

January 20, 2026
North Platte, Nebraska

Meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners. Present were Commissioners Joe Hewgley, Kent Weems, Micaela Wuehler, Chris Bruns, Jerry Woodruff and County Clerk Rebecca Rossell. Bruns offered prayer. Weems called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

Chair Weems announced the Open Meeting Act with amendments is posted for public review and the county board will comply with the open meeting requirements.

Motion by Woodruff, seconded by Bruns to approve the minutes regarding the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners meeting held on January 12, 2026. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

No public comments were received.

Motion by Bruns, seconded by Wuehler to receive and order filed the treasurer's receipts. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

Motion by Wuehler, seconded by Woodruff to receive and order filed the fee report submitted by the Register of Deeds for \$33,678.67. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

Motion by Hewgley, seconded by Bruns to authorize the Chair to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the NE State Court Administrators Office concerning security cameras in the courthouse. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

Motion by Bruns, seconded by Wuehler to authorize the Chair to sign the Discover card class action claim form to be submitted by the Deputy County Attorney. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners recessed at 9:15 A.M. and the Lincoln County Board of Equalization convened.

Chair Weems announced the Open Meeting Act with amendments is posted for public review and the county board will comply with the open meeting requirements.

County Assessor Julie Stenger appeared along with County Treasurer Sheri Newton.

Motion by Bruns, seconded by Woodruff to approve the minutes regarding the Lincoln County Board of Equalization meeting held on January 12, 2026. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

No public comments were received.

No certificates of correction or refund submitted by the County Assessor.

Motion by Hewgley, seconded by Wuehler to approve the motor vehicle tax exemption application submitted by North Platte Berean Church and recommended for approval by the County Treasurer. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

Motion by Wuehler, seconded by Woodruff to approve the motor vehicle tax exemption application submitted by Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church and recommended for approval by the County Treasurer. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

Motion by Bruns, seconded by Hewgley to approve the motor vehicle tax exemption application submitted by Goodwill Industries of Greater Nebraska Inc. and recommended for approval by the County Treasurer. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

The Lincoln County Board of Equalization adjourned at 9:20 A.M. and the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners reconvened.

Chair Weems made annual appointments to the following board and committees for 2026:

Commissioner Hewgley

North Platte Area Chamber & Development
ADA Coordinator
Rules Committee
Law Enforcement/Judiciary Committee
Personnel Committee
Inland Port Committee
Interlocal Agreements Committee

Commissioner Weems

West Central Area on Aging
North Platte Senior Center Advisory Committee
Drug Task Force
Pest & Predator Control Committee
Sandhills R C & D
West Central Health District Board
Buildings & Grounds Committee
County Extension/Ag Society Committee

Commissioner Wuehler

West Central NE Development District
Planning & Zoning Committee



Noxious Weed Committee
Transportation Committee
Legislative Committee
Region II Human Services
Safety Committee
County Roads Committee

Commissioner Bruns

West Central NE Development District
Law Enforcement/Judiciary Committee
Planning & Zoning Committee
Inland Port Committee
Transportation Committee
Legislative Committee
Interlocal Agreements Committee

Commissioner Woodruff

Visit North Platte Board of Directors
Mid-Nebraska Community Action Partnership
Personnel Committee
County Roads Committee
Pest & Predator Control Committee
Building & Grounds Committee
Sandhills RC & D
Rules Committee

Other Appointments:

Appointees to receive drug testing reports (Chairperson & Tyler Volkmer)
Fair Housing Representative (Rebecca Rossell)
South Central Planning & Exercise Training Region (SCPETR) – Region 51
Emergency Management (Brandon Myers and Joanna LeMoine)

Motion by Bruns, seconded by Woodruff to accept the bid of Janssen Chrysler in the amount of \$ 84,878 with trade for two Durango patrol vehicles for the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

Veterans Service Officer, Tom Gann, to discuss funding concerns in the State of Nebraska pertaining to LB 1072 introduced in the legislature which would move \$2,500,000 from the Nebraska Veterans Aid Fund to the Department of Veterans Affairs Cash Fund once before June 2026 and again before June 2027.

Motion by Bruns, seconded by Woodruff to draft a resolution in strong opposition of LB 1072. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

Motion by Bruns, seconded by Woodruff, to go into closed session at 10:39 A.M. concerning deployment of security personnel or devices. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

Chair restated the motion for the closed session.

Motion by Bruns, seconded by Woodruff to go into open session at 10:50 A.M. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

Sheriff Kramer stated the items needed for replacement of locks at the jail are unique and proprietary. No other bids were received.

Motion by Hewgley, seconded by Bruns to authorize the Building & Grounds Director to work with the Lincoln County Detention Center personnel on the replacement of locks. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

Hear concerns from Elected Officials, Department Heads, or their representative.

Lincoln County Commissioners Committee Reports.

Approved the following claims as presented for payment. Motion carried.

GENERAL		TOTAL
AT&T	cont	47.01
ACE INDSTRL SPLY	su	1016.25
ALLO	se	1782.38
ALS L&S	su	145.35
BNCHMRK GOV SLTNS	se	134.5
BIG RED TWNG	re	85
BLCK HLLS ENRGY	se	365.79
B GILLET	se	1375
BRTHRS LZR SRV	re	87
CPTL BSN SYSTMS	cont	221.65
CARROL'S TWNG	se	190
CENTURY LINK	se	667.38
CHARTER	se	167.75
SPECTRUM	se	180
C SHAW	se	11741.5
CLERK OF DIST CRT	fee	969
C CHRISMAN	ps	11.54
CRNHSKR ST INDST	su	374
CULLIGAN	se	133.01
D HILD	ps	34.68
DAS CNTRL FIN	fee	979
DAWSON PPD	se	507.38
DEVCO	cont	30000

D MOORE	ps	11.54
D OCHSNER	ps	23.08
DR DEB'S	cont	2500
EAKES	su	1314.48
ECCA	se	54
E KRONE	ps	17.34
E TORRES	ps	252
GARRETT TIRE	re	106.97
HIGHSTREET INS	se	120
HOME DEPOT	su	162.54
HMTWN LSNG	cont	376.54
J BABCOCK	ps	80.76
J WILSON	ps	11.52
K KOSTMAN	ps	11.54
K DAILEY	ps	23.08
KNAPP ELEC	re	389.5
LEVANDER'S	re	607.5
LINDEMEIER LAW	se	5912.5
M JONES	ps	168
MENARDS	re	755.29
MENTZER	fuel	69.63
MICROFILM IMGNG SYSTMS	cont	640
MID PLAINS CC	fee	40
MIDWEST CON	se	139.13
MORRIS RPRTNG	se	1265.25
MUNICIPAL L&W	se	891.29
M MORRIS	ps	11.54
NACO	fee	175
NE PUB HLTH ENVRNMNTL	fee	105
NE TRCK&AG	equip	344.95
NBRSKLND BNK	su	232.45
N TROFHOLZ	ps	46.16
NP ACE HRDWRE	su	487.14
NP HRDWRE	re	102.69
NP PD	se	27368
NP PUB SCHL	cont	2000
NP TLGRPH	se	134.8
NRTHWSTRN PUB SRV	se	3499.26
ORRS DRY CLNG	se	29
P SAMADI	se	120
PEDERSON LAW	se	525
RAPID FIRE PRTCTN	se	790.2
R SCHROEDER	se	900

R GIBBONS	ps	92.32
R O'NEILL	ps	34.68
R NEWTON	ps	92.32
SCHABEN	se	1717.89
SENTRY SCRTY	re	2187.03
SNELL SERVICES	se	1767.5
STAPLES	su	289.72
STERICYCLE	su	1391.23
S ELM SHA EUSER	se	1950
SUTHERLAND LBRY	cont	2549
WALDINGER CORP	se	918.85
T GANN	mi	140
TRINITY SRVCS	cont	6506.48
TROYER	se	1452.48
U S BANK	su	7481.59
USAVE PHARM	su	15
ULINE	su	395.82
UNITECH	su	197
UNI NE	rent	850
VANGUARD	se	19030
VERIZON	se	251.16
WALMART BSN	su	69.97
WHITETAIL SP	su	67.25
WORLD DATA CORP	fee	198
911 CUSTOM	equip	2318.38
ROADS		
AT&T	se	52.52
AKRS EQUIP	re	1866.16
BILL SUMMERS	re	7721.47
BLCK HLLS ENRGY	se	392.25
BOMGAARS	su	360.93
BRADY G&G	fuel	202.49
CAR QUEST	re	359.9
CNSTRCTN RNTL NP	re	64
CROELL	se	604.65
DAWSON PP	se	441.54
FESSLER TR	re	84
FLOYDS	re	4993.67
HI LINE COOP	fuel	468.83
IDEAL LINEN	su	36.29
MENARDS	su	147.11
MDPLNS CC	fee	760
MDLND S OCPTNL MED	su	40

MDWST ELEC MEMB CORP	se	471.88
MURPHY TRCTR	re	260.55
STHWST FRM & AUTO SUP	re	83.53
NEAL OIL	fuel	19106.64
NMC	re	1975.78
O'REILLY	su	17.98
PAULSENS	su	2515.72
PLATTE VALLEY COM	re	1020.76
RS HYDRAULIC SLTNS	re	999.02
SNAP ON	su	480
U S BANK	su	1198.47
VLLGE OF MXWLL	se	71.5

The meeting was adjourned at 11:03 A.M.

Advance notice and the agenda for the January 20, 2026, board meetings were sent to the county board and all others requesting the same. Advance public notice (including agenda) of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners meeting and the Lincoln County Board of Equalization meeting was posted at the Lincoln County Courthouse, City Hall, and the Lincoln County website on January 16, 2026; and was also emailed to the media on January 16, 2026.

The agenda for the meetings to be held on Monday, January 26, 2026, will be kept continually current and open for inspection at the office of the Lincoln County Clerk. The regular meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will be at the Lincoln County Courthouse in the Commissioners Room at 9:00 A.M. The regular meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Equalization will be at the Lincoln County Courthouse in the Commissioners Room at 9:15 A.M.

Rebecca J. Rossell
Lincoln County Clerk