

# Hitchcock County Board Minutes



Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska

March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020

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 16<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Scott McDonald 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 Nichols called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Extension Educator Nancy Frecks advised as to the University of Nebraska Extension Service Policy regarding COVID 19.

Member McDonald moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following items: Approval of the March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Agenda and approval of the March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 meeting minutes. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Member Wertz offered Resolution #20-6 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:

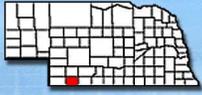
## **RESOLUTION #20-6**

**WHEREAS**, the County of Hitchcock County, Nebraska, hereinafter referred to as "COUNTY", is a duly organized county, existing pursuant to the laws of the State of Nebraska; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been ascertained that there are and will be forthcoming inmate medical expenses exceeding the \$18,000.00 budgeted authority within the Hitchcock County Jail's 2019/2020 adopted budget; and

**WHEREAS**, it appears from the records of the office of the Hitchcock County Clerk, that the Hitchcock County Jail budget function line item 0100-671-00-2-1903 (Medical) within the General Fund does not have sufficient budget authority to meet current expenditures.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF HITCHCOCK COUNTY, NEBRASKA:**



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That the Hitchcock County Jail function is hereby authorized to increase its' budget authority by \$10,348.44 and that said authority shall be transferred from the Hitchcock County Sheriff function (line item 0100-651-00-1-0202, Deputy Salary – Other) within the General Fund budget.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 16<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.

VOTING FOR THE MOTION: Scott McDonald, Paul Nichols and Ron Wertz.

VOTING AGAINST THE MOTION: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

The Resolution is hereby adopted.

ATTEST:

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Paul Nichols, Chair

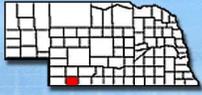
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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

No action taken on Resolution 20-7.

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: McDonald, Wertz and Nichols. Motion carried.

**GENERAL FUND:**

General Fund Payroll -----	\$47,510.94
AFLAC, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 1,157.59
Ameritas Life Insurance Corp., vision ins. -----	\$ 288.24
Appliance Repair Tag, repair -----	\$ 132.41
BC&BS, dental ins. -----	\$ 1,084.48
BC&BS, health ins. -----	\$17,252.78
Bosselman Energy Inc., heating fuels -----	\$ 1,080.38
Bryan Health Physician Network, inmate medical -----	\$ 1,490.99
Bryan Heart, inmate medical -----	\$ 83.60
Capital Business Systems, lease -----	\$ 28.00
Capital Foot and Ankle PC, inmate medical -----	\$ 921.34
Colonial Life & Accident Ins., suppl. ins. -----	\$ 136.45
Community 1 <sup>st</sup> Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$15,517.43
Kimberly Cook, mileage/communications -----	\$ 106.43
D&S Hardware, repair -----	\$ 603.48
DAS State Accounting, data process. -----	\$ 184.48
Eakes Office Solutions, supply -----	\$ 229.65
Farmers Coop, fuel -----	\$ 1,366.66
Nancy Frecks, mileage/communications -----	\$ 79.22
Frye, Frazey & Assoc., LLC, security on inmate-----	\$23,403.75
William Hagemann, reimb. deduct. -----	\$ 35.00
Suhr Enterprises Inc., supply -----	\$ 337.41
Goodwin Siegfried, LLP, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 25.00
Kiesler Police Supply, supply -----	\$ 562.35



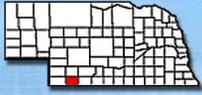
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Lincoln Radiology Group PC, inmate medical -----	\$ 318.64
Madison National Life, life ins. -----	\$ 34.10
MASA, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 63.00
Scott McDonald, mileage -----	\$ 254.73
Mid American Benefits, admin. fees/SBC -----	\$ 150.75
Midwest Connect, supply -----	\$ 195.00
Midwest Special Services, prisoner transport -----	\$ 645.00
MIPS, Inc., data process. -----	\$ 1,959.80
Tanya Monnaha, reimb. deduct. -----	\$ 147.16
Mousel, Brooks, Schneider & Mustion, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 484.71
NE Dept. Rev., state tax -----	\$ 2,414.88
NE Weed Control Assoc., dues -----	\$ 125.00
New York Life, life ins. -----	\$ 75.00
Ramada Inn, lodging -----	\$ 240.00
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 7,872.06
Scoop Media, publications-----	\$ 339.26
Shredding Solutions, service -----	\$ 75.00
Underground Vaults and Storage, microfilm storage -----	\$ 336.00
US Bank, supply -----	\$ 158.24
Verizon Wireless, service -----	\$ 283.09
Karen Wertz, reimb. pesticide license -----	\$ 65.00
West Central District Assessor's Assoc., dues -----	\$ 100.00
Wireless Inet, service -----	\$ 150.00
Paul Nichols, mileage -----	\$ 274.28

## **ROAD FUND:**

Road Fund Payroll -----	\$10,741.89
AFLAC, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 519.00
Ameritas Life Ins. Corp., vision ins. -----	\$ 92.00
BC&BS, dental ins. -----	\$ 190.68
BC&BS, health ins. -----	\$ 1,529.96
Bosselman Energy, Inc., heating fuels -----	\$ 1,002.81
Colonial Life & Accident Ins., suppl. ins. -----	\$ 36.32
Dan's R Us Sanitation, service -----	\$ 20.50
Roy Edmundson, reimb. deduct. -----	\$ 35.00
Community 1 <sup>st</sup> Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$ 3,057.86
Phillip Dixon, hwy. supt. contract/reimb. registration -----	\$ 980.00
Farmers Coop, fuel/supply -----	\$ 473.61
Hagan Transport LLC, repair -----	\$ 736.72
Larry Hubl, reimb. deduct. -----	\$ 35.00
JA Automotive, repair -----	\$ 359.58
League Builders Supply, repair/tools -----	\$ 121.35
Madison National Life, life ins. -----	\$ 3.10
Mid American Benefits, admin. fee -----	\$ 7.75
NE Dept. Rev., state tax -----	\$ 423.50
NE Machinery Co., blades -----	\$ 1,597.80
Plains Equipment Group, repair -----	\$ 4,735.08
Powerplan JD Financial, repair -----	\$ 3,222.27
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 1,281.57
Richards Gravel Pit, Inc., gravel -----	\$ 7,076.25



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Rippen Oil LLC, fuel/repair -----	\$ 95.50
Rod Rooney, reimb. pesticide license -----	\$ 65.00
SW Farm & Auto Supply, repair/tools -----	\$ 394.76
SW Public Power, utility -----	\$ 45.37
Stratton Auto Parts, repair -----	\$ 149.73
Titan Machinery, repair -----	\$ 284.99

## REGISTER OF DEEDS P & M FUND:

Mips, Inc., data process. -----	\$ 127.78
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## HIGHWAY ROAD/BRIDGE BUYBACK FUND:

NE Dept. of Transportation, BRO 7044 (29) -----	\$ 9,597.54
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County Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting.

Member Nichols moved to approve the Application To Occupy County Road Right of Way filed by Great Plains Communications for underground fiber optic in the part of the SW ¼ of Section 9 and part of the SE ¼ of Section 8, Township 3, Range 31 West, Hitchcock County, Nebraska. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, McDonald, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Discussion held on COVID-19 virus. Attorney Garner advised as to the Administrative Order of the Chief Justice of the Nebraska Supreme Court.

Building Maintenance Manager Karen Wertz advised as to cost estimates for ADA accessible courthouse door replacement project as part of repurposing Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Income Funds.

Member McDonald moved to appoint West Central Nebraska Development District as grant administrator for repurposing current CDBG Program Income Funds. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Clerk Magistrate Linda Smith discussed the upcoming County Government Day activity with the board. It's the consensus of the board that County Government day will be postponed to a later date due to concerns with the COVID-19 virus.

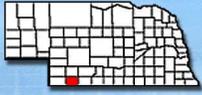
Board acknowledged receipt of correspondence from Community Hospital dated March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 and Marc A. Harpham, Fire/EMS Chief, NRP City of McCook Fire Department, Nate Schneider, City Manager, City of McCook and Dr. Richard Klug, Physician Medical Director, City of McCook Fire Department dated February 27, 2020.

Member Wertz moved to adjourn at 10:40 a.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. Member McDonald seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

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Paul Nichols, Chair  
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk