

February 24, 2026

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 and reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Also present, County Clerk Jessica Schmit. Chairman Donner stated the open meetings laws are posted on the wall for public inspection.

Motion was made by Meier and seconded by McGregor to approve the agenda. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote. Minutes from the February 10, 2026 meeting were reviewed and a motion was made by McGregor and seconded by Meier to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Clerk Schmit presented an SDL for the Cedar County Ag Society for a Nebraska Association of Fair Managers District Meeting March 29. Russ Flaming was in attendance to explain what the meeting is for. Motion was made by McGregor and seconded by Donner to approve the SDL. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Discussion was held on the change that has taken place at the approved lottery outlet doing business as Backroads Barbecue now d/b/a Bruno's Roadhouse. Motion to approve EMR Ventures, LLC d/b/a Bruno's Roadhouse as a lottery sales outlet for the Cedar County component of the NCG joint keno lottery was made by Donner and seconded by Meier. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Clerk Schmit let the board know the audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025 is complete.

Monthly fee reports were reviewed by the board and McGregor reported on his Northeast Nebraska Area Agency on Aging meeting.

Zoning administrator, Tim Gobel, presented the following building permits: Scott Labs 36x54 detached garage, Ray Keiser 60 x 160 machine shed, Ryan Lammers 1,900 sq ft house, Deb Konken 42x50 storage building. Gobel then presented a 38' variance for Curtis Kathol 38'. Motion to approve the variance was made by Donner and seconded by McGregor. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote. Another variance permit was presented for Richard Donner and Brock Hawkins, a 10' variance of the rear setback. Motion to approve the variance was made by McGregor and seconded by Meier. Motion carried with a 2 to 0 vote, with Donner abstaining from the vote.

Road Superintendent, Carla Schmidt, presented a summary of the gravel bids that were opened at the last meeting to the commissioners. Discussion was held on a half mile of road McGregor is asking to formally close. Resolution 26-3 was presented ordering Schmidt to perform a study of the road to get the closure process started. Motion to adopt Resolution 26-3 was made by McGregor and seconded by Donner. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

With no further business or agenda items the following claims were reviewed and approved for payment and the meeting was declared adjourned.

GENERAL: Net Wages 224,281.28; Aflac 1,616.70; BCBS 62,445.53; First Concord 2,015.84; Lincoln National 906.17; Colonial Life 1,932.68; Empower 4,355.00; NE Dept of Rev 10,491.01; Retirement Plans 32,263.08; EFTPS 68,010.96; HSA Contrib 3,762.50.

ROAD: Net Wages 138,244.66; BCBS 46,325.20; Retirement Plans 7,948.99; EFTPS 9,103.68.

TRANSIT: Net wages 38,673.55; BCBS 7,058.84; Retirement Plans 2,543.55; EFTPS 2,862.18, HSA Contrib 300.00.

ATTEST: Jessica Schmit
Jessica Schmit, County Clerk

APPROVED: Richard Donner
Richard Donner, Board Chairman