

HITCHCOCK COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Trenton, Nebraska
October 5, 2026

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 5th day of October, 2026 as published. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Ron Wertz and Christopher Baker, County Clerk Margaret Pollmann and County Assessor, Terra Riggs. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication on October 1st, 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 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. Also present Bill Roddy and Karla Heble.

Chair called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

Member Nichols moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following items: 1. Approval of the October 5th, 2026 agenda; 2. Approval of the August 17th, 2026 meeting minutes. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion. Nichols, Yes; Wertz, Yes; Baker, Yes. Motion carried.

Assessor Terra Riggs advised as to changes of assessed values pursuant to NEB. REV. STAT. §77-1218, §77-1317 and §77-1317 on Parcels #440078061, #440078369, #440040159, #440035341, #440035392 and #440035414.

Member Wertz moved to approve the changes of assessed values pursuant to NEB. REV. STAT. §77-1218, §77-1317 and §77-1317 on Parcels #440078061, #440078369, #440040159, #440035341, #440035392 and #440035414. Member Baker seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Baker, Yes; Wertz, Yes; Nichols, Yes. Motion carried. The spreadsheet entitled "Valuations to Be Applied By the Hitchcock County Board for 2026" shall be marked Exhibit "A" of these minutes.

Member Baker offered Board of Equalization Resolution #26-2 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: Baker, 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:

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION RESOLUTION #26-2

RESOLUTION OF ESTABLISHMENT OF LEVIES

WHEREAS, the County of Hitchcock County, Nebraska, is a duly organized county, existing pursuant to the laws of the State of Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, NEB. REV. STAT. §13-508 requires all political subdivisions within Hitchcock County, Nebraska to file with and certify to the Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners a copy of the adopted statement with the amount of property tax required to fund their adopted budget; and

WHEREAS, NEB. REV. STAT. §77-1601 requires that the Hitchcock County Board of Equalization levy the necessary taxes for political subdivisions on or before October 20th of each year; and

WHEREAS, all levies that are certified to Hitchcock County by adjacent counties will be levied as certified to the Hitchcock County Board of Equalization.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Equalization of Hitchcock County, Nebraska as follows:

Section 1: That the levies of local political subdivisions for Fiscal Year 2026/2027 be set as follows:

SEE ATTACHMENT “A”

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 5th day of October, 2026.

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

The Resolution is hereby adopted.

Paul Nichols

Ron Wertz

Christopher Baker

ATTEST:

Margaret M. Pollmann, Co. Clerk

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Entity	Fund	Levy	Total Levy
Hitchcock County Schools 44-0070	General	.680162	
	Spec. Bldg.	.016350	
	Bond	.076675	.773187
Hitchcock County Agricultural Society	General	.007689	.007689
Hitchcock County Historical Society	General	.000546	.000546
Village of Culbertson	General	.450000	.450000
Village of Palisade	General	.500000	.500000
Village of Stratton	General	.449997	.449997
Village of Trenton	General	.500000	.500000
Culbertson Fire Protection District	General	.023269	.023269
Palisade Rural Fire District	General	.031219	
	Bond	.012520	.043739
Stratton Ambulance & Fire Protection District	General	.041531	.041531
Trenton Rural Fire Protection District	General	.019331	
	Sinking	.012302	.031633
Culbertson Cemetery District	General	.002291	
	Sinking	.001508	.003799
Stratton Cemetery District	General	.010577	.010577
Trenton Cemetery District	General	.004643	
	Sinking	.001167	.005810
Hitchcock County	General	.232768	.232768

All levies are expressed in terms of cents per one hundred dollars of actual valuation.

ATTACHMENT “A”

Member Wertz moved to adjourn Board of Equalization at 10:35 a.m. this date. Member Baker seconded the motion and the following members voted in favor of the motion. Wertz, Yes; Nichols, Yes; Baker, Yes. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Paul Nichols, Chair

Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

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