

HOWARD COUNTY SPECIAL BOARD MINUTES

HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AND

SHERMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HOWARD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ST PAUL, NEBRASKA

AUGUST 6, 2026

A Special Meeting of the Howard County Board of Commissioners and the Sherman County Board of Commissioners was convened in open and public session on the 6th day of August, 2026, in the Boardroom, Howard County Courthouse, St. Paul, Nebraska. Notice of the meeting was given thereof on the 29th day of July, 2026. Notice was published in the Phonograph Herald and the Sherman County times. Copies of the agenda were posted in the courthouse, post office, Citizens Bank & Trust, Homestead Bank, emailed to each Howard County Commissioner, emailed to the Sherman County Clerk for posting and kept current and available to the public at the Howard County Clerk's office. Chairman Hirschman called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Roll Call: Howard County Commissioners- Kirt Lukasiewicz, Aye; Kathy Hirschman, Aye; and Jessie Urbanski, Aye. Sherman County Commissioners-Tom Bandur, Aye; Ken Kaslon, Aye; and David Siegel, Aye. Also, present is County Clerk, Brenda Klanecky. The meeting was moved from the Commissioner room located on the second floor of the courthouse to the assembly room located on the first floor of the courthouse due to the size of the crowd.

Pledge of Allegiance- The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Chairman Hirschman stated to those in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is available for review and indicated the location of such copy in the room where the meeting is being held.

Public Comment-None.

Discussion with Verteran's Service Office-Veteran's Service Officer, Don Shuda was present to discuss questions regarding the contracts with Howard County and Sherman County. Two Hall County Board Members, one Nance County Commissioner, several area veterans, and employees of the Veteran's Service office were present for the discussion. One of the main questions was what happens with the excess funds at the end of the contract year? Both Howard County and Sherman County have approved the requested funds for fiscal year 2026-2027. The original contract was signed in 1996. There have been no changes made to the

contract to date. It was suggested if any changes are to be made, that the changes be submitted in advance of the request for funds that take place in April and May of each year.

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion was made by Urbanski and seconded by Lukasiewicz to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 p.m. Roll Call: Hirschman, Aye; Urbanski, Aye; and Lukasiewicz, Aye and Bandur, Aye; Kaslon, Aye; and Siegel, Aye. Meeting Adjourned.

Dated this 6th day of August, 2026.

Kathy Hirschman
Howard County Board Chair

ATTEST:

Brenda Klanecky
Howard County Clerk