

HITCHCOCK COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Trenton, Nebraska
August 18, 2025

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 18th, day of August, 2025. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Christopher Baker and Ron Wertz, County Clerk Margaret Pollmann, and Assessor Terra Riggs. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication on August 14th, 2025 in the *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 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 Nichols moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following items: 1. Approval of the August 18th, 2025 agenda and 2. Approval of the August 4th, 2025 meeting minutes. Member Baker seconded the motion and after consideration, a roll call vote was had as follows: Nichols, Yes; Baker, Yes; Wertz, Yes. Motion carried.

Assessor Terra Riggs advised as to Valuations to be applied pursuant to NEB. REV. STAT. §77-1315.01 & 77-1317.

Member Nichols moved to approve the change of assessed value pursuant to NEB. REV. STAT. §77-1315.01 and 77-1317 on parcel numbers 440069831 and 440070120. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration a roll call vote was had as follows: Wertz, Yes; Baker, Yes; Nichols, Yes. Motion carried. The spreadsheet entitled “Valuations To Be Applied By The Hitchcock County Board for 2025 shall be marked Exhibit “A” of these minutes.

Member Wertz offered Board of Equalization Resolution #25-1 and moved for its’ adoption. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration the roll was called thereupon as follows: Baker, Yes; Nichols, Yes; Wertz, Yes. 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 #25-1

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 \$305,201,481	General Fund Tax Request	\$ 7,448.93
	Preliminary levy allocation/authority	.002441
	Sinking Fund Tax Request	\$ 5,100.00
	Preliminary levy allocation/authority	.001671
Stratton Rural Cemetery District: Valuation \$222,075,091	General Fund Tax Request	\$24,000.00
	Preliminary levy allocation/authority	.010807

Trenton Cemetery District: Valuation \$285,250,784	General Fund Tax Request Preliminary levy allocation/authority Sinking Fund Tax Request Preliminary levy allocation/authority	\$ 14,350.00 .005031 \$ 3,000.00 .001052
Culbertson Fire Protection District: Valuation Hitchcock: \$268,372,751 Hayes: \$10,024,198 Total: \$278,396,949	General Fund Tax Request Preliminary levy allocation/authority	\$69,100.00 .024821
Palisade Rural Fire District: Valuation Hitchcock: \$114,168,401 Hayes: \$109,239,185 Total: \$223,407,586	General Fund Tax Request Preliminary levy allocation/authority Sinking/Bond Fund Tax Request Preliminary levy allocation/authority	\$72,267.73 .032348 \$30,000.00 .013428
Stratton Ambulance & Fire Protection District: Valuation Hitchcock: \$222,073,799 Dundy: \$8,357,227 Total: \$230,431,026	General Fund Tax Request Preliminary levy allocation/authority	\$ 97,000.00 .042095
Trenton Rural Fire Protection District: Valuation \$262,029,713	General Fund Tax Request Preliminary levy allocation/authority Sinking Fund Tax Request Preliminary levy allocation/authority	\$ 55,000.00 .020990 \$ 20,000.00 .007633
Hitchcock County Agricultural Society Valuation \$949,441,923	General Fund Tax Request Preliminary levy allocation/authority	\$ 77,900.00 .008205
Hitchcock County Historical Society Valuation \$949,441,923	General Fund Tax Request Preliminary levy allocation/authority	\$ 25,494.00 .002685

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 18th day of August, 2025.

VOTING FOR THE MOTION: Christopher Baker, Ron Wertz and Paul Nichols
VOTING AGAINST THE MOTION: None
ABSTAINING: None
ABSENT: Ron Wertz

The Resolution is hereby adopted.

ATTEST:

Paul Nichols, Chair

SEAL

Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

County Clerk shall forward a copy of Resolution 25-1 to each entity listed on the Certificate of Service.

Member Wertz moved to adjourn at 2:04 p.m. Member Baker seconded the motion and after consideration a roll call vote was had as follows: Baker, Yes; Wertz, Yes; Nichols, Yes. Motion carried.

Paul Nichols, Chair

ATTEST:

Margaret M. Pollmann, Hitchcock County Clerk