

Village of Cortland
May 13, 2026

The meeting of the Village of Cortland, Nebraska was held on the 13th day of May 2026 at 100 S Sherman Ave, Cortland, Nebraska.

Present at the meeting: Board members - Kohout, C.Moormeier, Meints and Burkey. Others present - Attorney Jena Mahin. Absent was German and clerk D. Moormeier.

Chairperson Kohout called the meeting to order at 7:00pm stating the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available at the meeting room as required by the Nebraska State Law.

Motion by C.Moormeier and seconded by Meints to approve German absence. Roll Call: Yes C. Moormeier, Kohout, Meints, Burkey. No: None Motion carried.

Motion by C.Moormeier and seconded by Meints to received and place on file all notices and material having any bearing on the meeting. Roll Call: Yes C. Moormeier, Kohout, Meints, Burkey. No: None Motion carried.

Motion by C.Moormeier and seconded by Meints to approve the minutes of April 8, 2026, regular Board meeting. Roll Call: Yes C. Moormeier, Kohout, Meints, Burkey. No: None Motion carried.

Motion by Burkey and seconded by Meints to approve the Treasurer's report. Roll Call: Yes C. Moormeier, Kohout, Meints, Burkey. No: None Motion carried.

The following bills were presented for approval: American Legal Publishing \$500.00, Barco Municipal Products, Inc. \$241.88, Black Hills Energy \$420.65, BOK Financial \$110,788.75, Cash \$180.00, EZ Stop \$453.30, Midwest Lab \$409.14, Nebraska Dept of Revenue \$343.73, Nebraska Landscape Solutions \$945.20, Nebraska Public Health Environmental Lab \$15.00, Nebraska Rural Water Association \$445.00, Norris Public Power \$2,419.54, One Call Concepts, Inc. \$58.61, Salaries \$7,864.30, Sam's Club \$1,015.99, Solheim Law Firm \$1,232.50, Summit Fire Protection \$359.25, U.S. Bank \$1,696.52, Verla Busboom \$40.00, Voice News \$269.60, Waste Connections \$4,821.19, Westlake Hardware \$187.69, additional bills that came in after report was generated - Johnson Services \$3,413.75 and Mueller Software \$1,494.88. Motion by Burkey seconded by Meints to pay the bills. Roll Call: Yes C. Moormeier, Kohout, Meints, Burkey. No: None Motion carried.

Building Permits. None.

Gage Co. Site Industrial Project - town superintendent sent an email back no water or sewer services provided by the city in area at this time.

Summer Kick Off. C. Moormeier reports band, porta potties and fireworks are all scheduled. CIA has requested additional trash cans be brought in for Summer Kick Off to the ballfield. No other assistance in personnel or financial matters has been requested.

Present Board Members reviewed the proposed Solid Waste Agreement and approved listed Solid Waste Management Companies to receive the Bid proposal. Motioned by C. Moormeier and seconded by Meints to approve proposed agreement and companies. Roll Call: Yes C. Moormeier, Kohout, Meints, Burkey. No: None Motion carried.

Kohout reads **Ordinance 2026-07 AMENDING TITLE 3: ADMINISTRATION, SECTION 3.123 EXIT POLLS; TO HARMONIZE WITH STATE STATUTE; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF.** Jena explains that it is a state statute pertaining to polling harassment. Motion by C. Moormeier and seconded by Meints to suspend the three readings. Roll Call: Yes C. Moormeier, Kohout, Meints, Burkey. No: None Motion carried. Motion to approve Ordinance 2026-07 by Meints and seconded by Burkey. Roll Call: Yes C. Moormeier, Kohout, Meints, Burkey. No: None Motion carried.

Kohout reads **Ordinance 2026-08 AMENDING TITLE 3: ADMINISTRATION, SECTION 30.115; TO HARMONIZE WITH STATE STATUTE; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF.** Jena explains that this is a state statute pertaining to election write in procedures. Motion by C Moormeier and seconded by Meints to suspend the three readings. Roll Call: Yes C. Moormeier, Kohout, Meints, Burkey. No: None Motion carried. Motion to approve Ordinance 2026-08 by Meints and seconded by Burkey Roll Call: Yes C. Moormeier, Kohout, Meints, Burkey. No: None Motion carried.

Ordinance 2026-09 Jena is deciding if this is necessary, this may not even pertain to the Village of Cortland directly.

Jena explains the Village could have their own Village code for speed limits if they thought it was necessary to go against state guidelines.

Written Complaints - 400 W. 1st, Cortland, NE discussed a resolution on how to better handle violations before they become a written complaint. Also discussed the potential for a welcome to Cortland letter for new residents directing them towards the village website and giving maintenance superintendent phone number.

Update on Nuisance Properties: 304 W 9th, property has been cleaned up. Fence was hauled to clean up day dumpsters. Motion by C. Moormeier and seconded by Meints to enter closed Executive session at 7:48 p.m. regarding Carlson property and Dissmeyer. Roll Call: Yes C. Moormeier, Kohout, Meints, Burkey. No: None Motion carried. Motion by C. Moormeier and seconded by Meints to close the Executive Session at 8:05 p.m. Roll Call: Yes C. Moormeier, Kohout, Meints, Burkey. No: None Motion carried.

Barta property Briggs mowed May 6, 2026. Jena contacted owners and explained the fee schedule for 2026.

Museum: C.Moormeier read report on Agenda from D.Moormeier in regard to two grants that have been received in the last month. The Museum is also on the Wander Nebraska tour.

CIA Report: Hosting the Summer Kick Off, all plans previously discussed in meeting. Planning on having the backpack program again in August.

C.Moormeier reports that she is seeking a grant for new playground equipment. Discussion on the Lower Big Blue Natural Resource District grant for drainage and decided not to participate this year.

Speed Sign: Burkey discusses the potential for speed sign, still waiting on NPPD for electrical service.

Community Center Renovation: Meints has no update.

Ball Park: Hosted 2 baseball tournaments and weeknight games, all going well. Kohout would like to coordinate with the CIA on summer kick off usage of the ballpark.

Village office Closed June 8, June 10 and July 29.

Briggs reports Connor King will be resuming duties May 21, 2026. Discussed raise to \$15/hour. Motion by C. Moormeier and seconded by Meints to approve the \$15.00 wage for King. Roll Call: Yes C. Moormeier, Kohout, Meints, Burkey. No: None Motion carried.

Town Truck and Gator are having various problems; we need to consider and look into getting replacements. Resident approach Briggs about a potential restaurant in town, board is in favor. Permits and applications need to be filed appropriately. Briggs request to purchase a new weedwhacker, board approves purchase. Village clean up went well, all dumpsters were full, no additional mess to clean up after clean-up, would like to consider for future clean ups to ask for driver's license to make sure they are Village of Cortland residence. Please do not share dump keys, multiple reports of doing such, the funds generated by key sale help to offset the cost of hauling off of leaf dump.

Motion by C.Moormeier seconded by Meints to approve the \$1672.00 25% Highway Allocation match. Roll Call: Yes C. Moormeier, Kohout, Meints, Burkey. No: None Motion carried.

Correspondence: Northern Natural Gas: Sent email and map on expansion, this does not affect Cortland.

Motion by C.Moormeier and seconded by Meints to adjourn meeting at 8:47pm. Roll Call: Yes C. Moormeier, Kohout, Meints, Burkey. No: None Motion carried.

Minutes were taken by Taylor Burkey, reviewed by Donelle Moormeier - Clerk/Treasurer Respectively submitted by Donelle Moormeier Clerk/Treasurer - Village of Cortland