

Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska
November 17, 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 17th day of November 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 November 13th, 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. Also present patron Bill Roddy.

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 November 17th, 2025 agenda and approval of the November 3rd, 2025 meeting minutes. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration a roll call vote was had as follows: Wertz, Yes; Baker, Yes; Nichols, Yes. Motion carried.

Treasurer Jackie Drain joined the meeting and offered the 2025 Distress Warrant Report and August and September 2025 Bank Compliance Reports. Discussion held on an inheritance tax transfers.

Member Baker moved to approve the following claims. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, a roll call vote was had as follows: Nichols, Yes; Baker, Yes; Wertz, Yes. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll -----	\$50,855.97
American Electric - McCook, supply-----	\$ 107.92
AFLAC, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 920.43
Applied Connective Technologies, IT Services -----	\$ 3,223.20
AT&T Mobility, service -----	\$ 400.40
Benchmark Government Solutions LLC, law enf. training -----	\$ 449.75
BC&BS, dental ins. -----	\$ 1,480.09
BC&BS, health ins. -----	\$26,001.26
Bridge of Hop Advocacy Center, budgeted funds -----	\$ 2,000.00
CNA Surety, Treasurer bond -----	\$ 425.00
Colonial Life & Accident Ins. Co., suppl. ins. -----	\$ 336.02
Community 1 st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$16,671.09
Community Hospital, inmate medical -----	\$ 2,383.60
Creative Product Sourcing Inc.-DARE supply -----	\$ 564.08
Crowne Plaza, lodging -----	\$ 259.90
Curbs & All, LLC, grounds supplies -----	\$ 650.00
CVSOAN, dues -----	\$ 100.00
Justin M. Daake, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 775.00
DAS State Accounting-General Finance, data process. -----	\$ 150.00
Eakes Office Solutions, supply -----	\$ 123.24
Farmers Coop Grain & Supply Co., fuel/heating fuels -----	\$ 2,101.08
Fresh Foods, supply -----	\$ 525.33
Galls LLC, uniforms/supply -----	\$ 493.92
Garrisons-McCook Lettering, supply -----	\$ 43.00
Goodwin Siegfried LLC, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 306.25
Great Plains Communications, service -----	\$ 1,064.52
Hitchcock Co. Court, costs -----	\$ 136.00
Med. Air Service Assoc.-B2B, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 50.00
Mid-American Research Chemical, supply -----	\$ 621.93

MIPS, Inc., data process. -----	\$ 2,106.11
Mousel, Brooks, Schneider, Mustion & Shifflet, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 219.00
Nat'l Assoc. of VSO, dues -----	\$ 50.00
NACO, dues -----	\$ 1,527.31
NE Law Enforcement Training Center, deputy certification-----	\$ 75.00
NE Dept. Rev., state employment tax withholding -----	\$ 2,554.94
New York Life, life ins. -----	\$ 75.00
Paul Nichols, mileage -----	\$ 376.60
Physicians Laboratory PC, coroner fees -----	\$ 360.00
Point C., deductible funding/admin. fees -----	\$10,132.00
Prairie States Comm. Inc., repair -----	\$ 615.50
Quadient Leasing USA, Inc., postage meter lease -----	\$ 214.59
Quality Urgent Care, inmate medical -----	\$ 739.00
Region II Human Services, 2 nd Qtr. Assessment -----	\$ 2,857.97
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 8,258.83
Scoop Media LLC, publications -----	\$ 705.89
Secretary of State, certified regulation -----	\$ 13.75
Stanard Appraisal Services, Inc., appraiser fees -----	\$ 1,620.00
TKO Pest Control, service -----	\$ 85.00
U-Save Pharmacy & Medical Supply, inmate medical -----	\$ 214.04
Village of Trenton, utility -----	\$ 953.61
VSP Insurance Co., vision ins. -----	\$ 429.88
Ron Wertz, mileage -----	\$ 196.00
Donald D. Wilson, CPA, audit services -----	\$ 8,300.00
911 Custom, law enf. supply -----	\$ 1,081.54

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll -----	\$14,625.03
AKRS Equipment, repair -----	\$ 1,009.72
AFLAC, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 289.60
BC&BS, dental ins. -----	\$ 204.61
BC&BS, health ins. -----	\$ 4,760.86
C&K Dist., supplies/tools -----	\$ 1,634.29
Colonial Life & Accident Ins., suppl. ins. -----	\$ 28.09
Community 1 st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$ 3,852.79
Dan's R Us Sanitation, service -----	\$ 29.17
Farmers Coop Grain & Supply Co., fuel/supply/heating fuels -----	\$12,804.91
Great Plains Communications, service -----	\$ 400.09
Inland Truck Parts Co., dredge repair -----	\$ 384.37
J Distributing LLC, dredge repair -----	\$ 55.54
Lakeside Sand & Gravel, gravel -----	\$ 3,847.54
NE Dept. Rev., state employment tax withholding -----	\$ 567.01
NE Machinery Co., repair -----	\$ 8,498.44
Point C., admin. fees -----	\$ 24.75
Powerplan JD Financial, oil/repair -----	\$ 3,926.10
Quality Urgent Care, DOT testing -----	\$ 100.00
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 1,868.52
Rippen Oil LLC, fuel -----	\$ 146.87
SW Farm & Auto Supply, repair/supply -----	\$ 1,173.59
Stratton Auto Parts, repair/supply -----	\$ 9.07
Titan Machinery, repair -----	\$ 903.45
Village of Culbertson, utility -----	\$ 52.00
Village of Trenton, utility -----	\$ 150.04
VSP Insurance Co., vision ins. -----	\$ 48.24
Ron Wertz, reimb. supply/tools -----	\$ 117.06

REGISTER OF DEEDS P&M FUND:

MIPS, Inc., data process. -----	\$ 264.94
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E911 FUND:

Great Plains Communications, service -----	\$ 15.43
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E911 PSC FUND:

Great Plains Communications, service ----- \$ 48.83

Member Nichols moved to direct Chair to execute the Memorandum of Understanding Between The Nebraska Department of Veteran’s Affairs and Hitchcock County. Member Baker seconded the motion and after consideration a roll call vote was had as follows: Nichols, Yes; Wertz, Yes; Baker, Yes. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to adopt the revised Hitchcock County Credit Card Policy effective immediately. Member Baker seconded the motion and after consideration/discussion a roll call vote was had as follows: Baker, Yes; Nichols, Yes; Wertz, Yes. Motion carried.

One audit quote was received from Lengemann & Associates, PC from Papillion. No action taken at this time.

The 2025 Nebraska Association of County Officials Salary Study was reviewed. Discussion held on 2027 through 2030 elected official salaries.

Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting. Discussion held on the County’s Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Regulation update project. Attorney Garner advised as to the mutual termination of child support agreement with Health & Human Services.

Member Baker moved to authorize County Attorney D. Eugene Garner to execute the mutual termination of child support agreement by and between the County and the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration a roll call vote was had as follows: Baker, Yes; Nichols, Yes; Wertz, Yes. Motion carried.

Sheriff Ryan King inquired as to informal quotes relating to patrol vehicles and Attorney Garner advised as to the same. Attorney Garner offered an update on Hitchcock County District Court Case CI 25-1.

Member Wertz moved to adjourn at 10:47 a.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, December 1st, 2025. Member Nichols seconded the motion and the roll was called as follows: Nichols, Yes; Baker, Yes; Wertz, Yes. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk