

Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska
March 3rd, 2025

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 3rd day of March 2025 commencing at 9:00 o’clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Christopher Baker and Ron Wertz and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication on February 27th, 2025 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.

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 March 3rd, 2025 agenda and approval of the February 18th, 2025 meeting minutes. Member Baker seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, Nichols and Baker. Motion carried.

Vicki Bauer joined the meeting and thanked the board for all their efforts relating to Bureau of Reclamation land transfers. Chair Nichols updated the body on recent meetings and developments. Mrs. Bauer invited the board to the monthly GOP meetings held in Culbertson.

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

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll -----	\$14,421.75
Applied Connective Technologies, IT services -----	\$ 150.00
Christopher Baker, mileage -----	\$ 270.20
Bosselman Energy Inc., heating fuels -----	\$ 2,053.33
Bud’s Tire Repair, tires -----	\$ 464.00
Capital One, supply -----	\$ 1,071.86
City of McCook, teletype services -----	\$ 2,750.00
Clerk, District Court, adv. costs -----	\$ 167.00
Community 1 st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$ 4,048.39
CVSOAN, dues -----	\$ 160.00
Data Sheild, shredding services -----	\$ 85.00
Eakes Office Solutions, supply -----	\$ 165.87
Kearney Hospitality Inc., lodging -----	\$ 139.95
Planning Commissioner per diem/mileage 2-20-25 meeting -----	\$ 127.20
Lincoln Co. Sheriff’s Dept., service fees -----	\$ 18.00
MASA, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 6.25
Mid-American Research Chemical, supply -----	\$ 542.40
Midwest Special Services, Inc., inmate transport -----	\$ 632.70
MIPS, Inc., data process. -----	\$ 2,033.89
NE Dept. Rev., state tax withholding -----	\$ 624.75
NE Weed Control Assoc., registration -----	\$ 150.00
Protex Central, fire alarm inspection -----	\$ 210.00
Region II Human Services, ¼ assessment -----	\$ 2,774.19
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 2,083.27
SW Public Power Dist., utility -----	\$ 171.59
Ashely Spahn, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 500.00
Tyler Technologies, Inc., suscription renewal -----	\$ 449.00
USave Pharmacy & Medical Supply, inmate script. -----	\$ 32.92
Uline Shipping Supply Specialists, repair -----	\$ 157.56

Ryan R. Wilcox, public defender contract ----- \$ 3,500.00

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll ----- \$11,195.50
Bosselman Energy, Inc., heating fuels/fuel ----- \$ 2,290.33
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. ----- \$ 2,722.58
DMC Wear Parts LLC, grader blades ----- \$18,197.40
Interstate Billing Service Inc, repair ----- \$ 171.64
J Distributing LLC, repair ----- \$ 61.28
Lakeside Sand & Gravel, gravel ----- \$ 392.26
MASA, suppl. ins. ----- \$ 6.25
NE Dept. Rev., state tax withholding ----- \$ 369.51
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement ----- \$ 1,558.96
Spitz Foundry, Inc., repair ----- \$ 1,280.00
Sunrise Oilfield Supply, repair ----- \$ 958.92

REGISTER OF DEEDS P&M FUND:

MIPS, Inc., data process. ----- \$ 255.32

E911 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND:

Great Plains Communications, service ----- \$ 15.42

E911 PSC FUND:

Great Plains Communications, service ----- \$ 48.83
NRIN, PSAP services ----- \$ 3,600.00

Zoning Administrator Mike Erickson updated the Board of legal proceedings relating to the data mining facility south of Trenton. Discussion held on upcoming chemical purchases.

County Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting.

Sheriff Ryan King joined the meeting. Discussion held on paying dispatch salaries from 911 PSC Funds. Attorney Garner advised as to expending PSC funds by May 1st this year or they must be repaid. It was the consensus of the Board to proceed with resolutions to perfect transfers from the 911 PSC Fund to the General Fund for dispatcher gross salaries, not to include employee benefits. Clerk to prepare spreadsheet for the purpose of determining resolution amounts for the March 17th, 2025 meeting.

The One and Six Year Street Improvement Program hearing was opened at 10:13 a.m. as published. Highway Superintendent Lance Harter was present. Also present Tylan Harter. Superintendent Harter presented the proposed plan. Discussion held on various road and bridge projects. Chair asked for comments from those in favor of the One and Six Year Street Improvement Plan. There were none. Chair asked for comments from those opposing the One and Six Year Street Improvement Plan. There were none. Chair asked for comments from those in a neutral position and for any further comments. There were none and the Chair declared the public hearing closed at 10:43 a.m.

Member Wertz offered Resolution #25-8 and moved for its' adoption. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration the roll was called thereupon and the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, Baker, and Wertz. 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 #25-8

**RESOLUTION OF ADOPTION & APPROVAL OF THE ANNUAL ONE & SIX YEAR PLAN
FOR HIGHWAY, ROAD & STREET IMPROVEMENTS IN HITCHCOCK COUNTY,
NEBRASKA**

WHEREAS, Hitchcock County annually develops a One and Six Year Plan for Highway, Road and Street Improvements in Hitchcock County, Pursuant to NEB. REV. STAT. § 39-2115 and 39-2119; and

WHEREAS, a legal Notice of Public Hearing for Hitchcock County's One and Six Year Plan for Highway, Road, and Street Improvements was published in *Scoop Media News* on February 20th, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Notice of Public Hearing for Hitchcock County's One and Six Year Plan for Highway, Road, and Street Improvements was posted on the County's website www.hitchcockcounty.ne.gov on February 12th, 2025.

WHEREAS, a copy of said Notice of Public Hearing for Hitchcock County's One and Six Year Plan for Highway, Road, and Street Improvements was mailed for posting to the following five (5) locations: US Post Office, 402 Main Street, Trenton, Nebraska; US Post Office, 105 North Main Street, Palisade, Nebraska; US Post Office, 310 Bailey, Stratton, Nebraska; US Post Office, 408 Wyoming, Culbertson, Nebraska, the East and West end of the Hitchcock County Courthouse, 229 East D Street, Trenton, Nebraska on February 10th, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Hitchcock County's One and Six Year Plan for Highway, Road, and Street Improvements has been duly published and posted and is hereby approved and adopted as submitted, without change.

Dated this 3rd day of March, 2025.

Paul Nichols

Ron Wertz

Christopher Baker

ATTEST:

Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

SEAL

VOTING FOR THE MOTION: Wertz, Baker and Nichols

VOTING AGAINST THE MOTION: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

Attorney Garner and Clerk Pollmann advised as to the Wire Transfer and ACH Services Agreement by and between the County and Henderson State Bank. This item will be placed on the March 17th, 2025 meeting for consideration.

Gregg O'Brien with Nebraska Machinery discussed machinery needs with the board.

Building Maintenance Manager Dave Swanson provided two quotes for courthouse window privacy film.

Member Wertz moved to accept the quote of Kasson B&B quote for installation of courthouse window privacy film. Member Baker seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of the motion, Baker, Nichols and Wertz. Motion carried.

Treasurer Jackie Drain provided bank compliance reports for November 2024, December 2024 and January 2025.

As a group, the Board visited the jail facility to discuss a repair and upgrade project.

Member Wertz moved to adjourn at 12:30 p.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, March 17th, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. Member Baker seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: Nichols, Wertz and Baker. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Chair

Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk