

Hitchcock County Board Minutes



Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska
June 15th, 2020

A meeting of the County Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska was held at the Hitchcock County Courthouse Community Room, 229 East D Street, Trenton, Nebraska on Monday, the 15th day of June, 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. 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.

Member Wertz moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following items: Approval of the June 15th, 2020 Agenda and approval of the June 1st, 2020 meeting minutes. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Member Nichols offered Resolution #20-12 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: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. 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 #20-12

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 appears from the records of the office of the Hitchcock County Clerk, that the Hitchcock County Weed budget 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:

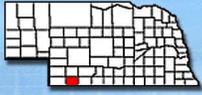
That the Hitchcock County Weed function is hereby authorized to increase its' budget authority by \$679.00 and that said authority shall be transferred from the Hitchcock County Clerk function within the General Fund budget.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 15th, day of June, 2020.

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

VOTING AGAINST THE MOTION: None

ABSTAINING: None



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ABSENT: None

The Resolution is hereby adopted.

ATTEST:

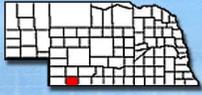
Paul Nichols, Chair

Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

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

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll -----	\$48,701.29
AFLAC, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 1,157.59
Ameritas Life Ins., vision ins. -----	\$ 288.24
Bear Graphics, supply -----	\$ 168.90
BC&BS, dental ins. -----	\$ 1,034.02
BC&BS, health ins. -----	\$16,390.62
Colonial Life & Accident Ins., suppl. ins. -----	\$ 136.45
Community 1 st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$15,869.50
Community Hospital, inmate medical -----	\$ 354.96
Kimberly Cook, mileage/communications -----	\$ 46.50
D&L Pest Control, service -----	\$ 53.00
Dell Marketing, new equipment -----	\$ 2,001.70
Eakes Office Solutions, supply -----	\$ 1,177.52
Farmers Coop, fuel -----	\$ 804.88
Nancy Frecks, communications -----	\$ 12.00
Garrisons - McCook Lettering, t-shirts -----	\$ 54.17
Suhr Enterprises Inc, supply -----	\$ 1,216.33
Hitchcock Co. Court, costs -----	\$ 34.00
Lincoln Co. Clerk, health board costs -----	\$ 300.00
Madison National Life, life ins. -----	\$ 31.00
MASA, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 63.00
Scott McDonald, mileage -----	\$ 253.58
Mid American Benefits, admin. fees -----	\$ 93.00
MIPS, Inc., data process. -----	\$ 1,959.80
Mousel, Brooks, Schneider & Mustion, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 843.60
NE Dept. Rev., state tax -----	\$ 2,491.63
New York Life, life ins. -----	\$ 75.00
Paul Nichols, mileage -----	\$ 351.90
Pathology Services PC, inmate medical -----	\$ 97.57
Peckham Dental Clinic, inmate medical -----	\$ 90.00
Postmaster, box rent -----	\$ 76.00
Prairie State Comm., uninstal equipment -----	\$ 609.55
Tyler Pribbeno, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 1,260.40
Quill Corp., supply -----	\$ 713.37



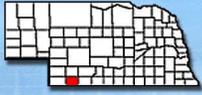
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Radiology Services, inmate medical -----	\$ 33.40
Red Willow Co. Sheriff, service fees -----	\$ 48.78
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 7,489.76
Tanya Roberts-Connick, mental health board fee -----	\$ 50.00
Scoop Media, subscription -----	\$ 32.00
Sign Dezign, vehicle vinyl -----	\$ 100.00
Trail West Texaco, fuel -----	\$ 23.60
U-Save Pharmacy, inmate medical -----	\$ 39.58
US Bank, anti-virus subscript./transcripts -----	\$ 299.26
Verizon Wireless, service -----	\$ 282.80
Ron Wertz, mileage -----	\$ 171.93
West Central NE Development Dist., dues -----	\$ 2,730.00
Wireless Inet, service -----	\$ 150.00
Xpediter Technology, maint. agree. -----	\$ 575.00
Scoop Media, publications -----	\$ 596.16

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll -----	\$ 11,979.19
AKRS Equipment, repair -----	\$ 1,555.95
AFLAC, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 519.00
Ameritas Life Ins., vision ins. -----	\$ 92.00
BC&BS, dental ins. -----	\$ 190.68
BC&BS, health ins. -----	\$ 1,529.96
C&K Dist., repair/tools -----	\$ 404.84
Colonial Life & Accident Ins., suppl. ins. -----	\$ 36.32
Community 1 st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$ 3,500.16
Dan's R Us Sanitation, service -----	\$ 20.50
Farmers Coop, fuel/supply -----	\$ 2,648.06
Heartland New Holland, repair -----	\$ 1,438.21
JA Automotive, repair -----	\$ 15.48
Jesse Mallet, gravel -----	\$ 4,140.00
Kugler Co., chemical supply -----	\$ 16,358.75
Lakeside Sand & Gravel, gravel -----	\$ 11,747.14
League Builders Supply, supply -----	\$ 68.61
Madison National Life, life ins. -----	\$ 3.10
Mid American Benefits, admin. fee -----	\$ 7.75
Moorhous, Inc., repair -----	\$ 9.63
Murphy Tractor & Equipment Co., belly dump trailer-----	\$ 40,200.00
NE Dept. Rev., sales tax -----	\$ 518.84
NE Machinery Co., repair -----	\$ 2,122.81
Nebraskaland Tire, repair -----	\$ 71.06
Powerplan JD Financial, repair -----	\$ 214.27
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas -----	\$ 1,467.52
Richards Gravel Pit, gravel -----	\$ 19,724.25
Rippen Oil LLC, tires/fuel -----	\$ 1,129.50
SW Farm & Auto Supply, repair -----	\$ 411.47
SW Public Power, utility -----	\$ 31.95
Stratton Auto Parts, repair -----	\$ 18.17
Village of Culbertson, utility -----	\$ 50.47



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ROAD & BRIDGE BUYBACK PROGRAM:

Norfolk Contracting, Inc., Structure C004402305P ----- \$127,371.29

REGISTER OF DEEDS P&M FUND:

MIPS, Inc., data process. ----- \$ 127.78

E911 PSC FUND:

E-Logic, service GeoComm mapping ----- \$ 302.17

Frontier Communications, trunk overflow charge ----- \$ 27.01

CenturyLink, service ----- \$ 91.47

911 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND:

E-Logic, service GeoComm mapping ----- \$ 80.33

Frontier Communications, trunk overflow charge ----- \$ 7.18

CenturyLink, service ----- \$ 24.31

Member Nichols moved to direct Chair to execute the letter of engagement by and between Daniel D. Miller, CPA and the County for budget preparation services. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to direct Chair to execute Amendment #1 revising and updating the County's Employee Health Reimbursement Arrangement with Mid American Benefits. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Discussion held on National Insurance Services vision, life and long term disability offerings.

County Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting.

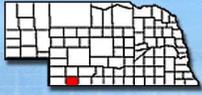
Member Wertz moved to change enrolment from Ameritas Life Insurance Corp. to NACO Benefits Services VSP Vision Block plan effective July 1, 2020. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Kathy Haase joined the meeting and advised as to the offerings of the Family Resource Center and asked \$3,000.00 to be considered for said agency in the 2020/2021 budget year.

Member Nichols moved to proceed with working with NACO to complete paperwork for eligibility of employee participation in NACO benefits. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of the motion. McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Emergency Manager Brandon Myers discussed local government reimbursements for COVID 19 related expenses under the CARES Act. The agency's 2020/2021 budget was discussed.

Member McDonald moved to authorize and direct Emergency Manager Brandon Myers to administrate the CARES Act grant/program on behalf of Hitchcock County. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after



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consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, McDonald, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Member McDonald moved to direct chair to execute a letter of support s on behalf of the Board relating to a grant being applied for by the Nebraska Departments of Agriculture for the Western Republican River Basin Riparian Habitat Improvement Project for 20/21. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

2020/2021 budget year employee salaries were considered.

Member Wertz moved to allow a .50 cents per hour increase in employee salaries/wages for the ensuing budget year. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Member Nichols moved to adjourn at 11:55 a.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, July 6th, 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, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk