

February 17, 2026
O'Neill, Nebraska

The Holt County Board of Supervisors met as a Board of Equalization with all members present except Tielke. County Assessor Tim Wallinger, County Treasurer Shelly Ross and County Clerk Cathy Pavel were also in attendance. This meeting publicized pursuant to Section 84-1411 R.R.S. 1943. Notice of meeting given in advance thereof by publication in paper as shown by Affidavit of Publication on February 5, 2026, in the Atkinson Graphic.

Chairman Breiner convened the meeting at 9:30 A.M., with the flag salute.

Motion by Paxton, 2nd by Linquist, to approve the minutes of the January 30, 2026, meeting as printed. Voting Aye: Treptow, Linquist, Neiman, Frahm, Paxton and Breiner. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Tielke. Motion carried.

Chairman Breiner convened a public hearing at 9:31 A.M. to receive public comment on the Exemption Applications on file for Forms 451 & 451 NF. No one appeared to comment.

Motion by Paxton, 2nd by Neiman, to adjourn from public hearing at 9:35 A.M. and return to regular session. Voting Aye: Linquist, Neiman, Frahm, Paxton, Treptow and Breiner. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Tielke. Motion carried.

Motion by Paxton, 2nd by Neiman, to approve Form 451 Exemption Applications for Tax Exemption on Real and Personal Property for Qualifying Organizations for West Holt Memorial Hospital and MyBridge. Voting Aye: Neiman, Frahm, Paxton, Treptow, Linquist and Breiner. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Tielke. Motion carried.

Motion by Paxton, 2nd by Linquist, to approve Form 451NF Exemption Applications for Tax Exemption on Real and Personal Property for Qualifying For-Profit Nursing, Skilled or Assisted-Living Facilities for Sandhills Investors, LLC and Accura Healthcare of O'Neill, LLC. Voting Aye: Frahm, Paxton, Treptow, Linquist, Neiman and Breiner. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Tielke. Motion carried.

Motion by Frahm, 2nd by Neiman, to approve the tax list corrections #26-005 and #26-006 as submitted by the Assessor. Voting Aye: Paxton, Treptow, Linquist, Neiman, Frahm and Breiner. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Tielke. Motion carried. Chairman Breiner adjourned the meeting at 9:39 A.M.

Dustin Breiner, Chairman

Cathy Pavel, Clerk

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The Holt County Board of Supervisors met in regular session as per adjournment with all members present except Tielke. This meeting publicized pursuant to Section 84-1411 R.R.S. 1943. Notice of meeting given in advance thereof by publication in paper as shown by Affidavit of Publication on February 5, 2026, in the Atkinson Graphic.

Chairman Paxton convened the meeting at 9:45 A.M. and informed the public of the Open Meeting Poster.

Motion by Neiman, 2nd by Linquist, to approve the minutes of the January 30, 2026, meeting as printed. Voting Aye: Treptow, Linquist, Neiman, Frahm, Breiner and Paxton. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Tielke. Motion carried.

Claims were reviewed.

Correspondence was reviewed.

9:50 A.M. being the time advertised, time was allowed for public comment. Ralph Metschke appeared for comment. The Finance Committee reported that the County Officials had remitted their monthly fees to the County Treasurer as required.

Discussion was held on the Verizon Wireless antenna modification project.

Motion by Frahm, 2nd by Neiman, to approve the Verizon Wireless antenna modification project with an annual rent increase of \$5,000.00, which would make the monthly rent from Verizon \$2,365.00. Voting Aye: Linquist, Neiman, Frahm, Breiner and Paxton. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Tielke. Abstain: Treptow. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on NIRMA coverage.

The Treasurer's Report was presented and placed on file.

Emergency Manager Deb Hilker and Roger Miller were present to discuss wiring the administrative building for backup generator.

Motion by Neiman, 2nd by Linquist, to proceed with wiring for additional outlets in the Holt County Administrative Building. Voting Aye: Neiman, Frahm, Breiner, Treptow, Linquist and Paxton. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Tielke. Motion carried.

Time was allowed for the Board to conduct an interview for the Road Department.

At 11:17 A.M. Chairman Paxton convened the annual One & Six Year Public Hearing. Road Superintendent Gary Connot and Dave Reiman detailed the proposed One & Six Year Plans. Comments and Questions were received from the Board and the one interested tax payer present.

Motion by Treptow, 2nd by Neiman, to adjourn the One & Six Year Public Hearing at 11:51 A.M. and return to regular session. Voting Aye: Frahm, Breiner, Treptow, Linquist, Neiman and Paxton. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Tielke. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #2026-02

OF THE

HOLT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

WHEREAS, Gary P. Connot, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Holt County Highway Superintendent, has prepared, and on January 16, 2026, has deposited with the Holt County Board of Supervisors, a plan for specific road improvement for Holt County for the current year, and,

WHEREAS, the said Gary P. Connot has, on the date aforesaid, deposited with the Holt County Board of Supervisors, the six-year plan prepared by him under the provisions of Section 37-2115, R.R.S., according to the rules and regulations and on the forms provided by the Nebraska State Highway Commission, and,

WHEREAS, notice of a public hearing given and published in the Atkinson Graphic, Summerland Advocate and Holt County Independent on February 5 & 12, 2026, in the form and manner required by the Nebraska State Highway Commission, and designed so as to be likely to come to the attention of the interested citizens of Holt County, Nebraska, and,

WHEREAS, a hearing was held at the time and place set forth in the notice aforesaid before the Holt County Board of Supervisors, and,

WHEREAS, the Holt County Board of Supervisors has studied, investigated, and considered the information presented to it at the public hearing aforesaid, and all other pertinent and relevant information known to them.

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the plan for specific road improvement in Holt County, Nebraska, for the current year, and the six year plan prepared under the provisions of Section 37-2115, R.R.S., deposited as heretofore stated, with the County Board of Supervisors, for adoption prior to the filing with the State Highway Commission, as amended, if amended, because of information presented at the public hearing, and deemed proper and appropriate for Holt County, Nebraska, and the same are herewith adopted by Holt County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be certified together with a copy of the affidavit of publication of the notice of public hearing on the said plans, to the Nebraska State Highway Commission, in writing.

The foregoing resolution was introduced by Supervisor Frahm who moved its adoption. Supervisor Linqvist seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Breiner, Treptow, Linqvist, Neiman, Frahm and Paxton. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Tielke. Motion carried.

Motion by Breiner, 2nd by Neiman, to set bid date for asphalt for 2026 on March 16, 2026, at 11:30 A.M. Voting Aye: Treptow, Linqvist, Neiman, Frahm, Breiner and Paxton. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Tielke. Motion carried.

Motion by Linqvist, 2nd by Neiman, to approve the Right of Way permit for Great Plains Communications for fiber optic cable in Sections 1 & 12-29-14 and Sections 31, 32 & 33-30-13. Voting Aye: Linqvist, Neiman, Frahm, Breiner, Treptow and Paxton. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Tielke. Motion carried.

Andrew Wilshusen with JEO Consulting Group was present to talk to the Board about micro surfacing.

Motion by Frahm, 2nd by Breiner, to approve the Engineering Agreement with JEO Consulting Group, Inc., for micro surfacing project C45(578) for \$93,600.00. Voting Aye: Neiman, Frahm, Breiner, Treptow, Linqvist and Paxton. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Tielke. Motion carried.

Gary Connot Road Superintendent presented his Department Activity Report.

Motion by Breiner, 2nd by Neiman, to allow the following claims. Voting Aye: Frahm, Breiner, Treptow, Linqvist, Neiman and Paxton. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Tielke. Motion carried.

General Fund Claim Fund Total: \$247,466.83

A&J Tire & Auto Repair LLC	Serv	\$84.99
Alertmedia, Inc.	Serv	\$8,446.48
American Express	Supp	\$715.39
Appeara	Serv	\$569.59
Applied Connective Technologies	Serv	\$1,943.91
William Babutzke	Supp	\$143.99
Beam Insurance Administrators LLC	Ins	\$446.95
Bhs Auto LLC	Serv	\$158.00
Black Hills Energy	Serv	\$3,340.98
Bomgaars	Supp	\$56.41
Bomgaars	Supp	\$40.91
C&S Repair	Serv	\$68.00
Century Link Lumen	Serv	\$166.32
Century Link	Serv	\$1,270.88
Century Link	Serv	\$70.22
Maria Izabel Chavez	Serv	\$95.00
City Of O'Neill	Serv	\$61.00
Clearly Communications	Serv	\$362.26
Das State Accounting-Central Financial	Serv	\$447.50
Mark Dexter	Serv	\$1,000.00
Dollar General-Reg 410526	Supp	\$29.80
Elkhorn Valley Family Medicine	Med	\$289.00
Dave Ertz	Trvl	\$92.02
Fahrenholz,Roger	Trvl	\$26.28
First Stop	Fuel	\$27.53
Francotyp-Postalia, Inc.	Supp	\$149.85
Fusion Cloud Services, LLC	Serv	\$270.58
Galyen, Boettcher & Baier	Atty Fees	\$2,969.40
Gokie Oil Co, Inc.	Fuel	\$62.83
Gokie Oil Co, Inc.	Fuel	\$35.67
Gotschall & Sholes	Atty Fees	\$8,352.00
Great America Leasing Co	Serv	\$1,159.27
Great Plains Comm., Inc.	Serv	\$214.64
Holt Co District Court	Court Cost	\$101.00
Holt Co Independent	Ad	\$331.01
Holt Co Sheriff	Serv	\$45.68
Holt Co Treasurer	Serv	\$77.00

Hometown Leasing	Serv	\$82.41
Mark N Johnson	Trvl	\$26.28
Johnson's, Inc	Serv	\$11,731.52
KBRX Radio Station	Ad	\$117.00
Mathison Heating & Air, LLC	Serv	\$174.00
Meritain Health	Ins	\$125,000.00
Microfilm Imaging Systems, Inc	Equip Monthly	\$246.00
MIPS, Inc	Equip Monthly	\$362.96
Ne Assoc Of Co Clerks, Reg of Deeds	Dues	\$50.00
Ne Clerks of District Court Assn.	Dues	\$50.00
Ne Health & Human Services	Serv	\$186.00
Nebr Auditor of Public Accounts	Serv	\$20,994.24
Nebr Public Power District	Serv	\$1,654.65
Nebr Tech & Telecomm, Inc	Serv	\$561.27
Nebr Weed Control Association	Dues	\$150.00
Nebraskalink Holdings LLC DbA OPTK	Serv	\$560.00
Niobrara Valley Electric	Serv	\$170.85
Norfolk Lodge & Suites	Trvl	\$260.00
O'Neill Car Wash	Serv	\$43.51
O'Neill Chemical Co.	Parts	\$197.94
O'Neill Electric Motor Services	Parts	\$820.00
O'Neill Family Pharmacy	Med	\$1,595.22
O'Neill Printing Co.	Supp	\$73.40
O'Neill Shopper	Supp	\$316.44
O'Neill Super Foods	Supp	\$293.96
O'Reilly Auto Parts	Parts	\$9.99
Office Products Center	Supp	\$270.53
One Office Solution	Supp	\$119.36
One Office Solution	Supp	\$75.95
One Office Solution	Supp	\$121.33
One Office Solution	Supp	\$396.67
One Office Solution	Supp	\$801.67
One Office Solution	Supp	\$11.18
One Office Solution	Supp	\$158.95
One Office Solution	Supp	\$95.07
One Office Solution	Supp	\$41.27
One Office Solution	Supp	\$16.55
Jim Peter	Trvl	\$7.30
Petty Cash-CDC	Pstg	\$89.55
Petty Cash-Treasurer	Pstg	\$112.78
Petty Cash-Weed	Pstg	\$4.07
Quill Corporation	Supp	\$133.82
Region Iv, Inc	Serv	\$5,548.00
Rotherham Tire Service	Serv	\$64.50
Brian Rowse	Trvl	\$26.28
Sandhills Weed Management Area	Serv	\$200.00
Schindler Elevator Corporation	Serv	\$3,592.82
Shamrock Diesel Repair	Parts	\$101.77
Darla Smith	Serv	\$1,850.00
Rodney W Smith	Dues	\$250.00
Ken Stenka	Trvl	\$105.00
Summerland Advocate	Ad	\$516.50
Super B Automotive	Serv	\$63.00
The CTK Group	Serv	\$500.00
Thomson Reuters	Serv	\$2,353.50
Three River Communications, LLC	Serv	\$231.77
Amy Timmerman	Mifi	\$140.04
Torpin's Rodeo Market	Supp	\$1,814.51
Us Bank	Supp	\$5,769.96
Vanguard Appraisals, Inc.	Serv	\$22,600.00
Verizon	Serv	\$873.51
Verizon Wireless	Serv	\$75.13

Verizon	Serv	\$56.85
Ladonna Werth	Trvl	\$126.32
Wex Fleet Universal	Fuel	\$1,933.55
Wm. Krotter Co.	Supp	\$8.98
Zelle Human Resource Solutions	Serv	\$3,303.05
Dennis Ziems	Trvl	\$43.80
Road Fund Claim Fund Total: \$192,354.38		
Ag & Industrial Equipment	Parts	\$45.42
AKRS Equipment Solutions, Inc.	Serv	\$59.88
AMG-O'Neill	Med	\$150.00
AT&T	Serv	\$70.44
AT&T Mobility	Serv	\$198.14
B's Enterprises, Inc.	Supp	\$6,040.00
Blackstrap Inc	Supp	\$14,962.29
Blain Pumping & Plumbing	Supp	\$200.00
Bomgaars	Supp	\$2,585.82
Bowman Consulting Group Ltd	Serv	\$80.00
Breiner Welding & Fabrication	Supp	\$86.80
Cahoy's General Store	Fuel	\$70.01
Carroll Olson Enterprises	Parts	\$671.86
Century Link	Serv	\$71.58
Century Link	Serv	\$71.58
Century Link	Serv	\$71.54
Cintas	Serv	\$27.72
City Of Atkinson	Serv	\$156.84
Cole Petroleum	Fuel	\$19,512.00
Connot Tire Service	Parts	\$853.67
Elite Door, LLC	Parts	\$2,085.22
Elkhorn Rural Public Power District	Serv	\$115.88
Emme Sand & Gravel	Supp	\$19,970.17
Erickson Repair	Parts	\$1,609.72
Farmers Pride	Serv	\$4,677.85
Galyen Energy Supply	Serv	\$11,751.31
Great Western Gas Co.	Serv	\$875.96
Green's Service	Parts	\$4,417.60
J And J Materials	Supp	\$19,035.10
J&J Sanitation	Serv	\$370.35
J&J Sanitation	Serv	\$231.28
Jeo Consulting Group	Serv	\$36,268.75
John Deere Financial Power Plan	Supp	\$4,969.16
K & M Telephone Co.	Serv	\$36.61
LCL Truck Equipment Inc	Parts	\$267.89
Midwest Service & Sales Co.	Serv	\$548.00
Mitchell Equipment Inc.	Parts	\$994.11
Municipal Power	Serv	\$957.22
North Central Public Power	Serv	\$162.97
North Construction LLC	Serv	\$1,072.50
Northeast Nebraska Telephone Co	Serv	\$47.11
O'Neill Auto Supply, Inc.	Parts	\$1,626.59
One Office Solution	Supp	\$299.56
Platte Valley Communications, Inc	Serv	\$199.00
Pomp's Tire Service, Inc.	Parts	\$2,763.36
Raka	Supp	\$8,500.00
Ranchland Auto Parts	Parts	\$3,088.43
Reiman's Body Shop	Serv	\$425.26
Rose Equipment	Supp	\$4,000.73
Sioux City Truck Sales, Inc	Parts	\$713.92
Smoke It Up Welding	Supp	\$1,262.74
Southside Mini Mart	Fuel	\$340.11
Spud Construction, Inc.	Serv	\$3,817.94
Triple R Tire, LLC	Parts	\$168.70
Truck Center Companies	Parts	\$1,206.10

Village Of Chambers	Serv	\$118.77
Warp Networks, Inc	Serv	\$60.99
Welsh Welding & Repair	Supp	\$20.00
White's Service	Fuel	\$566.92
Wm. Krotter Co	Supp	\$7.81
95 West Express	Fuel	\$129.06
Visitors' Promotion Fund Fund Total: 20,988.31		
Ewing Young Members Club	Serv	\$4,000.00
O'Neill Chamber of Commerce	Serv	\$14,188.31
O'Neill Rotary Club	Serv	\$2,000.00
The Atkinsonettes	Serv	\$800.00
Law Enforcement Contract Fund Fund Total: \$535.00		
Chase Mcintire Dba Knowbyte Compute	Serv	\$535.00

Chairman Paxton adjourned the meeting at 12:42 P.M. until February 27, 2026, at 9:45 A.M.

Darrin Paxton, Chairman

Cathy Pavel, Clerk