the motion FAILED.

After further discussion, the Board requested that the Village get more information regarding lift stations and determine a few other items and come back to a future Board meeting.

APPROVE BATHROOM QUOTES FOR MILLIGAN AND OHIOVA COUNTY SHOPS

Highway Superintendent, Doug Motis presented two quotes for each shop: Bill Blundell – Betka Plumbing for Milligan \$38,800.00 and Ohioa \$31,300.00 and Erb Plumbing for Milligan \$42,100.00 and Ohioa \$33,450.00.

After discussion, Harre moved and Noel seconded the motion to approve Bill Blundell – Betka Plumbing quotes for both Milligan and Ohioa shops. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Cerny, Graham, Harre, Lightwine, Neiman, Noel, and Sluka
Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

SORA WATERFOWL MANAGEMENT AREA WATERSHED ENHANCEMENT PROJECT WITH NEBRASKA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION/RAINWATER BASIN JOINT VENTURE

After discussion, Harre moved and Sluka seconded the motion to authorize Highway Superintendent, Doug Motis to sign the Memorandum of Understanding between the County and Nebraska Community Foundation, for its affiliated fund the Rainwater Basin Joint Venture in Section 21, Hamilton Township to replace at a shared cost two 48-inch by 44-foot culverts. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Cerny, Graham, Harre, Lightwine, Neiman, Noel, and Sluka
Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

GUARDRAIL QUOTE ON ROAD 17 BETWEEN ROAD X AND ROAD Y

Doug Motis, Highway Superintendent, presented two quotes for the repair of a guardrail that was damaged with a motor grader on Road 17 between Road X and Road Y from Garcia Chicoine Enterprises, Inc. (GCE, Inc) out of Milford, NE. To repair the side that was damaged is \$15,483.00 and repair both sides of the guardrail due to age would be \$39,233.00.

After discussion, Neiman moved and Lightwine seconded the motion to fix both sides of the guardrail on Road 17 between Road X and Road Y for \$39,233.00. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Cerny, Graham, Harre, Lightwine, Neiman, and Noel
Nays: Sluka

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

FIRE TRAINING WITH HEAVY EQUIPMENT

Motis informed the Board that they would be hosting training with the State Fire Marshall regarding fires with heavy equipment on October 7th.

SURPLUS ITEM

Graham moved and Sluka seconded the motion to surplus a printer from the Road Department as surplus. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Cerny, Graham, Harre, Lightwine, Neiman, Noel, and Sluka
Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

BENEFIT MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION REGARDING HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL

Dustin Will and Dan Duren with Benefit Management presented information regarding the insurance renewal for October 2026. They are currently working with providers to get finalized numbers for the renewal and will hopefully have them for the August 25th meeting.

COUNTY BURIAL AGREEMENT AND POLICY

Shaun Farmer with Farmer and Sons Funeral Home was present to discuss the current county burial agreement and policy with the Board. The last time the agreement was modified was in January 2021. After discussion, the Board would like to have a new application completed for the August 25th meeting.

BUDGET DISCUSSION

County Clerk, Amy Nelson informed the Board that they will need to review the entire budget at the August 25th meeting and possibly make a few changes to be in compliance with the regulations. The Joint Public Hearing will be on Sept. 23rd at 6:05 p.m. in the Courtroom of the Fillmore County Courthouse.

ADJOURN

“Water/Ice machine rental for Extension office” was tabled for a future meeting. As there was no other business to come before the Board, Graham moved and Lightwine seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:20 a.m. until August 25, 2026. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Cerny, Graham, Harre, Lightwine, Neiman, Noel, and Sluka
Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

State of Nebraska)
County of Fillmore) ss.

I, Amy Nelson, the undersigned County Clerk of Fillmore County, Nebraska do hereby certify the foregoing minutes are true and are part of the official records of this office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed by official seal this 11th day of August 2026.

Attest

Chairman