

**MEETING OF THE CHEYENNE COUNTY
EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER AUTHORITY BOARD**

The Cheyenne County Emergency Communications Center Authority Board held an open and public meeting on May 18, 2026, in the Cheyenne County Commissioners' Meeting room, Cheyenne County Court House, 1000 10th Avenue, Sidney, Nebraska. A notice of this meeting was published in the Sidney Sun-Telegraph on April 30, 2026, posted on the bulletin board in the County Courthouse and on the Cheyenne County website. A copy of the agenda was posted on the Court House bulletin board and on the Cheyenne County website, transmitted to each member and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Darrell Johnson resigned on April 20, 2026.

Vice Chairman Josh Hanson called the meeting to order at 1:35 P.M., with the following members present: City Director Josh Hanson, Chief Sam Lovato, Sheriff Scott Decoste and Member at Large Shannon Odiet. Also present was Communications Center Director Heidi Gillespie, Communication Center Deputy Monique Christensen and County Clerk Jordan Hajek. Absent was Sheriff Adam Frerichs.

Vice Chairman Hanson announced a current copy of the Open Meetings Law is posted on the wall in the Commissioners Meeting Room.

The minutes of the meeting on February 12, 2026, were reviewed. A motion was made by Decoste, seconded by Lovato to approve the minutes as written. Motion passed unanimously.

The current agenda has been reviewed. A motion was made by Decoste, seconded by Lovato, to approve the agenda as written. Motion passed unanimously.

Communications Center Director Heidi Gillespie updated the board on the 30th Anniversary of open house in E911 on April 1st and thanked everyone that was able to make it.

Gillespie explained they have secured a Medical Director from the EMD program. Dr. Popovich with SRMC will provide services with no fee or formal Contract except the Contract APCO requires. This will be effective for the next two years.

Next, Gillespie updated the board on two projects. First project is a new CAD, RMS and probably JMS system. The focus will be to obtain a new system that is cloud-based and the same type of systems that are being used in the panhandle. The project could cost 250,000-350,000. There is still a lot of factors to sort out, and Gillespie will continue her research with the surrounding counties.

The second project is updating the dispatch furniture. Currently the furniture is around 30 years old. Currently dispatchers only have two workstations and with the update it could open the door for one or two more positions.

The next meeting will be July 13, 2026, at 1:30 P.M., in the County Commissioners Meeting room, Cheyenne County Court House, 1000 10th Avenue, Sidney, Nebraska.

There were no comments from the public.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:10 P.M.



Jordan Hajek
Recording Secretary