

Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska
July 6, 2026

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 6th day of July 2026 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Vice Chair Ron Wertz, Member Christopher Baker and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication on July 2nd, 2026 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 Bill Roddy, Vicki Bauer and Jason Gohl.

Chair Nichols opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m.

Member Nichols moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of approval of the July 6th, 2026 agenda and approval of the June 30th, 2026 meeting minutes. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration a roll call vote was had as follows: Baker, Yes; Nichols, Yes; Wertz, Yes. Motion carried.

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

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll -----	\$28,683.06
Applied Connective Technologies, IT services -----	\$ 2,365.52
Benchmark Government Solutions LLC, academy costs -----	\$ 447.20
Brouillette, Troshynski PC LLO, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 387.50
City of McCook, inmate transport-----	\$ 726.00
Clerk Dist. Court, adv. costs -----	\$ 39.00
Kimberly Cook, mileage/communications -----	\$ 217.22
Data Shield, shredding services -----	\$ 93.16
Dollar General, supply -----	\$ 130.20
Eakes Office Solutions, supply/equipment -----	\$ 324.17
Galls LLC, uniform allowance/supply -----	\$ 712.17
South Fork LLC, supply -----	\$ 33.48
Henderson State Bank – Trenton, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$ 9,173.86
Hitchcock Co. Court, costs -----	\$ 136.00
Hitchcock Co. Sheriff, service fees -----	\$ 185.84
JA Automotive & Repair LLC, repair -----	\$ 2,393.72
Baleigh Lashley, mileage/communications -----	\$ 20.98
Med. Air Service Assoc. – B2B, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 12.50
MIPS, Inc., data process. -----	\$ 2,226.86
Mousel, Brooks, Schneider, Mustion & Shifflet, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 933.35
NE Dept. Rev., state employment tax withholding -----	\$ 1,325.48
NE State Patrol, MACH licenses -----	\$ 361.50
Paul Nichols, mileage -----	\$ 225.48
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 4,274.79
Carrie Sandmann, reimb. meals -----	\$ 21.25
Scoop Media LLC, publications -----	\$ 150.00
Seery Door & Construction, repair -----	\$ 2,950.00
Chevas Shaw, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 241.25
SOF Protection Security Agency LLC, lodging -----	\$ 200.00
SW Public Power Dist., utility -----	\$ 185.59
Ashley Spahn, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 1,350.00
TKO Pest Control, service -----	\$ 85.00
Thomas Hovey, towing service -----	\$ 100.00

Corporate Payment Systems, late fee -----	\$ 2.00
Corporate Payment Systems, supply -----	\$ 1,511.81
Village of Trenton, utility -----	\$ 283.91
Ryan R. Wilcox, public defender contract -----	\$ 4,000.00

ROAD FUND:	
Road Fund Payroll -----	\$19,545.61
Bud’s Tire Repair Inc., repair -----	\$ 221.00
Henderson State Bank, FICA, OASI, Fed. -----	\$ 5,519.19
NE Dept. Rev., fuel tax -----	\$ 82.00
NE Dept. Rev. state employment tax withholding -----	\$ 799.06
NE Machinery Co., repair -----	\$ 3,242.20
PowerPlan, JD Financial, repair -----	\$ 5,154.54
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 2,820.85
Sensel Welding Repair & Used Cars, repair -----	\$ 167.32
SW Public Power Dist., utility -----	\$ 47.24
Tri State Auto Glass Inc., repair -----	\$ 50.00
Village of Stratton, utility -----	\$ 146.18
Village of Trenton, utility -----	\$ 157.18

REGISTER OF DEEDS P&M FUND:	
MIPS, Inc., data process. -----	\$ 264.94

K-9 FUND:	
Mike Buffington-Damon, reimb. leash -----	\$ 48.35

Member Wertz moved to direct Chair to execute IRS Form 720 relating to the patient centered outcome research fee annual filing. Member Baker seconded the motion and after consideration, a roll call was held as follows: Nichols, Yes; Wertz, Yes; Baker Yes. Motion carried.

The Sheriff’s May 2026 Monthly report was on file.

Member Nichols moved to direct Chair to execute the 2026/2027 Budget Preparation Letter of Engagement by and between the County and Daniel D. Miller, CPA. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, a roll call vote was had as follows: Baker, Yes; Nichols, Yes; Wertz, Yes. Motion carried.

Vicki Bauer inquired as to the proposed resolution regarding moratorium on wind energy systems, solar energy systems etc.

Weed Superintendent Mike Erickson advised as to chemical needs for spraying road ditches.

Chair Nichols updated the Board on Bureau of Reclamation land transfers.

Caitlin Whitehead with Prairie Plains CASA offered the agencies annual update and requested \$3,000 in budgeted funds for 2026/2027.

Member Wertz moved to adjourn at .m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, July 20th, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. Member Baker seconded the motion a roll vote was had as follows: Nichols, Yes; Baker, Yes; Wertz, Yes. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Paul Nichols, Chair

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk