

The Cedar County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. December 16, 2025 with the following members present: Bixler, Gaul, Kaufmann, and Chairperson Bell. Barnhart was absent. Minutes reported by Deputy Auditor Hamdorf. Members of the public were also present.

The Board viewed correspondence from various agencies.

The Board acknowledged receipt of the following correspondence from:
Cedar County Veterans Affairs approved December reports and minutes from 12/12/2025.
Clerk of Court for fee collected check #57518.

It was noted the following Handwritten Disbursement was issued on 12/12/2025 to the Cedar County Treasurer for Benefits, Inc. for an electronic deposit: #444421 for \$4,163.46-self funded medical claims.

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Bixler to amend the agenda to add action on public hearing for FY26 Budget Amendment and Appropriation Resolution.

Ayes: All

Absent: Barnhart

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Gaul to approve the agenda with amendments.

Ayes: All

Absent: Barnhart

Chairperson Bell addressed the public for comments. There were none.

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Bixler to approve the Board Minutes of December 9, 2025.

Ayes: All

Absent: Barnhart

Moved by Sup. Bixler seconded by Sup. Kaufmann to approve Payroll Disbursements #203642-203787 for the period ending 12/6/25 and to be paid on 12/12/25.

Ayes: All

Absent: Barnhart

The Board reported on Outreach/Committee Meetings they attended.

At 8:45 a.m. EMS Director Dinsch provided the Board with pay grades for Paramedic and EMT. These pay grades were reviewed by HR Attorney Galloway. Discussion was held on 12-hour vs 24-hour shifts.

Moved by Sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Bixler to approve the pay grade 14-Paramedic and 12-EMS.

Ayes: All

Absent: Barnhart

Linda Hansen of Volunteer Services of Cedar County met with the Board for a FY26/27 funding review. Hansen distributed and reviewed Volunteer Services approved budget. Discussion was held. Current County funding for Volunteer Services of Cedar County is \$27,000. Volunteer Services is requesting a decrease of \$500 in funding. No decision was made.

Don Roth of the Wilton Chamber & Development Alliance met with the Board for a FY26/27 funding review. Discussion was held. Currently Cedar County does not fund the Wilton Chamber & Development Alliance. They have requested \$1,500 in funding. No decisions were made.

Michelle Turner, Limestone Bluffs Resource Conservation & Development Executive Director met with the Board for a FY25/26 funding review. Turner reviewed different projects completed by RC&D. Discussion was held. Current County funding for Limestone Bluffs RC&D is

\$8,000. Limestone Bluffs RC&D is not requesting an increase in funding. No decision was made.

Mike Dauber, Medical Examiner met with the Board for a FY26/27 Medical Examiner budget review. Discussion was held. Current County funding for the Medical Examiner is \$66,700. Cedar County Medical Examiner is not requesting an increase in funding. No decision was made.

Kristine Bullock, Director Workplace Learning Center met with the Board for FY26/27 funding review. Bullock provided a presentation on statistics in Cedar County. Discussion was held. Current County funding for The Workplace Learning Connection is \$1,850.50. The Workplace Learning Connection is requesting funding of \$.10 per capita based off the 2020 census for a total amount of \$1,850.50, therefore no increase is requested. Bullock appreciates the County's support. No decision was made.

At 10:30 a.m. a public hearing for FY25/26 County Budget Amendment was held. Finance Director Dauber, Public Health Director Wagaman, Community Services Director Tischuk, Environmental & Zoning Director LaRue, EMA Director Brown, Veterans Affairs Service Officer Hamann, Treasurer Delaney, upcoming Conservation Director Petersen, Attorney Blank, Auditor Welch, Recorder Bahnsen, and EMS Director Dinsch were present.

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Bixler to approve FY25/26 County Budget Amendment and Appropriation Resolution.

APPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED this 16th day of December 2025, to change the Appropriation made July 1, 2025, for the following department for Fiscal year 2025-2026.

County Sheriff – From \$5,486,803 to \$5,513,014
(3,720,195 Fund 01000; 958,262 Fund 02000; 834,557 Fund 11000)

E&Z – From \$204,706 to \$214,655
(120,437 Fund 01000; 17,677 Fund 02000; 76,541 Fund 11000)

Relief – From \$36,725 to \$41,725
(41,725 Fund 01000)

Veteran's Affairs – From \$137,220 to \$148,220
(130,912 Fund 01000; 12,306 Fund 02000, 5,002 Fund 29500)

Courthouse – From \$228,637 to \$303,637
(274,676 Fund 01000; 28,961 Fund 02000)

GIS – From \$28,968 to \$30,252
(30,252 Fund 01000)

District Court – From \$43,000 to \$116,000
(4,000 Fund 01000; 112,000 Fund 02000)

Public Health – From 1,337,174 to \$1,340,174
(960,018 Fund 01000; 377,156 Fund 02000; 3,000 Fund 29000)

Ayes: All

Absent: Barnhart

Finance Director Dauber discussed with the Board the memo to department heads regarding budgets.

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Bixler to use 2.8% as a set point for COLA and adjust as needed during the budgeting process.

Ayes: All

Absent: Barnhart

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Bell to approve the right of way contracts for HDP-C016(114)--6B-16.

<u>Lori E Nelson & James D Fuller</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Dollars</u>
Permanent Easement	.64	\$3,573.02
Total		\$3,573.02

Ayes: All

Absent: Barnhart

Phil Waniorek, Benefits, Inc met with the Board to discuss benefits. Assessor Dauber, Public Health Director Wagaman, Community Services Director Tischuk, Environmental & Zoning Director LaRue, EMA Director Brown, Veterans Affairs Service Officer Hamann, Treasurer Delaney, upcoming Conservation Director Petersen, Attorney Blank, Auditor Welch, Recorder Bahnsen, Deputy Auditor Driscoll and EMS Director Dinsch were present. Waniorek asked the Board who he is to communicate with as someone directly contacted the insurance company. Kaufmann said the Board has heard complaints about communication issues. Waniorek said if anyone has any issues to contact him directly via cell phone. Kaufmann told Waniorek to have a conversation with the Auditor's office to fix communication issues. Waniorek asked again who he needed to talk to regarding issues. Consensus of the Board was to have him contact Nicki or Angela.

Moved by sup. Gaul seconded by Sup. Bixler to authorize Chairperson Bell to sign the Blue Cross Blue Sheid renewal at 7.5% increase.

Ayes: All

Absent: Barnhart

Moved by Sup. Kaufmann seconded by Sup. Bixler to authorize Chairperson Bell to sign the Administrative Services Proposal.

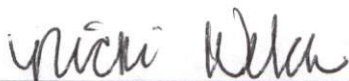
Ayes: All

Absent: Barnhart


Moved by Sup. Bixler seconded by Sup. Bell to adjourn at 12:09 p.m., to December 23, 2025.

Ayes: All

Absent: Barnhart



Nicki Welch, Auditor



Jon Bell, Chairperson