

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

Special Meeting

September 22, 2026

The Cherry County Board of Commissioners convened in special session on September 22, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room of the Cherry County Courthouse. Notice of the meeting was published on September 16, 2026 in the Valentine Midland News. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman McConaughey. Roll call was taken. Present at the meeting were Cherry County Commissioners Mike McConaughey, Martin DeNaeyer, Nina Nelson and Clerk Samantha Leonard. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and the Open Meetings Act Poster was acknowledged by Chairman McConaughey.

At 9:01 a.m. Chairman McConaughey opened the public hearing for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations of taxpayers relating to setting the final tax request at a different amount than the prior year tax request. Public comment was received at the allotted time. Chairman McConaughey closed the public hearing at 9:13 a.m.

At 9:15 a.m. Chairman McConaughey opened the public hearing for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations of taxpayers relating to the proposed 2026-2027 budget. Public comment was received at the allotted time. At 9:19 a.m. Chairman McConaughey closed the public hearing.

At 9:20 a.m. Chairman McConaughey opened the budget meeting. After brief discussion McConaughey moved and DeNaeyer seconded to approve FY 2026 – 2027 Cherry County Budget. Roll call vote: Aye – DeNaeyer, Nelson, McConaughey. The motion carried.

DeNaeyer moved and Nelson seconded to adopt Resolution 2026-16 Setting Final Tax Request. Roll call vote: Aye - Nelson, McConaughey, DeNaeyer. The motion carried.

McConaughey moved and Nelson seconded to adopt Resolution 2026-17 Adoption and Appropriations. Roll call vote: Aye – McConaughey, DeNaeyer, Nelson. The motion carried.

At 9:32 a.m. Chairman McConaughey adjourned the meeting.

State of Nebraska,)
) SS.
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 29th day of September 2026.

Samantha Leonard
Samantha Leonard
Cherry County Clerk



Mike McConaughey
Mike McConaughey, Chairperson
Cherry County Board of Commissioners