

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS – July 21, 2025
(edited – official proceedings on file Clerk’s office)

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in an open and public session on July 21, 2025, at 8:00 AM in the County Commissioner’s room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon the roll call were Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Douglas Oertwich, Board of Equalization. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk and Amber Happold, County Assessor, were also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on June 25, 2025, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes, and by posting on the county website.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meetings act is posted on the wall in the commissioner’s room and a copy may be obtained from the county clerk’s office upon request.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Oertwich to approve the agenda. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Oertwich and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Oertwich, seconded by Kment to approve the minutes of the June 30, 2025 and July 8, 2025, meetings. Voting: Ayes: Oertwich, Kment and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Amber Happold, county assessor, presented and explained the correction sheets for the month.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Oertwich to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the correction sheets numbered 268–269 and place them on file. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Oertwich and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

There were no listings of clerical errors needing approval.

Amber presented the Notice of Rejection of Homestead Exemption (Form 458R) form. Discussion was held on the reasons to deny the homestead exemption application.

Motion made by Oertwich, seconded by Huttman to deny the homestead exemption application for real property located at Pt N ½ SW, City Sections, because the applicant does not own the home and does not occupy the home. Voting: Ayes: Oertwich, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The 2025 review of ownership and use of Stanton County cemeteries has been completed by the County Assessor as per Nebraska Statute 77-202.10. The listing was presented to the board for review and placed on file.

Amber presented to the county board the Stanton County 2025 Three Year Plan of Assessment (2026, 2027 and 2028). The 2025 Three Year Plan of Assessment was reviewed and placed on file.

The chairman re-opened the Board of Equalization Protest Hearing at 8:10 AM and swore in the County Assessor, Amber Happold.

Decisions were made on the following protests:

2025-01: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to adjust the valuation to \$0.00 because parcel updated to inactive. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Oertwich, Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2025-02: Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Oertwich to adjust the valuation to \$19,975.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Oertwich and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2025-03: Motion made by Oertwich, seconded by Huttman to adjust the valuation to \$442,040.00. Voting: Ayes: Oertwich, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2025-04: Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Oertwich that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Oertwich and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2025-05: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to adjust the valuation to \$53,910.00. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Oertwich. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2025-06: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Oertwich. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2025-07: Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Oertwich that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Oertwich and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2025-08: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Oertwich to adjust the building valuation to \$2,420.00. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Oertwich and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2025-09: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to adjust the valuation to \$39,875.00. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Oertwich. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Oertwich, seconded by Huttman to recess the Board of Equalization meeting at 8:30 AM to open the Board of Commissioners meeting. Voting: Ayes: Oertwich, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman re-opened the Board of Equalization meeting at 10:40 AM and reconvened the Protest Hearing decisions. Amber Happold, county assessor, rejoined the meeting and was reminded she was still under oath.

Decisions were made on the following protests:

2025-10: Motion made by Oertwich, seconded by Kment that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Oertwich, Kment and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2025-11: Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Kment to adjust the valuation to \$385,095.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Kment and Oertwich. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2025-12: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttman to adjust the valuation to \$278,790.00. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttman and Oertwich. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2025-13: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Oertwich that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Oertwich and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2025-14: Motion made by Oertwich, seconded by Huttman to adjust the valuation to \$192,120.00. Voting: Ayes: Oertwich, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2025-15: Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Oertwich to adjust the valuation to \$0.00 because parcel updated to inactive. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Oertwich and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2025-16: Motion made by Oertwich, seconded by Huttman to adjust the valuation to \$0.00 because parcel updated to inactive. Voting: Ayes: Oertwich, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2025-17: Motion made by Oertwich, seconded by Huttman to adjust the valuation to \$8,190.00. Voting: Ayes: Oertwich, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

2025-18: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Oertwich to adjust the valuation to \$265,240.00. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Oertwich and Huttmann. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-19: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Oertwich to adjust the valuation to \$1,155,710.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Oertwich and Kment. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-20: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Oertwich to adjust the valuation to \$339,720.00. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Oertwich and Huttmann. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-21: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Oertwich that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Oertwich and Huttmann. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-22: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Oertwich that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Oertwich and Kment. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-23: Motion made by Oertwich, seconded by Kment to adjust the valuation to \$81,880.00. Voting: Ayes: Oertwich, Kment and Huttmann. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-24: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Oertwich. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-25: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Oertwich that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Oertwich and Kment. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-26: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Oertwich. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-27 to 2025-38: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Oertwich that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Oertwich and Kment. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-39: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to adjust the valuation to \$1,080,845.00. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Oertwich. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-40: Motion made by Oertwich, seconded by Kment to adjust the valuation to \$1,131,530.00. Voting: Ayes: Oertwich, Kment and Huttmann. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-41: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to adjust the valuation to \$658,995.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Oertwich. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-42: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Oertwich that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Oertwich and Kment. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-43: Motion made by Oertwich, seconded by Huttmann that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Oertwich, Huttmann and Kment. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-44: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Oertwich to adjust the valuation to \$250,405.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Oertwich and Kment. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-45: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Oertwich to adjust the valuation to \$116,800.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Oertwich and Kment. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-46: Motion made by Oertwich, seconded by Huttmann to adjust the valuation to \$0.00 because parcel updated to inactive. Voting: Ayes: Oertwich, Huttmann and Kment. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-47: Motion made by Oertwich, seconded by Huttmann to adjust the valuation to \$91,880.00. Voting: Ayes: Oertwich, Huttmann and Kment. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-48: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Oertwich to adjust the valuation to \$2,925.00. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Oertwich and Huttmann. Naves: None. Motion carried.

2025-49: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Oertwich to adjust the valuation to \$70,040.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Oertwich and Kment. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-50: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Oertwich. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-51: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Oertwich. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-52: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Oertwich to adjust the valuation to \$141,890.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Oertwich and Kment. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-53: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Oertwich. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-54: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Oertwich. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-55: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to adjust the valuation to \$0.00 because parcel updated to inactive. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Oertwich. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-56: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to adjust the valuation to \$175,055.00. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Oertwich. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-57: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to adjust the valuation to \$4,368.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Oertwich. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-58: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to adjust the valuation to \$0.00 because parcel updated to inactive. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Oertwich. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-59: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Oertwich to adjust the valuation to \$0.00 because parcel updated to inactive. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Oertwich and Huttmann. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-60: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Oertwich to adjust the valuation to 125,520.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Oertwich and Kment. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-61: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Oertwich that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Oertwich and Kment. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-62: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Oertwich. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-63: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to adjust the valuation to \$199,640.00. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Oertwich. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-64: Motion made by Oertwich, seconded by Huttmann that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Oertwich, Huttmann and Kment. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-65: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Oertwich. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-66: Motion made by Oertwich, seconded by Huttmann to adjust the valuation to \$0.00 because parcel updated to inactive. Voting: Ayes: Oertwich, Huttmann and Kment. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-67: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Oertwich to adjust the valuation to \$463,680.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Oertwich and Kment. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-68: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Oertwich. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

2025-69: Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Oertwich. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Oertwich, seconded by Huttmann to recess the Protest Hearings and Board of Equalization meeting at 12:50 PM and to set the meeting to reconvene on Tuesday, July 22, 2025 at 1:00 PM. Voting: Ayes: Oertwich, Huttmann and Kment. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman reconvened the Board of Equalization meeting on July 22, 2025 at 1:00 PM which was held in an open and public session in the County Commissioner’s room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon the roll call were Douglas Huttmann, Dennis Kment and Douglas Oertwich, Board of Equalization. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk, was also present.

W. Bert Lamml, county attorney, and Amber Happold, county assessor, joined the meeting.

A discussion was held on valuation classifications, market value versus actual value, square footage calculation, assessment procedures and an option to file a petition for adjustment of class or subclass with the Nebraska Tax Equalization and Review Commission.

The chairman re-opened the Protest Hearing decisions and reminded Amber Happold, county assessor, she was still under oath.

Decisions were made on the following protests:

2025-70: Motion made by Oertwich, seconded by Huttman to adjust the valuation to \$6,552.00. Voting: Ayes: Oertwich, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.
2025-71: Motion made by Oertwich, seconded by Huttman that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Oertwich, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.
2025-72: Motion made by Kment, seconded by Oertwich that there is no change in valuation. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Oertwich and Huttman. Nays: None. Motion Carried.
2025-73: Motion made by Oertwich, seconded by Huttman to adjust the valuation to \$224,640.00. Voting: Ayes: Oertwich, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.
2025-74: Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Oertwich to adjust the valuation to \$0.00 because parcel updated to inactive. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Oertwich and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.
2025-75: Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Oertwich to adjust the valuation to \$6,552.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Oertwich and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.
2025-76: Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Oertwich to adjust the valuation to \$239,245.00. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Oertwich and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Each protester will be notified prior to August 2nd of the decision of the County Board of Equalization.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Oertwich to close the protest hearings. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Oertwich and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Amber presented a list of over/under valued property within Stanton County. She explained the updates and/or changes to the listed properties.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Oertwich to approve the list of over/under valued property and allow the County Assessor to adjust the tax rolls. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Oertwich and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The county attorney requested the county board to adopt a resolution authorizing him to file a petition for adjustment of class or subclass with the Nebraska Tax Equalization and Review Commission.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Oertwich to approve Resolution No. 2025.07-15 to authorize the county attorney to file a petition request for an adjustment to a class or subclass with the Nebraska Tax Equalization and Review Commission. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Oertwich and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Oertwich, seconded by Huttman to adjourn and set the next meeting for August 18, 2025, at 8:00 AM. Voting: Ayes: Oertwich, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Equalization, Stanton County, Nebraska
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk

COMMISSIONER’S PROCEEDINGS – July 21, 2025
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A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Stanton County, Nebraska was held in an open and public session on July 21, 2025, at 8:15 AM in the County Commissioner’s room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon the roll call were Douglas Huttman, Dennis Kment and Douglas Oertwich, Board of Commissioners. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk, was also present.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Stanton Register on June 25, 2025, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes, and by posting on the county website.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board members, a copy of their acknowledgement of the receipt of notice and the agenda being attached to these minutes.

All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America the meeting was called to order at 8:30 AM by Chairman Kment, who announced that the open meetings act is posted on the wall in the Commissioner’s room and a copy may be obtained from the County Clerk’s office upon request.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Oertwich to approve the agenda. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Oertwich and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttman, seconded by Oertwich to approve the minutes of the June 30, 2025 and July 8, 2025, meetings. Voting: Ayes: Huttman, Oertwich and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file: Assoc State Dam Safety Officials – Dam Seminar information; Shawna Lammers, NIRMA – Executive Director transition; NNSWC – Landfill Site Observation.

Joining the meeting were Tony McPhillips, veterans’ service officer, VSO Committee members: Jim Campbell, Bill Johnson, Clint Warnke and Keith Anderson, and Douglas Hart VSO applicant.

Tony advised the county board of the Stanton County Veterans’ Committee’s recommendation of Douglas Hart as the new Stanton County Veterans’ Service Officer. He also stated that Mr. Hart meets the criteria set forth in Nebraska State Statue 80-410 for the position of a county veterans’ service officer. A discussion was held with Mr. Hart and members of the VSO committee on the first day of employment, the hours to be worked as a fulltime employee and the starting wage amount.

Motion made by Oertwich, seconded by Huttman to appoint Douglas Hart as the new Veterans’ Service Officer for Stanton County due to the retirement of Anthony McPhillips. Mr. Hart will begin employment on August 4, 2025 as a fulltime employee with a 40 hour week and a starting wage of \$28.50 per hour. Voting: Ayes: Oertwich, Huttman and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

A discussion was held on the semi-annual report for January – June 2025 with Sandy Zoubek, county treasurer.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Oertwich to approve Resolution No. 2025.07-13 for settlement of the County Treasurer’s Semi-Annual report. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Oertwich and Kment. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

Mike Unger, county sheriff, joined the meeting. A discussion was held on department issues, accidents and other county issues. No action needed by the board.

Kylee Klug, Planning and Zoning Administrator, joined the meeting.

The hearing for the Mixed Use Development Application of Ryan Cooper to construct an event center and short-term cabin rentals on property located in Pt SW 10-23-1 was cancelled due to the Planning Commission tabling their decision until next month. The hearing will be re-scheduled for August 18, 2025 at 9:30 AM.

Kylee presented documentation to vacate the Podany Real Estate Trust’s Lot Split located in the E½ SE 12-21-2. The reason to vacate the lot split is to allow a new lot split to be approved.

Motion made by Oertwich, seconded by Huttmann to vacate the Podany Real Estate Trust’s Lot Split located in the E½ SE 12-21-2, as per the Planning Commission recommendations. Voting: Ayes: Oertwich, Huttman and Kment. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

Kylee presented the Bazata Lot Split splitting property located in the SE 12-21-2 into 5 lots. No one appeared for the lot split. Kylee explained the lot split.

Motion made by Oertwich, seconded by Huttmann to approve the Bazata Lot Split splitting property located in the SE 12-21-2 into 5 lots, as per the Planning Commission recommendations. Voting: Ayes: Oertwich, Huttmann and Kment. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

Elaine Scherer appeared before the county board to discuss the damage to her vegetable garden due to the spraying of weeds by the county road department. A discussion held on the matter for possible other methods of killing weeds on the county property adjacent to hers. No action taken by the county board.

A discussion was held on the North Fork Area Transit request for funding in the amount of \$20,000 – \$35,000. No action taken by the county board.

Dick Johnson, representative of Mainelli Wagner Assoc, joined the meeting.

A discussion was held on the Permit to Construct Utilities on County Right-of-Way for Pierce Telephone Co Inc with a fiber optic cable inside a 1.25” conduit beginning at the intersection of the southwest corner of the intersection located at 845 Rd and 561 Ave and continue south along the east side of 651 Ave approximately 1200’, and end on the west side of 561 Ave located 9/10-24-1. Additional permit conditions were discussed.

Motion made by Kment, seconded by Huttmann to approve the Utility Permit No. 20250721.01 for Pierce Telephone Co Inc with a fiber optic cable inside a 1.25” conduit beginning at the intersection of the southwest corner of the intersection located at 845 Rd and 561 Ave and continue south along the east side of 651 Ave approximately 1200’, and end on the west side of 561 Ave located 9/10-24-1, subject to the requirements and provisions of the permit and with the following conditions: 1) only allows authority on Stanton County ROW, 2) permit contingent on requirements listed in Appendix “A”: applicant shall furnish Certificate of insurance and pay all fees prior to permit being issued, 3) the fiber line needs to be placed as far away as possible from the road, not placed in any road, 4) the fiber line should be 4’ (four feet) below the surface and 4’ (four feet) below any culvert, 5) all culverts are to be bored under, not cut through, 6) all roads need to be returned to their original condition if damaged or the cost for repairs to fix the damage will be billed to the applicant, 7) if additional gravel is needed after construction the costs will be charged to the applicant, and contact Darrell Hansen, bridge foreman, prior to beginning to be certain all culverts have been flagged and with any questions, or concerns. Voting: Ayes: Kment, Huttmann and Oertwich. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman opened the hearing at 10:30 AM for the purpose of hearing testimony pertaining to the proposed vacation of Road 31 – 837 Rd from 563 Ave west (approx. 1/3 mile) located between Sections 13 & 24, Township 23, Range 1 and 563 Ave from 837 Rd north (approx. 1/4 mile) located between Sections 13 & 14, Township 23, Range 1, East of the 6th PM, Stanton County, Nebraska (Elkhorn Precinct).

Shad Pohlman and Andrew Scholting appeared for the hearing. Discussion was held with those present on the reason for vacating/abandoning the road. Previously on July 31,1995 the west mile of Road No.31 through section 14, township 23, Range 1 was closed and the landowners allowed to install gates at either end and on Sept 16, 2019 the west 300’ of Road No.31 from 563½ Ave west was vacated and the land reverted to the landowners on either side. With the closure/vacation of these two (2) sections of Road No. 31 the remaining platted road has been abandoned and has not been maintained or traveled for many years and the necessity of this road is no longer needed. It was noted that an access road had been established after the vacation of part of Road 31 in 2019 to the Pohlman property and Mr. Scholting advised the county board he purchased a road access to his property.

Motion made by Oertwich, seconded by Huttmann to close the hearing. Voting: Ayes: Oertwich, Huttmann and Kment. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Oertwich, seconded by Huttmann to approve Resolution No. 2025.07-14 to vacate/abandon County Road 31 – 837 Rd from 563½ Ave west (approx. 1/3 mile) located between Sections 13 & 24, Township 23, Range 1 and 563 Ave from 837 Rd north (approx. 1/4 mile) located between Sections 13 & 14, Township 23, Range 1, East of the 6th PM, Stanton County, Nebraska (Elkhorn Precinct) and that any interest in the right-of-way of Stanton County shall revert to the adjoining landowners. Voting: Ayes: Oertwich, Huttmann and Kment. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Oertwich to recess the Board of Commissioners meeting at 10:40 AM to open the Board of Equalization meeting to continue with the Protest Hearing decisions. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Oertwich and Kment. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman reconvened the Board of Commissioners meeting at 12:50 PM.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Oertwich to recess the Board of Commissioners meeting at 12:50 PM and to set the meeting to reconvene on Tuesday, July 22, 2025 at 1:00PM. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Oertwich and Kment. Naves: None. Motion Carried.

The chairman reconvened the Board of Commissioners meeting on July 22, 2025 at 2:15 PM which was held in an open and public session in the County Commissioner’s room in Stanton, Nebraska.

Present upon the roll call were Douglas Huttmann, Dennis Kment and Douglas Oertwich, Board of Equalization. Wanda Heermann, County Clerk, was also present.

The county board received a thank you from the Pilger Public Library and the Stanton Public Library for the continued support of the county and are requesting funding for the 2025-2026 fiscal year. The consensus of the county board is to continue the \$5,000.00 allotment to the Pilger Library and the \$5,000.00 allotment to the Stanton Library for the fiscal year 2025-2026.

Discussion was held on the hourly and salary wage of the appointed officials and employees. The consensus of the county board is to increase the planning zoning administrator to \$30 per hour, the custodian/maintenance to \$26 per hour, the road department employees to \$25 per hour (non CDL employees \$24 per hour), the bridge foreman to \$27 per hour and increase the annual salary for the emergency manager to \$70,020 effective July 1, 2025. No increase to the VSO hourly wage or the weed superintendent salary at this time.

Further discussion was held on the CDL course available at NECC for road employees. The county board discussed the costs associated with the course, employee time off to attend, and reimbursement for tuition and other costs. An agreement will be drafted for reimbursement to the county by the employee for tuition and any fees/costs.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Kment to approve for the month of June the Documentary Stamp Tax, co shr in the amount of \$4,460.05; County Clerk fees in the amount of \$3,741.25; P&M Fund fees in the amount of \$545.50; Misc Copy fees in the amount of \$0.00; Clerk of the District Court fees in the amount of \$319.34; Passport fees in the amount of \$00.00; County Treasurer’s receipt of money received numbered 24871 - 24929 , inclusive in the amount of \$381,505.23; and place them on file. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Kment and Oertwich. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Oertwich to approve the following Accounts Payable and Payroll claims as presented and order checks drawn on the various funds. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Oertwich and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

GENERAL FUND

Mark Albin, atty fees, 2008.75; Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 10464.55; Antelope Co Shf Dept, boarding, 225.00; Appeara, services, 349.28; Applied Connective Tech, services, 3456.70; Kim Bearnese, conf reg, 541.00; Big Red Printing, supplies, 1593.98; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 95.15; BCBS, ins-co shr, 33651.03; Bomgaars, tools, 226.95; CA Enterprises, supplies, 1232.00; Central Plains Valuation, contract costs, 45475.00; Cornhusker Auto Center, services, 261.85; Co VSO Assn Nebraska, fees, 60.00; DAS State Acct, equip fee, 150.00; Martha Detlefsen, prior service, 12.00; Eakes Office Solutions, supplies, 634.65; Tyler Evans, supplies, 287.93; Ewalt Law Office, public defender, 4333.33; Farmer’s Coop, fuel, 1209.98; First Concord Benefits, fees, 35.00; Fitzgerald Vetter Temple etal, atty fees, 1171.10; Floor Maintenance Supply, supplies, 219.65; Great Amer Finc Services, rental payment, 277.89; Amber Happold, supplies, 705.57; IRS USA Tax, so sec-co shr, 11829.91; Clark Jenkinson dba Cowboy Const, concrete labor, 22500.00; Diane Kander, subscription, 230.99; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 35.48; Lammler Locke Beaudette, office allow, 996.00; Luedeke Oil Co, fuel etc, 441.43; Madison Co Jail, boarding, 50.00; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 55.22; Christopher Mauer dba CM Olivers, supplies, 89.24; Janet Meyer, services, 255.00; Midwest Special Services, services, 175.75; MIPS, services, 2881.98; Nebdrone, equipment, 19800.00; Nebr Assoc Co Officials, supplies, 14.00; Nebraska Dept Rev Prop Assessment Div, reg fees, 2145.00; Lavern Newkirk, prior service, 17.00; NECC, CPR training, 240.00; NE Nebr Area Agency Aging, 2026 pymt, 3333.00; One Office Solution, supplies, 964.29; Physicians Laboratory, autopsy costs, 300.00; Pierce Co Shf Dept, boarding, 350.00; Pilger Store, fuel, 24.75; Pitzer Digital, services, 1196.52; Point C, hra admin fees, 538.00; Police Officers Assn Nebr, supplies, 14.00; Prime Sanitation, services, 79.50; Region 4 Beh Health Sys, Qu pymt, 4644.00; Region IV Inc, Qu pymt, 1874.50; Stanton Auto Parts, parts, 24.00; Jack B Scherer Lawn Service, chemicals, 150.66; Brandon Schock, mowing, 2300.00; Schroeder Land Surveying, services, 356.00; Stanton Co Crt, crt costs, 232.00; Stanton Co HRA Reimb Acct, HRA contribution-co shr, 7250.00; Stanton Co Imprest Acct, ach fees, 20.50; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 1537.08; Stanton Telecom, services, 1945.47; Stanton Water Sewer, utilities, 240.24; Teeco, supplies, 53.95; The Lil Store, fuel, 2445.96; Thurston Co Shf, boarding, 840.00; US Treasury, PCORI fees, 117.98; Univ Nebr Lincoln-Stanton Co Ext, phone, 45.02; Verizon Wireless, service, 699.79; Washington Co Shf, boarding, 1950.00; Washtech Car Wash, supplies, 26.25; Winsupply Norfolk, supplies, 44.14; Wolf’s Den, meals, 61.00; Cheryl Wolverton, prior service, 11.00; Sandra Zoubek Co Treas, int-cash acct, 480.85; Sandra Zoubek, meals etc, 435.00;

ROAD FUND

Advance Auto Parts, parts; 14.42; AKRS Equip, parts, 223.40; Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 4243.72; Appeara, services, 45.18; ATCO Intl, supplies, 796.60; Behmer Trucking, hauling, 3375.00; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 115.80; BCBS, ins-co shr, 23413.58; Bomgaars, supplies etc, 1013.10; Century Link, services, 89.62; Clarkson Plbg Htg, supplies, 75.55; Colonial Research, supplies, 1030.90; Johnson Trucking Sand Gravel, gravel, 9201.28; Doernemann Farm Service, parts, 826.76; Eisenmann Ag Supply, parts, 99.98; Faith Regional Health Services, prog fees, 20.00; Farmer’s Coop, fuel, 5977.49; Farmers Un Coop Supply, chemicals, 4470.00; Fastenal Co, cabinets etc, 2230.74; IRS USA Tax, so sec tax-co shr, 5143.81; Island Supply Welding, supplies, 109.14; K Porter Construction, truck liner, 531.25; K’s Marketplace, supplies, 6.35; Kelly Supply, supplies, 231.09; Kimball Midwest, supplies, 226.71; Kuehn’s Auto Body, services, 260.00; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 91.75; Lammers Trailer Repair, services, 837.90; LG Everist, rock, 7233.72; Luedeke Oil Co, fuel etc, 10674.78; Madison Natl Life Ins, ins-co shr, 14.53; Mainelli Wagner Assoc, eng services, 16761.85; Martin Marietta Materials, gravel, 1847.80; Marx Equip, disc mower, 15750.00; Matteo Sand Gravel Co, gravel, 62152.23; Christopher Mauer dba CM Olivers, supplies, 214.80; Meisinger Oil Co, supplies, 242.56; Midwest Service Sales, supplies, 1332.50; NMC Exchange, services, 8301.65; NMG LLC dba Norfolk Works, services, 150.00; Ken’s Trailer Sales Repair, parts, 30.20; Pilger Store, fuel etc, 5244.31; Pinkelman Truck Trailer, services, 10906.45; Pitzer Digital, services, 196.10; Prime Sanitation, utilities, 50.00; RDO Truck Centers, services, 84273.87; Renegade, supplies, 220.00; Stanton Auto Parts, services, 1325.44; Ron’s Farm Repair, services, 787.62; Seals and Service, services, 422.00; Sioux City Truck Sales, parts, 691.18; Molly Sorrick, reimburse, 100.00; Stalp Gravel Co, gravel, 52888.40; Stanton Co HRA Reimb Acct, HRA contribution-co shr, 4750.00; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 685.47; Stanton Telecom, services, 335.37; Stanton Water Sewer, utilities, 48.10; Teeco, supplies, 58.75; Terracon Consultants, admin fees, 887.50; US Cellular, services, 65.54; Verizon Connect Fleet, services, 1030.34; Village Pilger, utilities, 130.61; W Theisen Grading Equip, millings, 952.00;

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND

Advexure LLC, licensing fees, 686.00; Ameritas Retirement, ret-co shr, 372.66; Black Hills Energy, utilities, 51.23; Bound Tree Medical, supplies, 216.09; Echo Group, parts, 659.70; Farmer’s Coop, fuel, 114.01; Mike Froberg, reg fees etc, 203.71; IRS USA Tax, so sec tax-co shr, 531.29; Stanton Hardware, supplies, 137.28; Madison Natl Life Ins Co, ins-co shr, 5.42; Menards, supplies, 362.74; One Office Solution supplies, 81.68; Prime Sanitation, services, 12.50; Stanton Auto Parts, services, 120.22; Stanton Co PPD, utilities, 165.73; Stanton Telecom, services, 58.83; Stanton Water Sewer, utilities, 47.32; The Lil Store, fuel, 851.27;

INHERITANCE TAX FUND

Stanton Co PPD, tower, 155.56;

EMERGENCY 911 FUND

City Norfolk, dispatching, 18881.05; Stanton Telecom, utilities, 73.23; Tri-State Comm, VHF repeater, 4947.00;

Total aggregate salaries of all county employees \$231,297.76.

Motion made by Huttmann, seconded by Oertwich to adjourn and set the next meeting for August 18, 2025. Voting: Ayes: Huttmann, Oertwich and Kment. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

/s/ Dennis Kment, Chairman, Board of Commissioners, Stanton County, Nebraska
Attest: /s/ Wanda Heermann, County Clerk