



Hitchcock County Board Minutes



Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska
March 1, 2021

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 1st, day of March, 2021 commencing at 9:00 o’clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Ron Wertz and Scott McDonald, 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.

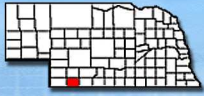
Chair Paul Nichols called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Member Wertz moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following items: Approval of the March 1st, 2021 agenda and the February 16th, 2021 meeting minutes. Member McDonald 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: Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll -----	\$11,353.50
Chuck Burr, mileage -----	\$ 63.28
Capital Business Systems, lease -----	\$ 70.00
Clerk, District Court, adv. costs -----	\$ 72.00
Community 1 st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$ 3,409.94
Kerwin Propp, repair -----	\$ 410.02
CVSOAN, registration -----	\$ 60.00
DAS State Accounting, data process. -----	\$ 184.48
Dollar General, supply -----	\$ 19.85
Harvest Homes, LLC, repair -----	\$ 150.00
Eakes Office Solutions, supply -----	\$ 66.94
Lindemeier Law Office, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 275.00
Great Plains Comm., service -----	\$ 1,186.68
Hometown Leasing, lease -----	\$ 100.40
Mid-American Benefits, deductible funding -----	\$ 5,000.00
Midwest Special Services, prisoner transport -----	\$ 388.50
MIPS, Inc., software renewal -----	\$ 34.98
NACO, registrations -----	\$ 105.00
NE Assoc. Co. Treasurer’s, dues -----	\$ 50.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax -----	\$ 441.03
Postage -----	\$ 1,000.00
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 1,658.27



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Scoop Media, publications -----	\$ 51.87
SW Public Power, utility -----	\$ 367.97
Verizon Wireless, service -----	\$ 265.15
Walmart, supply -----	\$ 465.28
Woods & Aitken, counsel service -----	\$ 180.00

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll -----	\$ 9,152.17
Bud's Tire Repair, repair -----	\$ 135.00
Community 1 st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$ 2,331.33
Great Plains Comm., service -----	\$ 257.11
Michael Todd & Co., signs -----	\$ 3,807.20
NE Dept. Rev., state tax -----	\$ 308.23
Quality Urgent Care, DOT test -----	\$ 50.00
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 1,286.05
Tom Kat On Site, Inc., repair -----	\$11,993.77
Walmart, supply -----	\$ 321.17

E-911 PSC FUND:

AT&T, service -----	\$ 1.57
CenturyLink, service -----	\$ 3,188.96
Frontier Communications, overflow chg. -----	\$ 25.98
Great Plains Comm., service -----	\$ 97.83
NRIN, network PSAP -----	\$ 2,280.00

911 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND:

AT&T, service -----	\$.50
CenturyLink, service -----	\$ 1,007.04
Frontier Communications, overflow chg. -----	\$ 8.21
Great Plains Comm., service -----	\$ 30.90
BRIN, network PSAP -----	\$ 720.00

REGISTER OF DEEDS P&M FUND:

MIPS, Inc., data process. -----	\$ 130.97
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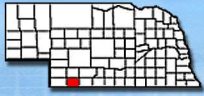
County Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting.

Dennis Egle met with the board regarding courthouse closing publications.

Attorney Garner advised as to Resolution #21-7.

Member Wertz offered Resolution #21-7 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: 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 #21-7



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WHEREAS, the County Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska passed Resolution #17-8 on March 6, 2017 offering a conditional Cash-In-Lieu Option to group medical insurance coverage to those elected officials and employees choosing to participate; and

WHEREAS, after review of said Cash-In-Lieu Option and Resolution #17-8, the Board finds it necessary to update the requirements and conditions relating to said Cash-In-Lieu Option.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HITCHCOCK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, THAT IN ORDER FOR AN ELECTED OFFICIAL/EMPLOYEE OF Hitchcock County, Nebraska to be eligible to participate in Hitchcock County's Conditional Cash-In-Lieu Option to group medical insurance coverage, said elected official/employee must work a minimum of 35 hours per week on a regular calendar year basis, and must:

1. Provide "Proof of Medical Insurance Coverage" on or before June 1st of each year; and
2. Provide an "Affidavit of Other Coverage" on or before June 1st of each year.

Said eligibility shall not be affected during any period that an otherwise eligible elected official/employee is on approved paid leave in full accordance with the County's paid leave benefits plan as set forth in the *Hitchcock County Employee Handbook*, or is on FMLA leave.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Cash-n-Lieu payment(s) for the plan year commencing July 1, 2021, shall be is as follows:

- *Employee Only \$350.00*
- *Employee/Child(ren) \$550.00*
- *Employee/Spouse \$550.00*
- *Family \$550.00*

and said monthly cash option payment(s) shall be added to monthly wages and all withholding requirements will be administered accordingly.

The Board shall review/establish the Cash-In-Lieu payment amounts(s) for each plan year at its January reorganizational meeting, and record the same in its official meeting minutes.

This policy becomes effective March 1, 2021.

Passed and approved this 1st day of March, 2021.

Paul Nichols, Chair

ATTEST:

Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

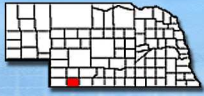
Voting for the Motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols

Voting against the Motion: None

Abstaining: None

Absent: None

Sheriff position interviews commenced at 10:00 a.m. Gerry Hunter, Gary Eng, Ryan Smith and Ryan King were interviewed.



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Member McDonald moved to adjourn at 2:00 p.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, March 15th, 2021 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, McDonald, and Wertz. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk