

Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska  
April 21<sup>st</sup>, 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 21<sup>st</sup> day of April 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 April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025 in *Scoop Media 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. Ashton Baker with Scout Troop 1147 was in attendance in relation to his communications merit badge.

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 April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025 agenda and approval of the April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025 meeting minutes. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Baker, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

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: Nichols, Wertz, and Baker. Motion carried.

**GENERAL FUND:**

General Fund Payroll -----	\$54,487.52
AFLAC, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 696.51
Applied Connective Technologies, IT services -----	\$ 25.00
BC&BS, dental ins. -----	\$ 1,581.55
BC&BS, health ins. -----	\$26,750.45
Bosselman Energy, Inc., heating fuels -----	\$ 1,038.36
Colfer, Wood, Lyons & Wood, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 1,920.30
Colonial Life & Accident Ins. Co., suppl. ins. -----	\$ 406.65
Community 1 <sup>st</sup> Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$18,034.47
DAS State Accounting, data process. -----	\$ 150.00
Dewald, Deaver, L'Heureux PC LLO., ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 162.50
Eakes Office Solutions, supply/equip./copy chgs. -----	\$ 2,243.71
Farmers Coop Grain & Supply, fuel -----	\$ 1,633.29
First Net/AT&T Mobility, service -----	\$ 691.76
Great Plains Communications, service -----	\$ 1,166.31
Great Plains Uniforms LLC, uniform allowance -----	\$ 1,892.03
JA Automotive & Repair LLC, repair -----	\$ 252.83
Lincoln Co. Detention Center, inmate housing -----	\$ 1,705.00
MASA, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 56.25
Mid-American Benefits, Inc., deductible funding/admin. fees -----	\$ 8,128.00
Midwest Rada & Equipment, Inc., radio equip. -----	\$ 120.00
Midwest Special Services, inmate transport -----	\$ 462.50
Mousel, Brooks, Schneider & Mustion, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 1,016.98
NE Dept. Rev., state withholding tax -----	\$ 2,804.27
New York Life, life ins. -----	\$ 75.00
Norfolk Lodge & Suites, lodging -----	\$ 375.00
Prairie States Communications, uniform allowance -----	\$ 88.00
Quality Urgent Care, inmate medical/deputy physical -----	\$ 274.00
Region II Services, ¼ assessment-----	\$ 1,393.00
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 9,165.83
Rippen Oil, LLC, repair -----	\$ 795.00
Scoop Media LLC, publications -----	\$ 453.14

Snell Services, Inc., bldg. repair -----	\$ 896.22
SW Public Power Dist., utility -----	\$ 83.41
Ashley K. Spahn, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 2,275.00
TKO Pest Control, LLC, service -----	\$ 85.00
Total Turf Co., Inc., power rake service -----	\$ 950.00
VSP Insurance Co., vision ins. -----	\$ 461.72
Ron Wertz, mileage -----	\$ 361.20

<b>ROAD FUND:</b>	
Road Fund Payroll -----	\$11,537.12
AFLAC, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 285.81
BC&BS, dental ins. -----	\$ 293.27
BC&BS, health ins. -----	\$ 6,321.39
Bosselman Energy, Inc., heating fuels/fuel -----	\$11,404.82
Colonial Life & Accident Ins., Co., suppl. ins. -----	\$ 26.49
Community 1 <sup>st</sup> Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$ 2,898.15
Dan’s R Us Sanitation, service -----	\$ 27.35
Farmers Coop Grain & Supply, fuel -----	\$ 6,136.02
Great Plains Communications, service -----	\$ 371.64
Ramsey Harders, repair -----	\$ 113.94
Lakeside Sand & Gravel, LLC, gravel -----	\$ 1,603.02
MASA, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 6.25
Mid-American Benefits, Inc., admin. fees -----	\$ 40.00
Moorhous, Inc., repair -----	\$ 241.66
NE Dept. Rev., state withholding tax -----	\$ 391.94
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 1,568.19
Titan Machinery, repair -----	\$ 51.45
VSP Insurance Co., vision ins. -----	\$ 48.24

<b>COVID AMERICAN RESCUE FUND:</b>	
Village of Trenton, zoning permit -----	\$ 300.00

<b>911 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND:</b>	
GEO-Com., 911 mapping software/maintenance -----	\$ 6,752.00
Great Plains Communications, service -----	\$ 30.85
NENA, dispatcher training -----	\$ 299.00
Prairie States Communications, battery backup tower -----	\$ 1,310.00

<b>911 PSC FUND:</b>	
Great Plains Communications, service -----	\$ 97.68

Mike Erickson offered zoning updates. Discussion was held on safety committee meeting documentation and reporting.

Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting.

Taylor Synhorst with the Public Service Commission (PSC) joined the meeting via phone conference regarding use of PSC Legacy Set Aside and NextGen Funds. Also present Treasurer Jackie Drain. Sheriff Ryan King joined the meeting. Discussion held on appropriate allocation of Legacy and Next Gen funds currently in the County’s account and developing a plan for expenditures of said funds by May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

Building and Grounds Maintenance Manager David Swanson offered departmental updates.

Attorney Garner advised as to conditional use applications.

Member Baker moved to adjourn at 11:21 a.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025 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, Nichols, and Baker. Motion carried.

ATTEST:	<hr/> Paul Nichols, Chair
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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk