

Chase County Commissioners
August 25, 2026

The regular meeting of the Chase County Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Kurt Bernhardt at 8:00am on Tuesday, August 25, 2026, in the meeting room of the Chase County Courthouse. Also present were Commissioners Billie Muehlenkamp and Jacci Brown, 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.

With nobody present for open forum, Board moved onto agenda items. Commissioner Bernhardt moved to sign the First Concord HRA Plan Documents. Motion seconded by Commissioner Muehlenkamp. Muehlenkamp - yes; Brown - yes; Bernhardt - yes. Motion carried.

John Copland from Dickinson Land Surveyors joined the meeting for the Courthouse Front Steps agenda item. John said the next step in the process would be to solicit bids using the preliminary drawings that were previously submitted. Commissioner Brown made the motion to approve the previously provided preliminary design drawings and scoping document for the Chase County Courthouse East Entrance Remediation as the basis for proceeding with the solicitation of contractor bids; to authorize Dickinson Land Surveyors, Inc., in coordination with Chase County, to refine and finalize the contractor pricing documents, solicit bids from qualified contractors, negotiate proposal terms as appropriate, and present the results to the Chase County Board of Commissioners for separate consideration and possible award. Motion seconded by Commissioner Bernhardt. Muehlenkamp - yes; Brown - yes; Bernhardt - yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Bernhardt moved to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2026, meeting as written. Motion seconded by Commissioner Muehlenkamp. Muehlenkamp - yes; Brown - yes; Bernhardt - yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2026, Budget Workshop, as written. Motion seconded by Commissioner Muehlenkamp. Muehlenkamp - yes; Brown - yes; Bernhardt - yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve claims as submitted. Motion seconded by Commissioner Bernhardt. 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

AFLAC	PE	1002.72
ALLO Business	SE	3649.10
AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	PE	11055.99
AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP.	PE	77.20
ASHLEY K. SPAHN	AP	1425.00
AT&T MOBILITY II LLC	UT	249.69
BILLY WHITE	SE	1350.00
BLACK HILLS GAS DISTRIBUTION, LLC	UT	118.67
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF NEBRASKA	PE	27386.11
BOMGAARS SUPPLY INC.	SU	19.57
BRIAN E. FOSTER	SE	40.00
CHASE CO TREASURER/CAFETERIA REIMB.	PE	316.65

CHASE COUNTY FAIR PREMIUM ACCT	SU	8124.25
CHIEF SUPPLY CORPORATION, INC.	SU	356.60
COACH MASTER'S INC.	RP	2849.68
COLONIAL LIFE	PE	361.27
CREDIT MANAGEMENT SERVICES, INC.	PE	247.06
CUSTOM CAGE OF MISSOURI, LLC	SU	1145.00
DAN'S R US SANITATION	UT	186.03
DICKINSON LAND SURVEYORS, INC.	SE	5843.61
EAKES, INC	SU	205.95
EFTPS	PE	17896.40
FIVE POINTS BANK	EQ	463.30
FRENCHMAN VALLEY FARMERS COOP INC	SU	2897.57
GBE CPA	SE	5000.00
HIGH PLAINS NEWS NORTH LLC	SE	835.64
HOLIDAY INN-KEARNEY	TE	279.90
IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY, INC	SE	196.48
LINCOLN COUNTY DETENTION CENTER	SE	4070.00
MALLORY SAFETY AND SUPPLY, LLC	SU	46.00
MCI	UT	83.61
NACO	TE	25.00
NE CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER	PE	320.00
OFFICE SERVICE INC	SU	1673.92
PHILIP PANKONIN	SE	900.00
PHILLIPS 66 COMPANY	SU	123.58
PROTEX CENTRAL INC	SE	418.00
QUADIENT LEASING USA, INC.	SE	216.27
REBECCA M. BERNARD	SE	1745.00
ITERATE AG SYSTEMS, INC.	SU	142.48
ROBERT S HARVOY	AP	1360.65
RUST PUBLISHING NE LC	SE	257.40
SOUTHWEST PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UT	271.51
SSH INC HILLS FAMILY FOODS	SU	70.73
STATE OF NE/STATE INCOME TAX	PE	2800.78
U S BANK CORPORATE PAYMENT SYSTEMS	SU	1974.83
	Net Payroll	42487.98
	General Fund Total	152567.18
BLACK HILLS GAS DISTRIBUTION, LLC	UT	155.23
BOMGAARS SUPPLY INC.	SU	66.10
CITY OF IMPERIAL	UT	22.40
COLONIAL LIFE	PE	13.62
DAN'S R US SANITATION	UT	105.10
EFTPS	PE	2072.58
FRENCHMAN VALLEY FARMERS COOP INC	SU	5069.91
HIGH PLAINS NEWS NORTH LLC	SE	9.35
IMPERIAL SUPER FOODS	VOID	-42.49
JERRY L ROWLEY	SU	64.30
KELLY & MYRA FANNING	RP	5666.26
SAPP BRO PETROLEUM INC	SU	5736.84
TITAN MACHINERY INC.	VOID	-639.13
U S BANK CORPORATE PAYMENT SYSTEMS	SU	417.36
WAUNETA CROSSROADS, LLC	SU	3362.10
	Net Payroll	27375.40
	Road Fund Total	49454.93
NORMA J. HICKMAN	SE	300.00
	Tourism Fund Total	300.00
Moore, a Series LLC	SU	494.24
	P&M Fund Total	494.24

GEO-COMM INC.	UT	4919.92
	E-911 Fund Total	4919.92
AIRGAS USA, LLC	SU	1537.36
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	SU	2099.47
EFTPS	PE	26.42
FRENCHMAN VALLEY FARMERS COOP INC	SU	137.83
ONE BILLING SOLUTIONS LLC	SE	1394.51
	Net Payroll	375.00
	Ambulance Fund Total	5570.59
	Grand Total All Claims	213306.86

At 8:30 Chairman Bernhardt opened the public hearing for the Proposed Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Regulations. Zoning Administrator Chris Mulder was present and provided copies of the Chase County Planning Commission's recommendation for approval of Chase County Comprehensive Plan 2035 and Zoning Regulations. Lisa Schilke was also present for the public hearing. The Planning Commission's recommendation included revisions previously discussed and requested by the Board of Commissioners. Chairman Bernhardt closed the public hearing at 9:00am.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve the Chase County Comprehensive Plan-2035 and Zoning Regulations, as revised. Motion seconded by Commissioner Bernhardt.

Muehlenkamp - yes; Brown - yes; Bernhardt - yes. Motion carried. Zoning Administrator Mulder will now send the document back to Hanna:Keelan with necessary revisions and typographical errors noted for correction. Once the final document is returned, it will then come before the Board for final adoption by Resolution.

Luke Bonkiewicz, NACO Research Program Analyst, joined the meeting with informational handouts for the Board, provided updates from the most recent legislative session, noted changes to the Conditional Use Permit process affected by LB663 and informed the Board that NACO has developed a toolkit to assist counties. The toolkit will be demonstrated at the annual legislative conference in October; he encouraged attendance for that.

Commissioner Bernhardt moved to approve Resolution 2026-16 Tax Allocation to Miscellaneous Districts. Motion seconded by Commissioner Muehlenkamp. Muehlenkamp - yes; Brown - yes; Bernhardt - yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Bernhardt moved to surplus a 6-drawer file cabinet from the Treasurer's office, to be sold at the Labor Day Auction. Motion seconded by Commissioner Brown. Muehlenkamp - yes; Brown - yes; Bernhardt - yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Bernhardt moved to surplus a 2-ton HD Chain Hoist and Stand from the Lamar Shop, to be scrapped. NIRMA has deemed this unsafe and said it cannot be used in the shop. Motion seconded by Commissioner Brown. Muehlenkamp - yes; Brown - yes; Bernhardt - yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Bernhardt moved to surplus an old wooden table (tag #315) from the Clerk's office, to be sold at the Labor Day Auction. Motion seconded by Commissioner Muehlenkamp. Muehlenkamp - yes; Brown - yes; Bernhardt - yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Bernhardt moved to surplus and old non-working PTAC unit (tag #1145) from Dispatch to the trash. Motion seconded by Commissioner Muehlenkamp. Muehlenkamp - yes; Brown - yes; Bernhardt - yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Brown moved to surplus a nonworking PTAC unit (tag #754) from County Court inventory to the trash. Motion seconded by Commissioner Muehlenkamp. Muehlenkamp - yes; Brown - yes; Bernhardt - yes. Motion carried.

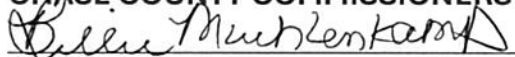
Commissioner Brown moved to surplus four black leather chairs (tag #644-647) from the conference room, old microphones, stands and cords, a computer monitor holder (tag #312), an old Belkin keyboard, HP laserjet P2015 printer (tag#341) from the district court inventory, an old 2-shelf bookcase (tag #268), scanner, survey kit, old dell monitor and small blue tote from the election inventory - all to be disposed of in the trash. Many items are old, broken, unable to be located, or outdated and unusable. Motion seconded by Commissioner Muehlenkamp. Muehlenkamp - yes; Brown - yes; Bernhardt - yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Bernhardt moved to surplus a gray 2-drawer cabinet (tag #369), and ten file cabinets (tag #454, 457, 461, 443, 445, 446, 447, 448, 452, 453) from the Assessor's inventory, to be sold at the Labor Day Auction. Motion seconded by Commissioner Brown. Muehlenkamp - yes; Brown - yes; Bernhardt - yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Bernhardt moved to sell the recently replaced 2013 JD770G Motor grader (E55686) and 1998 D6M CAT Dozer (3WN1404) via auction through Purple Wave, giving Highway Superintendent Richard DeWester authority to complete the contracts for the auctions. Motion seconded by Commissioner Muehlenkamp. Muehlenkamp - yes; Brown - yes; Bernhardt - yes. Motion carried.

With nobody present for Open Forum and no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Bernhardt adjourned the meeting at 10:05am.

CHASE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



Billie Muehlenkamp – Commissioner District #1



Jacqui Brown – Commissioner District #2



Kurt Bernhardt – Commissioner District #3

ATTEST 

Wendy Moe, Chase County Clerk