

August 11, 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. Also present, County Clerk Jessica Schmit.

Motion was made by Meier and seconded by McGregor to approve the agenda. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote. Minutes from the July 28, 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.

Fee reports were reviewed by the board.

Motion to approve the survey computer and old courthouse lights as surplus equipment was made by Meier and seconded by McGregor. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Resolution 26-13 was presented to the board with preliminary tax requests for the Ag Society and Rural Fire Boards. Through resolution 26-13, levy authority is granted to these political subdivisions. Motion to approve Resolution 26-13 was made by McGregor and seconded by Donner. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Zoning administrator, Tim Gobel, presented a conditional use permit for Middle Mile Infrastructure that was approved by planning and zoning last night. Sam Davis with Middle-Mile Infrastructure was present to discuss the conditions placed by the planning & zoning board. Julie Meirose was also present to voice concerns about this organization not being connected with anyone or any business locally. She asked the commissioners to tread carefully. Ray Keiser also voiced concerns as the closest neighbor to the proposed site. After a lengthy discussion, motion to table the discussion was made. For lack of a second, the motion died. Motion to approve the conditional use permit was made by McGregor and seconded by Meier. Chairman Donner called for a roll call vote. Donner No, McGregor Yes, Meier Yes. Motion carried.

Tony Walz came before the board to express concerns about a local feedlot and runoff onto his property. The board listened and let him know the only authority they would have is regarding the road right of way. They will investigate it and make sure the county road is not being impacted.

At 10:03 AM, the public hearing for a new liquor license application for BV Buds, LLC, dba The Station, was opened. With no one present in support nor opposition, motion was made by McGregor and seconded by Donner to approve the liquor license. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Road Superintendent, Carla Schmidt, reported the chip-seal projects should be started in the next couple of weeks. An update on the county line road closure was provided. Schmidt announced that the sign technician position will be combined with the weed superintendent position and Terry Jueden will be handling both of those duties. Resolution 26-14 was presented to give the board chairman authority to sign the Certification of Program Compliance for the highway superintendent. Motion by Meier was seconded by McGregor to approve Resolution 26-14. Motion carried with a 3-0 vote. The certification was signed and will be submitted to the state by Schmidt.

County attorney, Ron Temple, opened discussion on the interlocal agreement between the villages and the county. Temple made it clear that he is not representing the villages and he would prefer the villages collectively hire an attorney to help draft the interlocal agreement with him. LaRayne Spizcka was representing the village of Obert, Jason Becker was in attendance for Magnet. This interlocal agreement would be to enforce zoning, not create it. Zoning administrator, Tim Gobel, offered a brief history of how this has transpired. Temple stated he was not in favor of the county retaining all of the fees for the applications. It was suggested that the villages pay a nominal fee annually to fulfill the arrangement of the county providing services. \$100 was suggested. This arrangement does not include ordinance enforcement for nuisance properties. An effective date of November 1 was discussed. Motion to direct Tim and Ron to create an interlocal agreement between the county and villages of Magnet, Obert, and Belden for the purpose of enforcing zoning was made by McGregor, seconded by Donner. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote.

Zoning administrator, Tim Gobel, then presented the following conditional use permits: Julie Wiebelhaus splitting off 5.71 acres and 8.35 acres, Marsha Gubbels splitting off 5.0 acres, Jessica Fischer splitting off 6.5 acres, Skyles Kinkaid splitting off acres awaiting DOT figures, Kyle Wiepen splitting 5.0 acres. Motion to approve all these conditional use permits was made by McGregor and seconded by Meier. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote. The following building permits were presented: Jared Kvoles grain leg, Patrick Luze house, Jessica Fischer house and garage.

At 11:13 AM motion to enter executive session was made by McGregor and seconded by Donner.

Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote. Motion to exit executive session was made at 11:31 AM by Donner and seconded by Meier. Motion carried with a 3 to 0 vote. Motion to accept the offer made by Five Star for deficient roads after burying fiberoptics and granting Chairman Donner authority to sign the releases offered was made by Donner and seconded by Meier. Motion carried with a 3 to vote.

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

GENERAL FUND: Appera 97.58; AT&T 94.86; Austin Korth 79.00; Becky McCracken 153.55; Bomgaars 275.07; Canon Fin. Serv. 92.00; Cedar Co. Court 17.00; Cedar Co. Treasurer 250,000.00; CKPP 376.64; City of Hart. 125.00; City of Hartington 353.39; Crowne Plaza 959.70; D&J Variety 113.86; Dan Lipp 90.60; Das State Acct Cent Fin. 220.00; Das State Accounting-Central Financ 357.60; Des Moines Stamp MFG Co Inc. 78.15; Eakes Office Solutions 697.00; Farmers Union 34.09; Foodtown 2,393.93; Galen Boettcher Baier PC 841.35; Gene Dicks 50.73; Gov Connection Inc 401.95; Hartelco 1,858.08; Hartelco Telecommunications 618.80; Hartington Ace Hardware 399.99; Hartington Shopper 224.25; Hiway 84 Auto Wash 199.75; Hometown Leasing 765.99; Jan X 201.55; John Steffen 55.80; Kennedy, Pier, & Loftus Law Office 5,335.58; Kevin Garvin 72.78; Loffler 91.00; Lori Moss 262.00; Maggie Cook 4,113.05; Mahaska 112.00; Megan Hanefeldt 465.12; Mick Wiepen 79.00; MIPS 8,507.75; Nebraska Health & Human Serv. 180.00; NE Public Power Dist. 5,992.76; NE Weed Control Assos. 175.00; NE Neb. News Co. 1,688.25; Olsen's Pest Tech 130.00; Peitz GMC Service 12.41; Provantage LLC 28.44; Quadiant 248.90; Quill Corp 63.32; Randolph Farm Supply 65.50; Riverside Tech. 3,299.50; Ron Stapelman 73.20; Signature Sewer Pumping 325.00; Steffen Drug 19.87; T-Mobile 282.78; Tammi Burbach 20.75; Terry Jueden 87.89; Terry Pinkelman 68.85; The Glass Edge 220.60; Tri-State Turf & Irrigation 117.00; USPS 15,000.00; US Bank 273.52; Verizon 360.12; Voyager Fleet Systems 187.73; Voyager Fleet Systems 2,794.64; Waste Connections of NE 241.50; X-Pert Lawn & Landscaping 500.00

ROAD FUND: A-OX Welding 45.74; Appera 563.66; B's Enterprises 1,610.00; Bomgaars 510.46; Cap Gravel 4,579.01; CKPP Dist. 1,869.79 Cedar/Knox Rural Water Project 76.41; City of Hart 139.40; City of Laurel 68.43; City of Randolph 40.56; Dendinger Trucking Inc. 7,083.47; Double Lawn Care 630.00; Farmers Union 10,452.53; Filter Care of NE 171.60; Folkers Bros Garage 3,777.20; Fordyce Auto Repair 337.37; Great Plains Communications 353.25; Grossenburg Imp. 3,251.23; H&K Oil 15.49; Hansen Bros Parts & Serv. 5,993.54; Hartelco 260.71; Hartington Shopper 188.00; Hefner Oil & Feed 9,179.89; Heimes Lawn Care 520.00; Jerry's Service 13,144.47; John Deere Financial 66,288.40; Knife River 16,003.45; Laurel True Value 70.94; Lawson Products 184.76; Leiting Auto Supply 485.23; LG Everist 35,632.33; Medical Enterprises 113.00; Mid-America Research Chemical 540.00; Murphy Tractor 4,584.52; NPPD 160.86; NMC Exchange 708.22; NMC Exchange 5,210.65; NMC Exchange 798.95; North American Truck & Trailer 330.55; NE Glass 310.00; NE Neb News Co. 350.08; Nutrien AD Solutions 1,187.07; Overhead Door 180.00; Peitz GMC Serv. 230.74; Randolph Farm Supply 5,003.55; Rath's Mini Mart 351.27; Riverside Hydraulics 303.90; S2 Roll Offs LLC 21.00; Spencer Quarries 1,963.13; Titan Machinery 2,261.35; Top Crop 1,780.00; Truck Trailer Sales 38.03; Verizon 120.03; Village of Wynot 117.00; Waste Connections of NE 32.00; Watier True Value 6.95; Wiebelhaus Serv. 1,154.35; Willow Creek Sand & Gravel 3,519.51; Wynot Oil 25,664.04

ROAD SINKING FUND: Spencer Quarries 6,4227.17

CEDAR COUNTY TRANSIT FUND:

Appera 98.26; Ashley Gowery 75.00; City of Hartington 220.36; Farmers Union 9,186.98; Folkers Bros Garage 1,841.11; Hartelco 68.60; Hartelco Telecommunications 144.95; Hartington Truck & Auto 78.46; Hefner Oil & Feed 23.20; Holiday Inn 405.00; Kristin O'Grady 62.56; NPPD 136.64; Olsen's

Pest Tech 75.00; Randolph Farm Supply 73.18; Rath's Mini Mart 103.48; US Bank 83.72; Verizon
3,165.18; X-Pert Lawn 840.00
HOMELAND SECURITY: ID Edge 15,404.00; OPTK Networks 802.12
ENHANCED 911 FUND: Fastwyre Broadband 165.78; Hartelco 448.20; NE NEB. Tele 353.26; US
Bank 496.30
E911 WIRELESS FUND: City of Norfolk 130.48; OPTK Networks 836.66
BOND FUND: Bokf, NA 355,270.00

ATTEST: Jessica Schmit APPROVED:

Jessica Schmit, County Clerk

Richard Donner

Richard Donner, Board Chairman

