

Deuel County Commissioner Meeting
August 18, 2026

The Deuel County Commissioners met on the above date with the following members present: Chairperson Jim Reichman, Commissioner Jean Timm, and Commissioner William Klingman.

County officials, employees, and others present included County Assessor Michele Bartlett, County Treasurer Alicia Adams, Sheriff Scott DeCoste, Highway Superintendent Toney Krajewski, Assistant Highway Superintendent Kristian Fusilier, Roads Superintendent Kelly Kopetsky, Sharon Sutton, Jerry Sutton, Judy Steger, Barney Steger, Steve Fischer, Veterans’ Service Officer Charles Graves, Rachel Smith, and Clerk Tammy Sherman.

Notice of the meeting was published in the *Chappell Register* and posted on the county website (www.deuelcountyne.gov) on or before August 13, 2026.

The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence. Reference was made to the Open Meetings Act, with copies of the law available in printed form and posted at the entrance to the meeting room.

Commissioner Klingman moved to approve the consent agenda, including the August 18, 2026, meeting agenda and the minutes of the regular meeting held on August 4, 2026. Commissioner Timm seconded the motion. Timm, aye, Klingman, aye, Reichman, aye. Motion carried.

Public comments: none.

A motion by Commissioner Reichman seconded by Commissioner Klingman to enter the Board of Equalization at 8:35 a.m. Klingman, aye, Timm, aye, Reichman, aye.

Planning & Zoning Administrator Bartlett reported that there were no new building permits, no updates on the Perkins Canal project, and that the Planning & Zoning Board is continuing to work on the Planning & Zoning Ordinance. Bartlett presented the recommendations from the Planning & Zoning Board for the Board of Adjustment; Big Springs Rural – Britten Rageth, Swan – Barney Steger, Swan – Tammy Sherman, Chappell – Kristian Fusilier and Rural Chappell – Jerry Sutton. Commissioner Timm made a motion to table the approval of the Board of Adjustment until September 1, 2026, Commissioners’ meeting, seconded by Commissioner Klingman. Reichman, aye, Klingman, aye, Timm, aye. An attempt will be made to contact each of the Board of Equalization candidates in order to emphasize the responsibilities associated with serving on this board.

Assessor Bartlett advised that her staff member, Vanessa Bartlett, successfully passed the Assessor’s test. Vanessa will be appointed deputy after additional training and education is completed and approved by the Nebraska Secretary of State.

Highway Superintendent Krajewski and Assistant Highway Superintendent Fusilier provided the Board with an update on Road Department operations. Fusilier advised that he has updated the One & Six Plan and the public hearing will be September 1, 2026, at 9:00 am. The department has received two bids for the replacement of the damaged shelter at the Big Springs shop. Fusilier is waiting for one more bid. The John Deere lease is up for buy out on the John Deere grader 672. The lease buy out is \$135,193.00. A discussion was held on the condition of the grader and its longevity within the department. A motion was made by Commissioner Timm, seconded by Commissioner Klingman to approve the buy out of the 672 JD grader. Reichman, aye, Klingman, aye, Timm, aye. Motion carried.

Sheriff DeCoste advised of the happenings in the Sheriff’s department. He presented the Sheriff’s reports for June and July. Fees for June total \$598.07 and for July total \$295.85.

Treasurer Adams advised the Commissioners that no progress has been made on the leach line for the Chappell shop and follow-up is needed. She will have a report on the concrete work at the Big Springs fire hall after the BSVFD meeting.

Rachel Smith with Dickinson & Clark CPAs, was on hand to review the preliminary budget figures for 2026-2027. An extensive discussion was held on each department’s expenses. The budget hearing will be held on September 15th at 9:00 am.

The claims were read. A motion was made by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commissioner Reichman to approve payroll, claims and warrants in the amount of \$301,732.44 (payroll \$39,793.51 and claims \$261,938.93). Timm, aye, Reichman aye Klingman aye. Motion carried.

GENERAL

PAYROLL		25722.98
ADVANCED MEDICAL	SERVICES	55.61
AL'S LOCK & SAFE	SERVICES	590.00
ASHLYN ROELLE	MILEAGE	177.99
AT&T	TELEPHONE	56.30
AT&T MOBILITY	TELEPHONE	688.80

BLACK HILLS ENERGY	UTILITIES	48.77
CAMERON CHRISTENSEN	P&Z MEETING	15.00
CCECC 911 EMERGENCY	MAY & JUNE	6245.05
CENTURY LINK	TELEPHONE	432.87
CHAPPELL LUMBER	SUPPLIES	6.99
CHAPPELL REGISTER	SERVICES	636.09
CHAPPELL SUPER FOODS	SUPPLIES	2.19
CHEYENNE CO SHERIFF	BOARDING	1500.00
CHEYENNE CO TREASURER	4-H ASSISTANT	1885.65
DATASHIELD	SERVICES	66.22
DEUEL CO DISTRICT COURT	FEES	121.00
DEUEL CO COUNTY COURT	FEES	389.00
EAKES	SUPPLIES/SERIVCES	948.07
GARDEN CO SHERIFF	BOARDING	1350.00
GOTO COMMUNICATIONS	TELEPHONE	430.09
HANSENS PETROLEUM	FUEL	2691.38
HOMETOWN LEASING	COPIER	296.67
IDEAL LINEN	SERVICES	167.02
INTRALINKS, INC	SERVICES	3446.50
JAMES WAY	P & Z MEETING	15.00
JASON CHELEEN	P & Z MEETING	15.00
JONES AUTOMOTIVE	SERVICES	1083.77
MIPS	SERVICES	1866.65
NPPD	UTILITIES	52.17
NACVSO	MEMBERSHIP	400.00
OPTK NETWORKS	SERVICES	300.00
EAGLEVIEW PICTOMETRY	SERVICES	20296.72
POINTS WEST COMM BANK	FEES	5.00
PREMIER AUTO	REPAIRS	12.45
REGION I BEHAVIORAL	SERVICES	5984.00
RELX INC/LEXIS NEXIS	SERVICES	600.00
STRODE FORENSICS	SERVICES	1110.00
TTL RET PLANS AMERTIAS	RETIREMENT	3789.98
T&K TIRE, INC	REPAIRS	115.90
TRANSUNION	SERVICES	100.00
TTL FEDERAL	PAYROLL DEDUCTION	3991.55
FIRST CONCORD	PAYROLL DEDUCTION	250.00
TTL - STATE TAX	PAYROLL DEDUCTION	1550.17
TTL - RETIREMENT	PAYROLL DEDUCTION	2610.33
TTL - FEDERAL TAX	PAYROLL DEDUCTION	8222.91
ROAD & BRIDGE		
PAYROLL		14070.53
FRENCHMAN VALLEY COOP	FUEL	7240.87
GARRETT TIRE	REPAIRS	3144.93
HANSENS PETROLEUM	FUEL	9761.73
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	GRADER PAYOFF	135193.00
KELLY KOPETZKY	CELL PHONE	50.00
NPPD	UTILITIES	48.02
NEBRASKA MACHINERY	REPAIRS	325.06
POPPE'S TRUCK REPAIR	REPAIRS	4010.53
PREMIER AUTO	REPAIRS	2815.72
S&W AUTO	REPAIRS	99.99
TITAN MACHINERY	REPAIRS	8.70
VALLEY TIRE	REPAIRS	110.00
WHEATBELT	UTILITIES	75.90
COUNTY FAIR		
B&B SALES	SERVICES	852.10
CHAPPELL LUMBER	REPAIRS	737.38
CHAPPELL REGISTER	PRINTING	1222.04
ROOP CONSTRUCTION	REPAIRS	140.00
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SAFETY EQUIP	75.52
FVC	PROPANE	566.32

PEPSI COLA	SERVICES/BBQ	418.25
	DRUG LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND 2360	
JONES AUTOMOTIVE	SAFETY EQUIP	<u>20424.01</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 301,732.44

Commissioner Klingman was excused from the meeting at 10:53 a.m. for a previously arranged appointment. There being no further business, the board adjourned at 10:55 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be Tuesday, September 1, 2026, upon motion of Commissioner Timm, second of Commissioner Reichman, Reichman, aye, Timm, aye, Klingman, absent. Motion carried.

Attest: _____ Tammy Sherman, Clerk

August 18, 2026
Board of Equalization

The Deuel County Board of Commissioners met on the above date at 8:35 a.m. with the following officials present; Commissioner Reichman, Commissioner Klingman, Commissioner Timm, County Assessor Michele Bartlett and Clerk Tammy Sherman.

Assessor Bartlett presented the following tax list corrections for tax year 2023.

No. 921 Parcel ID 0000965.00-RE. Dept of Revenue 2023 Homestead Audit changed percentage from 100% to 80%. Commissioner Timm made a motion to approve the correction as presented; seconded by Commissioner Reichman. Timm, aye, Klingman, aye, Reichman, aye. Motion carried.

No. 922 Parcel ID 0000641.00-RE. Dept of Revenue 2023 Homestead Audit changed percentage from 100% to 0%. A motion was made by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commissioner Reichman to approve the correction as presented. Klingman, aye, Reichman, aye, Timm, aye. Motion carried.

No. 923 Parcel ID 0002156.00-RE. Dept of Revenue 2023 Homestead audit changed percentage from 100% to 50%. A motion was made by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commissioner Reichman to approve the correction as presented. Timm, aye, Klingman, aye, Reichman, aye. Motion carried.

No. 924 Parcel ID 0002220.00-RE. Dept of Revenue 2023 Homestead Audit changed percentage from 100% to 70%. A motion was made by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commissioner Timm to approve the corrections as presented. Timm, aye, Klingman, aye, Reichman, aye. Motion carried.

There being no further business for the Board of Equalization, the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners reconvened at 8:40 a.m. upon motion by Commissioner Klingman, seconded by Commissioner Reichman. Timm, aye, Klingman, aye, Reichman, aye. Motion carried.

Attest: _____
Tammy Sherman, Clerk