

Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska
July 7, 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 7th day of July 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 July 3rd, 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 July 7th, 2025 agenda and approval of the June 16th, 2025 meeting minutes. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, Nichols, and Baker. Motion carried.

Dawna Vap, Korky Vernon, and Bill Roddy were in attendance and presented a check in the amount \$55,600.00 representing administrative fees donated by Goodlife Marina trailer owners in relation to Bureau of Reclamation Land Transfers.

Member Nichols moved to direct Treasurer to establish the Swanson Land Fund #5510. Member Baker seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Baker, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Member Baker moved to approve the following claims. Member Nichols 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 -----	\$21,908.50
Baleigh Abbott, mileage/communications -----	\$ 110.77
Quality Farm & Ranch Center, supply -----	\$ 129.99
Applied Connective Technologies, IT services -----	\$ 3,076.05
Capital One, supply -----	\$ 394.97
Colfer, Wood, Lyons & Wood, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 607.20
Community 1 st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$ 6,762.28
Kimberly Cook, mileage/communications -----	\$ 174.00
Curbs & All LLC, lawn care -----	\$ 740.00
Dept. of the Treasury IRS, annual PCORI filing -----	\$ 163.09
Dollar General, supply -----	\$ 50.35
Double 9 Firearms, firearm -----	\$ 968.00
Eakes Office Solutions, supply/equipment -----	\$ 213.87
Gall's Inc., uniforms -----	\$ 34.62
Hitchcock Co. Court, costs -----	\$ 202.73
Karrie Jones, mileage -----	\$ 131.60
Lincoln Co. Detention Center, inmate housing -----	\$ 1,705.00
MASA, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 12.50
MIPS, Inc., data process. -----	\$ 2,106.11
NACO, registrations -----	\$ 150.00
NE Dept. Rev., state employment tax withholding -----	\$ 1,096.37
Paul Nichols, mileage -----	\$ 361.90
CA Enterprises, Inc., supply -----	\$ 54.43
Prairies States Comm., Inc., repair -----	\$ 1,748.31
Region II Services, ¼ assessment -----	\$ 1,413.00

Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 3,220.19
Scoop Media, LLC, publications -----	\$ 356.21
SW Public Power, utility -----	\$ 168.53
Ashley Spahn, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 1,025.00
TKO Pest Control LLC, service -----	\$ 85.00
Van Diest Supply Co., chemicals -----	\$ 866.95
Village of Trenton, utility -----	\$ 1,965.64
West Central NE Area Agency on Aging, membership -----	\$ 2,559.90
Ryan R. Wilcox, public defender contract -----	\$ 4,000.00

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll -----	\$19,197.14
Capital One, small tools -----	\$ 128.20
Community 1 st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$ 5,585.66
Tri-State Truck & Trailer Repair, dredge recovery -----	\$20,037.60
Cole A. Remmenga, diver/dredge recovery -----	\$12,600.00
JA Automotive, repair -----	\$ 23.00
Lakeside Sand & Gravel, gravel -----	\$ 4,219.65
Moorhous, Inc., repair -----	\$ 628.14
NE Dept. Revenue Motor Fuels, fuel tax -----	\$ 79.00
NE Dept. Rev., state employment tax withholding -----	\$ 933.16
NE Machinery Co., repair/blades -----	\$ 2,971.04
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 2,804.70
Rippen Oil LLC, repair/fuel -----	\$ 473.25
Sensel Welding & Repair & Used Cars, supply -----	\$ 84.82
SW Farm & Auto Supply, supply/tools/repair -----	\$ 1,029.46
SW Public Power Dist., utility -----	\$ 39.89
Stratton Auto Parts, repair -----	\$ 9.99
Tri State Auto Glass, Inc., repair -----	\$ 195.00
Van Diest Supply Company, chemicals -----	\$ 6,084.75
Village of Culbertson, utility -----	\$ 52.00
Village of Stratton, utility -----	\$ 139.18
Village of Trenton, utility -----	\$ 152.77

E 911 FUND:

Justice Data Solutions, software -----	\$ 5,675.00
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REGISTER OF DEEDS P&M FUND:

Eakes Office Solution, supply -----	\$ 49.60
MIPS, Inc., data process. -----	\$ 264.94

COVID AMERICAN RESCUE:

Choice Plumbing, drain/water lines bldg. project -----	\$ 3,229.00
Vap Construction, Inc., concrete, bldg.. project -----	\$34,300.00

SWANSON LAND FUND :

DOI-BOR-Region Missouri Basin, admin fees -----	\$55,600.00
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John Rundel with Southwest Weed Management met with the board and requested a letter of support for the Western Republican River Basin Riparian Habitat Project for the 2026-2027 grant period and 2025/2026 county budgetary funding of \$500.

Member Wertz moved to direct Chair to execute letter of support for the Wester Republican River Basin Riparian Habitat Project for the 2026-2027 grant period. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, Baker and Nichols. Motion carried.

Member Baker moved to direct Chair to execute the Administrative Services Agreement by and between Point C and Hitchcock County. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Baker, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Member Nichols moved to direct Chair to execute IRS Form 720 Patient Centered Outcomes Research annual filing. Member Baker seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, Baker and Nichols. Motion carried.

Assessor Terra Riggs advised as to the need for drop points for food pantries within the county. It was the consensus of the board to allow for a food pantry drop off point within the courthouse.

County Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting.

Sheriff Ryan King discussed a proposal for K-9 services with the board as well as various budgetary items.

Discussion was held on the status of Road 370.

Kylie Joyc, Director, Region II Services and Mandy Bruoussard, Director, Southwest Area Training Services provided said agencies' annual update.

Discussion held on the Hanna:Keelan Associates quote for update of the County's Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Regulations. It was the consensus of the board to solicit additional informal quotes.

Pursuant to NEB. REV. STAT. §47-109 the jail facility was visited.

Member Wertz moved to adjourn at 11:41 a.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, July 21st, 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, Baker, and Wertz. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners