

April 22, 2025

The Cedar County Commissioners met in the Boardroom of the Cedar County Courthouse at 8:30 AM and the meeting was called to order as advertised, with Mike Meier, David McGregor, and Dick Donner answering roll call. Also present, County Clerk Jessica Schmit. Chairman McGregor stated the open meetings laws are posted on the wall for public inspection.

Motion was made by McGregor and seconded by Donner to approve the agenda. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote. Minutes from the April 8, 2025 meeting were reviewed and a motion was made by Meier and seconded by McGregor to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Northeast Nebraska Public Health Board Directors Jill Belt and Peggy Triggs came before the board to introduce themselves and make sure the board did not have any questions for them. They asked the commissioners if they knew of any homeless individuals in the county, specifically along the river.

Emergency Manager, Kevin Garvin, brought the maintenance support contract from Motorola for the 911 system to the board which is due to be renewed. Kevin has supported the system for any on-site needs with over the phone support from Motorola for many years. Anything he is unable to fix has been billed by Motorola for time and materials. This updated annual contract is \$7,792. Another option is to add onsite maintenance for \$6,854. Motion to accept the contract without onsite maintenance was made by McGregor and seconded by Meier. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote. Another contract with Motorola was presented for the 911 system upgrade to I3 technology from RFAI. Due to maintaining our equipment contract for several years, this upgrade is being offered at no charge. Motion to approve the RFAI to I3 proposal was made by McGregor and seconded by Meier. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Garvin then opened discussion on the Homeland Security 12 county region and explained how Cedar County is the fiscal agent for this region. South Sioux City Police Department was awarded a grant for a robot and this purchase and grant proceeds will flow through Cedar County. Motion to approve the Recon Robotics purchase was made by McGregor was seconded by Donner. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

A mutual aid agreement has been proposed by the city of Yankton with Cedar and Knox counties. The agreement has been signed by Knox County and is under review by the Cedar County Attorney. Garvin shared that South Dakota has some strange laws about providing mutual aid and that Yankton discovered they probably should not be providing mutual aid on the south side of the river as they have done for years without a formal agreement. Garvin asked the board to review the agreement before formal action is required, pending the county attorney's recommendation.

Finally, Garvin presented the quotes for a fire alarm system for the transit building. Chairman McGregor asked Clerk Schmit to share what she had learned from NIRMA. NIRMA had no requirements for a fire alarm/alert system and recommended precautions for good fire prevention. Schmit also called Hartelco and is waiting for a quote for a Sensaphone system for heat detection. No action was taken.

Zoning administrator, Tim Gobel, presented the following building permits: Ty Dybdal 1,913 sq ft house, Erica & Alex Langseth 2,600 sq ft house, Tony Gubbels 2,300 sq ft house, Brian Gould 26x27' addition. Larry Lange is seeking a variance of 15' in the front and 12' in the rear in the Brooky Bottom area. This was approved by the zoning board. Terry Jueden is seeking a 15' variance so he can be 68' from the center of the road for a shed. Motion to approve both variances for Larry Lange and Terry Jueden was made by McGregor and seconded by Donner. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Road Superintendent, Carla Schmidt presented four right of way permits for District 1 and one for District 2. All permits were approved as presented. She let the board know the culvert damage that was billed to Hartelco had been paid in full. She also shared with the board that the bridge bundle applied for was not selected because it was not in poor enough condition. Schmidt opened discussion on 576 Avenue on the Cedar/Dixon county line in District One. Resolution 25-7 was presented to direct the road superintendent to complete a study on the road and submit a report within thirty days. Motion to pass the resolution was made by Donner and seconded by McGregor. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

As discussed at a previous meeting, Schmidt prepared first report of injury instruction booklets and forms for each shop to be completed after going to the doctor, if needed. She also had the courthouse and shop inspection checklists discussed at a previous meeting to be done periodically, no less than once a year. She then let the board know the fiberoptic line installation in District 1 is nearly complete.

Clerk Schmit presented Resolution 2025-8 from Randolph (2025-02) for the interlocal agreement to allow establishments within the City of Randolph to participate in the joint keno lottery that the county has entered. A motion was made by Meier and seconded by Donner to approve Resolution 2025-8. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Clerk Schmit stated she had paperwork from the Liquor Control Commission for a managerial change at Backroad Barbecue. This change did not require a public hearing but Schmit was seeking no opposition from the board before giving approval to the state for the change.

Two special designated liquor licenses were presented by Clerk Schmit for receptions at Nissen Winery on May 17-18 and June 27-28, respectively. A motion to approve the SDL's was made by McGregor, seconded by Donner. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

At the request of the county attorney, a motion to table the conditional use permit for NE-IA Helicopter was made by Meier and seconded by McGregor. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

A brief discussion as held on the Xpert Lawn & Landscaping quote for landscaping repair and mowing at the transit building outside of the irrigated area. No action was taken as the quote was not received in time for the agenda.

At 10:30 AM, District 1 Bids for new or used tractors were opened. 13 bids were received. Four from Kayton International and nine from Grossenburg Implement. Commissioner Donner will award the bid at the next meeting.

At 11:00 AM, District 2 Bids for new or used tractors were opened. 2 bids were received. One from Titan Machinery and one from Grossenburg Implement. Commissioner Meier will award the bid at the next meeting.

With no further business or agenda items the meeting was declared adjourned at 11:20 AM.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jessica Schmit, County Clerk

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
David McGregor, Board Chairman