



Hitchcock County Board Minutes



Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska

March 15, 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 15th, 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.

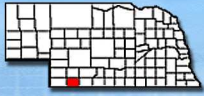
Member Nichols moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following items: Approval of the March 15th, 2021 agenda and the March 1st, 2021 meeting minutes, noting correction in March 1st minutes, that being there was no claim submitted or approved in the Register of Deeds P&M Fund. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols. Motion carried.

County Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting.

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

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll -----	\$49,472.55
AFLAC, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 987.91
Brouillette, Dugan, Troshynski, Bellew, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 820.00
BC&BS, dental ins. -----	\$ 1,179.82
BC&BS, health ins. -----	\$17,882.56
Bosselman Energy, heating fuels -----	\$ 1,322.93
Colonial Life & Accident Ins., suppl. ins. -----	\$ 136.45
Community 1 st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$16,291.46
Kimberly Cook, mileage/communications -----	\$ 119.12
Creative Product Sourcing, Inc., DARE -----	\$ 523.71
DAS State Accounting, data process. -----	\$ 184.48
Dugan Printing & Promotions, election supply -----	\$ 116.27
Dundy Co. Sheriff, teletype service 2020 -----	\$ 1,792.00
Eakes Office Solutions, supply -----	\$ 208.14
Farmers Coop, fuel -----	\$ 1,111.72
Nancy Frecks, mileage/communications -----	\$ 70.59
Goodwin Siegfried, LLP, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 770.00
Hitchcock Co. Court, costs -----	\$ 137.00
Amy Hoft, witness fee -----	\$ 20.00



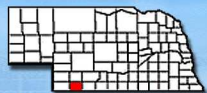
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Hometown Leasing, lease -----	\$ 100.40
JA Automotive, repair -----	\$ 25.00
Thomas W. Jones, meals -----	\$ 9.39
MASA, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 56.00
McCook Daily Gazette, publication -----	\$ 221.40
Scott McDonald, mileage -----	\$ 267.12
Mid-American Benefits, admin. fees -----	\$ 108.50
MIPS, Inc., data process. -----	\$ 1,960.82
NE Generator Service, LLC, service/inspection -----	\$ 774.80
NE Dept. Rev., state tax -----	\$ 2,502.30
New York Life, life ins. -----	\$ 75.00
Paul Nichols, mileage -----	\$ 236.88
Red Willow Co. Sheriff, service fees -----	\$ 12.00
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas -----	\$ 7,719.63
Andrea Seefus, depositions -----	\$ 718.50
Ashley K. Spahn, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 292.48
U-Save Pharmacy, inmate prescript. -----	\$ 212.47
Underground Vaults & Storage, microfilm storage -----	\$ 336.00
University of NE, equip. -----	\$ 63.98
Verizon Wireless, service -----	\$ 265.19
Village of Trenton, utility -----	\$ 1,401.00
VSP Insurance, vision ins. -----	\$ 341.66
Ron Wertz, mileage -----	\$ 158.48
Ryan R. Wilcox, public defender contract -----	\$ 3,000.00
Wireless Inet, service -----	\$ 300.00

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll -----	\$11,428.39
AKRS Equipment, repair -----	\$ 231.50
AFLAS, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 519.00
BC&BS, dental ins. -----	\$ 263.58
BC&BS, health ins. -----	\$ 3,474.58
Bosselman Energy, heating fuels/repair -----	\$ 1,400.24
Bud's Tire Repair, tool -----	\$ 18.09
Thomas Cash, CDL -----	\$ 200.50
Community 1 st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$ 3,150.82
Dan's R Us Sanitation, service -----	\$ 20.50
Diamond Vogel Paint Center, paint -----	\$ 191.45
Phillip Dixon, hwy. supt. contract/reimb. registration -----	\$ 955.00
ED Enterprises, repair -----	\$ 190.06
Farmers Coop, fuel -----	\$10,938.57
Larry Hubl, reimb. equip. -----	\$ 266.38
JA Automotive, repair -----	\$ 57.62
League Builders Supply, supply -----	\$ 8.99
Mid-American Benefits, admin. fees -----	\$ 23.25
NE Dept. Rev., state tax -----	\$ 446.77
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 1,461.86
Rippen Oil, fuel -----	\$ 221.70
SW Farm & Auto Supply, tools -----	\$ 12.49



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SW Public Power, utility -----	\$ 19.15
Stratton Auto Parts, repair/supply -----	\$ 33.56
Village of Culbertson, utility -----	\$ 50.62
Village of Stratton, utility -----	\$ 241.64
Village of Trenton, utility -----	\$ 182.41
VSP Insurance, vision ins. -----	\$ 83.35

REGISTER OF DEEDS P&M FUND:

MIPS, Inc., data process. -----	\$ 130.97
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Highway Superintendent Phillip Dixon joined the meeting and various road and bridge projects were discussed.

Robert Forch and Weed Superintendent Bill Hagemann met with the board regarding black tailed prairie dog control.

Building Maintenance Manger Karen Wertz advised as to a quote for wireless internet within the courthouse.

The Board acknowledged receipt of the updated, completed and signed proposed conservation easement acquisition relating to the sale of (71 certified irrigated acres – water only) by and between Clint R. and Kayla M. Schafer and the Middle Republican Natural Resources District from a well on the W½ of the SW¼ 29-2-32 and referred the same to the Planning Commission.

Member Wertz moved to direct Chair to execute the approval of community Plan 2021-2025 of Southwest Nebraska Juvenile Services. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Sheriff position interviews commenced at 11:00 a.m. John Carter was interviewed.

Member Nichols moved to appoint Ronald Daugherty as interim Hitchcock County Sheriff effective March 15, 2021 to serve until a successor is sworn in. Member McDonald 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 appoint Gerry L. Hunter to fill the vacancy of Hitchcock County Sheriff for the term expiring January 5, 2023 to be effective upon establishing residency in the county and taking the oath of office. Member McDonald 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 adjourn at 1:40 p.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, April 5th, 2021 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