

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

JANUARY 5, 2026

GRANT, NEBRASKA

The Perkins County, Nebraska, Board of Commissioners held its regular meeting at 8:30 a.m. in the County Courthouse in Grant, Nebraska.

Present: Commissioners Steve Tucker and Mark Bottom; County Attorney Richard Roberts; and County Clerk James Brueggeman. Absent: Commissioner Darin Robertson.

Chairman Tucker called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. It was announced that notice of the meeting had been published in The Grant Tribune-Sentinel on December 25, 2025. The chairman also announced the location of the Open Meetings Act Poster in the Commissioner's Room. The agenda was reviewed. Commissioner Bottom moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Tucker. A roll call vote was taken, with two ayes, and the motion carried. Commissioner Bottom moved to approve the minutes from the December 15, 2025, meeting, as published in The Grant Tribune-Sentinel, posted on Perkins County's website, and made available in the Clerk's Office. Commissioner Tucker seconded. Roll call vote: two ayes. The motion carried.

Payroll and claims submitted to the County Board were reviewed. Commissioner Bottom moved to approve the payroll and claims. Commissioner Tucker seconded. A roll call vote was taken, with two ayes, and the motion was approved.

COUNTY EMPLOYEES

SALARIES \$101,987.08

GENERAL

Adams Bank & Trust - Grant	\$ 475.00
Aflac	\$ 989.61
Ameritas, Retirement Plans Division	\$16,141.05
AT&T Mobility	\$ 119.12
Banner Health	\$ 5,239.40
Blue360 Media	\$ 719.36
Candlewood Suites Kearney	\$ 749.70
CenturyLink	\$ 43.09
Charles Kuskie	\$ 16.00

City Of Grant	\$ 2,014.67
DAS State Accounting - Cntl. Fin.	\$ 614.40
Deaver Computer Service1, Inc.	\$ 17.98
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Dickinson Land Surverys, Inc.	\$ 1,500.00
Eakes Office Plus	\$ 15.30
Faber Signs	\$ 450.00
Fiduciary Trust Co Of New Hampshire	\$ 625.00
FR Customs, LLC	\$ 390.64
Hamilton Information Systems, Inc.	\$ 2,113.45
Hometown Leasing	\$ 401.36
Ideal Linen	\$ 100.31
Intoximeters	\$ 186.50
Julie Sestak	\$ 233.80
Law Office Of Ashley K. Spahn	\$ 175.00
Leibbrandt Lumber	\$ 19.28
Mar's Service Center, Inc.	\$ 194.45
Mary Buss	\$ 96.00
Mid-American Research Chem Corp	\$ 313.17
MIPS, Inc.	\$ 1,883.64
NACO	\$ 315.00
NE Law Enforcement Trng Cntr	\$ 142.00
NE Weed Control Association	\$ 175.00
Nebraska Health And Human Services	\$ 183.00
Perkins Co Register Of Deeds	\$ 194.00
Pinnacle Bank	\$52,137.58
Pinnacle Bank - Grant	\$ 4.25
Pinnacle Bank - Grant	\$ 4,808.32
Prairie States Communications, Inc.	\$ 900.00
Protex Central, Inc.	\$ 815.00
Robert S. Harvoy	\$ 243.75
Sandhills State Bank	\$ 665.00
Sayler Screenprinting, LLC	\$ 119.00
State of NE - Dept. of Revenue	\$ 4,461.90

The Lincoln National Life Ins Co	\$ 1,979.73
U.S. Postmaster	\$ 106.00
Verizon Wireless	\$ 59.82
ROADS	
9J Land Co	\$ 4,762.50
Bernard Deaver Gravel	\$ 904.00
Candlewood Suites Kearney	\$ 374.85
Consolidated Telcom, Inc.	\$ 121.00
David Schmitt	\$ 4,730.00
Don & Donna Hutchens	\$ 3,690.00
Great Plains Communications	\$ 232.29
Haasbroek Farms, LLC	\$ 5,106.00
Ian Stevens	\$ 4,028.75
Medical Enterprises, Inc.	\$ 77.00
NPPD	\$ 416.49
NE Child Support Pymt Center	\$ 250.00
NRH Services, LLC	\$ 137.80
Pinnacle Bank - Grant	\$ 5,218.29
Prairie States Communications, Inc.	\$ 335.50
Rosenbach Farms, Inc.	\$ 6,365.50
Safety-Kleen Systems, Inc.	\$ 415.90
Sandhills State Bank	\$10,643.08
The Scoular Company	\$ 6,998.32
Tom Foster	\$ 4,628.00
Vistabeam	\$ 71.95
FAIR	
Black Hills Gas Distribution, LLC	\$ 272.12
Ideal Linen	\$ 36.52
TRANSIT	
CDW Government, Inc.	\$ 2,260.05
City Of Grant	\$ 25.68
Perkins Co Senior Center	\$ 620.00
WIRELINE 911	
CenturyLink	\$ 4,418.93

Elsie Communications, Inc.	\$ 191.37
LOCAL AMBULANCE	
One Billing Solutions, LLC	\$ 1,069.78
Prairie States Communications, Inc.	\$ 128.00
Windesigns, Inc.	\$ 931.49
TRANSFER AMBULANCE	
Aurora Cooperative	\$ 305.13
One Billing Solutions, LLC	\$ 2,161.93

Correspondence:

Commissioners received correspondence from J Bar J Landfill regarding the December 2025 Host Agreement payment and a letter of support from the Village of Elsie Board of Trustees for the proposed truck route paving project.

Public Comment:

Opened at 8:40 a.m. and closed at 9:00 a.m David Steinwart appeared on behalf of the Village of Madrid to discuss the upcoming scrap tire cleanup program, requested that Perkins County consider taking over the program in the future, addressed ongoing and future maintenance of Howell and Stone Streets in Madrid, and notified Commissioners of a plugged culvert southwest of Madrid near the old Madrid dump. Commissioner Bottom will attend the next Village of Madrid Board of Trustees meeting.

Planning & Zoning Public Hearing:

Commissioner Tucker opened the public hearing on Conditional Use Permit 04-2025 at 9:00 a.m. Edward Dunn, representing the West Central Nebraska Development District and serving as the Perkins County Zoning Administrator, provided the Commissioners with a Statement of Fact regarding the Conditional Use Permit. Commissioners addressed their questions to the Zoning Administrator, who responded. The property owner was not present, and there was no public comment on the permit. Chairman Tucker closed the public hearing at 9:09 a.m.

Business With Officials:

Commissioners acknowledged receipt of the December 2025 District Court Fee Report and the Fourth Quarter 2025 Sheriff's Fee Report.

Sheriff Jeffrey Miller reported that all 2025 distress warrants are satisfied, that he is holding one inmate each at the Keith County Jail and the Lincoln County Jail, that a

deer collided with the side of a patrol car, causing minor damage, and that the new deputy sheriff trainee began training at the Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center.

Highway Superintendent Steve Leimer and Assistant Highway Superintendent Brian Brassfield met with Commissioners to discuss hiring an engineer to provide guidance for upcoming paving projects, reported on a grant they are preparing for paving projects, suggested new rates for the amount the county pays for dirt and gravel, reviewed an invoice received for bridge inspections, and provided updates on their Assistant Weed Superintendent interviews and on the immediate resignation of a road department employee received earlier in the morning.

County Clerk James Brueggeman discussed several ongoing projects within his areas of responsibility with the Commissioners, including HVAC upgrades to the Courthouse, information technology maintenance and upgrades, the county's deferred compensation plan, the local emergency operations plan, and the upcoming election.

Unfinished Business:

Commissioners took no action on the discussion of the Perkins County Comprehensive Plan Update and Zoning Regulations. Edward Dunn, the West Central Nebraska Development District's acting Perkins County Planning & Zoning Administrator, informed Commissioners that he will have a first presentation available at the January 20, 2026, meeting.

Commissioners, the Perkins County Planning & Zoning Administrator, and Chandler Elmore, representing Lightsource BP, reviewed the status of the Lightsource BP Conditional Use Permit 03-2025 and its associated conditions. Jim and Star Kemling were present during the review. Commissioners did not act on the Lightsource BP Conditional Use Permit 03-2025 and moved the item to the January 20, 2026, agenda.

Commissioners reviewed and discussed the resolution setting salaries for all elected county officers for the 2027-2030 term. Commissioner Bottom moved to adopt Resolution 2026-2. Commissioner Tucker seconded the motion. Roll call vote, two ayes, resolution adopted.

New Business:

Following the public hearing, Commissioner Bottom moved to adopt Resolution 2026-1 approving Conditional Use Permit 04-2025. Commissioner Tucker seconded

the motion. The roll call vote was two ayes, and the motion carried.

Commissioners discussed the sales invoice for the new motor grader and a bond proposal to fund the purchase. Commissioner Bottom moved to authorize the Chairman to obtain and sign bond paperwork from First National to pay for the motor grader. Commissioner Tucker seconded the motion. Roll call vote, two ayes, motion carried.

Commissioners reviewed and discussed paved road projects and considered funding them through bond issuance. Commissioners took no action and plan to revisit the projects at future meetings.

Pursuant to a previously adopted 2024 resolution, Commissioner Tucker executed a Loan Agreement, Trust Indenture, General Certificate of the Issuer, Tax Regulatory Agreement, Form 8038, and Certificate of Registration with the State Auditor for The County of Perkins Revenue Bonds (Western Sky Community Care Center Project) Series 2026.

Commissioner Tucker moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Bottom. A roll call vote was taken, and both members present voted in favor, thereby passing the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 11:57 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Perkins County Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Monday, February 2, 2026, at 8:30 a.m. at the Perkins County Courthouse in Grant, Nebraska.

James D. Brueggeman
Perkins County Clerk