

**FURNAS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS and BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
PROCEEDINGS FOR JULY 14, 2026**

The Furnas County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, July 14, 2026, for a regular board meeting in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, 3rd Floor in the Courthouse. Notice of the meetings was published in the Valley Voice newspaper and posted on the County's website. The combined agenda was e-mailed to each commissioner, posted on County's website & Clerk's office and kept current in the County Clerk's Office.

Mike Sexton, Chairman, opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. and informing those present of the Open Meetings Act poster displayed on the wall and the provisions of the Act will be followed at this meeting. Board members present were: Mike Sexton, Dennis Tegtman and Allan McCoy. Also present: Lois Bishop, County Clerk, Patrick Calkins, County Attorney.

The agenda was approved on a motion by McCoy, seconded by Tegtman. RCV: Ayes: Sexton, McCoy, Tegtman. Motion carried.

Minutes from June 23, 2026, meetings were reviewed and approved on a motion by Tegtman, seconded by McCoy. RCV: Ayes: Sexton, McCoy, Tegtman. Motion carried.

The following claims were reviewed and approved on a motion by McCoy, seconded by Tegtman. RCV: Ayes: Sexton, McCoy, Tegtman. Motion carried.

Abbreviations for this legal: S Supplies; SF Sheriff Fees; SC Services & Charges; LF Legal Fees; M Mileage, Meals, Meetings; D Dues, Reg. or Subs; DN Donation; R Rent; Refund; T Taxes; TR Training; MH Mental Health Hearing; I Insurance; BP Bond Payment; LP Lease/Loan Payment; C Contract Labor; WF Witness Fees, G Garnishments, P Postage, VP Visitor Promotion, W Wages; JD Jury Duty; E Equipment, F Fee's, PY Prior Year, GR Grant, BA Burial Assistance

General Salaries W \$32,670.90 Aflac I \$487.17 Ag Valley Coop SC \$2,053.14 Amazon Capital Services SC \$455.63 Amazon Capital Services SC \$637.44 Ambience Counseling Center, LLC SC \$130.00 Applied Communication Technology SC \$76.65 Arapahoe Senior Center SC \$1,521.00 Atc Communications SC \$50.00 Banner Capital Bank T \$7,512.00 Banner Capital Bank T \$3,266.58 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$2,302.74 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$3,227.37 Banner Capital Bank - Visa SC \$216.32 Banner Capital Bank - Visa SC \$41.00 Beaver City Senior Center SC \$1,524.00 Benchmark Government Solutions, LLC SC \$667.25 Black Hills Energy SC \$48.75 Brico Pest Control SC \$40.00 Camas Publishing, LLC-Valley Voice SC \$726.18 Cambridge Senior Center SC \$1,551.50 Charm-Tex Inc SC \$415.90 City Of Beaver City SC \$2,991.49 Cobblestone Hotel & Suites - Bow SC \$110.00 D & D Service SC \$281.04 D & D Service SC \$202.97 Daake Law Office, LLC LF \$187.50 Datashield Corporation SC \$24.00 Dawson County Sheriff SF \$1,620.00 Dead Sled Towing And Recovery LLC SC \$1,097.00 Delta Dental Of Nebraska I \$545.11 Domestic Abuse Sexual Assault Serv SC \$5,000.00 Eakes Office Plus SC \$165.00 Eakes Office Plus SC \$523.46 First Central Bank LP \$1,216.22 Furnas County Clerk D \$25.00 Galls, LLC SC \$40.93 Golden Generation Center Inc SC \$3,424.50 Hemelstrand's Inc SC \$29.98 Hometown Leasing LP \$855.19 Jac Storage R \$155.00 Jack's Uniforms & Equipment SC \$184.84 Kelleys Supermarket Inc SC \$887.04 Kelleys Supermarket Inc SC \$34.23 La Quinta Inn & Suites SC \$279.90 Erin M Laborie M \$204.45 Makayla Livingston M \$80.20 Lynn Peavey Company SC \$68.06 Madison National Life Ins Co Inc R \$134.48 Marks Pharmacy SC \$54.19 Marvin Planning Consultants SC \$3,240.00 Klarchen Mckenzie C \$1,050.00 Microfilm Imaging Systems Inc SC \$696.00 Mid-Nebraska Individual Services SC \$4,636.00 MIPS Inc SC \$2,910.92 Mousel, Brooks, Schneider, Mustin & LF \$2,744.86 National Assoc Of Ext 4-H Youth SC \$1,130.00 Ne Public Health Laboratory SC \$210.00 Onsolve LLC SC \$1,617.83 Phelps County Sheriff's Office SF \$520.00 Physicians Laboratory, P.C. SC \$424.00 Pinpoint Communications SC \$1,082.60 Platte Valley Communications SC \$179.37 Point-C I \$15,033.08 Red Willow Co Treasurer/Veterans SC \$7,907.21 Region 3 Behavioral Health Services SC \$2,952.34 Region 51 Emergency Management SC \$75.00 S & W Auto Parts SC \$68.59 S & W Auto Parts SC \$99.99 Soarin Group SC \$3,007.50 South Central Ne Area Agency /Aging SC \$1,789.40 Usda, Aphis, General SC \$6,054.59 Verizon Wireless SC \$79.94 Vision Service Plan I \$140.46 Weather Tap, Com SC \$99.95 Wex Bank (Building & Grounds) SC \$92.32 Wex Bank (Em Mgr.) SC \$217.18 Wex Bank (Sheriff) SC \$1,375.04 Total \$139,477.47 Roads Salaries \$24,854.87 Aflac I \$540.26 Ag Valley Coop SC \$17,845.72 Amazon Capital Services SC \$89.68 Atc Communications SC \$194.32 Banner Capital Bank T \$6,145.99 Banner Capital Bank T \$2,515.25 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$1,439.02 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$2,158.54 Banner Capital Bank - Visa SC \$25.00 Black Hills Energy SC \$146.25 Cambridge Telephone SC \$144.02 Cat Financial Services Corporation SC \$24,750.04 Central Nebraska Equipment LLC SC \$4,497.34 Central Nebraska Equipment LLC SC \$75.00 Central States Aggregate LLC SC \$4,199.58 Chs Agri Service Center SC \$5,092.93 City Of Arapahoe SC \$218.90 City Of Beaver City SC \$160.38 City Of Cambridge SC \$120.83 Delta Dental Of Nebraska I \$476.32 Equipment Blades Inc SC \$5,580.00 Hemelstrand's Inc SC \$32.99 Husker Hardware SC \$29.99 John Deere Financial SC \$6,477.44 John Deere Financial SC \$129.82 Kansas Payment Center G \$222.00 Ne Child Support Payment Center G \$167.00 Nmc, Inc SC \$11,307.27 Nmc, Inc SC \$1,055.74 Paulsen, Inc. SC \$1,343.26 Pinpoint Communications SC \$424.52 Roy's Sales & Service SC \$171.58 S & W Auto Parts SC \$17.59 S & W Auto Parts SC \$629.76 Sappa Valley Farm & Auto, LLC SC \$266.26 Southwest Farm & Auto Supply SC \$43.48 Twin Valleys Public Power District SC \$140.69 Village Of Wilsonville SC \$45.06 Vision Service Plan I \$76.68 Wex Bank (Road) SC \$251.41 Total \$124,102.78 Reg Of Deeds MIPS Inc SC \$153.70 Total \$153.70 911 Emergency Salaries W \$302.46 Atc Communications SC \$40.00 Banner Capital Bank T \$31.79 Banner Capital Bank T \$26.78 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R \$15.75 Banner Capital Bank - Retirement R

\$23.63 Onsolve LLC SC \$1,617.82 Total \$2,058.23 911 Wireless Cambridge Telephone SC \$175.13 CenturyLink SC \$10,629.78 Frontier SC \$290.43 Total \$11,095.34 Grand Total \$276,887.52.

REPORTS: Reports: Fee Reports from ROD, Sheriff, County Court, Clerk of District Court; Treasurer Revenue List & Fund Balance Listing; Road Expenditure Report. CORRESPONDENCE: None.

Caitlin Whitehead, Prairie Plains CASA presented the 2025-2026 Impact Report for Furnas County regarding the CASA program. Motion by Tegtman, second by McCoy to give \$5,000.00 support to Prairie Plains CASA. RCV: Ayes: Sexton, Tegtman, McCoy. Motion carried.

Motion by McCoy, seconded by Tegtman, to recess the Board of Commissioners meeting to go into Executive session at 9:25 a.m. to prevent needless injury to the reputation of a person. RCV: Aye: Sexton, Tegtman, McCoy. Motion carried. Motion by Tegtman, second by McCoy to adjourn executive session. RCV: Ayes: Sexton, Tegtman, McCoy. Motion carried.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING (Reconvened):

Motion by McCoy, seconded by Tegtman, to recess the Board of Commissioners meeting to go into Board of Equalization at 9:44 RCV: Ayes: Sexton, Tegtman, McCoy. Motion carried.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING

Chairman Sexton opened the meeting at 9:44 a.m. Assessor Sherry Thooft presented a New Permissive Exemption for the Furnas-Gosper Museum. Motion by Tegtman, seconded by McCoy, to approve the new Permissive Exemption for Furnas-Gosper Museum. RCV: Aye: Sexton, Tegtman, McCoy. Motion carried. Thooft presented the RE Tax list Corrections 2023-17 & 18; 2024-17 & 18 and 2025-18 & 19. Motion by McCoy, second by Tegtman to approve the RE Tax List Corrections presented. RCV: Ayes: Sexton, Tegtman, McCoy. Motion carried. Thooft presented the Over/Under Valued & Clerical Error Report. Motion by McCoy, second by Tegtman to approve the report presented. RCV: Ayes: Sexton, Tegtman, McCoy. Motion carried. Chairman Sexton adjourned the Board of Equalization Meeting at 9:55 a.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING (Reconvened):

Motion by McCoy, seconded by Tegtman, to recess the Board of Commissioners meeting to go into Public Hearing at 9:55 a.m. RCV: Ayes: Sexton, Tegtman, McCoy. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

Chairman Sexton opened the public hearing at 9:55 a.m. to review Property Valuation Protests. Members of the Board present: Mike Sexton, Dennis Tegtman, Allan McCoy. Also present was Lois Bishop, County Clerk, Sherry Thooft, Assessor, Patrick Caulkins, County Attorney. No one from the public was in attendance. Chairman Sexton informed those present of the Open Meetings Act poster displayed on the wall and the provisions of the Act will be followed at this meeting. Assessor Sherry Thooft presented & discussed Property Valuation Protests (Form 422) she had reviewed with the property owners and made necessary changes. The property owners agreed with the changes made regarding Protest # 2026-9, Parcel-6811.00; Protest #2026-3, Parcel # 4404.00; Protest #2026-6, Parcel #5803.00; Protest #2026-7 Parcel #6459.00; Protest #2026-14 Parcel #1510.02; Protest #2026-15 Parcel #3065.00; Protest #2026-16 Parcel #5762.00; Protest #2026-18, Parcel #4844.00; Protest #2026-23, Parcel #5538.12; Protest #2026-24 Parcel #3612.02; Protest #2026-25 Parcel #3027.02; Protest #2026-26 Parcel #4904.00; Protest #2026-27 Parcel #2128.00; Protest #2026-28 Parcel #5364.00; Protest #2026-29 Parcel #7085.00; Protest #2026-30 Parcel #2114.04; Protest #2026-31 Parcel #719.04; Protest #2026-32 Parcel #4625.00; Protest #2026-33 Parcel #4147.00; Protest #2026-35 Parcel #6055.00; Protest #2026-36 Parcel #5982.00; Protest #2026-37 Parcel #309.00; Protest #2026-56 Parcel #5718.00; Protest #2026-58 Parcel #373.01; Protest #2026-42 Parcel #4057.00; Protest #2026-57 Parcel #4032.00. Motion by Tegtman, seconded by McCoy, to approve the Valuation Protest previously reviewed and approved with property owners. RCV: Aye: Sexton, Tegtman, McCoy. Motion carried. Chairman Sexton closed the Public Hearing at 10:07.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONER MEETING (Reconvened):

RaNaye Dunlap discussed issues to consideration prior to updating the Comprehensive Plan.

Motion by Tegtman, seconded by McCoy, to approve MIPS for the printing of the Joint Public Hearing Postcards. RCV: Aye: Sexton, Tegtman, McCoy. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the upcoming farm lease. The lease will remain the same as the 2022 lease. Chairman Sexton signed documents for Structure replacements.

There was no further business before the Board, Chairman Sexton adjourned the meeting at 10:25 a.m. The next regular board meetings will be held on Tuesday, July 28, 2026, at 9:00 am or subject to call.

Mike Sexton, Chairman of the Board

Attest: Lois E. Bishop, County Clerk

PURSUANT TO NEBRASKA STATE STATUE 23-122, the following are the current job descriptions and wages for Furnas County employees for 2026: Clerical Deputies, Annual-\$43,068.35; Extension Assistant, Annual-\$43,068.35; Sheriff's Office Mngr., Annual- \$43,068.35; Clerical Clerks, Annual- \$38,708.69; Atty Secretary, Annual-\$30,967.04; Weed Super., Annual-\$39,775.99; Sheriff Chief Deputy, Hourly-\$27.22; Sheriff Srgt/Crpl/Invst., Hourly-\$25.13; Sheriff Deputy, Hourly \$23.84; Dispatch/Jailer, Hourly-\$19.34; Dispatch Super/Jail Admin, Hourly-\$22.84; Road Personnel, Hourly- \$22.50; P/T Clerk Staff, Hourly-\$17.74.