

# Hitchcock County Board Minutes



Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska

November 7, 2022

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 7<sup>th</sup> day of November 2022 commencing at 9:00 o’clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Vice Chair Ron Wertz, Commissioner 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](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 October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022 meeting minutes; Approval of the November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022 agenda. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, McDonald, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Lenard Paxton was present regarding the claim of G&A Paxton LLC in the amount of \$2,000.00.

Member Wertz moved to disallow the claim of G&A Paxton LLC in the amount of \$2,000.00 for 3 used culverts and repair and reseed. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

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

**GENERAL FUND:**

General Fund Payroll -----	\$16,061.35
Applied Connective Technologies, IT services/emails -----	\$ 2,921.20
Poll worker training -----	\$ 647.50
Capital One, supply -----	\$ 573.29
Community 1 <sup>st</sup> Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$ 5,378.27
Community 1 <sup>st</sup> Bank, ACH processing annual fee -----	\$ 150.00
Kimberly Cook, mileage/communications -----	\$ 142.67
Country Inn Suites, lodging -----	\$ 237.00
Crowne Plaza, lodging -----	\$ 719.70
CVSOAN, dues -----	\$ 100.00
Justin M. Daake, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 240.00
Data Shield, shredding services -----	\$ 85.00
Dollar General, supply -----	\$ 59.55
Jaclyn Drain, mileage -----	\$ 111.25
Election Systems & Software, printing/programming/supply -----	\$ 3,849.50
First Net/AT&T Mobility, service -----	\$ 425.55



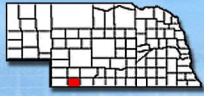
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Nancy Frecks, mileage/communications -----	\$ 60.58
Goodwin Siegfried LLP, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 220.00
William Hagemann, mileage -----	\$ 155.00
Hitchcock Co. Court, costs -----	\$ 124.00
Hitchcock Co. Sheriff, service fees -----	\$ 103.44
Gerry Hunter, uniform cleaning -----	\$ 44.17
JEO, consulting services HMP -----	\$ 4,700.00
Thomas Jones, meals -----	\$ 12.42
MASA, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 6.25
Mid American Benefits, deductible funding -----	\$ 8,000.00
Mid American Research Chemical, supply -----	\$ 146.25
MIPS, Inc., data process. -----	\$ 2,002.91
NACO, LB644 Postcard mailing -----	\$ 1,904.09
NACO, dues -----	\$ 1,224.62
NE County Court Assn., dues -----	\$ 5.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax -----	\$ 802.94
Paul Nichols, mileage -----	\$ 293.75
Prairie States Comm., equipment -----	\$ 3,784.74
Property Assessment Division, registration -----	\$ 360.00
Quality Farm & Ranch Center, supply -----	\$ 79.99
Lincoln Co. Treasurer, EM Service contract -----	\$ 6,283.75
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 2,426.58
Rippen Oil LLC, repair -----	\$ 20.00
Scoop Media, publications -----	\$ 1,584.79
Robert Scott, meals/mileage -----	\$ 305.86
SW Public Power Dist., utility -----	\$ 570.12
U-Save Pharmacy, inmate prescript. -----	\$ 71.34
Village of Trenton, utility -----	\$ 1,669.20
Ron Wertz, mileage -----	\$ 551.88

## **ROAD FUND:**

Road Fund Payroll -----	\$14,070.46
AKRS Equipment, repair -----	\$ 89.15
Community 1 <sup>st</sup> Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$ 3,941.91
ED Enterprises, shop supply -----	\$ 187.95
Ramsey Harders, repair -----	\$ 103.92
League Builders Supply, tools -----	\$ 3.29
Livewire Fence Supply, supply -----	\$ 25.99
MASA, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 6.25
Medical Enterprises Inc., DOT testing -----	\$ 70.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax -----	\$ 621.85
Powerplan JD Financial, repair -----	\$11,303.36
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 2,032.99
Rippen Oil LLC, fuel -----	\$ 208.77
SW Farm & Auto Supply, supply -----	\$ 76.96
SW Public Power Dist., utility -----	\$ 34.24
Village of Culbertson, utility -----	\$ 68.16
Village of Stratton, utility -----	\$ 100.75
Village of Trenton, utility -----	\$ 153.62



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## REGISTER OF DEEDS P&M FUND:

MIPS, Inc., data process. ----- \$ 248.12

## STOP PROGRAM FUND:

20/20 Technologies, body cameras ----- \$ 5,459.21

## DRUG FUND:

20/20 Technologies, body cameras ----- \$ 2,332.79

## E-911 PSC FUND:

GEO-COMM, Inc., service ----- \$ 1,925.00

NIRMA Contact Bill Hagemann advised the board as to an upcoming safety meeting.

Region 51 Emergency Manager Brandon Myers offered the agencies quarterly report.

County Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting.

Member Wertz moved to approve the Application To Occupy Hitchcock County Road Right of Way filed by Great Plains Energy for an underground electric line located in part of Section 36 Township 1, Range 33, Hitchcock County, Nebraska. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, McDonald and Nichols. Motion carried.

Member Wertz offered Resolution #22-18 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 on file in the office of the County Clerk and on the County's website: [www.hitchcockcounty.ne.gov](http://www.hitchcockcounty.ne.gov).

## RESOLUTION

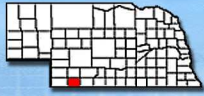
### SIGNING OF THE COUNTY ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF PROGRAM COMPLIANCE FORM 2022

Resolution No. 22-18

**Whereas:** State of Nebraska Statutes, sections 39-2302, and 39-2501 through 39-2505 detail the requirements that must be met in order for a county to qualify for annual Incentive Payment; and

**Whereas:** The State of Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) requires that each county must annually certify (by December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year) the appointment(s) of the County Highway Superintendent(s) to the NDOT using the Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent form; and

**Whereas:** The NDOT requires that such certification shall also include a copy of the documentation of the county highway superintendent's appointment, i.e., meeting minutes showing the appointment of the County Highway Superintendent by their name as it appears on their License (if applicable), the License Number (if applicable) and Class of License (if applicable), the type of appointment, i.e., employed or under contract



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(consultant, or interlocal agreement with another county and/or incorporated municipality), and the beginning date of the appointment; and

**Whereas:** The NDOT also requires that such Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent form shall be signed by the County Board Chairperson and shall include a copy of a resolution of the County Board authorizing the signing of the Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent form by the County Board Chairperson.

**Be it resolved** that the County Board Chairperson of Hitchcock County is hereby authorized to sign the attached Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent form(s).

**Be it resolved** that the County Board Chairperson of Hitchcock County is hereby authorized to sign the attached County Annual Certification of Program Compliance form.

Adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2022 at Trenton, Nebraska.

County Board Members

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Paul Nichols

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Ron Wertz

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Scott McDonald

County Board Member Wertz moved the adoption of said resolution. Member McDonald 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 Co. Clerk

Chair Nichols executed the Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent for determining incentive payment for calendar year 2022.

Motion by Wertz to solicit bids for two (2) new or used (less than 2,000 hours) 100 to 125 hp tractors with MFWD until Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. The motion was seconded by Nichols and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

The Board participated in a conference call with Senator Deb Fischer’s office relating to Bureau of Reclamation land transfers. Representing Ms. Fisher’s office, Legislative Director Laura Lee Burkett and Director of Constituent Services Brandi McCaslin. Those present in addition to those previously listed Susan Doak, Korky Vernon, Dawna Vap, and Assessor Terra Riggs.

Motion by McDonald to designate Chair Paul Nichols as the contact person for discussions with the Bureau of Reclamation and Senator Fischer’s office relating to Bureau Land transfers. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, McDonald, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Treasurer Jackie Drain offered the 2022 Annual Distress Warrant Report and the October 31<sup>st</sup> 2022 Pledged Security Report.



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Discussion held on 911 Road signage.

Member Nichols moved to adjourn at 11:17 a.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. Member Wertz seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

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Paul Nichols, Chair  
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk