

CHEYENNE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CHEYENNE COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

June 1, 2026

The Cheyenne County Board of Commissioners and Board of Equalization held an open and public meeting on Monday, June 1, 2026, in the 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 May 28, 2026, aired on News Channel Nebraska Radio, posted on the bulletin board in the County Court House and on the Cheyenne County website. Copies of the agenda were posted on the Court House bulletin board, transmitted to each Commissioner, and kept current and available to the public at the Office of the County Clerk. Jordan Hajek, Cheyenne County Clerk called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M., with the following present:

Randal D. Miller	Commissioner of the First District
	Commissioner of the Second District
Philip E. Sanders	Commissioner of the Third District
Amber Horn	County Attorney
Jordan Hajek	County Clerk

Everyone present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Jordan Hajek, County Clerk announced a copy of the current Open Meetings Act is posted on the wall in the Commissioners Meeting Room.

Jordan Hajek called for nominations for Chairman of the Board of Commissioners and Board of Equalization for the remainder of the year 2026. Commissioner Miller nominated Philip Sanders for Chairman and moved that nominations cease, and a unanimous ballot be cast for Philip Sanders for Chairman of the Board of Commissioners and Board of Equalization for the remainder of the year 2026. Sanders seconded the motion. Roll Call: Aye: Sanders, Miller. Nay: None.

Next, Chairman Sanders called for nominations for Vice-Chairman of the Board of Commissioners and Board of Equalization for the remainder of the year 2026. Chairman Sanders nominated Randal Miller for Vice-Chairman and moved that nominations cease, and a unanimous ballot be cast for Randal Miller for Vice-Chairman of the Board of Commissioners and Board of Equalization for the remainder of the year 2026. Miller seconded the motion. Roll Call: Aye: Miller, Sanders. Nay: None.

The current Agenda has been reviewed. A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Sanders to approve the current Agenda as presented. Roll Call: Aye: Sanders, Miller. Nay: None.

The Minutes of May 18, 2026, meeting have been reviewed. A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Sanders to approve the Minutes as written. Roll Call: Aye: Miller, Sanders. Nay: None.

Abbreviations for claims: Ex (Expenses), Ga (Garnishment), In (Insurance), Mi (Mileage), Re (Retirement), Sa (Salaries), Se (Service), Su (Supplies), Ta (Tax), Ut (Utilities).

GENERAL FUND

Employee Payroll 112,671.72-Sa; Stacy Bach 7,000.00-Se; Black Hills Energy 53.36-Ut; BCBS 84,652.41-In; Bluffs Facility Solutions 465.09-Su; Brent Fletcher/Weed Mngmnt

14,722.00-Se; Century Link 107.93-Se; CC Clerk 370.63-Ex, 7,907.26-Re, 8,119.49-Ta; City of Sidney 2,900.59-Ut, Library 7,500.00-Ex, Eco Devel 1,666.67-Ex; The Count Printer 471.00-Su; CNA Surety 40.00-Ex; Cranmore Pest Control 55.00-Su; Crowne Plaza Kearney 319.90-Ex; Darin's Auto Repair 3,561.61-Se; Dick's Flooring 1,004.37-Ex; E&S 85.35-Se; Election Workers 7,313.46-Ex; Elliott Law 7,604.97-Se; Ellison, Kovaik Et All 10.00-Ex; Finney's 408.55-Su, 666.09-Se; Evie Flessner 71.75-Ex; FVC 146.54-Su; Zachary Goodrich 948.74-In; GT Distributors 1,461.04-Su; Jordan Hajek 1,100.00-In; Lois Hart 538.81-Ex; Hometown Leasing 1,526.75-Ex; Amber Horn 63.33-Ex; Ideal Linen and Uniform 149.92-Su; Justice Data Solutions 3,400.00-Se; Ron Kissler 167.99-Ex; Knapp Electric 388.00-Se; Lyle Kurth 17.50-Se; Lincoln Regional Center 338.73-Ex; Marks Funeral and Cremation 1,500.00-Ex; Miller Law 15,500.00-Se; Pam Krolkowski 203.35-Ex; Premier Land Mgmt. 230.00-Se; Rodak Law 7,000.00-Ex; Georgia Rogers 107.30-Mi; Royal Flush Sanitation 100.00-Se; Joelyann Saucedo 25.00-Ex; Schuch Rentals 150.00-Ex; Security First Bank 1,441.08-Ex; SRMC 1,100.00-Ex; SRMC EMS 37,500.00-Ex; Colleen Turman 25.00-Ex; Verizon 80.02-Se; Viaero 515.98-Se
Total: \$345,474.28

ROAD FUND

Employee Payroll 40,721.31-Sa; Black Hills Energy 817.14-Ut; BCBS 23,322.14-In; Bomgaars 48.85-Su, 15.99-Se; CC Clerk 3,029.38-Ta, 2610.35-Re; City of Sidney 740.59-Ut; E&S 122.38-Su, 577.17-Se; Eakes 212.26-Su; Hometown Leasing 204.41-Se; Bluffs Facility Solutions 310.58-Su; Luft 204.38-Se; Michael Todd & Co 3,850.92-Su; Nebraska Machinery 2,425.82-Se; Nebraska Public Power Dist 54.95-Ut; Perfection Door 389.37-Se; Rose Equip 1,579.59-Se; Verizon 39.93-Su; Village of Dalton 82.70-Ut; Village of Lodgepole 270.99-Ut; 21st Century 1,255.45-Se.
Total: \$82,886.65

VISITORS FUND

Employee Payroll 1,970.40-Sa; CC Clerk 133.00-Re, 150.73-Ta; Lamar 445.00-Se; Kendra Mitchell 313.93-Mi.
Total: \$3,013.06

KENO LOTTERY FUND

CC Clerk 396.34-Ex
Total: \$396.34

E911 FUND

Employee Payroll 15,443.94-Sa; Action Communications 2,528.50-Se; AT&T 320.51-Se; BCBS 14,984.51-In; Century Link/Lumen 81.00-Ut; Century Link 138.04-Ut; CC Clerk 1,042.47-Re, 1,098.65-Ta; Dalton Phone Co 113.40-Ut; Frontier 34.19-Se; Holiday Inn 440.00-Ex.
Total: \$36,225.21

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND / EM21

Employee Payroll 4046.60-Sa; Kay Anderson 350.00-Ex; Black Hill Energy 125.03-Ut; BCBS 4,634.41-In; CC Clerk 273.15-Re; 269.37-Ta; Adam Hayward 350.00-Ex; Brandon Loy 350.00-Ex; Charles Roderick 350.00-Ex; Elizabeth Yost 350.00-Ex.
Total: \$11,098.56

GRAND TOTAL: \$479,094.10

A motion was made by Sanders, seconded by Miller to approve and pay all claims as stated above. Delinquent taxes were deducted where owing. Roll Call: Aye: Miller, Sanders. Nay: None.

There was no correspondence:

At 8:05 A.M., Chairman Sanders declared the public hearing open to review and consider a surplus real estate on property located on the North 43' of Lot 7, Block 1, Gilgren Addition to Dalton, in Section 28, Township 17 North, Range 49 West of the 6th P.M., Cheyenne County, Nebraska, including the mobile home located on said property and to hear public comments. There were no comments. The Notice to set a sale date on said property was published in the Sidney Sun-Telegraph on May 21, 2026, and on May 28, 2026. The matter was discussed. A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Sanders to advertise the Sheriff's sale in the Sidney Sun-Telegraph and set the Sheriff's sale on July 8, 2026, at 10:00 A.M., to be held at the east door in front of the District Courtroom. Roll Call: Aye: Miller, Sanders. Nay: None. The sale will be conducted using the auction process. The Board will either accept or reject the bid. If the bid is accepted, the purchaser will provide the money for the purchase and then a Deed will be prepared for the Board's signature.

Every year, the Board reviews the Cash-in-Lieu program. The Cash-in-Lieu program is available as an option to the Blue Cross Blue Shield medical insurance plan available to employees of Cheyenne County, Nebraska who qualify for insurance coverage. The employees who are eligible for the insurance coverage are elected officials, full-time employees and part-time employees who work at least 20 hours a week. Those eligible employees electing to participate in the Cash-in-Lieu option, after presenting notice of Proof of Coverage and submitting a signed Affidavit of other coverage, will be eligible for the Cash-in-Lieu benefit in the amount of \$500.00 per month. A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Sanders to adopt Resolution 2026-10 continuing the Cash-in-Lieu program under the same terms and conditions as the current program with the Cash-in-Lieu benefit remaining at \$500.00 per month. Roll Call: Aye: Sanders, Miller. Nay: None. A complete copy of the Resolution as adopted is on file at the office of the County Clerk.

The Board reviewed the Blue Cross/Blue Shield Subgroup application regarding the renewal of the Blue Cross/Blue Shield insurance for the employee health insurance program. Based on claims experience and demographic information, Cheyenne County will receive a 10.19% increase in the amount of the premiums paid. Due to this increase, the employee share of the premium will be increased as follows:

Single	\$ 80.00
Employee/Spouse	\$160.00
Employee/Child	\$160.00
Family	\$183.00

Otherwise, the plan will continue under the same terms and conditions as are currently in effect with the deductible remaining at \$2,600 per person and \$5,200 per family. A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Sanders to approve the renewal of the Blue Cross/Blue Shield insurance for the employee health insurance program with the above changes. Roll Call: Aye: Miller, Sanders. Nay: None.

Jamie Bright, Extension Educator announced that she is leaving the Extension Office due to being elected as Clerk of District Court in Kimball County. Jamies last day will be June 12th. Vinney will temporarily take over. The State does not plan on advertising her position right away.

Josh Hanson, City of Sidney Manager approached the board regarding the Economic Development Interlocal Agreement. Manager Hanson stated the last direction he received was back in December to have E3 work with the City Attorney, third party Attorney and the

County Attorney to draft a few documents and the Interlocal Agreement. Josh stated the last direction he received from the Mayor and City Council was to appointment City Manager as well as a City Council Member to the Board of Directors for an Economic Development Corporation. Josh then put forward to the Commissioners if they would be interested in pursuing placement on the Economic Development Corporation Board. A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Sanders to nominate Miller to the Economic Development Corporation. Roll Call: Aye: Sanders, Miller. Nay: None.

Commissioner Committee appointments for the remainder of the year 2026 were next discussed. A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Sanders to approve the Committee appointments as follows. Roll Call: Aye: Miller, Sanders. Nay: None.

<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>REPRESENTATIVE</u>	<u>ALTERNATE</u>
Water Quality	Miller	Sanders
Region 21 Emergency Management	Sanders	Sanders
Commission on Aging	Sanders	Miller
Mental Health	Sanders	Miller
Region I-Office of Human Dev.	Sanders	Miller
Panhandle Area Dev. District	Sanders	Miller
Panhandle Community Services	Miller	Sanders
Panhandle Disability Service Inc.	Miller	Miller
Visitor Committee – Ex Officio	Sanders	---
Waste Management – Landfill	Miller	Miller
E911 Board	Miller	Miller
Panhandle Public Health District Board	Miller	Sanders
Cheyenne County Safety Committee	Sanders	---
Economic Development Corporation	Miller	

Anthony Krajewski, Highway Superintendent, gave an update on the roads department.

Comments from the public:

Joe McCarn, Director of Cheyenne County Chamber updated the events happening this weekend.

Friday – Cruise N Class, Cars Cones and Cruisin’ 6-9 P.M.

Saturday – Panhandle Frontier Finds June 5-7th, Sidney Elks Breakfast and Lunch, Potter Community Garage Sales, Chamber Day Out, Sidney Garden Club and the Wesley Bell Ringers.

Sunday – Georg Wyman Project Dedication Ceremony 7P.M. at Pedalers Corner.

Joe McCarn also stated they opened a new landing page for the entire county.

Highplainslife.com. It is designed to advertise life in Cheyenne County.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 A.M.

Dated the 1st day of June 2026.

Philip E. Sanders, Chairman

Randal D. Miller, Vice-Chairman

, Member

ATTEST:

Jordan Hajek, Cheyenne County Clerk