

August 26, 2025

The Keya Paha County Commissioners met Tuesday, August 26th 2025 as advertised. Chairman Frederick called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with Commissioners Nilson and Tiefenthaler, Co. Attorney Scott, L. Smith and Clerk Wentworth present. Frederick noted the open meetings act posted for the public and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

After review, Frederick moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented, Nilson seconded.

Voting: Nilson—yes, Frederick—yes and Tiefenthaler—yes. All voted in favor, motion carried.

Under General Business discussion was held on the renaming of Highways 183 and 7 that go through the county. The letter stating the commissioners were not in favor had been sent to the NDOT.

The contract with Marvin Associates was tabled until a later date.

Weed Superintendent K. Mizner met with the commissioners to discuss the Wavier and Release with SWMA for the use of the equipment purchased with a grant for the district. The release was tabled and put on the agenda for the second meeting in September.

B. Speck met with the commissioners to request an approval of the amended budget BKR Extension office. This budget is less than the budget previously submitted. Frederick moved, Tiefenthaler seconded to approve the amended budget request. Voting: Frederick—yes, Tiefenthaler—yes and Nilson—yes. All voted in favor, motion carried.

The payment for the Carns Bridge was discussed at length. The Clerk's office received an invoice from the Rock County Clerk July 16th with a due date of July 1st with the total being due \$1.23 million for our 10% share. Prior to this email, the County had not received any documentation on changes for the amount. At last falls joint meeting in Rock County, the information the county received was that the billing would be done in increments over the time period the bridge was being constructed. The bid accepted by Rock County for the bridge would have made the county's 10% share \$940,000, with the change in cost and the timing of the bill, the county will need to utilize a loan from West Plains Bank for a portion of the invoice. The increase in the cost is not the only concern the county has regarding the Carns bridge, a loan wouldn't have been necessary if the FEMA funds that the county is still waiting for had been received. When the county receives the FEMA funds the loan will be paid off in full. The bill was tabled until the next meeting to prepare a resolution for the loan with the bank.

The Commissioners went to lunch.

CLAIMS

GENERAL FUND

Salaries & Ins Reimb		\$	14,846.39
DAS State Accounting	data processing	\$	349.75
John Frederick	mileage	\$	130.20
Heartland Radar	certification	\$	80.00
Keya Paha Co Payroll W-H Acct	co-share retirement	\$	953.17
Keya Paha Co Payroll W-H Acct	co-share fica	\$	1,089.41
Office Products Center	service cont	\$	35.00
Olson's Pest Technicians	service cont	\$	75.00

ROAD FUND

Salaries & Ins Reimb		\$	13,173.04
Atteberry Construction Inc	surfacing	\$	36,852.30
Bomgaars	supplies	\$	284.92
Grossenburg Implement	supplies	\$	3,982.53
Hespe Auto	tires	\$	2,239.14
Keya Paha Co Payroll W-H Acct	co-share retirement	\$	787.93
Keya Paha Co Payroll W-H Acct	co-share fica	\$	992.08
Kenneth Sharp	surfacing	\$	331.00

HIGHWAY BRIDGE BUYBACK PROGRAM FUND

Baders Highway & Street	crack sealing	\$	39,848.00
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WEED FUND

Salaries & Ins Reimb		\$	866.66
Keya Paha Co Payroll W-H Acct	co-share retirement	\$	58.50
Keya Paha Co Payroll W-H Acct	co-share fica	\$	63.61
Kurtis Mizner	reimb hotel/mileage	\$	617.26

Tiefenthaler moved to pay the above claims, Nilson seconded. All voted in favor, motion carried. Voting: Tiefenthaler—yes, Nilson—yes and Frederick—yes.

J. Cook met with the commissioners to give them a report from the road department.

The county handbook policy on paid holidays and work week schedules, no changes were made.

At 3:00 the chairman declared the meeting adjourned until the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held on Tuesday, September 9th 2025 at 10:00 a.m. at the courthouse meeting room. A current agenda is on file in the clerks office and available online at <https://keyapahacountyne.gov>.

Suzy Wentworth, Clerk

John Frederick, Chairman

*****These minutes are not yet approved and may be corrected*****