

HITCHCOCK COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Trenton, Nebraska
August 19, 2024

A meeting of the Hitchcock County Board of Equalization of Hitchcock County, Nebraska was held at the Hitchcock County Courthouse, 229 East D Street, Trenton, Nebraska on Monday, the 19th, day of August, 2024 at 11:49 a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Scott McDonald and Ron Wertz, County Clerk Margaret Pollmann, County Attorney D Eugene Garner and budget preparation assistant Daniel D. Miller CPA. Also present Christopher Baker. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication on August 16th, 2024 in the McCook Gazette, the designated method for giving notice. Board agendas are posted on the County’s website www.hitchcockcounty.ne.gov. Notice of the meeting and availability of the agenda were 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.

Member Wertz moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following items: 1. Approval of the August 19th, 2023 and 2. Approval of the March 18th, 2024 meeting minutes. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion. Nichols, McDonald and Wertz. Motion carried.

Member Nichols offered Board of Equalization Resolution #24-1 and moved for its’ adoption. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration the roll was called thereupon and the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Nichols, 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 as follows and is on file in the office of the County Clerk and on the County’s website www.hitchcockcounty.ne.gov.

**HITCHCOCK COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
RESOLUTION #24-1**

WHEREAS, the County of Hitchcock County, Nebraska, hereinafter referred to as “COUNTY”, is a duly organized county, existing pursuant to the law of the State of Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to NEB. REV. STAT. §77-3443 (3) On or before August 1, all political subdivisions subject to county, municipal, or municipal county levy authority under this section shall submit a preliminary request for levy allocation to the county board, city council, village board, or council that is responsible for levying such taxes. The preliminary request of the political subdivision shall be in the form of a resolution adopted by a majority vote of member present of the political subdivision’s governing body; and

WHEREAS, COUNTY is in receipt of the following timely filed preliminary allocation resolutions from the named subdivisions:

Culbertson Cemetery District: Valuation \$271,648,712	General Fund Tax Request Preliminary levy allocation/authority Sinking Fund Tax Request Preliminary levy allocation/authority	\$ 7,230.61 .002662 \$ 5,100.00 .001877
Stratton Rural Cemetery District: Valuation \$205,084,354	General Fund Tax Request Preliminary levy allocation/authority	\$20,000.00 .009752
Trenton Cemetery District: Valuation \$259,838,404	General Fund Tax Request Preliminary levy allocation/authority Sinking Fund Tax Request Preliminary levy allocation/authority	\$ 14,000.00 .005388 \$ 2,775.00 .001068
Culbertson Fire Protection District:	General Fund Tax Request	\$ 66,900.00

Valuation	Preliminary levy allocation/authority	.027194
Hitchcock: \$237,036,003		
Hayes: \$8,973,915		
Total: \$246,009,918		
Palisade Rural Fire District:	General Fund Tax Request	\$ 69,815.40
Valuation	Preliminary levy allocation/authority	.034956
Hitchcock: \$102,509,537	Sinking/Bond Fund Tax Request	\$ 30,000.00
Hayes: \$97,215,286	Preliminary levy allocation/authority	.015021
Total: \$199,724,823		
Stratton Ambulance & Fire Protection District:	General Fund Tax Request	\$ 92,000.00
Valuation	Preliminary levy allocation/authority	.043164
Hitchcock: \$205,083,085		
Dundy: \$8,055,584		
Total: \$213,138,669		
Trenton Rural Fire Protection District:	General Fund Tax Request	\$ 40,000.00
Valuation \$237,074,970	Preliminary levy allocation/authority	.016873
	Sinking Fund Tax Request	\$ 20,000.00
	Preliminary levy allocation/authority	.008436
Hitchcock County Agricultural Society	General Fund Tax Request	\$ 74,500.00
Valuation \$858,358,963	Preliminary levy allocation/authority	.008679
Hitchcock County Historical Society	General Fund Tax Request	\$ 25,326.00
Valuation \$858,358,963	Preliminary levy allocation/authority	.002951

WHEREAS, COUNTY has considered each request and its' effect on the overall levy allocation as allowed by law; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to NEB. REV. STAT. §77-3443 (4) Each county board, city council, village board, or council shall (a) adopt a resolution by a majority vote of members present which determines a final levy allocation of levy authority to its political subdivisions and (b) forward a copy of such resolution to the chairperson of the governing body of each of its political subdivisions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the preliminary levy allocation of levy authority for each of the above listed political subdivisions are approved.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 19th day of August, 2024.

VOTING FOR THE MOTION: Scott McDonald and Paul Nichols
VOTING AGAINST THE MOTION: None
ABSTAINING: None
ABSENT: Ron Wertz

The Resolution is hereby adopted.

Paul Nichols, Chair

ATTEST:

SEAL

Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

County Clerk shall forward a copy of Resolution 24-1 to each entity listed on the Certificate of Service.

Member Nichols moved to adjourn at 11:51 a.m. Member Wertz seconded the motion and the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Paul Nichols, Chair

ATTEST:

Margaret M. Pollmann, Hitchcock County Clerk