

March 24, 2026
Boardroom-Courthouse
Loup City, Nebraska

Sherman County Board of Commissioners

The Sherman County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, March 24, 2026, in the Boardroom of the Sherman County Courthouse with the following persons present: Tom Bandur-Chairman, Kenneth Kaslon-Vice Chairman, and David Siegel. Also, present was Sasha Habe- Sherman County Clerk. The Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:00a.m. Notice of the meeting was published in the Sherman County Times and given in advance to all members of the Board. At the beginning of the meeting, the Chairman announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meeting Act was posted on the South wall of the Boardroom with copies of the Act also available in the Boardroom for public viewing.

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Board reviewed the minutes of March 11, 2026, regular meeting. Tom Bandur stated for the record that a correction needed to be made to the minutes. There was a motion and seconded and roll call vote for the 2 action items listed under the Road Department on the last agenda. Sasha will amend the minutes to reflect the motions, seconds, and roll call votes for each item. The minutes will be retained in the Clerk's office. An agenda was posted in the Clerk's office and kept continuously current. Motion by Bandur and seconded by Kaslon to approve the previous minutes with the amendments and with proof of publication on file. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Bandur, Kaslon, Siegel. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Public Comment- None.

The Board reviewed the mail received, the claims submitted for payment, the Treasurer's Receipt Report for February 2026 and the Library Board minutes.

- **DISCUSSION**

- Dustin and Corey with Benefit Management went over details about the benefits of going through Benefit Management as a broker for health insurance and other benefits they have to offer. Dustin asked if the board would be interest in getting a free evaluation of health benefits and possible cost savings. Dustin will email Sasha the reports needed for the evaluation. Kaslon asked if they also use a third-party vendor like First Concord. Dustin advised they use Point C out of Omaha.
- Melissa Dush-Sherman County Economic Development Director discussed the agreement presented to the board. The prior agreement had a 10% increase per year for the next 5 years, but there was 4 years missed without an increase. The board discussed getting back on track with the new agreement starting at \$58,000 with potential increase of 5% or based on CPI per year. The information will be given to the County Attorney for changes to be made to the agreement.
- Sasha advised the board that Ralph would like someone to take down the tree in the middle, on the west side of the courthouse. A huge branch fell on the bench and broke it early this year. The tree is dead and needs to be taken out. The board agrees and will be getting someone to remove it.
- Laura Hart-City Mayor of Loup City, along with Sheriff Bergman being present, discussed with the board extending the current contract for one year with no changes, other than code enforcement and having a quarterly report on said code enforcement. Laura said the big issues with the contract are code enforcement and not being able to do performance reviews. Laura stated enforcing the codes with the help of the committee would help resolve some of the problems. She also went over nuisance property problems within Loup City. Bandur advised there is an increase at Region 26 that could effect the current contract with the City of Loup City. Decisions regarding the contract will be made next month at a regular board meeting.
- Clay and Tammy-Custer County Commissioners discussed with the board about the recycling center in Broken Bow and the need for possible funding. The board asked questions regarding the recycling center.

- **ACTION ITEMS**

- Motion by Siegel and seconded by Kaslon to authorize the chairman to sign the letter to switch authorized users for SAMS.gov.
Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Siegel, Kaslon, Bandur. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.
- Motion by Siegel and seconded by Kaslon to approve and authorize chairman to sign letter of support for Deb Fischer grant.
Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Kaslon, Bandur, Siegel. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.
- Motion by Bandur and seconded by Kaslon to approve the claims submitted for payment and the Treasurer's Receipt Report for February 2026. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Kaslon, Bandur, Siegel. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.
- **DISCUSSION – ROAD DEPT**
- General road business was discussed with Eric Person-Highway Superintendent.
- Discussion on resolution for Rockin' Kids 4-H Club roadside clean up. There were questions from the County Attorney that needed to be addressed by Eric before the resolution could move forward.
- Congratulation to the Road Department for winning 'Money for Minutes' from NIRMA as they reported quarterly their safety committee minutes.

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- Motion by Kaslon and seconded by Siegel to approve easement granting Wilson/Chilewski the right to install electrical, 472 Ave from East to West, section 10-11, township 15, range 15. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Bandur, Kaslon, Siegel. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- Motion by Siegel and seconded by Kaslon to approve permit for John Kohls to work in county right way. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Siegel, Kaslon, Bandur. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- **ADJOURN** – Chairman Bandur adjourned the meeting at 12:16p.m.

Sasha N. Habe - Sherman County Clerk