

LINCOLN COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Wednesday, August 5, 2026 - 4:30 PM

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Chair Friske at 4:30pm

Supervisors Present: Don Friske, Julie DePasse, Jesse Boyd, Marguerite Lyskawa, Angela Cummings (virtual), Greg Hartwig, Randy Detert

Department Heads Present: Renee Krueger, Karry Johnson, Matt Pultz, Travis Spoehr

Chair Friske informed the committee that Earl Welker was interested in providing public comment and that while there was not an agenda item for public comment, it does provide guidelines to public comment within the footer. Chair Friske indicated that unless there were objections, public comment would be allowed after approval of the minutes. No objections noted.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of the Minutes

a. Approve Minutes From 07.01.2026:

M/S Boyd/Lyskawa to approve the minutes as written. Motion carried on voice vote.

**Public Comment occurred specific to item 6a Resolution for the Creation of an Ad Hoc Committee Regarding Emerging Land Uses.

4. Consent Agenda

a. Financials

Krueger explained all financial reports for the A&L committee will reflect near 100% revenues at this time while showing a lower percentage of expenses in alignment with the time of year. This is due to these departments being mostly funded through a tax levy which is applied all at 1 time. Some of IT's financials will be higher as there are 1-time payments for the year. There are no areas of concern at this time.

b. Activity Reports (written) & Discussion as needed

Department Heads presented brief overviews of their written reports and answered questions from the committee.

5. Discussion & Action

a. Continued discussion and possible action regarding compensation study

Chair Friske indicated that he would like the committee to make a determination at this time whether to move the compensation study forward to the Finance Committee to allow an opportunity to include the impact within the budget. The initial budget approval will need to be presented in August and the Finance Team will need the ability to have time to incorporate changes. The full county board would then have the opportunity to vote on the compensation study as a whole through the budget approval process. Chair Friske clarified that the committee can choose not to take any action either and not proceed with the implementation of the study. M/S Boyd/Hartwig to approve the Compensation Study as written and forward to finance for inclusion in the 2027 budget process. The motion carried on voice vote.

b. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Letter from Economic Development Corporation

Economic Development Corporation Executive Director, Sara Guild, provided an overview of the request as provided in the packet. Supervisor De Passe provided historical funding that this was previously funded through the operational tax levy, but for the last two years, it was funded through ARPA. It would be coming out of the tax levy. Corporation Counsel was asked to confirm whether tax levy funds were allowed to be used for this purpose and Johnson provided a review of Lincoln County Ordinance Chapter 3.21 that this is allowable. Additionally, Johnson informed that consultation did occur with Attorney Andy Phillips, who provided additional guidance on statutory allowance for the use of tax levy funds for economic development.

M/S Boyd/Lyskawa to approve forwarding the request for funding for the Economic Development Corporation in the amount of \$50,000 to the Finance Committee to include in the 2027 budget process and, if approved, directing the Corporation Counsel and Administrative Coordinator to work with the Economic Development Corporation Executive Director to develop an Memorandum of Agreement that reflects the use of funds to tie into the County's Strategic Plan. Motion carried on voice vote.

c. Review Strategic Priorities as Discussed at County Board

Chair Friske reviewed the comments at the County Board and engaged the committee in further discussion regarding what the County can affect and how to categorize the goals.

6. Resolutions and Ordinances

a. Resolution for the Creation of an Ad Hoc Committee Regarding Emerging Land Uses

The committee discussed the many facets of this resolution. The committee determined that the most appropriate way to meet the identified needs contained within the resolution would be to use the Administrative and Legislative Committee to gather data and tap into resources to guide the County in how to proceed. A Scope Statement will be prepared and there will be an agenda item at the October meeting.

7. Set Next Meeting Date & Adjourn

a. Wednesday, September 2, 2026 @ 4:30pm

Meeting adjourned at 5:45pm.