



# Hitchcock County Board Minutes



Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska  
November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 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 2<sup>nd</sup>, day of November, 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.

Member Nichols moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following items: Approval of the November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 agenda; Approval of the October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020 meeting minutes. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. 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: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

## GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll -----	\$ 9,921.52
Comfort Inn, lodging -----	\$ 195.90
Community 1 <sup>st</sup> Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$ 2,837.45
Dollar General, supply -----	\$ 41.65
Election Systems & Software, election coding -----	\$ 1,881.34
Goodwin Siegfried, LLP, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 550.00
Great Plains Comm., service -----	\$ 1,171.72
JA Automotive, tires -----	\$ 342.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax -----	\$ 346.04
Lincoln Co. Treasurer, Emergency Mgmt. contract -----	\$ 6,716.75
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 1,426.94
SW Public Power Dist., utility -----	\$ 433.59
Ashley K. Spahn, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 433.35
Verizon Wireless, service -----	\$ 265.12
Village of Trenton, utility -----	\$ 1,537.35
Walmart Community, supply -----	\$ 313.18
Ryan R. Wilcox, public defender contract/reimb. cont. ed. -----	\$ 3,083.33

## ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll -----	\$10,066.05
Community 1 <sup>st</sup> Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$ 2,749.88
Great Plains Comm., service -----	\$ 255.01



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Hagan Transport LLC, repair -----	\$ 60.00
Lakeside Sand & Gravel, gravel -----	\$11,517.90
Medical Enterprises, DOT testing -----	\$ 35.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax -----	\$ 375.78
Pomp's Tire Service, Inc., tires -----	\$ 9,645.30
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 1,438.76
Richards Gravel Pit, gravel -----	\$ 1,318.50
Village of Stratton, utility -----	\$ 146.17
Village of Trenton, utility -----	\$ 135.89

### **ROAD & BRIDGE BUYBACK FUND:**

NE Dept. Transportation, fracture critical bridge inspection -----	\$ 388.43
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### **911 PSC FUND:**

Great Plains Comm., service -----	\$ 47.11
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### **911 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND:**

Great Plains Comm., service -----	\$ 14.88
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Member Nichols offered Resolution #20-20 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, McDonald, and Nichols. 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 #20-20  
FOR AMENDMENT AND ADDENDUM TO  
NIRMA/NIRMA II INTERGOVERNMENTAL/INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS

WHEREAS, Hitchcock County has previously entered into Intergovernmental/Interlocal Agreements with various other Nebraska Counties and other public agencies to form and participate in the Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Management Association (NIRMA) and the Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Management Association II (NIRMA II) as authorized by the Intergovernmental Risk Management Act (NEB. REV. STAT. §44-4301 et seq.) and the Nebraska Interlocal Cooperation Act (NEB. REV. STAT. §13-801 et seq.); and

WHEREAS, Counties and other Public Agencies as defined in §44-4303 are allowed to participate in said cooperative undertakings; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature has found that proper risk management requires the spreading of risk so as to minimize fluctuation in insurance needs and that benefits can be derived through the pooling of insurance purchasing by local government, and

WHEREAS, NIRMA and NIRMA II have provided coverages to the County in a cost effective way which meet and exceed those provided by standard insurance carriers; and

WHEREAS, NIRMA and NIRMA II provide risk management services such as loss prevention, safety audits, claims and litigation management, and coverages tailored to address loss exposures counties and other related public entities face not economically available from other sources; and



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WHEREAS, these coverages and risk management services are essential for the continued effective and efficient use of county taxpayer dollars; and

WHEREAS, the current Intergovernmental/Interlocal Agreements will expire on June 30, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hitchcock County Board, hereby:

1. Extends its commitment to participate in NIRMA and NIRMA II for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024; and
2. Declares that this Resolution shall serve as an amendment and addendum to the previous Intergovernmental/Interlocal Agreements entered into by the County Board, said Intergovernmental/Interlocal Agreements readopted by and incorporated herein by this reference as amended.

After motion duly made by member Nichols and seconded by member Wertz, the following members voted by roll call in favor of passage and adoption of said Resolution: Wertz, Nichols and McDonald.

The following members voted against the same: None

The following members were absent or not voting: None

PASSED AND APPROVED this 2<sup>nd</sup>, day of November, 2020.

**ATTEST:**

Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

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Margaret M. Pollmann

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Paul Nichols, Chairperson

Member Wertz offered Resolution #20-23 and moved for its' adoption. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration the roll was called thereupon and the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, Wertz, 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 CERTIFYING PROPER COMPLETION OF PROJECT

### **Hitchcock County, Nebraska Resolution No. 20-23**

**WHEREAS**, Hitchcock County and State entered into an agreement entitled "County Bridge Matching Program Agreement", for the structure number C004402305P (the Project), Program Agreement number BL2024 signed by the State on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, Hitchcock County has now completed the construction of the Project that was identified in the Program Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, this Resolution is to formally notify State of the proper completion of the Project according to the terms of the Program Agreement.



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**BE IT RESOLVED:** by the Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County:

- (1) The Project for Structure No. C004402305P, has been properly constructed by County and its contractor, in accordance with the terms of the Program Agreement.
- (2) The bridge was constructed in strict compliance with
  - (a) the plans and specifications including any State-approved change orders,
  - (b) all applicable design standards, and
  - (c) the conditions and requirement of the Program Agreement.
- (3) County understands that it is the owner of the bridge, and that it is solely responsible for the design, inspection, construction, reconstruction, repair, and operation of the bridge and roadway and is responsible for meeting any environmental or other post-construction permit or legal commitments applicable to the project.
- (4) The project costs were fair, reasonable and necessary for the proper construction of the project.

NDOT Project Number: STWD-CBMP(3)

NDOT Control Number: 00974B

NDOT LPA Control Number: 00974B(hh)

NDOT Project Name: County Bridge Match Program

Adopted this 2<sup>nd</sup>, day of November, 2020 at Trenton, Nebraska,

The Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County

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Paul Nichols

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Ronald Wertz

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Scott McDonald

Board/Council Member Wertz  
 Moved the adoption of said resolution.  
 Member Nichols Seconded the Motion  
 Roll Call 3 Yes 0 No 0 Abstained 0 Absent  
 Resolution adopted, signed and billed as adopted.

ATTEST:

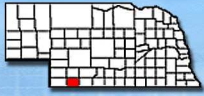
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Margaret M. Pollmann  
Hitchcock County Clerk

SEAL

NIRMA Contact Karen Wertz advised as to funds received through the NIRMA Assist Grant and bids from McCook Glass for a possible window replacement project.

County Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting.

Member McDonald moved to adjourn at 9:53 a.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. Member Nichols seconded the motion and the roll was called with the



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following members voting in favor of said motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

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Paul Nichols, Chair  
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk