

# Hitchcock County Board Minutes



Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska  
July 6, 2021

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 Tuesday, the 6<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021 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.

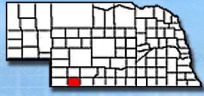
Chair Nichols called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Member Wertz moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following items: Approval of the July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Agenda and approval of the June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021 meeting minutes. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Nichols, McDonald, and Wertz. 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 -----	\$10,974.68
Capital Business Systems, lease -----	\$ 91.63
Community 1 <sup>st</sup> Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$ 3,249.94
Kimberly Cook, mileage/communications -----	\$ 143.20
Eakes Office Products, supply -----	\$ 36.99
Nancy Frecks, mileage/communications -----	\$ 116.13
Hitchcock Co. Court, costs -----	\$ 51.00
Hometown Leasing, lease -----	\$ 105.42
Thomas Jones, meals -----	\$ 8.56
Mid American Benefits, deductible funding -----	\$ 5,000.00
MIPS, new equipment install. -----	\$ 700.56
NE Generator Service, annual generator service/maint. -----	\$ 2,110.64
NE Dept. Rev., state tax -----	\$ 399.30
NE Dept. Rev., fuel tax -----	\$ 780.00
Paul Nichols, mileage -----	\$ 399.28
Postage -----	\$ 1,000.00
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 1,594.93
Ashley K. Spahn, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 340.00
US Bank, supply -----	\$ 60.07
Verizon Wireless, service -----	\$ 265.12
Village of Trenton, utility -----	\$ 2,374.88
Ryan R. Wilcox, public defender contract -----	\$ 3,200.00



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Capital One, supply -----	\$ 323.08
Thomas Co. Sheriff, service fees -----	\$ 45.00

## **ROAD FUND:**

Road Fund Payroll -----	\$10,383.31
Bud's Tire Service, repair -----	\$ 860.00
Community 1 <sup>st</sup> Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$ 2,734.30
EIA, LLC, gravel -----	\$ 4,302.54
Heartland New Holland, repair -----	\$ 862.83
Lakeside Sand & Gravel, gravel -----	\$ 1,688.40
NE Dept. Rev., fuel tax -----	\$ 644.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax -----	\$ 397.65
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 1,474.04
SW Public Power, utility -----	\$ 33.36
Village of Stratton, utility -----	\$ 173.60
Village of Trenton, utility -----	\$ 153.38

The Board acknowledged the surplus property affidavit from Sheriff Hunter for a 2002 Dodge Ram pickup. Said vehicle will be transferred to the Road Department.

Member Wertz moved to enter into an agreement for redistricting services with the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska d/b/a University of Nebraska at Omaha for redistricting services and direct Chair to execute the same. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Discussion held on West Central Nebraska Area Agency on Aging membership.

Treasurer Jackie Drain advised as to the need for a COVID American Rescue Plan Act Fund for the purpose of receiving federal funds under the act and a fund number correction of the 911 Emergency Fund, that being correcting said fund number to 2910.

Member McDonald to direct Treasurer to create and establish a COVID American Rescue Plan Act Fund #2580 with a revenue code of 339.25 effective July 1, 2021, for the purpose of receiving federal funds under said act. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

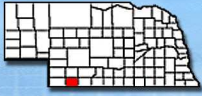
Discussion held on a canal drainage bridge located in 29-4-32.

Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting and advised as to a community betterment loan that is involved in a tax sale proceeding.

Motion by McDonald to notify the Trustee, Michael McQuillan that the debtor on Secured Promissory note dated December 27, 2012 is in default. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Pursuant to NEB. REV. STAT. §23-122 et seq. Hitchcock County job titles and current salaries are being published.

## ANNUAL SALARIES



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Commissioner \$23,113.75; County Clerk \$52,531.25; Chief Deputy Clerk \$37,622.66; Deputy Clerk \$33,533.00; County Attorney \$52,531.25; County Sheriff \$63,037.50; Chief Deputy Sheriff \$48,323.56; Deputy Sheriff's \$46,093.13/\$45,636.76; County Treasurer \$52,531.25; County Assessor \$52,531.25; Chief Deputy Assessor \$35,132.48; Extension Office Manager \$31,147.04; Veteran's Service Officer \$22,345.44; NIRMA Contact Person \$1,058.37.

## HOURLY WAGES

Attorney Legal Assistant \$19.43; Treasurer Clerical \$16.00/ \$16.15; Assessor Clerical \$16.50; Road Maintenance \$17.00/\$21.27; Part Time Road Maintenance \$12.00/\$16.00; Janitorial \$17.90; Weed Superintendent \$17.50; Dispatcher Jailer \$17.41/ 17.76; Permanent Part Time Dispatcher Jailer \$17.09; Part Time Dispatcher Jailer \$16.48; Zoning Administrator \$19.80; Planning Commission Secretary \$12.33.

Member Wertz moved to adjourn at 10:35 a.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, July 19<sup>th</sup>, 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:

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Paul Nichols, Chair  
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk