

The Rock County Board of Commissioners meeting was advertised in the Rock County Leader on July 29, 2026. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Hollenbeck at 9:00 a.m. as posted. Roll call was taken. Present were Commissioners Wade Hollenbeck, Faye Smith & Colby Sybrant. Also present was Lisa Fales, Deputy Clerk.

Hollenbeck stated the Open Meeting Law is posted on the wall in the Commissioners room.

The agenda for the day was reviewed. Motion by Sybrant and seconded by Smith to approve the agenda as posted in the Clerk’s office. Roll Call Vote: All For None Against. Motion carried.

The minutes were presented to the Commissioners for the July 21, 2026 regular meeting, published July 29, 2026. Motion by Sybrant and seconded by Hollenbeck to approve the minutes for the July 21, 2026 regular meeting as presented. Roll Call Vote: Sybrant – Yes Hollenbeck – Yes Smith abstained. Motion carried

Fee reports were presented to the Commissioners to review. Motion by Hollenbeck and seconded by Sybrant to approve the Clerk, Clerk of the District Court & Sheriff Fees for July. Roll Call Vote: All For None Against Motion carried.

Scott Erthum, Weed Supervisor & CWDG contact person gave Commissioners e-mailed updates on Weed & CWDG to the Commissioners & Clerk.

A new shredder for the Courthouse was discussed. Motion by Hollenbeck & seconded by Sybrant to approve the purchase of a new shredder from Office Products. Roll Call Vote: All For None Against Motion carried.

Carn’s bridge was discussed. Hollenbeck received an e-mail regarding the cracks. Elizabeth Yost, Highway Superintendent is aware of the cracking. Matter tabled until next meeting when Elizabeth can attend. Keya Paha Commissioners & Rock County Commissioners plan to meet at 3:00 p.m., August 11, 2026 at the Carn’s Bridge to assess the cracking. The approaches have been installed. An open house date has not been set yet.

Stacey Knox, Hospital Administrator met with the commissioners regarding Hospital budget. The hospital bond is paid off & she would like the levy for the paid off bond to go to the hospital. Right now the hospital is allowed 2 cents outside the levy by Voter vote & get 2 cents inside the levy (county budget). The County is having a budget workshop at 8:00 a.m., August 18, 2026 at the Courthouse. Keeping the 3rd ambulance will be discussed at the August 18, 2026 regular meeting of the Rock County Commissioners.

Tanya Storer met with the Commissioners with updates. The CWDG grant was discussed. Especially with the hold up of tree removal. Whether it is required to shred them versus piling them. Jess Pozehl, Emergency Management Deputy was also in attendance.

Road Department raises and road employees evaluations were discussed. Motion by Smith and seconded by Hollenbeck to give each road employee a \$1.00/hour raise. Roll Call Vote: All For None Against. Motion carried.

The following claims were audited:

<u>GENERAL</u>		
Employees	Salaries	34069.35
Appeara	Towel Service	66.69
K. Arganbright	Contract Labor	5396.07
RC Clerk	DD Fee	20.00
Colonial Life	Employer Share Life Ins.	3.00
Comfort Inn	Lodging/EMS	330.00
Fastwyre	Phone/Internet	603.63
First Concord	Admin Fee	15.00
RC Leader	Print/Publish	762.11
MIPS	Data Process	1999.05
NPPD	Electricity	394.65
Office Products	Supplies	74.26
PrestoX	Pest Control	107.20
Ameritas	Matched Retire	2429.20
Sandhill Equipment	Mower	6500.00
IRS	Matched SS	2592.45
US Bank	Postage/Supplies	659.51
Verizon	Cells/Hot Spots	20.02
<u>ROAD</u>		
Road Crew	Labor	9133.69
Appeara	Towel Service	40.17
Colonial Life Ins.	Employer Share Life Ins	3.00
Community Truck	Scale Use	14.00
Fastwyre	Phone	57.42
Hometown Repair	2003 F250 Shocks	381.24
Krotters	Supplies	11.99
Leader	Notice	61.75
NPPD	Electricity	137.88
Pioneer Research	Snow Plow Coating	962.19
Ameritas	Matched Retirement	616.53
IRS	Matched Social Security	671.78
<u>PRESERVATION/MODERNIZATION</u>		
MIPS	ROD Program	228.16
<u>LIBRARY</u>		
Employees	Salaries	3350.62
Black Hills Energy	Natural Gas	49.79
City of Bassett	Wtr/Swr/Trash	294.16
Companion Corp.	Software Subscription	1540.00
Fastwyre	Phone/Internet	170.77

Greg’s Heating & Air	Repairs	214.50
Krotters	Keys	5.39
M. Lackaff	Mileage/Registrations	172.10
RC Leader	Notice/Ads	52.82
Morrison K Lawn	Lawn Care	216.00
NPPD	Electricity	122.33
Office Products	Copier	53.79
Overdrive	Agreement	560.00
PrestoX	Pest Control	71.51
Ameritas	Matched Retirement	167.75
IRS	Matched SS	256.31
Spacewalk Inflatables	Summer Reading Program	700.00
Whistle Stop	Supplies	21.52
	<u>911 EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT</u>	
Equature	E911	6881.05
Fastwyre	E911	54.00
OPTK	E911	617.18

Motion by Smith and seconded by Hollenbeck to approve August 4, 2026 claims. Roll Call Vote: All For None Against Motion carried.

Motion by Hollenbeck and seconded by Smith to adjourn at 2:25p.m. Roll Call Vote: All For None Against

The next regular meeting of the Rock County Commissioners will be August 18, 2026 at the Rock County Courthouse, 400 S State ST, Bassett NE. The meeting will start at 8:00 a.m.

S/Wade D. Hollenbeck, Chairman of the Board

Attest: S/Lisa Fales, Deputy County Clerk
