September 8, 2026

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, September 8, 2026 at 9:09 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with, Jarecke, Dexter, Wiegert, Placke, Kucera, Clerk Fate and County Attorney Kunz present. Weller absent.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal and the Merrick County Website. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were given to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Moved Placke, second Dexter to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:09 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Chairwoman Kucera declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:09 a.m.

Moved Dexter, second Placke to approve the agenda. Roll Call: All Ayes

Moved Jarecke, second Wiegert to approve the minutes from August 25, 2026 with the correction of culvert instead of concrete tube on the bids that were presented. Roll Call: All Ayes

Meetings: Finance Committee meeting August 31 and September 3rd-Dexter, Placke and Kreachbaum; Safety Committee September 1-Dexter; NIRMA Roundtable webinar September 3-Dexter; September 4-Merrick County Economic Development-Dexter; Institute of Excellence August 27-Placke attended and finished the course presented by NACO.

Officials Reports: Assessor Myers stated the only subdivision that will have a Public Joint Hearing is for the Fullerton Public Schools. Highway Superintendent stated work at the bridge on Gunbarrel will begin next week. Clerk Fate informed the board the office has begun proofing the ballots for the General Election and currently working on the budgets for three townships that were dissolved.

Jake Kulhanek, Senior Project Manager with Sampson Construction provided an update on the construction. Asbestos on both sides will be completed today and a ship date of October 5 for the new chiller. A discussion regarding the approval process for change orders with the discretion of anything over $10,000.00 will go before the board, while Jan Placke and Ed Dexter will be the contact persons for any change orders less than that amount. Moved Jarecke, second Dexter to approve Placke and Dexter to be the contact persons for any change orders under $10,000.00. Roll Call: All Ayes

Juvenile Diversion Program Director, Jordanne McNeff came before the board to inform them there is a shortage in the fund for payroll and claims. This is due to the fact the grants and interlocal funding have not been received. Discussion regarding the program was held.

Moved Placke, second Dexter to move into Executive Session at 10:00 a.m. for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual. Roll Call: All Ayes

Weller present at 10:28 a.m.

Moved Placke, second Dexter to move out of Executive Session at 10:38 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Treasurer Gilg stated a transfer could be done in the amount of the Interlocal with Juvenile Diversion $26,337.00 from the General Fund to Juvenile Diversion to help with the shortfall in that fund. This will be done through the claims process. Moved Jarecke, second Wiegert to approve the claim for $26,337.00 from the General Fund for a check to the Juvenile Diversion Fund. Roll Call: All Ayes

Moved Jarecke, second Wiegert to approve the August fees received from District Court, Clerk and the Sheriff. Roll Call: All Ayes

GENERAL	APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES	MAINTENANCE	$240.00
	JADE ARNSMEIER	MILEAGE	$43.47
	AT&T MOBILITY	PHONE SERVICE	$710.77
	JULIE L BELLIS	COURT EXPENSE	$196.55

BENCHMARK GOVERNMENT SOLUTIONS	MEALS	$645.65
BOMGAARS	SUPPLIES	$370.73
CASH-WA DISTRIBUTING	PRISONER FOOD	$1,158.68
CC AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	MEMBERSHIP	$100.00
CENTRAL CITY MALL	PRISONER FOOD	$31.53
CENTURY LINK	E911 PHONE	$336.32
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	UTILITIES	$3,171.51
CITY OF G.I. UTILITIES DEPT	UTILITIES	$24.15
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/CC	COURT COST	$354.00
CULLIGAN OF GRAND ISLAND	WATER SERVICE	$373.05
EAKES OFFICE PLUS INC.	SUPPLIES	$16.70
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES/EQUIP	$251.38
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	EQUIP RENTAL	$110.14
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLY	$537.77
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	$828.59
ELECTION	CANVASSER	$90.00
SUANN ENGEL	CONSULT FEES	$787.50
FARM & HOME PUBLISHERS LTD	PLAT BOOKS	$280.00
TRISHA FATE	PHONE	$30.00
FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS GROUP	SERVICE FEE	$59.00
FIRST CONCORD-HRA BUYDOWN EFN	HRA BUYDOWN	$848.41
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	PHONE SERVICE	$64.17
SHARON GILG	PHONE	$30.00
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	PHONE SERVICE	$95.88
HAMILTON CO SHERIFF	BOARDING COST	$3,200.00
HAMILTON TELECOMMUNICATIONS	PHONE	$4,673.65
HD ARMS LLC	EQUIPMENT	$142.50
HD SUPPLY	SUPPLIES	$350.91
HOMETOWN LEASING	EQUIP RENTAL	$887.82
CINDIE HOSTLER	SUBSCRIPTION	$53.47
JACKSON SERVICES	RUGS	$217.67
JACKSON SERVICES	RUG SERVICE	$161.26
JIM'S U-SAVE PHARMACY	PRISONER MEDS	$109.98
JOHNSON CONTROLS SECURITY	CYBERSECURITY	$577.81
KEN'S AUTO SERVICE	REPAIR	$90.72
KENDRICK WINDSHIELD REPAIR	REPAIR	$485.00
AARON J KUNZ	C/S SEMINAR	$230.00
DOUG MAW	PHONE/VENDING	$46.98
MCILNAY & CO	PARTS	$10.68
MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	TRANS FUNDS	$200,000.00
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	POSTAGE	$563.57
MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS, INC	IMAGING	$70.00

	MIPS INC.	SUPPORT	$3,959.41
	JENNIFER MYERS	PHONE	$30.00
	NACO	REGISTRATION	$350.00
	NEBR. CO. ATTORNEYS ASSOC.	REGISTRATION	$1,100.00
	NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	INSTITUTION	$555.00
	PALSER SERVICE	REPAIR	$339.63
	PAPER TIGER SHREDDING	SHRED	$252.44
	PINNACLE BANK-VISA	FUEL	$120.62
	PINNACLE BANK-VISA	FUEL	$138.87
	PINNACLE BANK-VISA	FUEL	$1,013.49
	PINNACLE BANK-VISA	FUEL	$460.99
	PINNACLE BANK-VISA	FUEL	$247.29
	PINNACLE BANK-VISA	FUEL	$50.01
	PINNACLE BANK-VISA	FUEL	$882.75
	PINNACLE BANK-VISA	FUEL	$570.00
	PINNACLE BANK-VISA	FUEL	$239.42
	PINNACLE BANK-VISA	MISC	$625.25
	PINNACLE BANK-VISA	FUEL	$849.56
	PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	EQUIPMENT	$15,175.83
	SACK LUMBER	REPAIRS	$10.99
	STATE OF NE-DEPT OF ADM	TELETYPE	$735.60
	STEVENS MEDICAL CLINIC	PRISONER CARE	$180.00
	SUMMERS AUTO	REPAIR	$100.00
	THOMSON REUTERS-WEST	LAW LIBRARY	$579.13
	UNL-HASKELL AG LAB	REGISTRATION	$250.00
	VAN DIEST SUPPLY CO.	CHEMICAL	$2,187.15
	PINNACLE BANK	MISC	$2,422.98
	PINNACLE BANK-VISA	MISC	$277.10
	KARA WELLS	MILEAGE	$76.23
	WHITNEY, NEWMAN, MERSCH,	ATTY FEES	$1,375.00
	WOODS & AITKEN LLP	ATTY FEE	$4,808.50
	1 TO 1 TECHNOLOGIES	COMP CONSULT	$9,380.00
	308 JUSTICE & MEDIATION CENTER, LLC	ATTY FEE	$10,000.00
	JUVENILE DIVERSION FUND	TRANS FUNDS	$26,337.00
TOTAL			$309,338.21
ROADS	ACE IRRIGATION & MFG., CO.	CULVERT	$9,920.00
	AKRS EQUIPMENT	PARTS	$805.08
	AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.	DIESEL	$3,850.50
	BAUM HYDRAULICS	PARTS	$89.25
	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	UTILITIES	$97.46
	BOMGAARS	PARTS	$699.43

	BOSSELMAN ENERGY INC	PARTS	$1,457.44
	BOWMAN	ENGINEER FEE	$1,183.17
	COMMERCIAL INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY CO	REPAIR	$695.05
	CORNHUSKER STATE INDUSTRIES	SIGNS	$32,129.55
	EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	$330.63
	FIRST CONCORD-HRA BUYDOWN EFN	HRA BUYDOWN	$357.46
	FRONTIER COOPERATIVE	DIESEL	$1,745.71
	GENERAL EXCAVATION	COUNTY BRIDGE	$32,301.03
	GROSSHANS, INC./ROADS	PARTS	$240.54
	HAMILTON TELECOMMUNICATIONS	PHONE SERVICE	$120.58
	HAMILTON TELECOMMUNICATIONS	PHONE SERVICE	$34.95
	HANSEN INTERNATIONAL TRUCK INC	REPAIR	$306.43
	HERK'S WELDING SHOP	PARTS	$297.78
	ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	SUPPLIES	$99.50
	J & A TRAFFIC PRODUCTS	SIGNS	$6,551.25
	JEFF KUTA	CULVERT	$2,000.00
	MERRICK CO. TREASURER	ROADS	$4.68
	MID-NEBRASKA DISPOSAL, INC	TRASH PICK UP	$77.70
	MILLER TIRE PROS & SERVICE	PARTS	$770.00
	MIPS INC.	SUPPORT	$136.23
	POWERPLAN	PARTS	$922.34
	NEBRASKA MACHINERY COMPANY	REPAIR	$722.75
	LEE NEEL	UTILITIES	$75.00
	NT&T/SHOP	PHONE SERVICE	$98.93
	O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	PARTS	$413.45
	OAK CREEK ENGINEERING	ENGINEER FEES	$10,500.00
	PALMER SERVICE CENTER	DIESEL	$7,339.99
	PALSER SERVICE/ROADS	REPAIR	$314.85
	POLK COUNTY RURAL PUBLIC POWER	ELECTRICITY	$34.40
	RDO TRUCK CENTER COMPANY	REPAIR	$152.61
	REED'S DO IT BEST INC	SUPPLIES	$24.74
	REPUBLICAN NONPARIEL	PUBLISHING	$324.16
	SACK LUMBER CO./ROADS	REPAIR	$271.92
	SAPP BROS. INC	DIESEL	$4,380.45
	SHAWN'S AUTO REPAIR, LLC	LABOR	$183.00
	SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	$566.94
	VERIZON	PHONE SERVICE	$350.90
	VERIZON WIRELESS	PHONE SERVICE	$79.94
	VONTZ PAVING INC	GRAVEL	$1,846,218.08
	WELDON PARTS	REPAIR	$38.64
	WERNER CONSTRUCTION CO	ASPHALT	$2,249.25
TOTAL			$1,971,563.74

JUVENILE DIVERSION	MERRICK CO. TREASURER	POSTAGE	$5.46
	T-MOBILE	PHONE	$85.16
TOTAL			$90.62
K-9 FUND	CENTRAL CITY VET CLINIC	K-9 CARE	$90.35
TOTAL			$90.35
INHERITANCE	RDG PLANNING & DESIGN	ENGINEER FEE	$2,851.18
TOTAL			$2,851.18
4-H FUND	BOMGAARS	SUPPLIES	$32.63
	CARL'S SKRAP	DUMPSTER	$205.00
	CENTRAL CITY MALL	SUPPLIES	$29.23
	CITY OF CENTRAL CITY	UTILITIES	$3,653.42
	CINDIE HOSTLER	REPAIR	$34.66
	JON PAUL	CLEANING FEE	$300.00
TOTAL			$4,254.94

Moved Weller to approve the September claims as presented. Motion died for lack of second.
Moved Placke, second Dexter to approve the September claims as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes
Moved Jarecke, second Dexter to approve the payroll as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes
Moved Dexter, second Placke to adjourn at 12:24 p.m. Roll Call: All Ayes
/s/Carolyn Kucera, Chairwoman
/s/Trisha L Fate, County Clerk