

Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska
October 21, 2024

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 21st day of October 2024 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 on October 17th, 2024 in *Scoop Media 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. Also present Christopher Baker.

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 7th, 2024 meeting minutes; Approval of the October 21st, 2024 agenda. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Member Wertz offered Resolution #24-20 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.

RESOLUTION NO. 24-20

WHEREAS the County of Hitchcock, Nebraska, is a political subdivision of the State of Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, on September 3rd, 2024, the County adopted the 2024/2025 Hitchcock County Budget; and

WHEREAS, the County Board budgeted the expenditure of inheritance tax funds during the 2024/2025 fiscal year as follows: \$700,000.00 to the General Fund and \$300,000.00 to the Road Fund to reduce the property tax request to be transferred as necessary to meet current expenditures.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to immediately transfer the sum of \$100,000.00 from the Inheritance Tax Fund to the County Road Fund for the purpose of meeting current expenditures.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 21st, day of October, 2024.

ATTEST:

Paul Nichols, Chair

Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

SEAL

VOTING FOR THE MOTION: Nichols, McDonald, and Wertz

VOTING AGAINST THE MOTION: None

ABSTAINING: None

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

GENERAL FUND:

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| General Fund Payroll ----- | \$50,141.25 |
| AFLAC, suppl. ins. ----- | \$ 852.70 |
| Applied Connective Technologies, IT services ----- | \$ 2,903.00 |
| Axon Enterprises, Inc., law enforcement costs ----- | \$ 3,449.92 |
| BC&BS, dental ins. ----- | \$ 1,433.21 |
| BC&BS, health ins. ----- | \$22,611.17 |
| Capital One, supply ----- | \$ 1,885.81 |
| Colonial Life & Accident Ins. Co., suppl. ins. ----- | \$ 429.08 |
| Community 1 st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. ----- | \$16,986.07 |
| DAS State Accounting, data process. ----- | \$ 150.00 |
| Jaclyn Drain, mileage ----- | \$ 125.96 |
| ES&S, election programming/coding ----- | \$ 2,673.26 |
| Farmers Coop Grain & Supply, supply/fuel ----- | \$ 854.62 |
| GEO-COMM, Inc., subscription ----- | \$ 995.00 |
| Great Plains Communications, service ----- | \$ 1,133.11 |
| Great Plains Communications, transcripts ----- | \$ 74.35 |
| Andrea Greenfield, mileage ----- | \$ 125.96 |
| Hitchcock Co. Treasurer, cash account (void check) ----- | \$ 10.00 |
| Marriott Hotels & Resorts, lodging ----- | \$ 363.00 |
| MASA, suppl. ins. ----- | \$ 56.25 |
| Scott McDonald, mileage ----- | \$ 272.69 |
| Mid-American Benefits, Inc., admin. fees ----- | \$ 112.00 |
| Midwest Special Services, Inc., prisoner transport ----- | \$ 425.50 |
| NE Dept. of Revenue, state employment tax ----- | \$ 2,763.22 |
| New York Life, life ins. ----- | \$ 75.00 |
| Paul Nichols, mileage ----- | \$ 209.04 |
| Postage ----- | \$ 500.00 |
| Prairie State Communications, repair/license fee ----- | \$ 5,836.71 |
| Ramada Midtown Conf. Cntr., lodging ----- | \$ 220.00 |
| Red Willow Co. Sheriff, service fee ----- | \$ 18.70 |
| Redfield Direct, LLC, supply ----- | \$ 292.96 |
| Region II Services, quarterly assessment ----- | \$ 1,393.00 |
| Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement ----- | \$ 8,220.78 |
| Scoop Media LLC, publications ----- | \$ 919.65 |
| SW Public Power, utility ----- | \$ 124.89 |
| Justin Stewart, mileage ----- | \$ 235.84 |
| Total Turf, fertilizer application ----- | \$ 644.00 |
| Trails West Texaco, fuel/supply ----- | \$ 121.19 |
| Uline Shipping Supply Specialists, supply ----- | \$ 710.84 |
| VSP Insurance, vision ins. ----- | \$ 375.89 |
| Ron Wertz, mileage ----- | \$ 342.37 |

ROAD FUND:

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| Road Fund Payroll ----- | \$10,542.49 |
| AKRS Equipment, repair ----- | \$ 108.45 |
| AFLAC, suppl. ins. ----- | \$ 285.81 |
| BC&BS, dental ins. ----- | \$ 354.64 |
| BC&BS, health ins. ----- | \$ 6,328.06 |
| Bosselman Energy Inc., supply ----- | \$ 58.29 |
| Bud's Tire Repair, Inc., repair ----- | \$ 50.00 |
| Capital One, supply ----- | \$ 9.97 |
| Colonial Life & Accident Ins. Co., suppl. ins. ----- | \$ 24.49 |
| Community 1 st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. ----- | \$ 2,626.49 |
| Farmers Coop Grain & Supply Co., fuel ----- | \$15,187.43 |
| Great Plains Communications, service ----- | \$ 370.93 |
| Don Hagan & Sons, C, repair ----- | \$ 560.00 |
| Modern Farm Equipment Corp., repair ----- | \$ 643.21 |
| Inland Truck Parts Co., repair ----- | \$ 371.78 |
| JA Automotive & Repair LLC, repair/tires ----- | \$ 849.51 |
| JD Skiles Co., Inc., repair ----- | \$ 24.16 |
| MASA, suppl. ins. ----- | \$ 6.25 |

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| Mid-American Benefits, Inc., admin. fees ----- | \$ 32.00 |
| Midwest Service & Sales Co., sign hardware ----- | \$ 2,270.00 |
| NE Dept. Rev., state employment tax ----- | \$ 352.06 |
| NE Machinery Co., repair ----- | \$ 695.00 |
| Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement ----- | \$ 1,431.82 |
| Sensel Welding & Repair & Used Cars, supply ----- | \$ 12.21 |
| Titan Machinery, repair ----- | \$ 888.78 |
| Van Diest Supply Co., chemical ----- | \$ 84.60 |
| VSP Insurance Co., vision ins. ----- | \$ 38.62 |
| Western Service Center, repair ----- | \$ 112.17 |

E911 FUND:

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| Great Plains Communications, service ----- | \$ 15.42 |
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E911 PSC FUND:

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| Great Plains Communications, service ----- | \$ 48.84 |
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Member Wertz offered Resolution #24-19 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: Wertz, Nichols, 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.

RESOLUTION 24-19

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Board of Commissioners, Hitchcock County, Nebraska, that for the purpose of transferring money from the General Fund to the County Road Fund per the supporting schedule of transfers budgeted found in the County Budget, that the Board directs the County Treasurer to transfer as needed and available a portion of the monies collected pursuant to the General levy for 2024 to the Road Fund, and that said transfer(s) be made by the County Treasurer after collections have been calculated.

The total portion from the 2024 County General levy to be transferred to the Road Fund is .294821 not to exceed \$608,679.00 for the budget year ended June 30, 2025.

The County Board believes that this is the most accurate way to keep track of Road Fund and General Fund revenues.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 21st day of October, 2024.

Paul Nichols, Chair

ATTEST:

Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

SEAL

Voting for the motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald

Voting against the motion: None

Abstaining: None

Absent: None

The Treasurer's August and September 2024 pledged security reports were on file.

Sheriff Jason Swartz joined the meeting. Discussion held on law enforcement recruitment.

Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting.

Member Wertz moved to adjourn at 11:13 a.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, November 4th, 2024 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: Nichols, McDonald, and Wertz.

ATTEST:

Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk