

COMMISSIONERS ROOM, HOLDREGE, NE
9:00 A.M. May 19, 2026

The Phelps County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on May 19, 2026, at 9:00 A.M. as per public notice given in the Holdrege Citizen on May 12, 2026, a copy of the proof of publication being on file in the County Clerk's Office. Availability of the agendas was communicated in the advance notice of the meeting. All of the proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Commissioners Tom Nutt; Theresa Puls; Rick Streeter; Matt Gregg; Rick Streeter; Barb Malm; Russ Cruise and Dennis Ostgren were present. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ostgren. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Cruise moved, seconded by Streeter, to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Puls, yes; Cruise, yes; Streeter, yes; Gregg, yes; Malm, yes; Ostgren, yes. Motion carried.

Nutt moved, seconded by Puls, to approve the vendor claims for the month of May. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Puls, yes; Cruise, yes; Streeter, yes; Gregg, yes; Malm, yes; Ostgren, yes. Motion carried.

	General	
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	Supplies	\$784.94
APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES	Subscription	\$1,435.80
LADONNA BENNETT	Poll Worker	\$212.50
SHEILA BENSON	Poll Worker	\$212.50
MAXINE BERRY	Poll Worker	\$216.60
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	Utilities	\$2,209.40
BOSELMAN ENERGY INC	Fuel	\$340.85
ADDISON BREINIG-PRUITT	Witness Fee	\$20.00
SHERYL BRENN	Canvassing Member	\$208.00
BRUNER FRANK	Court App Atty	\$289.50
BUFFALO COUNTY	Dues	\$200.00
BUFFALO COUNTY SHERIFF	Sheriff Fees	\$45.68
BURLINGTON CAR WASH LLC	Car Washes	\$152.00
BUSINESS WORLD PRODUCTS INC	Supplies	\$89.87
CENTRAL PLAINS VALUATION LLC	Appraiser Fees	\$1,072.50
CENTURYLINK	Phone Service	\$568.82
CHESTERMAN CO	Supplies	\$158.00
CITY OF HOLDREGE	Utilities	\$4,984.98
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT	April Fees	\$36.00
CORPORATE PAYMENT SYSTEMS (US BANK)	Supplies	\$4,041.19
DAAKE LAW OFFICE LLC	Court App Atty	\$2,829.00
DANNULL ENGINE SERVICE & AUTO	Repairs	\$1,288.71
LARISSA DAVENPORT	Mileage	\$87.00
TRISHA DAVID	Poll Worker	\$208.75
DONALD D DEALEY	Poll Worker	\$210.80
JEANNETTE L DEALEY	Poll Worker	\$233.85
DENNIS DAMOUDE	Baillif Fees	\$150.00
DEWALD DEEVER L'HEUREUX PC LLO	Court App Atty	\$6,321.75
DIAMOND DRUGS INC	Medical	\$386.76
DIER,OSBORN & COX	Court App Atty	\$69.00
DOLLAR GENERAL	Supplies	\$50.45
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	Supplies	\$2,727.50
ECOLAB INC	Rental	\$472.77
ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	Election Supplies	\$5,225.33
CAROLINE ERICKSON	Poll Worker	\$218.75
JANET EXSTROM	Poll Worker	\$208.75
F JOHNSON BUILDING,LLC	May Rent	\$1,030.00
FAMILY ADVOCACY NETWORK	Subscription	\$2,000.00
FASTENAL COMPANY	Supplies	\$789.13
FGH LAW OFFICE LLC	Court App Atty	\$764.48
FIRST LIGHT CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER	Professional	\$155.00
SALLY FOX	Supplies	\$101.42
NANCY S FREBURG	May Fees	\$1,959.17
DEETTE FREITAG	Poll Worker	\$208.75
FULMER U-SAVE PHARMACY	Medical	\$133.93
GARCIA CLINICAL LABORATORY INC	Medical	\$35.00
GLENWOOD TELECOMMUNICATIONS	Phone Service	\$2,623.88
MARSHA GRAF	Poll Worker	\$212.50

GRAY LAW FIRM LLC	Court App Atty	\$3,829.50
GWORKS	Website Host	\$19,405.00
HARLAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	Sheriff Fees	\$6.00
MIKE HARTZOG	Poll Worker	\$205.00
HOLDREGE DAILY CITIZEN	Legal & Notices	\$1,579.78
HOLDREGE SOFT WATER SERVICE	Rental	\$822.00
HOMETOWN LEASING	Copier Lease	\$1,211.87
AMBER IMLER	Mileage	\$87.00
JURY DUTY	Jury Fees	\$986.21
KLEIN,BREWSTER,BRANDT & MESSERSMITH	Court App Atty	\$8,642.25
TERESA KROLL	Poll Worker	\$205.00
BRIAN LANGENBERG	Reimbursement	\$493.71
LARSEN'S ACE HARDWARE	Supplies	\$91.32
LIESKE,LIESKE & ENSZ PC LLO	Court App Atty	\$1,325.50
SHARON LINDER	Poll Worker	\$216.60
AMY LOHMEYER	Cleaning	\$3,725.00
LT PEDLEY DRUG	Medical	\$254.80
RON MELBYE	Cell Phone Allowance	\$16.00
HANNAH N MEYER	Cleaning	\$105.00
JACOB MEYER	Cell Phone Allowance	\$16.00
ROSANNA MEYER	Poll Worker	\$235.70
MIPS INC	Support	\$3,822.73
DORISA "MUFFY" MORRIS	Transcript	\$70.20
ERICA MYERS	Witness Fee	\$88.15
SUSAN NATION	Poll Worker	\$205.00
NEBRASKA HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	Professional	\$93.00
BECKY NELSON	Poll Worker	\$249.80
CONNIE NELSON	Poll Worker	\$205.00
NIMBUS LOGIC LLC	Subscription	\$1,008.00
COREY O'BRIEN	Cell Phone Allowance	\$16.00
O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	Supplies	\$274.13
OWENS EDUCATIONAL SERVICES INC	Professional	\$150.00
PHELPS COUNTY SHERIFF	May Fees	\$4,149.34
PHELPS MEMORIAL HEALTH CENTER	Medical	\$289.30
PHELPS/HARLAN COUNTY CASA	Budget Request	\$32,000.00
PLATTE VALLEY COMM OF KEARNEY	Repairs	\$582.50
JEANA POPPLE	Poll Worker	\$215.87
PRO BUILDING SUPPLY,INC	Supplies	\$158.70
ANNE PTACNIK	Poll Worker	\$205.00
ALAN RAGER	Poll Worker	\$230.00
BONNIE REED	Poll Worker	\$205.00
RELIABLE PEST CONTROL	Pest Control	\$80.00
CARLENE A SCHEMPER	Poll Worker	\$212.50
TRICIA SCHEMPER	Poll Worker	\$212.50
IVALENE SIMMONS	Poll Worker	\$208.75
PATTI SIMPSON	Poll Worker	\$215.00
MARLENE SMITH	Canvassing Member	\$208.00
SOUTH CENTRAL SANITATION LLC	Trash Service	\$125.00
SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	Utilities	\$71.00
SARA STEVENS-STEHL	Poll Worker	\$287.75
STEWART TREE SERVICE & LANDSCAPE	Tree Services	\$700.00
DARRIE STREETER	Supplies	\$60.28
SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE LLC	Meals	\$15,438.53
T-MOBILE USA INC	Professional Fees	\$50.00
CHRIS TERMUNDE	Mileage	\$297.84
STEPHANIE THOMPSON	Poll Worker	\$216.60
THOMSON REUTERS-WEST	Subscription	\$2,450.00
TK ELEVATOR CORPORATION	Repairs	\$422.67
TRACTOR SUPPLY CREDIT PLAN	Supplies	\$6.49
TURNER BODY SHOP OF KEARNEY	Repairs	\$90.00
TWIN RIVERS TRANSFER	Professional	\$764.05
TYLER TECHNOLOGIES	Subscription	\$475.94
VERIZON BUSINESS	Phone Service	\$38.14
VERIZON WIRELESS	Phone Service	\$444.70
VESTIS	Mats Cleaned	\$102.28

EUNA VOSBURG	Poll Worker	\$222.50
SCOTT VOSBURG	Poll Worker	\$205.00
JUDY WISSMANN	Poll Worker	\$235.70
WOODWARD'S DISPOSAL SERVICE	Shredding	\$135.00
4 STATES TOWING LLC	Towing	\$908.25
General Fund Total		\$65,209.26
	Road	
AURORA COOPERATIVE	Fuel	\$14,397.63
BAUM HYDRAULICS CORPORATION	Supplies	\$166.69
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	Utilities	\$86.52
BOSELMAN ENERGY INC	Fuel	\$1,624.30
CDL,INC	Fuel	\$131.13
CENTRAL VALLEY ELECTRIC INC	Supplies	\$75.22
CHS-AGRI COOP	Fuel	\$740.25
CITY OF HOLDREGE	Utilities	\$493.29
COOPERATIVE PRODUCERS INC	Fuel	\$80.30
CORPORATE PAYMENT SYSTEMS (US BANK)	Supplies	\$179.93
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	Supplies	\$211.71
FAMILY MEDICAL SPECIALTIES	Medical	\$140.00
FASTENAL COMPANY	Supplies	\$40.00
FIGGINS CONSTRUCTION CO INC	Armor Coating	\$44,406.25
GLENWOOD TELECOMMUNICATIONS	Phone Service	\$174.85
HOLDREGE AUTO PARTS INC	Supplies	\$268.52
HOMETOWN LEASING	Copier Lease	\$133.12
INLAND TRUCK PARTS & SERVICE	Supplies	\$2,530.26
JANSSEN & SONS FORD	Supplies	\$15.99
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	Supplies	\$155.40
LARSEN'S ACE HARDWARE	Supplies	\$30.76
AMY LOHMEYER	Cleaning	\$300.00
MEDICAL ENTERPRISES,INC	Medical	\$144.00
MIPS INC	Support	\$138.99
NEBRASKA MACHINERY COMPANY	Supplies	\$840.08
OAK CREEK ENGINEERING	Engineering	\$4,608.30
OVERTON SAND & GRAVEL COMPANY	Gravel	\$4,158.72
PAULSEN INC	Gravel	\$370.65
RELIABLE PEST CONTROL	Pest Control	\$40.00
S & W AUTO PARTS	Supplies	\$1,065.78
SAHLING KENWORTH-KEARNEY	Supplies	\$339.19
SOUTH CENTRAL SANITATION LLC	Trash Service	\$43.00
SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	Utilities	\$148.62
VERIZON WIRELESS	Phone Service	\$79.86
VILLAGE OF BERTRAND	Utilities	\$85.61
VILLAGE OF FUNK	Utilities	\$62.20
Road Fund Total		\$78,507.12
	Visitors Promotion	
BULLDOG GRAPHICS LLC	Advertising	\$2,602.36
HOLDREGE AREA CHAMBER-COMMERCE	Advertising	\$2,000.00
KRISTINE JACOBSON	Supplies	\$125.00
THE TASSEL	Advertising	\$1,500.00
Visitors Promotion Fund Total		\$6,227.36
	Visitors Improvement	
KRJPR	Professional Fees	\$1,200.00
Visitors Improvement Fund Total		\$1,200.00
	Rod P&M	
MIPS INC	Support	\$310.18
Rod P&M Fund Total		\$310.18
	Health	
FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS GROUP LLC	Fees	\$6,931.25
SALLY FOX	Reimbursement	\$25.00
TRAVIS HORNER	Reimbursement	\$25.00
TOM NUTT	Reimbursement	\$25.00
Health Fund Total		\$7,006.25
	Soldiers/Sailors	
CORPORATE PAYMENT SYSTEMS (US BANK)	Assistance	\$136.29
Soldiers/Sailors Fund Total		\$136.29

	Library	
PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM	May Allotment	\$49,993.39
Library Fund Total		\$49,993.39
	Commissary	
CASH-WA DISTRIBUTING	Supplies	\$1,278.31
CHESTERMAN CO	Supplies	\$682.00
CIDNET	Subscription	\$4,633.85
PHELPS COUNTY CORRECTIONS	April Fees	\$3,795.43
Commissary Fund Total		\$10,389.59
	Building	
KIDWELL	Server	\$25,251.25
Building Fund Total		\$25,251.25
	Weed	
CHS-AGRI COOP	Fuel	\$56.32
CITY OF HOLDREGE	Utilities	\$40.55
CORPORATE PAYMENT SYSTEMS (US BANK)	Supplies	\$135.78
HOLDREGE DAILY CITIZEN	Legals & Notices	\$85.91
LARSEN'S ACE HARDWARE	Supplies	\$5.99
Weed Fund Total		\$324.55

At 9:15 a.m. the commissioners went into session as a Board of Equalization. Larissa Davenport, County Assessor, Sally Fox, County Clerk and Corey O'Brien, County Attorney, were present. Larissa reviewed tax list correction #55. After discussion Puls moved, seconded by Malm, to approve tax list correction #55. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Puls, yes; Cruise, yes; Streeter, yes; Gregg, yes; Malm, yes; Ostgren, yes. Motion carried.

The Board resumed regular session as a board of Commissioners at 9:19 a.m.

Doyal Morse met with the Board regarding Farmers Market. The dates will be every Thursday from May 21st through October 1st with hours from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Streeter moved, seconded by Cruise, to approve the use of the courthouse lawn and the hold harmless agreement. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Puls, yes; Cruise, yes; Streeter, yes; Gregg, yes; Malm, yes; Ostgren, yes. Motion carried.

Jim Claimpitt, Hwy. Supt., met with the board with his road report. Jim told the board that Straight-Line Striping has agreed to honor the 2025 contract pricing of \$1,240 per mile for the remaining 13.8 miles of pavement striping that were not completed during the 2025 season due to delays associated with the micro-surfacing project. An additional 26.2 miles of pavement striping is proposed at the same rate of \$1,240 per mile for an estimated cost of \$32,488. After discussion Gregg moved, seconded by Cruise, to approve the additional 26.2 miles for a cost of \$32,488. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Puls, yes; Cruise, yes; Streeter, yes; Gregg, yes; Malm, yes; Ostgren, yes. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the renewal of NACO Blue Cross Insurance. There is a 4.68% increase for health, and the dental rates will remain the same. The counties deductible is \$2,600 with \$600 buy down by the employee, the county pays 100% of employee's insurance and additional coverage is 70% and the employee pays 30% of their coverage. After discussion Gregg moved, seconded by Puls, to stay with NACO Blue Cross Insurance, keep the deductible at \$2,600 and keep the benefits the same. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Puls, yes; Cruise, yes; Streeter, yes; Gregg, yes; Malm, yes; Ostgren, yes. Motion carried

Malm moved, seconded by Nutt, to approve the monthly reports of the clerk, sheriff, and clerk of district court. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Puls, yes; Cruise, yes; Streeter, yes; Gregg, yes; Malm, yes; Ostgren, yes. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the cash-in-lieu rates and will approve a resolution at the next meeting.

Matt and Tom discussed committee meetings they attended.

The meeting adjourned at 10:37 a.m.

Sally Fox, County Clerk

Dennis Ostgren, Chairman Board of Commissioner