

Chase County Commissioners

August 11, 2026

The regular meeting of the Chase County Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Kurt Bernhardt at 8:00am on Tuesday, August 11, 2026, in the meeting room of the Chase County Courthouse. Also present were Commissioners Billie Muehlenkamp and Jacci Brown, Treasurer Rebecca Bernard, County Attorney Joel Burke and Clerk Wendy Moe. The meeting had been advertised in the Imperial Republican and on the County website. The agenda was posted and a copy of the open meetings act was available.

Treasurer Rebecca Bernard presented a listing of delinquent personal property tax, twenty distress warrants were given to the Sheriff to be issued in November, all 20 were returned. Only six were left unsatisfied with taxes still due.

John Copland from Dickinson Land Surveyors joined the meeting to show preliminary plans for the east courthouse entrance to the Board. He will attend the second August meeting with a firmer scoping document to base a contract from in preparation for soliciting contractors for the project.

Commissioner Bernhardt moved to approve Resolution 2026-11; Foreclosure on Lien for Taxes, authorizing the County Attorney to begin foreclosure proceedings on parcel 0150018673. Motion seconded by Commissioner Brown. Muehlenkamp – yes; Brown – yes; Bernhardt – yes. Motion carried. A complete copy of the resolution is on file in the office of the County Clerk.

John Rundel, project coordinator for Southwest Weed Management, joined the meeting to request a letter of support from Chase County for the fiscal year 2027-28 grant cycle. He also requested funding of \$500 to help support expenses that aren't covered by the grant funds. Commissioner Bernhardt moved to draft and sign a letter of support for the SW Weed Management grant cycle. Motion seconded by Commissioner Brown. Muehlenkamp – yes; Brown – yes; Bernhardt – yes. Motion carried. Commissioners will discuss additional \$500 funding at budget workshop.

Commissioner Bernhardt moved to approve and sign Resolution 2026-12, directing the transfer of \$500 from the Inheritance Fund to the Fair Fund. Motion seconded by Commissioner Muehlenkamp. Muehlenkamp – yes; Brown – yes; Bernhardt – yes. Motion carried. A complete copy of the resolution is on file in the office of the County Clerk.

Commissioner Bernhardt moved to approve claims as submitted. Motion seconded by Commissioner Brown. Muehlenkamp – yes; Brown – yes; Bernhardt – yes. Motion carried.

PE=payroll exp, TE=travel exp, SU=supply,
SE=service, CC=court cost, RP=repairs,
PT=parts, L=labor, UT=utility, AP=Appt. Counsel,
PS=Prior Service EQ=Equipment JD=Juv Div

AFFILIATED BENEFITS CONSULTANTS INC	SE	50.00
AFLAC	PE	1002.72
AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	PE	10714.52
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AT&T MOBILITY II LLC	UT	708.68
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF NEBRASKA	PE	27386.29
CHASE CO TREASURER/CAFETERIA REIMB.	PE	316.67
CHASE COUNTY COMMUNITY HOSPITAL	SE	114.00
CHASE COUNTY SHERIFF	CC	202.20

CHASE COUNTY TREASURER	SU	61.00
CITY OF IMPERIAL	UT	2698.26
COLONIAL LIFE	PE	361.34
CREDIT MANAGEMENT SERVICES, INC.	PE	247.22
DEVENY MOTORS LLC	RP	85.79
DICKINSON LAND SURVEYORS, INC.	SE	1086.33
EAKES, INC	SU	392.49
EFTPS	PE	17410.37
ELETECH, INC.	SE	1328.48
First Concord Benefits Group LLC	SE	270.00
GARY WAYNE HUNTER	EQ	4500.00
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS INC	UT	1482.60
HIGHLINE ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION	UT	372.70
IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY, INC	SU	512.38
IMPERIAL COUNTRY FORD	RP	98.94
JANICE E JAEGER	SE	803.00
LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK	CC	4361.16
MOUSEL, BROOKS, SCHNEIDER, MUSTION &	AP	637.50
MULTICOUNTY INFORMATION		
PROGRAMMING	SE	1807.32
NACO	TE	225.00
NE CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER	PE	320.00
NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	PE	700.00
OWENS TRUE VALUE INC	SU	53.95
PERKINS COUNTY SHERIFF	EQ	19050.00
POWER TECH, LLC	SE	618.75
PRAIRIE PLAINS CASA	SE	2000.00
RED WILLOW CO SHERIFF	SE	260.00
SCOTTSBLUFF COUNTY DETENTION		
CENTER	SE	180.00
STATE OF NE/STATE INCOME TAX	PE	2715.07
STATE OF NEBRASKA/DAS		
COMMUNICATION	SE	537.60
TROXELL'S HEATING & APPLIANCE, LLC	RP	232.00
WAUNETA CROSSROADS, LLC	SU	143.53
WAUNETA TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.	UT	150.42
WEST CENTRAL NEBRASKA AREA AGING	SE	3259.62
WESTFIELD PHARMACY INC.	SU	38.67
Net Payroll		41411.89
General Fund Total		150985.66
21ST CENTURY EQUIPMENT, LLC	RP	1134.87
AT&T MOBILITY II LLC	UT	47.02
CITY OF IMPERIAL	UT	305.26
COLONIAL LIFE	PE	13.62
E D ENTERPRISES INC	PT	957.31
EFTPS	PE	2037.78
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS INC	UT	267.25
HARCHELROAD MOTORS INC	PT/L	2979.24
HIGHLINE ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION	UT	129.99
MENDENHALL INC	SU	401.97
MURPHY TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT CO INC	PT/L	30939.18
NEBRASKA MACHINERY COMPANY	PT/L	1048.43
SAPP BRO PETROLEUM INC	SU	5595.00
TITAN MACHINERY INC.	SU	107.30
WAUNETA CROSSROADS, LLC	SU	727.16
WAUNETA MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	UT	166.71
WAUNETA TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.	UT	101.92
Net Payroll		26920.79

	Road Fund Total	73880.80
CITY OF IMPERIAL	UT	1909.97
	Fair Fund Total	1909.97
MULTICOUNTY INFORMATION PROGRAMMING	SE	260.40
	P&M Fund Total	260.40
CENTURY LINK	UT	2099.25
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS INC	UT	386.52
WAUNETA TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.	UT	278.90
	E-911 Fund Total	2764.67
AARON PATRIC GREENE	SE	21.30
AATEC WASH SYSTEMS LLC	SU	95.65
ALLISON A. PRYOR	SE	10.10
AT&T MOBILITY II LLC	UT	599.96
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	SU	211.19
CHRISTINA ILEEN PETERSOSN	SE	14.20
CHRISTOPHER MULDER	SE	310.70
DEBRA HAYES	SE	122.68
DESIREE LOEFFLER	SE	11.20
EFTPS	PE	26.38
EMILY BROWNING	SE	21.30
FAY D. HIYKEL	SE	21.08
GARY K. HUNT	SE	530.00
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS INC	UT	322.09
JACOB SUEPER	SE	9.88
JAYDEN C. MARIS	SE	11.20
JOHN W. MILLER	SE	35.28
JOLENE D. MUTHS	SE	257.40
JOSHUA JOEL BURKE	SE	11.20
JOSHUA SKELTON	SE	75.80
LANA J SKELTON	SE	75.80
LEANNE L. KLEIN	SE	560.20
MARCIE KELLEY	SE	25.40
MELISA K. KLENTZ	SE	499.80
RAQUEL CASTILLO ARVIZO	SE	119.68
ROB D BROWNING	SE	11.20
ROXANE K. MILLER	SE	51.68
TIMMIE D. GREENE	SE	52.48
TYLER KLEIN	SE	137.20
WAUNETA CROSSROADS, LLC	SU	352.57
WAUNETA TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.	UT	52.02
	Net Payroll	375.00
	Ambulance Fund Total	5031.62
	Grand Total All Claims	234833.12

Commissioner Brown moved to approve the minutes of the July 28, 2026, meeting as written. Motion seconded by Commissioner Muehlenkamp. Muehlenkamp – yes; Brown – yes; Bernhardt – yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Bernhardt moved to approve Resolution 2026-13 for Ambulance Debt Cancellation in the amount of \$2812.95; this amount is from cancelled accounts due to Statute of Limitations in June 2026. Motion seconded by Commissioner Brown. Muehlenkamp – yes; Brown – yes; Bernhardt – yes. Motion carried. A complete copy of the resolution is on file in the office of the County Clerk.

Commissioner Brown moved to sign the letter to prior auditor, submitted by GBE for approval. This will allow GBE CPA consent to access working papers from previous auditor, Don Wilson. Motion seconded by Commissioner Muehlenkamp. Muehlenkamp – yes; Brown – yes; Bernhardt – yes. Motion carried.

Concerning legislative changes to the Open Meeting Act and required publication for meeting notices, after discussion Commissioner Bernhardt moved to publish quarterly notices of meetings, to be held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, beginning at 8:00am, with Board of Equalization to be held at the first meeting of each month, if necessary. Motion seconded by Commissioner Brown. Muehlenkamp – yes; Brown – yes; Bernhardt – yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 2026-14, authorizing the Signing of the 2026 County Annual Certification of Program Compliance. Motion seconded by Commissioner Bernhardt. Muehlenkamp – yes; Brown – yes; Bernhardt – yes. Motion carried. A complete copy of the resolution is on file in the office of the County Clerk.

Correspondence and reports were reviewed; consisting of June 2026 fair board minutes and monthly reports from the Clerk and Treasurer.

With no further business to come before the board and nobody present for open forum, Chairman Bernhardt adjourned the meeting at 9:05am.

CHASE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



Billie Muehlenkamp – Commissioner District #1



Jacqui Brown – Commissioner District #2



Kurt Bernhardt – Commissioner District #3

ATTEST 

Wendy Moe, Chase County Clerk