

Deuel County Commissioner Meeting
May 19, 2026

The Deuel County Commissioners met on the above date with the following present: Chairperson Jim Reichman, Commissioner Jean Timm, Commissioner William Klingman arriving at 8:37 a.m. County Officials, employees, and others present were County Attorney Jon Stellar, County Assessor Michele Bartlett, County Treasurer Alicia Adams, Sheriff's Office Administrator Leslie Snell, Sheriff Scott DeCoste, Sheriff Deputy Jim McCormick, Highway Superintendent Toney Krajewski, Assistant Highway Superintendent Kristian Fusilier, Marj Freeman, Brenda Parsons, Jim Way, Charles Graves, Chad Svoboda, Kevin From, Jeff Nitzel and Clerk Tammy Sherman. Publicized notice of the meeting was posted in the Chappell Register and the county website (www.deuelcountyne.gov) on or before May 14, 2026. The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence. Reference was made to the open meeting laws, posted at the entrance of the room. Commissioner Timm made a motion, second of Commissioner Reichman to approve the consent agenda; May 19, 2026, agenda, minutes of the regular meeting May 5th, 2026. Timm, aye, Reichman, aye, Klingman, absent.

Public comment. Chip Graves, Deuel County Veterans Service Officer advised the American Legion and VFW have services for Memorial Day; Sunday May 24th, 2026, at the Berea Lutheran Church at 2:00 p.m. and Monday May 25th, 2026, at the Chappell Cemetery at 11:00 a.m.

No business for the Board of Equalization.

Per the recommendation of the Planning & Zoning Board after three notices were published in the paper, two letters of interest received with only one being from the Chappell Rural district which was the open position; a motion was made by Commissioner Reichman, seconded by Commissioners Timm to approve the appointment of Jim Way to the Planning and Zoning Board. Reichman, aye, Klingman, absent, Timm, aye.

Chad Svoboda with Svoboda Benefit Solutions presented the 2026-2027 health insurance benefits proposal. The cost will be going up 39.56% at the renewal July 1, 2026, with Blue Cross Blue Shield. Svoboda presented another proposal for the health insurance benefit with Medica. The proposal is still 26.09% higher than the current cost. After a brief discussion, the decision to renew the coverage was tabled until a proposal could be received from Nebraska Association of County Officials.

No updates from Planning & Zoning.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reichman, seconded by Commissioner Klingman to increase the commitment to Kimball County Transit Service to \$20,000 for the 2026-2027 budget year. Klingman, aye, Reichman, aye, Timm, aye.

County Attorney Jon Stellar commented on the enforcement of nuisance violations outside the city and village limits and one mile jurisdiction area. After a brief discussion, no action was taken.

An Interlocal Emergency Mutual Aid Assistance Agreement for Panhandle Counties was received from Ron Leal, the Region 21 Emergency Management Director. The agreement is a tool to limit the liability of sharing resources between counties during an emergency situation and receive federal reimbursement for the cost that may be involved. A motion was made by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commissioner Reichman to approve the agreement as presented. Reichman, aye, Klingman, aye, Timm, aye.

Highway Superintendent Krajewski and Assistant Highway Superintendent Fusilier updated the Board on the operations in the roads department. The work on the south end of Road 165/167 (South of the Interstate) has begun and should be completed within the next short while. Fusilier mentioned the replacement pickup for shop one was received.

Sheriff DeCoste presented a quote for safety equipment for the deputies. The tactical equipment will be kept in the patrol vehicles. The total cost for all the equipment is \$6,382.64. A motion was made by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commissioner Reichman to approve the purchase of the equipment as presented. Reichman, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

Sheriff's report for April was present for review and filing. Fees for the month total \$427.35. Sheriff DeCoste reported for his office.

The claims were read. A motion was made by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commissioner Timm to approve payroll, claims and warrants in the amount of \$129,369.22 (payroll \$37,466.72 and claims \$91,902.50). Timm, aye, Reichman aye, Klingman aye.

GENERAL

PAYROLL		24091.56
ASHLYN ROELLE	MILEAGE	135.94
AT&T	TELEPHONE	53.98
AT&T MOBILITY	TELEPHONE	687.96
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	HEALTH INS	852.10
C-WEED MANAGEMENT	SERVICES	1145.00

CAMERON CHRISTENSEN	ZONING MTG	15.00
CCECC-911 EMERGENCY	SERVICES	7782.89
CENTURY LINK	TELEPHONE	435.53
CHAPPELL LUMBER	SUPPLIES/REPAIRS	90.37
CHAPPELL REGISTER	PRINTING	1672.34
CHARLES GRAVES	MILEAGE	87.70
CHEYENNE CO SHERIFF	BOARDING	400.00
CRANMORE PEST CONTROL	SERVICES	50.00
CYD HANSON	MILEAGE	31.90
DATASHIELD	SERVICES	66.22
DEUEL COUNTY DIST CT	FEES	72.00
DEUEL COUNTY CO CT	FEES	526.00
EAKES	SUPPLIES/SERVICES	290.80
GARDEN CO SHERIFF	BOARDING	50.00
GARY FREEMAN	ZONING MTG	15.00
GOTO COMMUNICATIONS	TELEPHONE	429.44
GWORCS	SERVICES	13018.00
HANSENS PETROLEUM	FUEL	2336.32
HOMETOWN LEASING	COPIERS	182.58
HUBER & ASSOCIATES	SERVICES	3031.00
IDEAL LINEN	SERVICES	80.71
INTRALINKS, INC	SERVICES	3404.00
JASON CHELEEN	ZONING MTG	15.00
JOAN HANSEN	ELECTION WKR	150.00
KIMBALL CO TRANSIT	ECONOMIC DEVELOP	3500.00
LAUREEN KUTCHARA	ELECTION WKR	277.00
LESLIE SNELL	ELECTION WKR	277.00
MIPS	SERVICES	1753.07
MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS	EQUIPMENT	2381.45
NPPD	UTILITIES	65.07
NACO	CONVENTION	125.00
POINTS WEST COMM BANK	SERVICES	5.00
ROBERT HARVOY	COURT APPT ATTRY	398.40
SARA NELSON	MILEAGE	340.17
STEVEN ELM SHAUSER	COURT APPT ATTRY	340.00
SUNSET LAW ENFORC	SUPPLIES	1410.10
T.T.L. - RETIREMENT	PAYROLL	3541.30
TRANSUNION	SERVICES	100.00
T.T.L. - FEDERAL	PAYROLL DEDUCT	3740.02
ANNA COLLINS	ELECTION WKR	277.00
BETH MCCRODEN	ELECTION WKR	277.00
BIG SPRINGS FIRE DEPT	POLL SITE	150.00
BRENDA RADKE	ELECTION WKR	427.00
CHAPPELL FIRE DEPT	POLL SITE	150.00
DARLENE FORD	ELECTION WKR	277.00
HALEY MAGEE	ELECTION WKR	427.00
JUSTIN SHAW	ELECTION WKR	150.00
LORETTA JOHNSON	ELECTION WKR	252.00
MATTHEW ADAMS	ELECTION WKR	150.00
RODNEY HANSON	ELECTION WKR	150.00
TRAVIS DICKEY	ELECTION WKR	150.00
AMANDA ALEXANDER	ELECTION WKR	252.00
FIRST CONCORD	PAYROLL DEDUCTION	304.16
TTL - STATE TAX	PAYROLL DEDUCTION	1421.28
TTL - RETIREMENT	PAYROLL DEDUCTION	2434.41
TTL - FEDERAL TAX	PAYROLL DEDUCTION	7566.36
	ROAD & BRIDGE	
PAYROLL		13375.16
AJK SERVICES, LLC	SERVICES	396.60
C-WEED MANAGEMENT	SERVICES	825.00
CHAPPELL LUMBER	REPAIRS	34.26
EAKES	SUPPLIES	466.35

FRENCHMAN VALLEY	FUEL	7482.83
GWORKS	SERVICES	1023.00
HANSENS PETROLEUM	FUEL	8600.20
INTRALINKS	SERVICES	82.50
KRISTIAN FUSILIER	CELL PHONE	50.00
NPPD	UTILITIES	71.82
POWERPLAN	REPAIRS	883.95
PREMIER AUTO PARTS	REPAIRS	509.34
VALLEY REPAIR	REPAIRS	50.60
VALLEY TIRE	REPAIRS	531.00
WHEATBELT	UTILITIES	117.93
	VISITORS PROMOTION 990	
BIG SPRINGS COMM FUND	2026 GALA	495.05
	COUNTY FAIR	
POPPE ENTERPRISES	SERVICES	<u>105.50</u>
TOTAL		\$ 129,369.22

There being no further business, the board adjourned at 9:52 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be Tuesday, June 2, 2026, upon motion of Commissioner Reichman, second of Commissioner Klingman. Reichman, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, aye.

Attest: _____

Tammy Sherman, Clerk