

## **Garfield County Board of Commissioners Record**

Burwell, Garfield County, Nebraska

The Garfield County Board of Commissioners met Tuesday, June 24th, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. in the Commissioners Room at the Garfield County Courthouse in Burwell, Nebraska pursuant to public notice posted in three public places. Chairman Zulkoski called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. with the following present: Commissioners, Zulkoski, Hurlburt, and Krause.

Motion made by Hurlburt to approve the agenda, second by Krause. Roll call vote: Aye, all; Nay, none.

Chairman Zulkoski directed the meeting to District 43 Nebraska Legislature Representative, Tanya Storer who shared updates on the recent legislative session. Storer reported on some projects she is working on for the next year.

Heidi Borg, Representative for US Congressman Adrian Smith, presented with a recap of projects the Congressman Smith has been working on the past year.

Motion made by Hurlburt to approve & adopt minutes of last County Commissioners meeting held June 10, 2025, second by Krause. Roll call vote: Aye, all; Nay, none.

At 2:11 p.m., Chairman Zulkoski recessed the regular meeting and opened the board of equalization. Kali Bolli, County Assessor, presented with a report of overvalued, undervalued, clerical error, or omitted real property. Motion made by Hurlburt to approve the report as presented, second by Zulkoski. Aye, all; Nay, none. At 2:13 p.m., Chairman Zulkoski reconvened the regular meeting.

County Treasurer, Hitchcock, presented with a report of delinquent taxes per LB 77-1918, with no delinquent taxes to report.

Public comments from Lynn Ballagh. Inquiring about the traffic count on Cedar River Road and the cost of the Lowery Bridge replacement. The board informed Mr. Ballagh that there is currently an application in process for Federal Grant allocation directed to Cedar River Road and that Garfield County is working on a plan for improving. Kinney stated that the Road Dept. will be patching the road in the near future.

Highway Road Superintendent, Gary Kinney, presented with Road department updates. Of which included speed awareness signs on the new dam top road. Hurlburt raised the issue of creating a position of Road Foreman. Discussion held on the potential cause for static among employees in the Department.

At 2:25 p.m., Chairman Zulkoski directed the meeting to the opening of Gravel Bids submitted for the 2025-2026 Fiscal Year. Motion made by Hurlburt to accept and approve the gravel bids, with respect to location, submitted by Emme Sand and Gravel Inc., Ulrich Gravel Inc. and Jeffres Sand and Gravel Inc. for the 2025-2026 Fiscal Year, second by Krause. Aye, all; Nay, none.

Hurlburt requested to revisit the issue of the Road Foreman again. Discussion held on the issue, no action taken.

Motion made by Zulkoski to approve payroll and claims for the month of June, second by Hurlburt. Aye, all; Nay, none.

Motion made by Hurlburt to enter into closed session for the purpose of discussing possible litigation matters, second by Zulkoski. Aye, all; Nay, none. At 3:05 p.m., Chairman Zulkoski cleared the room for the closed session. Those in attendance of the closed session were members of the board. Motion made by Hurlburt to come out of closed session, second by Zulkoski. Aye, all; Nay, none. At 3:23 p.m., Chairman Zulkoski reconvened the regular meeting with no action taken as a result of the closed session.

Discussion was held again about the possible road foreman position. Hurlburt asked that the matter of the road foreman be added to the next meeting agenda for discussion of a possible trial basis.

Motion made by Hurlburt to adjourn the meeting, second by Zulkoski. With no further business, Chairman Zulkoski adjourned the meeting at 3:40 p.m.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Keri L. Koenigsberg,  
Garfield County Clerk

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jerome Zulkoski,  
Chairman of the Board