

BOARD OF CORRECTIONS MINUTES

December 30, 2025

The Cherry County Board of Commissioners convened as a Board of Corrections on December 30, 2025 in the Commissioner Meeting Room of the Cherry County Courthouse, as per notice published in the Valentine Midland News. The current agenda being on file in the office of the County Clerk. The meeting was called to order at 1:32 p.m. by Chairman McConaughey. Present were Commissioners Nina Nelson, Mike McConaughey, Martin DeNaeyer, County Clerk Samantha Leonard, and Justice Center Sergeant David Stoeger. The Open Meetings Act Poster was acknowledged by Chairman McConaughey.

No comments from the public were received during the allotted time.

The board was provided a staff and jail census update via email from Justice Administrator Sharon Hesse.

The board discussed the CIDNET contract with Mr. Stoeger and via phone with Ms. Hesse. Ms. Hesse explained the agreement is still the same terms; however, she is renegotiating the percentage of revenue the county receives from inmate bandwidth usage. The board met with County Attorney Eric Scott via phone to discuss the agreement. Mr. Scott stated that the agreement looks fine to him if the revenue amounts are comparable to the current market and Ms. Hesse is agreeable to the terms of the agreement. McConaughey moved and DeNaeyer seconded to authorize Justice Administrator Sharon Hesse to enter into the agreement with CIDNET. Roll call vote: Aye – DeNaeyer, Nelson, McConaughey. The motion carried.

At 1:43 p.m. Chairman McConaughey adjourned the meeting.

State of Nebraska,)
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County of Cherry,)

I, Samantha Leonard, the undersigned County Clerk of Cherry County, Nebraska, do hereby certify the foregoing minutes are true and are part of the official records of this office. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 13th day of January 2026.

Samantha Leonard

Samantha Leonard
Cherry County Clerk



Mike McConaughey

Mike McConaughey, Chairperson
Cherry County Board of Commissioners