

Sioux County Board of Commissioners

Harrison, Nebraska

April 1, 2026

The Sioux County Board of Commissioners met at the Sioux County Courthouse meeting room April 1, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. with the following present: Commissioners J.W. Geiser, Josh Skavdahl and Hal Downer. Also present was County Clerk Michelle Zimmerman. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Josh Skavdahl opened the meeting in prayer. Reference was made to the Open Meeting Laws posted in the meeting room. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2026 meeting. On roll call vote Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes; Downer, yes. Motion carried. Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve the agenda. On roll call vote, Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes; Downer yes. Motion carried. The board met with elected and appointed officials.

The Board approved the following claims: GENERAL FUND: PAYROLL, 52,642.13; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 288.41; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 3,401.84/employee share, 2,365.76; AT&T, phone system, 104.52; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 19,000.23; Bytes, IT services, 4,652.19; Centurylink, phone, 328.24; Clerks of the District Court Association, workshop fee, 75.00; Crawford Clipper, ads, 675.66; DAS State Accounting, data processing, 582.00; Douglas, Kelly, Ostdiek, court costs, 130.00; Eakes Office Solutions, office supplies, 167.40; Election Systems and Software, election materials, 1,133.25; First Concord Benefits Group, HR fees, reimbursements, 3,856.96; AT & T Mobility, phones, 501.16; Dennelle Fischer, buffer, 833.53; Horse Creek Tire, inc., repairs, Lacy Klein, mileage 145.00; Lotton's Service & Repair, fuel, 128.60; Madison National Life Ins., insurance, 53.62; Marshall & Swift/Boeckh, LLC, handbook, 413.15; MASA Global, insurance, 125.00; Chad McCumbers, reimbursements, 27.80; MIPS, Inc., data processing, 2,428.04; NACO, workshop fee, 175.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 1,431.99; Nebraska State Patrol, costs, 341.00; NEA, electricity, 1,405.79; Quadient Leasing USA, postage meter, 840.00; Quill, supplies, 53.05; Irene Richey, yrs of service, 19.00; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 561.84; Security First Bank, county share social security, 2,994.98/employee share social security, 2,994.98/county share medicare 700.45/employee share medicare 700.45/withholding, 2,712.61; Sioux Co. Insurance Trust Fund, employee cafeteria plan, 200.00; Amber Skavdahl, reimbursement, 16.05; Skavdahl, Edmund & Stecher, office rent, 200.00/clerical, 150.00/phone, 25.49/subscription, 55.00; Scottsbluff Star Heald, subscriptions, 451.99; Transfer to Library Fund, 3,000.00; Transfer to Noxious Weed Fund, 2,000.00; Transfer to Road Fund, 25,000.00; Transunion Risk & Alternative, services, 120.00; Village of Harrison, utilities, 387.20; Vision Service Plan, eye insurance, 170.33; Windbreak Cable internet, 59.52; Michelle Zimmerman, mileage, 337.13.

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: PAYROLL: 42,536.59; AFLAC, employee cafeteria plan, 1,278.05; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 2,693.38/employee share retirement, 1,795.56; Bauerkempers, repair, 29.24; Beguin Propane, propane, 1,215.27; Blue Cross/Blue Shield, insurance, 21,116.76; Centurylink, internet, 83.79; Dooley Oil, fuel, 137.60; Herren's, repairs, 236.43; Larry McCaslin Consulting, bridge inspections, 14,437.50; Legacy Cooperative, repair, 948.43; Lotton's Service and Repair, repairs, 51.00; Madison National Life ins., life insurance, 90.85; MASA Global, insurance, 100.00; Matheson Tri-

Gas, Inc., supplies, 339.65; Eric McCoy, mileage, 160.00; Motor Fuel Division, fuel tax, 802.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 932.10; NE Machinery, repairs, parts, 898.00; Newman Signs, Inc., signs, 1,697.31; NEA, electricity, 123.88; James Phipps, auger, 209.00; Pomp's Tire & Retreading, repairs, 926.76; Pine Ridge Service Center, fuel, 8,384.83; Security First Bank, county share social security, 2,317.51/employee share social security, 2,317.51/county share medicare, 541.99/employee share medicare, 541.99/withholding, 1,897.36; Skeeter's Napa, repairs, 334.94; TDS, trash, 70.00; U-Save Mart, fuel, 155.14; Village of Harrison, utilities, 106.25; Village of Morrill, electricity, 131.70; Vision Service Plan, eye insurance, 157.32; WPCI, drug testing, 68.00.

LIBRARY FUND: PAYROLL: \$1,954.47; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 131.93/employee share retirement, 87.95; Bloomers, plant, 64.95; Books-A-Million, books, 416.86; Herren's, supplies, 87.99; NE Dept. of Revenue, employee withholding, 39.63; NEA, electricity, 215.48; NT & T, phone, 86.36; Sarah Sanderson, supplies, 70.81; Security First Bank, county share social security, 121.18/employee share social security 121.18/county share medicare, 28.34/employee share medicare 28.34; Village of Harrison, water, 66.25; Windbreak Cable, internet, 59.95.

INHERITANCE FUND: Transfer to General Fund, 25,000.00.

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND: PAYROLL: 898.54; Ameritas Life Insurance, county share retirement, 60.65/ employee share retirement, 40.43; Centurylink, internet, 83.79; NE Dept. of Revenue, state tax, 23.39; Norfolk Lodge & Suites, room, 260.00; Sandberg Implement, equipment, 799.95; Security First Bank, county share social security, 55.71 /employee share social security, 55.71/county share medicare, 13.03/employee share medicare, 13.03/withholding, 64.07.

Ethan Jahnke and Jack Pritchett, Enfinity Global gave a presentation regarding the Silver Maple Solar Project. A final Conditional Use Permit will be submitted in the next few months. They are currently working on the site plan and permitting. A public information meeting will be held in the near future to give residents an opportunity to review the project and ask questions.

Michelle Zimmerman, Sioux County Clerk, submitted financial reports to the board. Zimmerman provided the board with updated 2026 agland values.

Lacy Klein, County Treasurer, submitted financial reports to the Board. Klein reported on the tax sale and advised the board that she will be advertising for a part-time employee.

Sheriff McCumbers provided a financial report and updated the board on recent activities. An interlocal agreement for a regional juvenile detention facility was discussed.

Motion made by Geiser, seconded by Downer to approve two Sioux County Travel Board Promotion Grant Applications. The applications for Sioux County Fair and Sioux County Historical Museum had been approved and submitted by the Sioux County Travel Board. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the Extension Office annual report. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

Ryan Powers, USDA Wildlife Services and Tim Brewer, Wildlife Specialist met with the board with an amendment to the Work/Financial Plan between Sioux County and USDA Wildlife Services. The amendment will create a separate account for aviation maintenance costs. Motion made by Downer, seconded by Geiser to approve the amended plan. On roll call vote, Downer, yes; Geiser, yes; Skavdahl, yes. Motion carried.

The board discussed a rental agreement submitted by Eric McCoy with Murphy Tractor for the lease of a John Deere skid steer for the road department. The agreement will be further discussed with McCoy at the May 1 meeting.

There being no further business to come before the meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m. The Sioux County Board of Commissioners will meet May 1, 2026.

Notice: Recently posted minutes may be subject to final approval and correction by the Board of Equalization and Board of Commissioners.

/s/Josh Skavdahl  
Chairman of the Board

/s/Michelle J. Zimmerman  
Sioux County Clerk