



# Hitchcock County Board Minutes



Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska

November 5, 2018

A meeting of the County Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska was held at the Hitchcock County Courthouse Commissioner’s Room, 229 East D Street, Trenton, Nebraska on Monday the 5<sup>th</sup>, day of November, 2018 commencing at 9:00 o’clock a.m. Present were Chair Scott McDonald, Commissioner Paul Nichols and Ron Wertz and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County News, the designated method for giving notice. Board agendas are posted on the County’s website [www.hitchcockcounty.ne.gov](http://www.hitchcockcounty.ne.gov). Notice of the meeting was given to the Chair and all members of the Board. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. The Open Meetings Act was available for review and Chair indicated the location of such copy in the room where the meeting was being held.

Chair McDonald called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Member McDonald moved to approve the consent calendar consisting of the following items: Approval of the October 15, 2018 meeting minutes and approval of the November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018 meeting agenda. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion. McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to approve the following claims. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: Nichols, McDonald, and Wertz. Motion carried.

**GENERAL FUND:**

General Fund Payroll -----	\$13,806.27
Election Board Training -----	\$ 554.63
Richard Calkins, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 2,100.56
Capital Business Systems, lease -----	\$ 28.00
Clerk of the District Court, adv. costs -----	\$ 72.00
Community 1 <sup>st</sup> Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$ 4,130.58
Community 1 <sup>st</sup> Bank, supply -----	\$ 78.39
Kerwin Propp, repair -----	\$ 250.00
DAS State Accounting, data process. -----	\$ 226.48
Department of the Treasury, Form 720 filing -----	\$ 42.39
Dollar General, supply -----	\$ 22.80
Eakes Office Solutions, supply -----	\$ 275.32
Election Systems & Software, Coding/Ballots -----	\$ 4,698.85
Goodwin & Siegfried LLP, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 615.00
Great Plains Comm., service -----	\$ 1,142.78
Hitchcock Co. Court, costs -----	\$ 105.00
Thomas Jones, meal reimb. -----	\$ 8.44
Lincoln Co. Sheriff’s Dept., service fees -----	\$ 20.88
Messersmith Water Treatment, supply -----	\$ 11.40
Mid American Benefits, deductible funding -----	\$ 2,000.00
MIPS, Inc., data process. -----	\$ 2,007.80
Mousel, Brooks, Schneider & Mustion, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 181.99



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NACO, registrations -----	\$ 750.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax -----	\$ 594.14
Paul Nichols, mileage -----	\$ 363.52
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 2,021.08
Scoop Media, publications -----	\$ 1,033.36
Sign Dezign, vehicle decals -----	\$ 475.00
SW Public Power Dist., utility -----	\$ 442.03
Tom's Town & Country Towing, service -----	\$ 167.50
U of NE, lodging -----	\$ 186.00
US Bank, lodging -----	\$ 98.40
Verizon Wireless, service -----	\$ 282.55
Village of Trenton, utility -----	\$ 1,229.17
Walmart, supply -----	\$ 279.80
Ryan R. Wilcox, public defender contract -----	\$ 2,500.00
Holy Family Alter Society, polling place rental -----	\$ 50.00

## **ROAD FUND:**

Road Fund Payroll -----	\$13,699.87
Bud's Tire Repair, repair -----	\$ 1,292.00
Community 1 <sup>st</sup> Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$ 4,253.22
Phillip Dixon, hwy. supt. contract -----	\$ 825.00
Glass Pros, repair -----	\$ 110.00
Great Plains Comm., service -----	\$ 184.44
Lakeside Sand & Gravel, gravel -----	\$ 1,403.70
Mentzer Oil Co., fuel -----	\$ 4,269.48
Michael Todd & Co., signs -----	\$ 2,228.94
NE Dept. Rev., state tax -----	\$ 683.36
Nebaskaland Tire, repair -----	\$ 54.45
Oak Creek Eng., hydraulic study/engineering -----	\$ 3,525.00
Powerplan, JD Financial, repair -----	\$ 912.40
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 1,899.43
Richards Gravel Pit, gravel -----	\$ 2,384.25
Sensel Welding, supply -----	\$ 73.45
SW Public Power, utility -----	\$ 54.36
Tri-State Truck & Trailer, repair -----	\$ 6,855.46
Village of Culbertson, utility -----	\$ 47.62
Village of Stratton, utility -----	\$ 108.92
Village of Trenton, utility -----	\$ 128.94
Walmart, supply -----	\$ 122.93
83 Repair, repair -----	\$ 1,615.70

## **VISITOR'S PROMOTIONAL FUND:**

Valerie Paschall, travel expenses -----	\$ 759.05
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## **E-911 PSC FUND:**

Centurylink, service -----	\$ 205.16
Great Plains Comm., service -----	\$ 437.58

## **911 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND:**



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Centurylink, service ----- \$ 79.79  
 Great Plains Comm., service ----- \$ 170.17

Member McDonald moved to rescind Resolution #18-21 passed on October 15, 2018 relating to Treasurer Tax Collection Fund Splits as calculations were incorrect. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Member McDonald offered Resolution #18-22 and moved for its' adoption. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration the roll was called thereupon and the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Said resolution having been consented to by a majority of all members elected to said County Board, was by the Chair declared passed and adopted. A true, correct and complete copy of said resolution is as follows:

## RESOLUTION 18-22

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Board of Commissioners, Hitchcock County, Nebraska, that for the purpose of transferring money from the General Fund to the County Road Fund per the supporting schedule of transfers budgeted found in the County Budget, that the board directs the County Treasurer to transfer any Road Fund monies collected from the 2018 levy, which is a designated portion of the General levy for 2018, and that this transfer would occur by the Treasurer after each months collections have been calculated.

The designated portion from the 2018 County levy for the Road Fund is .066349  
 and the General Fund is .170466

The County Board believes that this is the most accurate way to keep track of Road Fund and General Fund revenues.

Passed and approved this 5<sup>th</sup>, day of November, 2018.

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 Scott McDonald, Chair

ATTEST:

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 Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

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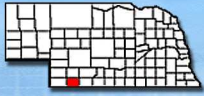
Voting for the motion: McDonald, Wertz, Nichols

Voting against the motion: None

Abstaining: None

Total General and Road Fund Tax Request = \$1,742,224.00

Tax request <b>Road</b> \$488,130.00	÷ \$1,742,224.00	= .280176
Tax request <b>General</b> \$1,254,094.00	÷ \$1,742,224.00	= .719824
Total		= 1.000000



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Tax Request Road: \$488,130 ÷ Valuation \$735,689,641 = Road Fund Levy .066349  
 Tax Request General: \$1,254,094 ÷ Valuation \$735,689,641 = General Fund Levy .170466  
 Total General and Road Fund Levy as set by BOE .236815

Member Nichols offered Resolution #18-23 and moved for its' adoption. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the roll was called thereupon and the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Said resolution having been consented to by a majority of all members elected to said County Board, was by the Chair declared passed and adopted. A true, correct and complete copy of said resolution is as follows:

## RESOLUTION 18-23

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF HITCHCOCK, NEBRASKA, SUPPORTING THE DISPLAY OF THE NATIONAL MOTTO "IN GOD WE TRUST" IN A PROMINENT LOCATION IN THE HITHCOCK COUNTY COURT HOUSE.

**WHEREAS**, the County of Hitchcock, Nebraska, (hereinafter called COUNTY) is a political subdivision of the State of Nebraska; and

**WHEREAS**, "In God We Trust" became the United States national motto on July 30, 1956, shortly after our nation led the world through the trauma of World War II; and

**WHEREAS**, the words have been used on U.S. currency since 1986; and

**WHEREAS**, the same inspiring slogan is engraved above the entrance to the Senate Chamber as well above the Speaker's dias in the House of Representatives.

**WHEREAS**, in both war and peace, these words have been a profound source of strength and guidance to many generations of Americans; and

**WHEREAS**, the County desires to display this patriotic motto in the Court House as a way to solemnize public occasions and express confidence in our society.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Commissioners of Hitchcock County do hereby resolve as follows:

**Section 1.** That the County of Hitchcock, Nebraska does hereby determine that the historic and patriotic words of our national motto, "In God We Trust" shall be permanently and prominently displayed in the Hitchcock County Courthouse.

**Section 2.** The County Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this resolution and enter it into the book of original resolutions.

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska, held on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2018.

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Paul Nichols

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Ron Wertz

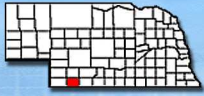
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Scott McDonald

ATTEST:

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Margaret M. Pollmann  
Hitchcock County Clerk

SEAL

VOTING FOR THE MOTION: Nichols, Wertz and McDonald



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VOTING AGAINST THE MOTION: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINING: None

Treasurer Linda Cook met with the board regarding matching funds on the Southwest Nebraska Community Betterment Corporation for Trenton CDBG Owner Occupied Rehabilitation Grant. Also present was Jackie Drain.

Director Brandon Myers and Deputy Director Joanna LeMoine gave the Region 51 Emergency Management quarterly report. Discussion/explanation held on the recently implemented AlertSense mass notification system.

Attorney Garner advised as to Southwest Nebraska Juvenile Services Comprehensive Plan and Memorandum of Understanding.

Member Wertz moved to direct Chair to execute the Southwest Nebraska Juvenile Services Comprehensive Plan and Memorandum of Understanding by and between Chase, Dundy, Furnas, Hayes, Hitchcock, and Red Willow counties for a three year plan July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion. Nichols, McDonald and Wertz. Motion carried.

Treasurer was in receipt of \$2.00 from Hughes Network Systems, \$1.00 from Avalara Inc. (Vonage), \$2.00 from Level 3 Comm., \$6.00 from CenturyLink, all for 911 surcharges, credited to the 911 Emergency Services Fund. \$67.37 from Central Crude for oil production, credited to the General Fund.

Member Wertz to adjourn at 10:56 a.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. Member Nichols seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

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Scott McDonald, Chair  
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk