

AGENDA
GAGE COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION & SUPERVISORS
WEDNESDAY – JANUARY 7, 2026

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION: 8:30 a.m.

Announce posting of the Open Meetings Act.

Attendance by observation

Finalize any old business

Chairman declares 2025 session formally closed – SINE DIE

Reorganization of the Board of Equalization for 2026

Election of Officers for Board of Equalization – or approve or disapprove election of Chairman & Vice Chairman until Board of Supervisors meeting for both boards (Equalization & Supervisors).

1. Chairman
2. Vice Chairman

Approve or disapprove agenda as presented

Approve or disapprove minutes of previous meeting

Comments from the public and request for future agenda items

Approve or disapprove tax correction slips #23 – #29.

Public hearing & approve or disapprove tax exemption on vehicles owned by qualifying nonprofit organizations.

- A. Beatrice Cemetery Association
- B. Beatrice Community Hospital & Health Center
- C. Beatrice Humane Society
- D. Blue Valley Behavioral Health Center
- E. Boy Scout Troop #221
- F. Christ Community Church
- G. Ev. Lutheran Good Samaritan Society
- H. Gold Crest Retirement Center
- I. Mosaic
- J. PEO Home
- K. St. John's Lutheran Church
- L. St. Joseph Catholic Church
- M. St. Paul's Lutheran Church
- N. Teen Challenge of the Midlands
- O. Wymore Church of Christ

IF YOU ARE HERE TO PARTICIPATE ON AN ITEM AND NEED SPECIAL CONSIDERATION BECAUSE OF A SCHEDULE CONFLICT OR SOME OTHER PROBLEM, PLEASE LET THE CLERK KNOW PRIOR TO THE MEETING SO WE MAY ACCOMMODATE YOUR NEEDS.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS: 8:45 a.m.

Call Meeting to Order

Recite Pledge of Allegiance

Announce posting of the Open Meetings Act.

Attendance by Observation

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Reorganization of the Board of Supervisors for 2026

Election of Officers for Board of Supervisors –

1. Chairman
2. Vice Chairman

CONSENT AGENDA:

***Any item listed on the Consent Agenda may, by the request of any single Board Member, be considered as a separate item under the Regular Agenda).**

1. General Agenda
2. Approve minutes of meeting held December 24, 2025.
3. Approve all Claims through January 7, 2026, in the amount of \$568,222.80 except claim #2601000042 to Johnny's Welding in the amount of \$241.24 to be voted on separately below.
4. Approve and place on file correspondence received.
5. Approve changing November 11, 2026, board date to November 12, 2026.
6. Approve notice on changing pay dates to earlier on some months to keep payroll & Accts payable within that month.
7. Approve appointing Patti Milligan to prepare levy requests.
8. Approve appointing Dawn Hill to prepare the County Budget.
9. Approve designation of official County Newspaper(s)
10. Approve designating Gage County's website (www.gagecountyne.gov) as an official method of providing notice of any meetings/public notices.
11. Approve Dawn Hill as the NIRMA contact person.
12. Approve reappointing Mark Kuhnke as Gage Co. Highway Superintendent for 2026
13. Approve Bank Depositories:
 - a. Adams State Bank
 - b. BMO Bank
 - c. Heartland Bank
 - d. First Interstate Bank
 - e. First National Bank of Omaha

- f. First State Bank of Nebraska
- g. NFIT – Union Bank & Trust
- h. NPAIT
- i. Pinnacle Bank
- j. Premier Bank
- k. Security First Bank
- l. Western National Bank

14. Approve District Court Summary Fee Report & Register of Deeds Fee Report for the month of December 2025.

REGULAR AGENDA:

Approve or disapprove clam # 2601000042 to Johnny's Welding in the amount of \$241.24. This brings the total amount of claims paid through January 7, 2026, to \$568,464.04.

Comments from the public and request for future agenda items

*Anyone may comment on any matter that is not on this agenda. However, no board action can be taken until the following board meeting unless the board declares it an emergency *

Committee Reports:

Building & Grounds/Winter Lights:

Equalization:

Finance/Insurance:

Veterans' Service:

Human Resources/Employee Relations:

Law Enforcement/Emergency Mgmt:

Road & Bridge:

Approve or disapprove appointing Amanda Fanning as Gage County Attorney due to the retirement of Roger Harris.

Discussion on Professional Services relating to Residential and Commercial Property Configuration.

Discuss & approve or disapprove Visitors Improvement Grant eligible dollar cap.

Approve or disapprove Visitors Improvement Grant to Beatrice Youth Recreation, Inc. in the amount of \$50,000 for Hannibal Park Ballfield Initiative.

Adjourn

**The Board of Supervisors reserves the right to adjourn into executive session per Section 84-1410 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes **

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Committee Meetings: 7:00 a.m.

Law Enf. & Emg. Mgmt. Committee – Monday, January 5, 2026

Finance Committee – Monday, January 5, 2026

Road & Bridge Committee – Monday, January 5, 2026

Human Resources Committee – Monday, January 5, 2026

Dawn Hill
County Clerk