

Wayne, Nebraska
June 2, 2026

The Wayne County Board of Equalization meeting was called to order by Chairman Terry Sievers at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 2, 2026, in the Wayne County Public Annex building. Present at the meeting were Chairman Sievers, Board members James Rabe, Matt Eischeid, County Clerk Joni Tietz, and Deputy County Attorney Ted Lohrberg. Notice of this meeting was published in the Wayne Herald, a legal newspaper, on May 21, 2026. A copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted and accessible to the public.

Motion to amend and approve the regular agenda was made by Rabe, seconded by Eischeid to add the Omitted & Clerical Report. Roll call vote: Rabe, Eischeid, Sievers-aye; motion carried.

Dawn Duffy, Wayne County Assessor, gave the commissioners a copy of the Over/Under Report which showed changes since March 19. There was little change in tax amounts. Motion made by Rabe, seconded by Eischeid to approve the Over/Under Report. Roll call vote: Rabe, Eischeid, Sievers-aye; motion carried.

Duffy then presented an Omitted & Clerical Report showing remodeling that was not reported, and it did not show a vacated alley. On motion made by Rabe, seconded by Eischeid, the Omitted & Clerical Report was approved. Roll call vote: Rabe, Eischeid, Sievers-aye; motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:04.

Joni Tietz, Wayne County Clerk

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The Wayne County Board of Commissioner meeting was called to order by Chairman James Rabe at 9:05 a.m. on Tuesday, June 2, 2026, in the Wayne County Public Annex Building. Chairman Rabe, Members Terry Sievers, Matt Eischeid, Clerk Joni Tietz, and Deputy County Attorney, Ted Lohrberg, were present. Notice of this meeting was published in the Wayne Herald, a legal newspaper, on May 21, 2026. A copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted and accessible to the public.

Chairman Rabe presented the following consent agenda items:

- a. Act on May 19, 2026 minutes as printed in the Commissioners Record
- b. Act on payroll; commissioners abstain from approving personal claims
- c. Act on Fee Report of Jason Dwinell, Wayne County Sheriff, in the amount of \$1140.50
- d. Act on Special Designated Liquor License submitted by the Jug Store for a wedding on June 20, 2026-3:00 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the Wayne County Fairgrounds Commercial Building

Motion made by Eischeid, seconded by Sievers to approve the consent agenda. Roll call vote: Eischeid, Sievers, Rabe-aye. Motion carried.

Motion made by Sievers, seconded by Eischeid to approve the regular agenda. Roll call vote: Sievers, Eischeid, Rabe-aye. Motion carried.

Lisa Lindsay, Wayne County Treasurer, presented a Resolution for the commissioners to review before signing at the next meeting. Before October 1 of each year State Statute requires

her to present the unpaid taxes offered at tax sale. Past due 2024 tax sale was held in March with none being purchased. The listing included 5 parcels. The Resolution will be presented for approval at the next meeting.

Wayne County Museum representative, David Ley, visited with the Commissioners regarding obtaining \$15,000 from the 2026-27 budget to cover costs of maintenance of the museum. According to Friends of Wayne County Museum founder, Kaki Ley, Fundraising had dropped off but with an increase of new members more fundraisers are being planned to help with major expenses. Commissioner Eischeid suggested looking into more Lodging Tax Fund Grant money.

Kyle Huff, Wayne County Highway superintendent, received two Applications for Utility Easements from Viaero Fiber Utility Company, for (1) running lines from one tower to another (Hoskins to Sholes on 562nd Ave) in Districts 2 and 3 and (2) running a line 1 mile in District 3. Motion made by Sievers, seconded by Eischeid to approve the Applications with the assurance there would be enough gravel used and more oversight over the projects. Roll call vote: Sievers, Eischeid, Rabeaye. Motion carried.

The City of Wayne Zoning Administrator, Joel Hansen, discussed two paving projects partly inside and partly outside of the City of Wayne. Projects included East 21st St. to Centennial and East 4th St. These have now been named as minor arterial projects which gives them a higher level of interest in the grant process. The City of Wayne is requesting that the County of Wayne partner together without any financial obligation. The Commissioners urged Hansen to move ahead. Mike Pommer, CPA, agreed to prepare the 2026-27 budget again for the county. He indicated there were not a lot of changes but he would try to detail any information regarding Unused Authority and Cash Reserves. Budget planning will begin at the end of June.

Since bidding for comprehensive insurance for the County will not take place until next year it is necessary that the current policy be renewed. The County does have the option of a Cyber Security Addendum. Eischeid made a motion with Sievers seconding the motion to table the decision after research is done determining the cost and content of the agreement with Applied Connective. Roll call vote: Eischeid, Sievers, Rabe-aye; Motion carried.

Adam Westerhold was introduced as the new maintenanceman/custodian. Commissioner Eischeid will schedule a meeting with Westerhold, Sievers, Trane, and himself to receive training for the heating/cooling system. Sievers will be scheduling a meeting with our alarm system company regarding panic buttons and emergency procedures. Lastly lawn care was discussed. A mulching unit will be obtained to be placed on a mower for the Courthouse lawn. Rabe will deliver the red pickup for repair in Winside to be used by Westerhold on a daily basis.

Discussion was opened for potential employee raises for 2026-27. Eischeid is in favor of percentage raises given in relation to performance and length of service. Time and attendance options were discussed citing benefit accountability as a requirement.

On motion made by Sievers, seconded by Eischeid, the following claims were approved. Roll call vote: Sievers, Eischeid, Rabe-aye. Motion carried.

General Fund: Payroll & Reimbursements: \$74,026.77; Airdata UAV Inc, OE \$240.00; Albin, Mark, OE \$1,925.35; Applied Connective Technologies, CO \$1,654.50; AT&T Mobility, OE \$92.58; Black Hills Energy, OE \$220.35; Bomgaars, SU \$528.37; Cuming County Sheriff, OE

\$27.06; Dept. Correctional Svcs, CO \$2,620.00; Eakes Office Solutions, SU \$655.83; Fairfield Inn & Suites, OE \$358.00; Fitzgerald, Vetter, Temple, OE \$1,862.20; Global Software, SU \$6,796.80; Hometown Leasing, ER \$118.41; JanX, SU \$12.47; McElroy, Lyndi, OE \$577.50; Miller Law, OE,ER \$1,427.47; NE Nebr. Assesor Assoc., OE \$25.00; Nextlink Internet, OE \$102.63; Overhead Door Co of Norfolk, RP \$289.30; Schenk, Stacy, OE \$475.00; Scranton Flooring & Cabinetry, CO \$12,276.98; Security Shredding Services, OE \$40.00; Stratton, Delay, Doelee, OE \$5,584.38; Tom's Body & Paint Shop Inc., RP \$823.07; Wayne County Clerk of Dist Ct, OE \$36.00; Wayne County Sheriff, OE \$260.25; Wayne County HRA, PS \$61,315.00; Nebraska Bank Acct #244-220, PS \$16,527.18; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas, PS \$8,496.44;

County Road Fund: Payroll & Reimbursements: \$38,549.80; B's Enterprises Inc., MA \$23,601.30; Black Hills Energy, OE \$100.52; Bomgaars, SU,MA,RP \$597.12; Evans Repair, RP \$1,321.00; Jerry's Service, MA \$9,875.68; Koenig Enterprises, MA \$7,839.00; Krusemark Construction & Excavation, MA \$4,514.40; Mainelli Wagner & Assoc Inc., CO \$36,716.35; Martin Marietta Materials, MA \$3,835.49; Matteo Sand & Gravel Co Inc., MA \$12,921.97; Midwest Service & Sales Co, MA \$6,810.00; Northeast Power, OE \$179.92; RDO Truck Centers, RP \$3,107.97; SAPP Brothers Inc., SU \$175.50; The Trusty Wrench, RP \$260.00; Nebraska Bank Acct #244-220, PS \$8,309.41; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas, PS \$4,336.86

Meeting adjourned.

State of Nebraska) County of Wayne) ss.

I, the undersigned, County Clerk of Wayne County Nebraska, hereby certify that all of the subject included in the attached proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting of June, 2026, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk; that such subjects were contained in such agenda for at least 24 hours prior to said meeting; that the said minutes of the meeting of the County Commissioners of the County of Wayne were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 2nd day of June, 2026.

Joni Tietz, Wayne County Clerk