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Kearney County Minden Nebraska

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Kearney County Courthouse

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424 N Colorado
Minden, NE 68969

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Office Hours
8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Location

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We invite you to browse our web site to learn about our various County offices and the services Kearney County, Nebraska offers its citizens. Courthouse hours are from 8:30 - 5:00 Monday - Friday except on holidays.

This web site contains information about County programs, services, departments and offices, as well as helpful information on commonly asked questions. We encourage you to use this site frequently to access agendas and minutes of the Board of County Supervisors.

Kearney County GIS system

Kearney County Assessor Property Search & Mapping GIS system

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Kearney County

- **Land Area:** 516 square miles
- **Population (2000):** 6,629
- **County Seat:** Minden
- **Towns and Population (2000):** Axtell, 707; Heartwell, 69; Minden, 2,749; Normen, 48; Wilcox, 349.
- **Public School Districts:** Axtell Community School, Axtell; Minden Public Schools, Minden; Wilcox-Hildreth Public Schools, Wilcox.
Department of Roads

2011 Office Hours
Jan 1 thru March 13
7:30 am to 4:00 pm (Mon-Fri)
March 14 thru Nov 6
7:00 am to 5:30 pm (Mon-Thurs)
Nov 7 thru Dec 31
7:30 am to 4:00 pm (Mon-Fri)

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Randall Smith
Highway Superintendent

The following permits are Editable PDF’s, which allow you to view the form through your browser and type in requested information. You can then print off the form and send it to the appropriate Kearney County Department.

Application for Buried Line Permit
Application for Driveway Permit
Application for Overwidth Moving Permit

The Highway Superintendent is required to submit an annual budget and a One & Six Year Road Plan to the Board of Supervisors and the Nebraska DOR. The budget should reflect the road maintenance needs and construction improvements on or before April 1st of each year.

The Board of Supervisors, with the assistance of the Highway Superintendent, must prepare and adopt a One and Six Year Road Plan which includes the following items:

1. A project accomplishment list for the next fiscal year. Map of the 2011 Construction Projects
2. A project priority list for the following five fiscal years. Map of the 2011-2016 Construction Projects

The project accomplishment list and annual budget may be revised only if unforeseen circumstances occur. Any revision must be approved by the Nebraska Board of Classification and Standards. The priority of improvement of improvement of roads is within the sound discretion of the Board of Supervisors.

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At the present time we have 14 full time operators.
Less than 20’ water way structures

Metal pipes
- Latitude, Longitude
- Culvert Number
- Diameter
- Length
- Shape / Material
- Condition of culvert/ditch
- Owner
- Number of spans/ max span length
- Inspection date
- Comments
GPS your Culvert and Bridge Structures
Gleason Hydrology Restoration

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) is working cooperatively with local landowners to restore the natural hydrology of the watershed surrounding the Gleason Waterfowl Production Area (WPA) in Kearney County. Discussion between USFWS personnel and owners of nearby properties helped identify irrigation re-use pits that were no longer needed due to conversion from gravity irrigation to more efficient pivot irrigation systems. In 2003, the USFWS Partners for Fish and Wildlife program provided cost share and technical assistance to encourage the neighbors to fill these abandoned pits.

Merlyn Stadler agreed to have his 1/3 mile long pit, located adjacent to Gleason WPA, filled using silt that had washed into the wetland over several decades. Now that this large pit has been filled, natural run-off is able to reach the WPA, improving the wetland's hydrology.

Removing unwanted silt from the wetland encouraged the growth of plants that are valuable as food and cover for wildlife. Silt removal also increased the wetland’s ability to store water, enhancing flood protection for neighbors. Three more pits within the Gleason WPA watershed boundary are expected to be filled yet this year.

Photos courtesy of USFWS
Top: Aerial of Gleason WPA.
Lower Left: Construction work on Gleason.
Lower Right: Stadler pit.
Identified Features

No features identified.