Hitchcock County Board Minutes

Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska
January 4, 2021

A meeting of the County Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska was held at the Hitchcock County Courthouse Community Room, 229 East D Street, Trenton, Nebraska on Monday, the 4th, day of January, 2021 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Scott McDonald and Ron Wertz, and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County 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 where 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.

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 January 4, 2021 agenda; Approval of the December 21st, 2020 meeting minutes. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, McDonald, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to approve the following claims. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll	$11,557.12
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$ 3,440.57
Kimberly Cook, mileage/communications	$ 66.18
Creative Product Sourcing Inc. – DARE, supply	$ 164.50
Dollar General, supply	$ 76.35
Fastenal Industrial & Const. Supply, supply	$ 69.00
Nancy Frecks, communications/mileage	$ 115.44
Mid-State Organized Crime Info Cent., membership	$ 100.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax	$ 441.99
Paul Nichols, mileage	$ 248.98
O'Brien Electric, Inc., repair	$ 1,629.22
Pathology Service, PC, inmate medical	$ 43.00
Quality Urgent Care, inmate medical	$ 550.00
Quill Corp., supply	$ 235.95
Region II Human Services, ¼ assessment	$ 2,746.57
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement	$ 1,653.99
SW Public Power, utility	$ 36.48
Verizon Wireless, service	$ 265.08
Village of Trenton, utility	$ 901.49
Walmart, supply	$ 606.79
Ryan Wilcox, public defender contract	$ 3,000.00

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll	$ 9,296.77
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OAIS/Fed.	$ 2,460.13
Fastenal Industrial & Const. Supply, supply	$ 4.02
NE Dept. Rev., state tax	$ 321.43
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement	$ 1,317.31
Quality Urgent Care, DOT testing	$ 50.00
Newman Traffic Signs, signs	$ 302.54
Village of Stratton, utility	$ 152.72
Village of Trenton, utility	$ 158.04
Wagner Ford-Mercury, supply	$ 67.20

Trenton Village Board member Cindy Borges met with the board regarding a park fundraiser project. Chair Nichols advised as to the County's "Solicitation and Distribution" policy. No action taken.

Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting. Discussion held on email domains and migration. Mr. Garner also advised to NEB. REV. STAT. §23-1307, as it pertained to clerks and election commissioners administering oaths and affirmations.

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Member Nichols moved to direct Chair to execute the Memorandum of Understanding regarding the Southwest Nebraska Juvenile Services Comprehensive Community Plan by and between Chase, Dundy, Furnas, Hayes, Hitchcock, Red Willow, Perkins, Keith and Arthur County for Juvenile Services in all nine counties. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to approve the quote for an email domain offered by Applied Connective Technologies and to ratify the Hitchcock County Clerk's acceptance of said quote. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Member Nichols moved to adjourn at 10:15 a.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Tuesday, January 19th, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Member McDonald seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

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Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

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Chair Nichols called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

The floor was opened for nominations for Chair for calendar year 2021. Member Wertz nominated Paul Nichols. The nomination was seconded by McDonald. There were no further nominations and nominations ceased. The roll was called on the nomination of Paul Nichols for Chair for calendar year 2021 and the following members voted in favor of said nomination: McDonald and Wertz. Member Nichols abstained. Motion carried and Paul Nichols was declared Chair for 2021.

The floor was opened for nominations for Vice Chair for calendar year 2021. Member McDonald nominated Ron Wertz. The nomination was seconded by Nichols. There were no further nominations and nominations ceased. The roll was called on the nomination of Ron Wertz for Vice Chair for calendar year 2021 and the following members voted in favor of said nomination: Nichols and McDonald. Member Wertz abstained. Motion carried and Ron Wertz was declared Vice Chair for 2021.

Member Nichols moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following items:

- Approval of the January 19th, 2021 agenda
- Approval of the January 4th, 2021 meeting minutes
- Designating regular meeting days as the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month, unless Monday is a holiday, then Tuesday is the regular meeting day
- Designating Hitchcock County News and the McCook Daily Gazette as official newspapers for 2021.
- Designating the County's website, http://www.hitchcockcounty.ne.gov in addition to publication in official newspapers as a method of providing notices
- Appointment of Paul Nichols as County's representative on the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services Board for 2021
- Appointment of Paul Nichols as County representative on the West Central Nebraska Area Agency Board with Scott McDonald as alternate for 2021
- Appointment of Ron Wertz as County representative to the West Central Nebraska Development District with Scott McDonald as alternate for 2021
- Note perpetual appointment of Scott McDonald to the Southwest Nebraska Public Health Department Board of Directors

Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Member Nichols moved to approve the following claims. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: McDonald, Wertz and Nichols. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll	$52,731.80
Adams Co. Sheriff, service fees	$ 24.49
AFLAC, suppl. ins.	$ 1,021.81
BC&BS, dental ins.	$ 1,179.82
BC&BS, health ins.	$17,882.56
Capital Business Systems, lease	$ 28.00
Clerk Dist. Court Assn., dues	$ 50.00
Colonial Life & Accident, suppl. ins.	$ 136.45
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$17,227.38
Community Hospital, inmate medical	$ 1,656.32
DAS State Accounting, data process.	$ 184.48
Eakes Office Solutions, supply	$ 419.90
Farmers Coop, fuel	$ 1,005.85
Fastenal Industrial & Const. Supply, supply	$ 259.00
Surh Enterprises, supply	$ 513.87
Goodwin Siegfried, LLP, ct. appt. counsel	$ 160.00
Beryl Gummere, prior service	$ 48.00
Hall County Sheriff, service fees	$ 38.57
Willa Mae Hawkinson, prior service	$ 60.00
Hitchcock Co. Court, costs	$ 12.00
Betty Horinek, prior service	$ 132.00
MASA, suppl. ins.	$ 56.00
Scott McDonald, mileage	$ 269.68
Messersmith Water Treatment, supply	$ 20.40
Mid-American Benefits, admin. fees	$ 108.50
Midwest Special Services, prisoner transport	$ 324.00
MIPS, Inc., data process.	$ 2,912.23
NE Dept. Rev., state tax	$ 2,678.03
New York Life, life ins.	$ 75.00
Red Willow Co. Sheriff, service fees	$ 101.44
Region II Services, ¼ assessment	$ 1,403.00
Lincoln Co. Treasurer, emergency management contract	$ 6,716.75
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement	$ 8,213.61
Ashley K. Spahn, ct. appt. counsel	$ 524.67
U-Save Pharmacy & Medical, inmate script.	$ 458.22
US Bank, anti virus	$ 42.19
DLL Enterprises, bldg. repair	$ 209.98
VSP Insurance, vision ins.	$ 350.24
Wireless Inet, service	$ 150.00
Scoop Media, publications	$ 325.83
Donald D. Wilson, audit fee	$ 7,500.00

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll	$14,435.08

AFLAC, suppl. ins. ---------- $ 519.00
BC & BS, dental ins. ---------- $ 213.12
BC & BS, health ins. ---------- $ 2,083.72
C&K Distributors, supply ---------- $ 9.98
Colonial Life & Accident Ins., suppl. ins. ---------- $ 36.32
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. ---------- $ 4,137.20
Dan's R Us Sanitation, service ---------- $ 20.50
Phillip Dixon, hwy. supt. contract ---------- $ 900.00
Farmers Coop, fuel ---------- $ 3,778.26
League Builders Supply, supply ---------- $ 128.57
Mid-American Benefits, admin. fee ---------- $ 15.50
NE Dept. of Revenue – Motor Fuels, tax ---------- $ 548.00
NE Dept. Revenue, state tax ---------- $ 642.69
NE Truck Center, repair ---------- $ 9,828.78
Powerplan JD Financial, repair ---------- $ 5,734.24
Prairie States Comm., repair ---------- $ 251.60
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement ---------- $ 1,827.01
Rippen Oil, fuel ---------- $ 126.30
SW Farm & Auto Supply, repair/supply ---------- $ 717.80
SW Public Power, utility ---------- $ 40.20
Stampede Supply LLC, ties ---------- $ 84.00
Titan Machinery, repair ---------- $ 78.88
Village of Culbertson, utility ---------- $ 50.00
VSP Insurance, vision ins. ---------- $ 66.26

REGISTER OF DEEDS P & M FUND:
MIPS, Inc., data process. ---------- $ 130.97

E-911 PSC FUND:
CenturyLink, service ---------- $ 726.19
Frontier Comm., trunk chg. ---------- $ 25.98
Geo-Comm., data hub ---------- $ 801.00

911 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND:
CenturyLink, service ---------- $ 229.32
Frontier Comm., trunk chg. ---------- $ 8.21

Highway Superintendent Phillip Dixon joined the meeting. Discussion was held on the 2021 Employment Contract of Phillip W. Dixon for highway superintendent services and the appointment of Hitchcock County Highway Superintendent for 2021.

Member Nichols moved to appoint Phillip W. Dixon, holding License# S-793 (Class A), as Hitchcock County Highway Superintendent and to direct Chair to execute the 2021 Employment Contract with Phillip W. Dixon for calendar year 2021for the term beginning January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2021 . Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Wertz and Nichols. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to appoint the following to the Hitchcock County Safety Committee for 2021: Chair: Kyle Clapp, Members Rod Rooney, Karen Wertz, Larry Hubl, Roy Edmundson and Scott McDonald. Member

Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Member McDonald offered Resolution #21-1 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: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. 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:

RESOLUTION #21-1

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioner's of Hitchcock County, Nebraska, that during the year 2021 and for all remainder of the term of Jackie Drain, as County Treasurer and Margaret M. Pollmann, as County Clerk ex officio Clerk of the District Court, or until further directed by the Board, that the following named banks shall be depositories for the funds of Hitchcock County, Nebraska:

Community First Bank	The Culbertson Bank	MNB Stratton, NE
P.O. Box 338	P.O. Box 8	PO Box 367
Trenton, NE 69044-0338	Culbertson, NE 69024-0008	Stratton, NE 69043-0367

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that since the County Treasurer and County Clerk/Clerk of the District Court have on hand and will have on hand from time to time for deposit, County money which should be deposited for safekeeping in these banks in excess of the paid-up capital stock and surplus of each of the said banks, but shall not at any time have in said banks County funds in excess of 102% of the bonds deposited by each bank as security plus the $250,000.00 demand deposit and the $250,000.00 time deposit covered and protected by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation of which the bank is a licensed and qualified member thereof. In the event of demand deposits, for the Hitchcock County Clerk's Imprest Fund being over $250,000.00 the receiving bank will furnish securities to cover the additional deposits. Provided that the aforesaid banks each and all of them meet the requirement imposed by the laws of the State of Nebraska regarding property bond and securities for the deposits made in said banks.

Passed and approved this 19th, day of January, 2021.

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Chair, Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

SEAL

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Margaret M. Pollmann, Co. Clerk

VOTING FOR THE MOTION: Scott McDonald, Paul Nichols, Ronald Wertz
ABSENT: None
ABSTAINING: None
VOTING AGAINST THE MOTION: None

Member Wertz offered Resolution #21-2 and moved for its' adoption. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the roll was called thereupon and the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. 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:

RESOLUTION #21-2

WHEREAS, it appears that the County Treasurer of Hitchcock County, Nebraska, has on hand, from time to time, excess monies which are not then required for the proper operation of the government of said Hitchcock County;

AND WHEREAS it is for the best interest of said Hitchcock County that such monies be invested in various investments for the benefit and welfare of said County, which investments should be made as provided by the law of the State of Nebraska.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S OF HITCHCOCK COUNTY, NEBRASKA, that the County Treasurer of said Hitchcock County be and she hereby is authorized to invest excess monies of said County, from time to time, in such investments as may be required and permitted by the laws of Nebraska, and to rescind any and all former resolution of this Board concerning this matter, which may be in conflict therewith.

DATED THIS 19th, day of January, 2021.

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Chair, Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Margaret M. Pollmann, Co. Clerk

SEAL

VOTING FOR THE MOTION**:** Scott McDonald, Paul Nichols, Ronald Wertz
ABSENT: None
ABSTAINING: None
VOTING AGAINST THE MOTION**:** None

Member McDonald offered Resolution #21-3 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: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. 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:

RESOLUTION #21-3

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF HTICHCOCK COUNTY, NEBRASKA:

That the Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska, for the use and

benefit, and in the name of the said County of Hitchcock, will not advertise ANY SUCH

KNOWN real estate property descriptions that are deeded to persons who have declared

a form of bankruptcy with the United States bankruptcy Court as of the date of publication of delinquent real estate taxes. Publication dates will be February 4th, 2021 and February 11th, 2021.

LET IT ALSO BE KNOWN that as of this date the Treasurer has not received notification of discharge of any of the bankruptcies not being published.

A list of such legal descriptions being withheld from publication will be on file in the County Treasurer's office, Hitchcock County, Nebraska.

Dated this 19th,ay of January, 2021.

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Chair, Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Margaret M. Pollmann, Co. Clerk *SEAL*

VOTING FOR THE MOTION: Scott McDonald, Paul Nichols, Ronald Wertz
VOTING AGAINST THE MOTION: None
ABSTAINING: None
ABSENT: None

Member Nichols offered Resolution #21-4 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, Wertz, and Nichols. 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:

RESOLUTION #21-4

WHEREAS, the County of Hitchcock, Nebraska, (hereinafter called COUNTY) is a political subdivision of the State of Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to NEB. REV. STAT. §23-106 (1), the Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners shall manage the COUNTY's funds and COUNTY business, except as otherwise specifically provided; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY is desirous of adopting a Banking Resolution for banking transactions by and between the COUNTY, acting by and through its various officers and the Community First Bank (hereinafter called BANK) 339 Main Street, PO Box 338, Trenton, Nebraska.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF HITCHCOCK COUNTY, NEBRASKA:

1. That the BANK is hereby designated as a depository for funds of the COUNTY and also for the funds of other persons or entities coming into the hands of the COUNTY's officials pursuant to their official duties, and that the elected or appointed officials of said COUNTY as specifically designated herein, and each of them, hereby are authorized to open or otherwise maintain such account(s) with the BANK, as said elected or appointed officials deem necessary to carry out their respective official duties on behalf of and for the COUNTY, and to execute such agreements as shall be required by the BANK and subject to rules and regulations of the BANK governing such accounts.

2. That, subject to the special instructions set forth herein, if any, or as otherwise authorized by law, any of the following persons are authorized and empowered to deal generally with the BANK with respect to the following specified accounts:

Jaclyn B. Drain, Hitchcock County Treasurer

- Hitchcock County Treasurer #XXX-XX9
- Money Market #XXXXX5
- CDBG Housing Fund #XXX-XX9
- Community Development Fund #XXX-XX8

Margaret M. Pollmann, Hitchcock County Clerk

- Hitchcock County Imprest Fund # XXX-XX8
- Hitchcock County Clerk # XXX-XX3
- Hitchcock County Clerk of the District Court # XXX-XX7
- Hitchcock County Payroll #XXX-XX8

Linda K. Smith, Hitchcock County Court Clerk Magistrate

- Hitchcock County Court # XXX-XX9

D. Eugene Garner, Hitchcock County Attorney

- Hitchcock County Attorney # XXX-XX2

D. Bryan Leggott, Hitchcock County Sheriff

- Hitchcock County Sheriff # XXX-XX4

Robert A. Scott, Hitchcock County Veteran's Service Office

- Hitchcock County Veteran's Aid Fund # XXX-XX6
- Hitchcock County American Legion #XXX-001

Paul A. Nichols, Hitchcock County Commissioner District #1
Ronald L. Wertz, Hitchcock County Commissioner District #2
Scott McDonald, Hitchcock County Commissioner District #3

- Hitchcock County Imprest Fund # XXX-XX8

and to designate from time to time themselves and such other deputy official(s) to (1) sign, on behalf of the COUNTY, checks, drafts or withdrawal orders drawn upon such accounts; and (2) to endorse in the name of the COUNTY and to deposit in such accounts money, checks and other instruments for payment of moneys, which endorsements may be by stamp without designation of the person endorsing, and in connection therewith certify to the BANK the specimen signatures on any signature card.

3. That notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the BANK is authorized to honor instruments for the payment from, and to charge the same to, the Hitchcock County Imprest Fund # XXX-XX8 account ONLY upon proper authorized signature(s) of:
   A) one (1) County Commissioner, as either chairman or vice-chairman or acting chairman, AND
   B) the County Clerk or Deputy County Clerk.

4. That of the COUNTY, checks, drafts or money orders when signed by those persons so designated, whether or not (1) payable or endorsed to the person signing; or (2) paid or applied for the benefit of the persons signing.

5. That this resolution shall be certified to the BANK together with specimen signatures of the persons named herein and said certification shall continue in force until express written notice of rescission or modification has been received by the BANK.

6. That the original signature card(s) pertaining to said accounts of the COUNTY and bearing the true specimen signature(s) of the persons named and otherwise authorized hereby shall be on file with the BANK.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 19th, day of January, 2021.

Voting for the motion: Scott McDonald, Ronald Wertz and Paul Nichols
Voting against the motion: None
Abstaining: None
Absent: None

The resolution is hereby adopted.

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Chair, Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk SEAL

Member Wertz moved to appoint Aaron Kolbet to a three (3) year terms (expiring 1-24) on the Hitchcock County Planning Commission. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, Wertz and McDonald. Motion carried.

Member Nichols moved to appoint Paul Forch, Alex Pollmann and Paul Dwyer to three (3) year terms (expiring 1-24) Hitchcock County Board of Adjustment. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion. McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to appoint Chris Williamson as alternate member on the Hitchcock County Board of Adjustment to a three year term (expiring 1-24). Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion. Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Pursuant to NEB. REV. STAT. §23-1114.09 "The salary of one full-time deputy of the various county offices shall not be less than sixty-five percent of the county officer's salary." The Board finds that all Hitchcock County Chief deputy base salaries are in compliance with said statute.

Member McDonald moved to approve the 2019/2020 County Audit Report. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried. A copy of the 2019/2020 Audit Report is on file in the office of the County Clerk.

County Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting.

Chair executed the 2020 Activity Report of Weed Superintendent William Hagemann.

Member Wertz moved to direct Chair to execute a letter to Hitch and Hay Public Transit regarding the County's intentions regarding future funding. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion. Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

The Board acknowledged receipt of an application for investment of funds for the year 2021 from Union Bank and Trust.

Board acknowledged receipt of a Deed of Conservation Easement by Clint R. and Kayla M. Schafer and will refer the same to the Hitchcock County Planning Commission for review pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §76-2,112.

The Sheriff's Fourth Quarter 2020 Report was on file.

The Treasurer was in receipt of $68,532.34 for Cares Act Reimbursement.

Member Wertz moved to adjourn at 10:30 a.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, February 1st, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Member Nichols seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

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Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

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Trenton, Nebraska
February 2, 2021

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 Tuesday, the 1st, day of February, 2021 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Paul Nichols and Ron Wertz, and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County 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 where 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.

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 January 19th, 2021 meeting minutes. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

The Board is deeply saddened by the sudden loss of long time Hitchcock County Sheriff D. Bryan Leggott on Friday, January 29th. He was a true public servant and his dedication and professionalism was unsurpassed. He will be truly missed.

Member McDonald moved to amend the agenda of the February 1, 2021 meeting to include discussion and consideration on the vacancy in the office of Hitchcock County Sheriff, the same being of an emergency nature. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to approve the February 1, 2021 agenda as amended. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, McDonald, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to approve the following claims. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: Nichols, McDonald, and Wertz. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll	$10,711.31
Blue360 Media, law library	$ 162.75
Planning Comm. & Board of Adj. member per diem/mileage	$ 252.92
Bryan Medical Center, inmate medical	$ 79.23
Chuck Burr, mileage	$ 54.13
Chase Co. Sheriff, service fees	$ 42.78
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$ 3,171.27
Dollar General, supply	$ 30.70
Eakes Office Solutions, supply	$ 14.60
Lindemeier Law Office, ct. appt. counsel	$ 100.00

Franklin Co. Sheriff, service fees ---------- $ 29.80
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 1,116.76
MIPS, Inc., supply ---------- $ 16.00
NE County Attorneys Assoc., dues/registration ---------- $ 515.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax ---------- $ 391.33
Postage ---------- $ 500.00
Quality Urgent Care, inmate medical ---------- $ 371.00
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement ---------- $ 1,556.76
SW Public Power, utility ---------- $ 37.19
Stratton Auto Parts, repair ---------- $ 44.18
Walmart, supply ---------- $ 427.25
Ron Wertz, mileage ---------- $ 164.45
911 Custom, supply ---------- $ 213.45

ROAD FUND:
Road Fund Payroll ---------- $ 8,348.19
Barco Municipal Products, supply ---------- $ 167.21
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. ---------- $ 2,085.70
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 255.70
Heartland New Holland, repair ---------- $ 1,054.85
Medical Enterprises, Inc., DOT drug testing ---------- $ 35.00
Michael Todd & Co., signs ---------- $ 97.46
NE Dept. Rev., state tax ---------- $ 272.54
Oak Creek Engineering, engineering ---------- $ 2,437.97
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement ---------- $ 1,167.69
Richards Gravel Pit, gravel ---------- $ 6,043.50
US Bank, tools ---------- $ 103.34
Village of Stratton, utility ---------- $ 149.98
Yellow Engine Service, repair ---------- $ 5,750.00

E-911 PSC FUND:
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 52.23

911 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND:
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 16.50

NIRMA Contact Karen Wertz advised as to the County's liability coverage's and that there were no claims filed in the calendar year 2020.

County Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting. Chief Deputy Sheriff Ronald Daugherty also joined the meeting. Discussion was held regarding the vacancy of the office of Hitchcock County Sheriff. Attorney Garner advised that pursuant to NEB. REV. STAT. §32-563, possession of all things pertaining to the office of Hitchcock County Sheriff shall be taken, and the functions of said office are to be exercised by, Chief Deputy Daugherty until a permanent successor to the office of Hitchcock County Sheriff has been duly appointed by the Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners.

Member Wertz offered Resolution #21-5 and moved for its' adoption. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the roll was called thereupon and the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. 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:

RESOLUTION #21-5

WHEREAS, the County of Hitchcock, State of Nebraska, hereinafter referred to as "COUNTY", is a duly organized political subdivision, existing pursuant to the laws of the State of Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, on January 19, 2021, the COUNTY adopted a Banking Resolution for banking transactions by and between the COUNTY, acting by and through its various officers and the Community First Bank (hereinafter called BANK) 339 Main Street, PO Box 338, Trenton, Nebraska, to wit: ***Resolution #21-4***; and

WHEREAS, due to the death of Hitchcock County Sheriff D. Bryan Leggott on January 29, 2021, it is necessary for the COUNTY to amend said Resolution as it pertains to the account of the Hitchcock County Sheriff #XXX-XX4 at the BANK.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF HITCHCOCK COUNTY, NEBRASKA:

That ***Resolution #21-4*** is hereby amended as it relates to said Hitchcock County Sheriff account #XXX-XX4 as follows:

That, subject to the special instructions set forth herein, if any, or as otherwise authorized by law, the following person(s) is authorized and empowered to deal generally with the BANK with respect to the following specified account:

Ronald E. Daugherty, Hitchcock County Chief Deputy Sheriff

- *Hitchcock County Sheriff # XXX-XX4*

and to designate from time to time himself and such other deputy official(s) to (1) sign, on behalf of the COUNTY, checks, drafts or withdrawal orders drawn upon said account; and (2) to endorse in the name of the COUNTY and to deposit in said account money, checks and other instruments for payment of moneys, which endorsements may be by stamp without designation of the person endorsing, and in connection therewith certify to the BANK the specimen signatures on any signature card.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT said ***Resolution #21-4*** is hereby ratified and confirmed in all respects except as specifically as amended herein.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 1st day of February, 2021.

VOTING FOR THE MOTION: Paul Nichols, Scott McDonald, Ronald L.Wertz
ABSTAINING: None.
VOTING AGAINST THE MOTION: None.

The Resolution is hereby adopted.

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Paul Nichols, Chairman
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk SEAL

Member McDonald moved to solicit applications from qualified candidates holding a current Nebraska Law Enforcement certification for the vacant office of Hitchcock County Sheriff for the unexpired term of said office ending January 5, 2023, with applications to be received by the Hitchcock County Clerk's office by 9:00 a.m. CT on March 12th, 2021. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Emergency Manager Brandon Myers offered Region 51 Emergency Management's quarterly report.

Member Wertz moved to direct Chair to execute the agreement by and between the County and the State of Nebraska, Department of Transportation on Project STP-25-1 (111) for tie out County Surveyor tie out services on Highway 25. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Discussion held on possible county prairie dog control plan.

Member McDonald moved to compensate Chief Deputy Sheriff Ronald E. Daugherty an additional $1,000.00 per month for performance of the County Sheriff duties until a successor is appointed and sworn into office as Hitchcock County Sheriff. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Nichols, Wertz. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to adjourn at 11:45 a.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Tuesday, February 16th, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Member Nichols seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

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Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

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Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska
February 16, 2021

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 Tuesday, the 16th, day of February, 2021 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Ron Wertz and Scott McDonald, and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County 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 where 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.

Chair Paul 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 February 16th, 2021 agenda and the February 1st, 2021 meeting minutes. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, McDonald and Nichols. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to approve the following claims. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll	$48,933.16
AFLAC, suppl. ins.	$ 987.91
Applied Connective Technologies, email domain migration	$ 502.50
BC&BS, dental ins.	$ 1,179.82
BC&BS, health ins.	$17,882.56
Bosselman Energy, Inc., heating fuel	$ 1,261.92
Colonial Life & Accident Ins., suppl. ins.	$ 136.45
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$16,111.14
Kimberly Cook, mileage/communications	$ 101.95
D&L Pest Control, service	$ 60.00
Eakes Office Solutions, supply	$ 368.97
Farmers Coop, fuel	$ 968.25
Fastenal Industrial & Const. Supply, supply	$ 69.00
Nancy Frecks, mileage/communications	$ 129.20
Sur Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a Gary's Superfoods, supply	$ 1,016.19
Hitchcock Co. Court, costs	$ 138.00
K-C Motor Electric, repair	$ 870.17
MASA, suppl. ins.	$ 56.00
Scott McDonald, mileage	$ 246.40
Mid-American Benefits, admin. fees	$ 108.50
MIPS, Inc., data process.	$ 2,216.77
NE Assoc. Co. Clerks, dues	$ 75.00

NE Dept. Rev., state tax ---------- $ 2,466.73
New York Life, life ins. ---------- $ 75.00
Paul Nichols, mileage ---------- $ 266.00
Postage ---------- $ 500.00
Quadient Leasing, postage meter/scale ---------- $ 241.80
Redfield Direct, supply ---------- $ 376.79
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas ---------- $ 7,626.26
Scoop Media, publications ---------- $ 492.71
Andrea N. Seefus, depositions ---------- $ 658.00
Stratton Auto Parts, repair ---------- $ 44.18

U-Save Pharmacy, inmate script. ---------- $ 316.38
Underground Vaults & Storage, microfilm storage ---------- $ 3.00
US Bank, equipment/supply ---------- $ 647.96
Village of Trenton, utility ---------- $ 1,554.77
DLL Enterprises, supply ---------- $ 129.99
VSP Insurance, vision ins. ---------- $ 350.24
Ron Wertz, mileage ---------- $ 341.60
Ryan R. Wilcox, public defender contract ---------- $ 3,000.00
The Estate of Paul Confer, refund of tentative inheritance tax ---------- $ 421.10

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll ---------- $10,386.05
Ace Irrigation, culverts ---------- $12,322.14
AKRS Equipment, repair ---------- $ 289.89
AFLAC, suppl. ins. ---------- $ 519.00
BC&BS, dental ins. ---------- $ 263.58
BC&BS, health ins. ---------- $ 3,474.58
Bosselman Energy, Inc., heating fuels ---------- $ 98.44
Justin Bright, mileage/meals/lodging ---------- $ 928.98
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. ---------- $ 2,790.17
Dan's R Us Sanitation, service ---------- $ 20.50
Phillip Dixon, reimb. ins./hwy. supt. contract ---------- $ 1,050.50
Farmers Coop, fuel ---------- $ 347.53
Jesse Mallet, gravel ---------- $ 360.00
Lakeside Sand & Gravel, gravel ---------- $ 256.80
Mid-American Benefits, admin. fees ---------- $ 23.25
NE Dept. Rev., state tax ---------- $ 385.82
NE Machinery Co., repair ---------- $ 67.25
Newman Traffic Signs, signs ---------- $ 1,744.78
Powerplan JD Financial, repair ---------- $ 3,165.89
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement ---------- $ 1,302.20
Rippen Oil, fuel ---------- $ 92.50
SW Public Power, utility ---------- $ 84.56
Stratton Auto Parts, repair ---------- $ 43.73
Titan Machinery, repair ---------- $ 78.88
Village of Culbertson, utility ---------- $ 50.00
Village of Trenton, utility ---------- $ 158.68
VSP Insurance, vision ins. ---------- $ 83.35

REGISTER OF DEEDS P&M FUND:
MIPS, Inc., data process. ---------- $ 130.97

Extension Educator Nancy Frecks joined the meeting and offered the Extension's programming and financial summaries for 2020.

Member Nichols offered Resolution #21-6 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: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. 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:

RESOLUTION 21-6

A RESOLUTION ADOPING AND APPROVING THE EXECUTIOIN OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OF THE STATE OF NEBRASKA FOR PROJECT NO STP-25-1 (111), CONTROL NO. 71182, AGREEMENT NO. _____, PROJECT NAME: Trenton North

Be it resolved by the Chairperson of the Board of the County of Hitchcock, Nebraska, that:

1. The County shall enter into an Agency Agreement with the Nebraska Department of Transportation for Project No. STP-25-1 (111) for the purpose of highway improvements on Highway 25 within the boundaries of Hitchcock County.
2. The Chairperson of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to execute said agreement on behalf of the County of Hitchcock and the County Clerk is authorized to attest said execution.
3. This resolution will be marked Exhibit "B" and a copy attached to each Original Agreement.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 16th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2021

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Chairperson of the Board

ATTEST:

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County Clerk

Member McDonald move to direct Chair to execute a letter in opposition to LB 310, (Inheritance Tax). Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried. Clerk to email said letter to the Legislative Revenue Committee.

Member Nichols moved to approve and sign a letter in opposition to LB 102 (Court Consolidation). Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried. Clerk to email said letter to the Legislative Judiciary Committee.

Member Wertz moved to adjourn at 10:20 a.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, March 1st, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Member Nichols seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

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Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

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Trenton, Nebraska
March 1, 2021

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 1st, day of March, 2021 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Ron Wertz and Scott McDonald, and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County 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 where 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.

Chair Paul Nichols called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Member Wertz moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following items: Approval of the March 1st, 2021 agenda and the February 16th, 2021 meeting minutes. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to approve the following claims. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll	$11,353.50
Chuck Burr, mileage	$ 63.28
Capital Business Systems, lease	$ 70.00
Clerk, District Court, adv. costs	$ 72.00
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$ 3,409.94
Kerwin Propp, repair	$ 410.02
CVSOAN, registration	$ 60.00
DAS State Accounting, data process.	$ 184.48
Dollar General, supply	$ 19.85
Harvest Homes, LLC, repair	$ 150.00
Eakes Office Solutions, supply	$ 66.94
Lindemeier Law Office, ct. appt. counsel	$ 275.00
Great Plains Comm., service	$ 1,186.68
Hometown Leasing, lease	$ 100.40
Mid-American Benefits, deductible funding	$ 5,000.00
Midwest Special Services, prisoner transport	$ 388.50
MIPS, Inc., software renewal	$ 34.98
NACO, registrations	$ 105.00
NE Assoc. Co. Treasurer's, dues	$ 50.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax	$ 441.03
Postage	$ 1,000.00
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement	$ 1,658.27

Scoop Media, publications ---------- $ 51.87
SW Public Power, utility ---------- $ 367.97
Verizon Wireless, service ---------- $ 265.15
Walmart, supply ---------- $ 465.28
Woods & Aitken, counsel service ---------- $ 180.00

ROAD FUND:
Road Fund Payroll ---------- $ 9,152.17
Bud's Tire Repair, repair ---------- $ 135.00
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. ----------$ 2,331.33
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 257.11
Michael Todd & Co., signs ---------- $ 3,807.20
NE Dept. Rev., state tax ---------- $ 308.23
Quality Urgent Care, DOT test ---------- $ 50.00
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement ----------$ 1,286.05
Tom Kat On Site, Inc., repair ---------- $11,993.77
Walmart, supply ---------- $ 321.17

E-911 PSC FUND:
AT&T, service ---------- $ 1.57
CenturyLink, service ---------- $ 3,188.96
Frontier Communications, overflow chg. ---------- $ 25.98
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 97.83
NRIN, network PSAP ---------- $ 2,280.00

911 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND:
AT&T, service ---------- $ .50
CenturyLink, service ---------- $ 1,007.04
Frontier Communications, overflow chg. ---------- $ 8.21
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 30.90
BRIN, network PSAP ---------- $ 720.00

REGISTER OF DEEDS P&M FUND:
MIPS, Inc., data process. ---------- $ 130.97

County Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting.

Dennis Egle met with the board regarding courthouse closing publications.

Attorney Garner advised as to Resolution #21-7.

Member Wertz offered Resolution #21-7 and moved for its' adoption. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the roll was called thereupon and the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. 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:

RESOLUTION #21-7

WHEREAS, the County Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska passed Resolution #17-8 on March 6, 2017 offering a conditional Cash-In-Lieu Option to group medical insurance coverage to those elected officials and employees choosing to participate; and

WHEREAS, after review of said Cash-In-Lieu Option and Resolution #17-8, the Board finds it necessary to update the requirements and conditions relating to said Cash-In-Lieu Option.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HITCHCOCK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, THAT IN ORDER FOR AN ELECTED OFFICIAL/EMPLOYEE OF Hitchcock County, Nebraska to be eligible to participate in Hitchcock County's Conditional Cash-In-Lieu Option to group medical insurance coverage, said elected official/employee must work a minimum of 35 hours per week on a regular calendar year basis, and must:

1. Provide "Proof of Medical Insurance Coverage" on or before June 1st of each year; and
2. Provide an "Affidavit of Other Coverage" on or before June 1st of each year.

Said eligibility shall not be affected during any period that an otherwise eligible elected official/employee is on approved paid leave in full accordance with the County's paid leave benefits plan as set forth in the *Hitchcock County Employee Handbook*, or is on FMLA leave.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Cash-n-Lieu payment(s) for the plan year commencing July 1, 2021, shall be is as follows:

- *Employee Only $350.00*
- *Employee/Child(ren) $550.00*
- *Employee/Spouse $550.00*
- *Family $550.00*

and said monthly cash option payment(s) shall be added to monthly wages and all withholding requirements will be administered accordingly.

The Board shall review/establish the Cash-In-Lieu payment amounts(s) for each plan year at its January reorganizational meeting, and record the same in its official meeting minutes.

This policy becomes effective March 1, 2021.

Passed and approved this 1st day of March, 2021.

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Paul Nichols, Chair

ATTEST:

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

Voting for the Motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols
Voting against the Motion: None
Abstaining: None
Absent: None

Sheriff position interviews commenced at 10:00 a.m. Gerry Hunter, Gary Eng, Ryan Smith and Ryan King were interviewed.

Member McDonald moved to adjourn at 2:00 p.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, March 15th, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Member Nichols seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: Nichols, McDonald, and Wertz. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

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Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

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Trenton, Nebraska
March 15, 2021

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 15th, day of March, 2021 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Ron Wertz and Scott McDonald, and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County 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 where 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.

Chair Paul 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 March 15th, 2021 agenda and the March 1st, 2021 meeting minutes, noting correction in March 1st minutes, that being there was no claim submitted or approved in the Register of Deeds P&M Fund. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols. Motion carried.

County Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting.

Member McDonald moved to approve the following claims. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll	$49,472.55
AFLAC, suppl. ins.	$ 987.91
Brouillette, Dugan, Troshynski, Bellew, ct. appt. counsel	$ 820.00
BC&BS, dental ins.	$ 1,179.82
BC&BS, health ins.	$17,882.56
Bosselman Energy, heating fuels	$ 1,322.93
Colonial Life & Accident Ins., suppl. ins.	$ 136.45
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$16,291.46
Kimberly Cook, mileage/communications	$ 119.12
Creative Product Sourcing, Inc., DARE	$ 523.71
DAS State Accounting, data process.	$ 184.48
Dugan Printing & Promotions, election supply	$ 116.27
Dundy Co. Sheriff, teletype service 2020	$ 1,792.00
Eakes Office Solutions, supply	$ 208.14
Farmers Coop, fuel	$ 1,111.72
Nancy Frecks, mileage/communications	$ 70.59
Goodwin Siegfried, LLP, ct. appt. counsel	$ 770.00
Hitchcock Co. Court, costs	$ 137.00
Amy Hoft, witness fee	$ 20.00



Hometown Leasing, lease ---------- $ 100.40
JA Automotive, repair ---------- $ 25.00
Thomas W. Jones, meals ---------- $ 9.39
MASA, suppl. ins. ---------- $ 56.00
McCook Daily Gazette, publication ---------- $ 221.40
Scott McDonald, mileage ---------- $ 267.12
Mid-American Benefits, admin. fees ---------- $ 108.50
MIPS, Inc., data process. ---------- $ 1,960.82
NE Generator Service, LLC, service/inspection ---------- $ 774.80
NE Dept. Rev., state tax ---------- $ 2,502.30
New York Life, life ins. ---------- $ 75.00
Paul Nichols, mileage ---------- $ 236.88
Red Willow Co. Sheriff, service fees ---------- $ 12.00
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas ---------- $ 7,719.63
Andrea Seefus, depositions ---------- $ 718.50
Ashley K. Spahn, ct. appt. counsel ---------- $ 292.48
U-Save Pharmacy, inmate prescript. ---------- $ 212.47
Underground Vaults & Storage, microfilm storage ---------- $ 336.00
University of NE, equip. ---------- $ 63.98
Verizon Wireless, service ---------- $ 265.19
Village of Trenton, utility ---------- $ 1,401.00
VSP Insurance, vision ins. ---------- $ 341.66
Ron Wertz, mileage ---------- $ 158.48
Ryan R. Wilcox, public defender contract ---------- $ 3,000.00
Wireless Inet, service ---------- $ 300.00

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll ---------- $11,428.39
AKRS Equipment, repair ---------- $ 231.50
AFLAS, suppl. ins. ---------- $ 519.00
BC&BS, dental ins. ---------- $ 263.58
BC&BS, health ins. ---------- $ 3,474.58
Bosselman Energy, heating fuels/repair ---------- $ 1,400.24
Bud's Tire Repair, tool ---------- $ 18.09
Thomas Cash, CDL ---------- $ 200.50
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. ---------- $ 3,150.82
Dan's R Us Sanitation, service ---------- $ 20.50
Diamond Vogel Paint Center, paint ---------- $ 191.45
Phillip Dixon, hwy. supt. contract/reimb. registration ---------- $ 955.00
ED Enterprises, repair ---------- $ 190.06
Farmers Coop, fuel ---------- $10,938.57
Larry Hubl, reimb. equip. ---------- $ 266.38
JA Automotive, repair ---------- $ 57.62
League Builders Supply, supply ---------- $ 8.99
Mid-American Benefits, admin. fees ---------- $ 23.25
NE Dept. Rev., state tax ---------- $ 446.77
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement ---------- $ 1,461.86
Rippen Oil, fuel ---------- $ 221.70
SW Farm & Auto Supply, tools ---------- $ 12.49

SW Public Power, utility	$	19.15
Stratton Auto Parts, repair/supply	$	33.56
Village of Culbertson, utility	$	50.62
Village of Stratton, utility	$	241.64
Village of Trenton, utility	$	182.41
VSP Insurance, vision ins.	$	83.35

REGISTER OF DEEDS P&M FUND:

MIPS, Inc., data process.	$	130.97

Highway Superintendent Phillip Dixon joined the meeting and various road and bridge projects were discussed.

Robert Forch and Weed Superintendent Bill Hagemann met with the board regarding black tailed prairie dog control.

Building Maintenance Manger Karen Wertz advised as to a quote for wireless internet within the courthouse.

The Board acknowledged receipt of the updated, completed and signed proposed conservation easement acquisition relating to the sale of (71 certified irrigated acres – water only) by and between Clint R. and Kayla M. Schafer and the Middle Republican Natural Resources District from a well on the W½ of the SW¼ 29-2-32 and referred the same to the Planning Commission.

Member Wertz moved to direct Chair to execute the approval of community Plan 2021-2025 of Southwest Nebraska Juvenile Services. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Sheriff position interviews commenced at 11:00 a.m. John Carter was interviewed.

Member Nichols moved to appoint Ronald Daugherty as interim Hitchcock County Sheriff effective March 15, 2021 to serve until a successor is sworn in. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to appoint Gerry L. Hunter to fill the vacancy of Hitchcock County Sheriff for the term expiring January 5, 2023 to be effective upon establishing residency in the county and taking the oath of office. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to adjourn at 1:40 p.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, April 5th, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Member McDonald seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

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Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

Hitchcock County Board Minutes

Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska
April 5, 2021

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 5th, day of April, 2021 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Ron Wertz and Scott McDonald, County Clerk Margaret Pollmann, and County Attorney D. Eugene Garner. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County 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 where 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.

Chair Paul 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 April 5th, 2021 agenda and the March 15th, 2021 meeting minutes. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to approve the following claims. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll	$15,368.45
Planning Commission 3-15-21 meeting per diem/mileage	$ 142.64
Capital Business Systems, lease	$ 28.00
Jordan Carfield, mileage	$ 18.67
Clerk, Dist. Court, adv. costs	$ 66.00
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$ 4,954.13
Kimberly Cook, mileage/communications	$ 193.41
Cornhusker State Industries, jail provisions/supply	$ 312.75
Dollar General, supply	$ 15.60
Eakes Office Solutions, supply	$ 304.38
Nancy Frecks, mileage/communications	$ 93.92
Government Forms & Supplies, supply	$ 1,239.43
Great Plains Comm., service	$ 1,151.31
Hitchcock Co. Clerk, recording lis pendens	$ 16.00
Hitchcock County Court, costs	$ 6.00
ICS, supply	$ 166.90
Lindemeier Law Office, ct. appt. counsel	$ 2,761.86
Midwest Connect, supply	$ 210.00
NACO, registrations	$ 105.00
NACT, registration	$ 100.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax	$ 742.62
Paul Nichols, mileage	$ 353.92

O'Brien Electric Inc., repair ---------- $ 654.44
Postage ---------- $ 1,000.00
Protex Central, inspection ---------- $ 160.00
Quality Urgent Care, inmate medical ---------- $ 186.00
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement ----------$ 2,276.30
Scoop Media, publications ---------- $ 2,151.70
Andrea Seefus, depositions ---------- $ 382.50
SW Public Power, utility ---------- $ 37.77
Walmart, supply ---------- $ 473.95
Ryan R. Wilcox, public defender contract ---------- $ 3,000.00

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll ----------$13,807.61
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. ---------- $ 3,983.25
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 258.23
Hagan Transport LLC, repair ---------- $ 539.50
Lakeside Sand & Gravel, gravel ---------- $ 2,771.70
NE Dept. of Rev., motor fuels tax ---------- $ 170.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax ---------- $ 666.10
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement ---------- $ 2,012.97
Richards Gravel Pit, gravel ---------- $ 2,524.50
SW Public Power, utility ---------- $ 45.22
US Bank, tow ropes ---------- $ 588.23
Village of Stratton, utility ---------- $ 145.30

E-911 PSC FUND:

CenturyLink, service ---------- $ 466.98
Frontier Comm., service ---------- $ 25.98
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 52.23

911 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND:

CenturyLink, service,---------- $ 147.47
Frontier Comm., service ---------- $ 8.21
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 16.50

April Kendall joined the meeting regarding Hitchcock County becoming a 2nd Amendment Sanctuary County. Also present, Stanley Faimon. Discussion held as to the language contained in the proposed resolution and attorney Garner advised as to the same.

Member Nichols offered Resolution #21-10 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:

RESOLUTION #21-10

WHEREAS, the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution provides that it is the right of the people to keep and bear arms, and that right shall not be infringed; and

WHEREAS, Article I, Section 1-1 of the Nebraska Constitution also provides the right to keep and bear arms, specifically "for security or defense of self, family, home, and others, and for lawful common defense, hunting, recreational use, and all other lawful purposes," and all provides that such right shall not be infringed; and

WHEREAS, the United States Supreme Court in the District of Columbia v. Heller, 554 U.S. 570 (2008) affirmed an individual's right to posses firearms, unconnected with service in a militia, for traditionally lawful purposes, such as self-defense within the home; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners to declare its support of the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution and Article I, Section 1-1 of the Nebraska Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners took an oath to support and defend the United States and Nebraska constitutions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners hereby declare that we support the rights and liberties of all Hitchcock County citizens guaranteed by the United States and Nebraska Constitutions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Board affirms its support for the duly appointed Sheriff of Hitchcock County, Nebraska, and his continuing efforts to uphold the United States and Nebraska Constitutions.
PASSED AND APPROVED this 5th day of April, 2021.

VOTING FOR THE MOTION: Wertz, Nichols and McDonald
VOTING AGAINST THE MOTION: None
ABSTAINING: None
ABSENT: None

The Resolution is hereby adopted.

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Paul Nichols, Chair

ATTEST:

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

The Board was in receipt of the Resolution/Recommendation of the Hitchcock County Planning Commission on the application for conditional use submitted by SMJ International, LLC.

Chair Nichols opened the public hearing at 10:00 a.m. as published, to hear the applicant and all comments thereon from the public in attendance and to receive evidence regarding the Application for Conditional Use submitted by SMJ International, LLC for a cellular communications monopole tower being 199' high with lightening rod within 100' by 100' lease area to be located beginning at the Northeast corner of the Southwest Quarter (SW¼) of Section Twelve (12), Township Two (2) North, Range Thirty-five (35) West of the 6th P.M., Hitchcock County, Nebraska on approximately 15 acres owned by the Village of Stratton. Deb Brown for SMJ International, LLC joined the meeting via phone conference. Also present Stratton Village Clerk, Tara Hedrick.

Chair asked for comments from those in favor of granting the conditional use. Tara Hedrick advised the Village of Stratton is in favor of the proposed conditional use. Chair asked for comments from those in opposition of granting the conditional use. There were none. Chair asked for those representing a neutral position. Attorney Garner advised that the Village of Stratton requested that the County consider the application because of a conflict of interest. Chair closed the public hearing at 10:10 a.m.

The Board finds that the requested conditional use of said land is consistent with the Hitchcock County Comprehensive Plan and is permitted as a conditional use in the AG-G General Agricultural District pursuant to Section 501.06 (3) on the following condition

Member Nichols offered Resolution #21-8 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: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. 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:

RESOLUTION #21-8

WHEREAS, the Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners having held a public meeting on April 5th, 2021, for the purpose of reviewing the Application for Conditional Use submitted by SMJ International, LLC for a cellular communications monopole tower to be located on the NE corner of the SW ¼ of Section 12, Township 2 North, Range 35 West, Hitchcock County, Nebraska, and after review and research of said application, to act to approve or disapprove the same; and

WHEREAS, the Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners having held a public hearing on April 5th, 2021, for the purpose of hearing said application and for hearing comments thereon from the public in attendance and to receive information and documents, in relation thereto; and

WHEREAS, the Notice of said Public Hearing was published in the *Hitchcock County News* on March 25, 2021; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the notice of said Public Hearing was duly mailed on March 4th, 2021 by U.S. Mail, proper first class postage prepaid, to all adjacent landowners as evidenced by the Certificate of Service on file in the office of the Hitchcock County Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners have received the recommendation of the Hitchcock County Planning Commission recommending approval of said application; and

WHEREAS the Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners, having found that the requested conditional use of said land is consistent with the Hitchcock County Comprehensive Plan and is permitted as a conditional use in the AG-G General Agricultural District pursuant to Section 501.06 (3) on the following conditions to wit:

CONDITION(S):

1. Said tower shall comply with any applicable airport hazard height limitations and shall be setback from the right-of-way of any public roadway, from the nearest property line of any undeveloped lot of record of less than 20 acres in area or any public use area and from the nearest wall of any neighboring church, school, or residential dwelling unit by a distance equal to or exceeding the height of said tower;

2. The applicant shall exercise and take all reasonable necessary steps to insure that there is no interference for adjoining residential landowners and to correct any interference if it occurs;
3. Refer to *Memorandum* dated February 24, 2021, submitted by Darin Morgan, Hitchcock County Zoning Administrator, attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and incorporated herein by this reference; and
4. Letter from legal counsel for Village of Stratton representing/certifying that the proposed use is permitted by the applicable Village zoning ordinance(s)/zoning regulations(s), and/or that the Village of Stratton does not exercise jurisdiction over the area of the proposed site.

EXCEPTION(S): None

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Conditional Use Application of SMJ International, LLC for a cellular communications monopole tower to be located on the NE corner of the SW ¼ of Section 12, Township 2 North, Range 35 West, Hitchcock County, Nebraska, on the conditions and exceptions, if any, set forth hereinbefore be approved.

PASSED AND APPROVE THIS 5th day of April, 2021

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Paul Nichols, Chair

ATTEST:

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Margaret M. Pollmann, Hitchcock Co. Clerk

VOTING FOR THE MOTION: Wertz, Nichols and McDonald
VOTING AGAINST THE MOTION: None
ABSTAINING: None
ABSENT: None

Victoria Bauer joined the meeting and inquired as to the county's position regarding the presidential executive order which includes the "30 x 30 program". Discussion was held and Mrs. Bauer offered to provide her research on the issue.

Member Wertz offered Resolution #21-9 and moved for its' adoption. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration the roll was called thereupon and the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. 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:

RESOLUTION 21-9

WHEREAS, NEB. REV. STAT. §76-2,112 requires that each conservation or preservation easement shall be approved by the appropriate governing body. Such approving body shall first refer the proposed acquisition to and receive comments from the local planning commission with jurisdiction over such property; and

WHEREAS, Clint R. Schafer and Kayla M. Schafer, husband and wife (Grantors) , have applied to the Middle Republican Natural Resources District (Grantee) for a Conservation Easement (71 certified irrigated acres only) for the real estate legally described as the West Half (W ½) of the Southwest Quarter (SW ¼) of Section Twenty-nine (29), Township Four (4) North, Range Thirty-two (32) West of the 6th P.M., Hitchcock

County, Nebraska, except that part deeded to the State of Nebraska in Deed Book 39, Page 318, recorded November 1, 1939; and

WHEREAS, the Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners referred said proposed acquisition to the Hitchcock County Planning Commission on March 15, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners is in receipt of the following finding from the Hitchcock County Planning Commission:

> *The Hitchcock County Planning Commission finds that the proposed conservation easement relating to the sale of (71 certified irrigated acres water only) by and between Clint R. and Kayla M. Schafer, husband and wife (Grantors) and the Middle Republican Natural Resources District (Grantee) from a well on the W ½ of the SW ¼ of Section 29, Township 4 North, Range 32 West of the 6th P.M. in Hitchcock County, Nebraska conforms with Hitchcock County's Comprehensive Zoning Plan.*

WHEREAS, the Board finds that the proposed conservation easement conforms with Hitchcock County's Comprehensive Zoning Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners approve the application for a conservation easement by and between Clint R. Schafer and Kayla M. Schafer, husband and wife (Grantors) and the Middle Republican Natural Resources District on (71 certified irrigated acres water only) from a well on the real estate legally described as the West Half (W ½) of the Southwest Quarter (SW ¼) of Section Twenty-nine (29), Township Four (4) North, Range Thirty-two (32) West of the 6th P.M., Hitchcock County, Nebraska, except that part deeded to the State of Nebraska in Deed Book 39, Page 318, recorded November 1, 1939.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 5th, day of April, 2021.

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

The Resolution is hereby adopted.

ATTEST:

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Paul Nichols, Chair

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

Member Nichols offered Resolution #21-11 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:

RESOLUTION #21-11

WHEREAS, the Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners desires to provide maximum protection to the users of roads in Hitchcock County; and

WHEREAS, said Board of Commissioners acknowledges the State of Nebraska has adopted the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) as published by the Federal highway Administration; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Manual of Local Control Devises which states, local authorities in their respective jurisdiction shall place and maintain the traffic control devices on roads under their jurisdiction as they deem necessary to indicate and to carry out local traffic ordinances or to regulate, warn or guide traffic. All traffic control devices erected shall conform to the manual and specifications; and

WHEREAS, official recognition of the proper position of regulatory types of signs is required to provide legal enforcement.

WHEREAS, in the interest of public safety, the board is considering reducing the speed limit on the North ¼ mile of Road 376 between Sections Twenty-six (26) and Twenty-seven (27), Township Four (4), Range Thirty-one (31) and Road 722 between Sections Twenty-three (23) and Twenty-six (26), Township Four (4), Range Thirty-one (31) West of the 6th P.M. in Hitchcock County, Nebraska and for the permanent placement of regulatory speed limit signs on said roads accordingly.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County Highway Superintendent, is hereby directed to perform a traffic study on North ¼ miles of Road 376 between Sections Twenty-six (26) and Twenty-seven (27), Township Four (4), Range Thirty-one (31) and Road 722 between Sections Twenty-three (23) and Twenty-six (26), Township Four (4), Range Thirty-one (31), West of the 6th P.M. in Hitchcock County, Nebraska and to submit in writing to the county board, a traffic study report relating to permanent placement of regulatory signs on said road establishing speed limit of not more than 35 MPH.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 5th day of April, 2021, at Hitchcock County, Nebraska.

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

The Resolution is hereby adopted.

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Paul Nichols, Chair

ATTEST:

SEAL

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

Member Wertz moved to appoint Shaila Latta, Valerie Paschall, and Stephanie Malcolm to the Hitchcock County Visitor's Committee for 4 year terms expiring April 1, 2025. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Member McDonald moved to approve an Application To Occupy County Road Right of Way filed by Berexco, LLC for an underground oil production line in Section 35, Township 3, Range 35 West in Hitchcock County running from west to east approximately 207' south of a box culvert North of Stratton on Veterans Highway. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, McDonald, and Wertz. Motion carried.

The First Quarter 2021 Sheriff's report was on file.

Member McDonald moved to adjourn at 11:05 a.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, April 19th, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Member Nichols seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: Nichols, McDonald, and Wertz. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

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Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

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Trenton, Nebraska
April 19, 2021

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 19th, day of April, 2021 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Ron Wertz and Scott McDonald, and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County 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 where 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.

Chair Paul 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 April 19th, 2021 agenda and the April 5th, 2021 meeting minutes. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to approve the following claims. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll	$53,154.33
AFLAC, suppl. ins.	$ 987.91
Applied Connective Technologies, email accounts	$ 77.50
BC&BS, dental ins.	$ 1,179.82
BC&BS, health ins.	$17,882.56
Bosselman Energy, Inc., heating fuels	$ 461.47
Bud's Tire Repair, tires	$ 231.00
Capital Business Systems, lease	$ 28.00
Colonial Life & Accident Ins., suppl. ins.	$ 136.45
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$17,549.80
Community Hospital, inmate medical	$ 104.61
D&L Pest Control, service	$ 60.00
DAS State Accounting, data process.	$ 184.48
Dollar General, supply	$ 62.45
Eakes Office Solutions, supply	$ 228.58
Farmers Coop, fuel	$ 1,087.26
Lindemeier Law Office, ct. appt. counsel	$ 3,845.66
Goodwin Siegfried LLP, ct. appt. counsel	$ 635.00
Great Plains Comm., service	$ 1,181.87
ICS, jail provisions	$ 166.90
MASA, suppl. ins.	$ 56.00
Scott McDonald, mileage	$ 224.00

Messersmith Water Treatment, supply	$ 20.50
Mid-American Benefits, admin. fees	$ 108.50
Midwest Special Services, prisoner transport	$ 712.50
MIPS, Inc., data process.	$ 3,048.57
NE Assoc. Extension Boards, dues	$ 100.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax	$ 2,747.82
New York Life, life ins.	$ 75.00
Redfield Direct, LLC, supply	$ 487.63
Region II Human Services, ¼ assessment	$ 2,746.58
Region II Services, ¼ assessment	$ 2,806.00
Lincoln Co. Treasurer, emergency management contract	$ 6,716.75
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement	$ 8,281.79
Rippen Oil, tires	$ 564.00
Shredding Solutions, services	$ 77.04
Trails West Texaco, 1184 meeting	$ 18.98
U-Save Pharmacy, inmate script.	$ 217.63
Van Diest Supply Co., grounds supply	$ 497.85
Verizon Wireless, service	$ 265.19
Village of Trenton, utility	$ 1,167.44
VSP Insurance Co., vision ins.	$ 341.66
Ron Wertz, mileage	$ 323.68
Wireless Inet, service	$ 150.00

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll	$12,006.47
AKRS Equipment, repair	$ 30.57
AFLAC, suppl. ins.	$ 519.00
BC & BS, dental ins.	$ 263.58
BC & BS, health ins.	$ 3,474.58
Bosselman Energy, Inc., heating fuels	$ 229.61
C&K Dist., supply	$ 135.91
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$ 3,355.51
Kerwin L. Propp, repair	$ 160.00
Dan's R Us Sanitation, service	$ 20.50
Danielson Tech Supply, repair	$ 1,291.25
Phillip Dixon, hwy. supt. contract	$ 900.00
Farmers Coop, fuel	$ 4,834.70
Great Plains Comm., service	$ 258.68
JD Skiles Co., repair	$ 6.77
Lakeside Sand & Gravel, gravel	$ 7,512.90
League Builders Supply, supply	$ 63.29
Medical Enterprises, Inc., DOT Testing	$ 35.00
Mid-American Benefits, admin. fees	$ 23.25
Mobile Welding, service	$ 332.50
NE Dept. Rev., state tax	$ 490.77
Powerplan JD Financial, repair	$ 750.69
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement	$ 1,552.04
Richards Gravel Pit., gravel	$ 4,131.00
Rippen Oil, fuel	$ 64.90

SW Farm & Auto Supply, repair/supply ---------- $ 1,434.37
Stratton Auto Parts, repair/tools ---------- $ 87.88
Stratton Country Market, supply ---------- $ 15.00
Triple S. Rope LLC, tow ropes ---------- $ 763.38
Village of Culbertson, utility ---------- $ 50.16
Village of Trenton, utility ---------- $ 155.06
VSP Insurance, vision ins. ---------- $ 83.35
83 Repair, repair ---------- $ 709.33

REGISTER OF DEEDS P&M FUND:
MIPS, Inc., data process ---------- $ 130.97

E-911 PSC FUND:
CenturyLink, service ---------- $ 409.99
Frontier Communications, service ---------- $ 25.98
GEO-Comm., Inc., annual maint. contract ---------- $ 4,697.56
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 52.23

911 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND:
CenturyLink, service,---------- $ 129.47
Frontier Communications, service ---------- $ 8.21
GEO-Comm., Inc., annual maint. contract ---------- $ 1,483.44
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 16.50

County Attorney, D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting.

NIRMA Contact Karen Wertz presented the NIRMA Road Maintenance Safety manual. Board referred said manual to the Hitchcock County Safety committee for review and recommendation.

Eric Kamler with Congressman Adrian Smith's office joined the meeting via phone conference and provided an update on congressional happenings. Q&A held on 30 x 30, the 2nd Amendment and stimulus funds.

Highway Superintendent Phillip Dixon presented a traffic study relating to Road 376 and 722 and board officially acknowledged the same. Attorney Garner advised as to past Board actions on Road 124. Extensive discussion held possible road closure. No action taken on proposed Resolution #21-12 at this time.

Possible Bridge Match Program projects were discussed.

Member Wertz moved to direct Chair to execute the Public Defender Renewal Agreement by and between the County and Ryan R. Wilcox for the term 6-1-21 through 6-1-23. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Member Nichols offered Resolution #21-13 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:

RESOLUTION #21-13

WHEREAS, the County of Hitchcock, Nebraska, (hereinafter called COUNTY) is a political subdivision of the State of Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to NEB. REV. STAT. §23-106 (1), the Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners shall manage the COUNTY's funds and COUNTY business, except as otherwise specifically provided; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY is desirous of adopting a Banking Resolution for banking transactions by and between the COUNTY, acting by and through its various officers and the Community First Bank (hereinafter called BANK) 339 Main Street, PO Box 338, Trenton, Nebraska.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF HITCHCOCK COUNTY, NEBRASKA:

1. That the BANK is hereby designated as a depository for funds of the COUNTY and also for the funds of other persons or entities coming into the hands of the COUNTY's officials pursuant to their official duties, and that the elected or appointed officials of said COUNTY as specifically designated herein, and each of them, hereby are authorized to open or otherwise maintain such account(s) with the BANK, as said elected or appointed officials deem necessary to carry out their respective official duties on behalf of and for the COUNTY, and to execute such agreements as shall be required by the BANK and subject to rules and regulations of the BANK governing such accounts.

2. That, subject to the special instructions set forth herein, if any, or as otherwise authorized by law, any of the following persons are authorized and empowered to deal generally with the BANK with respect to the following specified accounts:

<u>Jaclyn B. Drain, Hitchcock County Treasurer</u>

- Hitchcock County Treasurer #XXX-XX9
- Money Market #XXXXX5
- CDBG Housing Fund #XXX-XX9
- Community Development Fund #XXX-XX8

<u>Margaret M. Pollmann, Hitchcock County Clerk</u>

- Hitchcock County Imprest Fund # XXX-XX8
- Hitchcock County Clerk # XXX-XX3
- Hitchcock County Clerk of the District Court # XXX-XX7
- Hitchcock County Payroll #XXX-XX8

<u>Linda K. Smith, Hitchcock County Court Clerk Magistrate</u>

- Hitchcock County Court # XXX-XX9

<u>D. Eugene Garner, Hitchcock County Attorney</u>

- Hitchcock County Attorney # XXX-XX2

<u>Gerry L. Hunter, Hitchcock County Sheriff</u>

- Hitchcock County Sheriff # XXX-XX4

Robert A. Scott, Hitchcock County Veteran's Service Office
- Hitchcock County Veteran's Aid Fund # XXX-XX6
- Hitchcock County American Legion #XXX-001

Paul A. Nichols, Hitchcock County Commissioner District #1
Ronald L. Wertz, Hitchcock County Commissioner District #2
Scott McDonald, Hitchcock County Commissioner District #3
- Hitchcock County Imprest Fund # XXX-XX8

and to designate from time to time themselves and such other deputy official(s) to (1) sign, on behalf of the COUNTY, checks, drafts or withdrawal orders drawn upon such accounts; and (2) to endorse in the name of the COUNTY and to deposit in such accounts money, checks and other instruments for payment of moneys, which endorsements may be by stamp without designation of the person endorsing, and in connection therewith certify to the BANK the specimen signatures on any signature card.

3. That notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the BANK is authorized to honor instruments for the payment from, and to charge the same to, the Hitchcock County Imprest Fund # XXX-XX8 account ONLY upon proper authorized signature(s) of:
   A) one (1) County Commissioner, as either chairman or vice-chairman or acting chairman, AND
   B) the County Clerk or Deputy County Clerk.

4. That of the COUNTY, checks, drafts or money orders when signed by those persons so designated, whether or not (1) payable or endorsed to the person signing; or (2) paid or applied for the benefit of the persons signing.

5. That this resolution shall be certified to the BANK together with specimen signatures of the persons named herein and said certification shall continue in force until express written notice of rescission or modification has been received by the BANK.

6. That the original signature card(s) pertaining to said accounts of the COUNTY and bearing the true specimen signature(s) of the persons named and otherwise authorized hereby shall be on file with the BANK.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 19th, day of April, 2021.

Voting for the motion: Scott McDonald, Ronald Wertz and Paul Nichols
Voting against the motion: None
Abstaining: None
Absent: None

The resolution is hereby adopted.

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Chair, Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

SEAL

The Board acknowledged receipt of a letter dated April 12, 2021 from Jon Schroeder, counsel for the Village of Stratton certifying that the Village of Stratton does not exercise zoning jurisdiction over the real estate described as the Northeast corner of the Southwest Quarter of Section 12, Township 2, Range 35 West of the 6th P.M., Hitchcock County, Nebraska that being the proposed site for a cellular communications monopole tower.

Member Nichols moved to adjourn at 11:20 a.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, May 3rd, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Member McDonald seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

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Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

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Trenton, Nebraska
May 3rd, 2021

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 3rd, day of May, 2021 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Ron Wertz and Scott McDonald, and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County 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 where 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.

Chair Paul 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 May 3rd, 2021 agenda and the April 19th, 2021 meeting minutes. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to approve the following claims. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll	$10,763.32
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$ 3,185.42
Kimberly Cook, mileage/communications	$ 150.48
Cornhusker State Industries, jail provisions	$ 97.50
Eakes Office Solutions, copy contract	$ 390.19
Nancy Frecks, mileage/communications	$ 63.49
IRS, Form 720 filing	$ 86.21
Midwest Special Services, prisoner transport	$ 421.50
MIPS, Inc., supply	$ 219.51
NE Dept. Rev., state tax	$ 397.48
NE Weed Control Assoc., dues	$ 125.00
Paul Nichols, mileage	$ 269.92
Postage	$ 500.00
Pritchard & Abbott, contract for reappraisal	$ 5,360.00
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement	$ 1,564.67
SW Public Power, utility	$ 36.70
Streicher's, supply	$ 724.00
U of NE, equipment	$ 1,686.59
US Bank, employee training books	$ 137.39
Verizon Wireless, service	$ 265.22
Walmart, supply	$ 520.98



York Co. Sheriff, service fees ---------- $ 18.00

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll ---------- $ 9,900.40
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. ---------- $ 2,563.92
Danielson Tech Supply, repair ---------- $ 20.33
Lakeside Sand & Gravel, gravel ---------- $10,176.40
Medical Enterprises, CDL drug testing ---------- $ 35.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax ---------- $ 358.52
Pomp's Tire Service, repair ----------$ 5,787.18
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement ---------- $ 1,398.53
SW Public Power, utility ---------- $ 36.76
Village of Stratton, utility ---------- $ 148.11

Discussion held on 2021 redistricting. Clerk Pollmann advised as to vendors contacted regarding said services.

Weed Superintendent Bill Hagemann joined the meeting and the Report and Requirements from the Department of Agriculture for 2020 was reviewed and discussed.

Board acknowledged receipt of a notice of public hearing from the Village of Trenton relating to the conditional use application of Ginny Anderson for a tattoo shop, proposed to be located at 401 West Court Street in Trenton.

Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting.

Emergency Manager Brandon Myers provided the Region 51 Emergency Management Agency's quarterly report.

Member Nichols moved to adjourn at 10:35 a.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, May 17th 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Member McDonald seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

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Trenton, Nebraska
May 17th, 2021

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 May, 2021 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Ron Wertz and Scott McDonald, and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County 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 where 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.

Chair Paul 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 May 17th, 2021 agenda and the May 3rd, 2021 meeting minutes. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Member Nichols moved to approve the following claims. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: Nichols, McDonald, and Wertz. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll	$52,550.50
AFLAC, suppl. ins.	$ 987.91
Applied Connective Tech., email domain/accounts	$ 155.00
BC&BS, dental ins.	$ 1,252.72
BC&BS, health ins.	$18,580.56
Bosselman Energy, propane	$ 1,481.72
Capital Business Systems, lease	$ 28.00
Colonial Life & Accident, suppl. ins.	$ 136.45
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$17,216.29
Cornhusker State Industries, inmate provisions	$ 97.50
DAS State Accounting, data process.	$ 184.48
Eakes Office Solutions, supply	$ 165.94
Harvest Homes, LLC, repair	$ 150.00
Farmers Co-op, fuel	$ 1,303.66
Garrisons McCook Lettering, shirts	$ 61.34
Suhr Enterprises, supply	$ 961.04
Great Plains Comm., service	$ 1,133.45
Gworks, WebGIS subscription	$ 8,900.00
Hitchcock Co. Court, costs	$ 50.00
MASA, suppl. ins.	$ 56.00
Scott McDonald, mileage	$ 253.68
Mid-American Benefits, admin. fees	$ 108.50

MIPS, Inc., data process. ---------- $ 1,960.82
NACO, registrations ---------- $ 240.00
NACO, dues ---------- $ 1,200.42
NE Co. Attorney's Assoc., dues/registration ---------- $ 515.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax ---------- $ 2,684.48
New York Life, life ins. ---------- $ 75.00
Office Service Inc., supply ---------- $ 240.56
Postage ---------- $ 1,000.00
Quadient Leasing USA, lease ---------- $ 241.80
Quill Corp., supply ---------- $ 1,338.94
Red Willow Co. Sheriff, service fees ---------- $ 22.13
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement ---------- $ 8,124.27
Rippen Oil, LLC, fuel ---------- $ 139.00
Robert Scott, meals/mileage ---------- $ 369.11
Total Turf, lawn care ---------- $ 700.00
Trails West Texaco, fuel ---------- $ 33.05
USave Pharmacy, inmate medical ---------- $ 80.18
US Bank, supply/anti-virus ---------- $ 200.42
Village of Trenton, utility ---------- $ 1,101.39
VSP Insurance Co., vision ins. ---------- $ 341.66
Ron Wertz, mileage ---------- $ 194.88
West Central NE Development Dist., dues ---------- $ 2,730.00
Wireless Inet, service ---------- $ 150.00

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll ---------- $ 11,973.59
AKRS Equipment, repair ---------- $ 408.06
AFLAC, suppl. ins. ---------- $ 519.00
BC & BS, dental ins. ---------- $ 263.58
BC&BS, health ins. ---------- $ 3,474.58
Bosselman Energy, fuel/propane/supply ---------- $ 9,412.08
Brooks Construction, repair ---------- $ 520.00
Bud's Tire Repair, repair ---------- $ 50.00
C&K Dist., supply ---------- $ 125.26
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. ---------- $ 3,324.48
Dan's R Us Sanitation, service ---------- $ 20.50
Phillip Dixon, hwy. supt. contract/bridge inspections ---------- $ 1,150.00
Farmers Coop, fuel ---------- $ 4,623.74
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 257.73
Ramsey Harders, repair ---------- $ 75.25
JA Automotive, repair ---------- $ 198.74
Lakeside Sand & Gravel, gravel ---------- $ 13,484.00
League Builders Supply, supply ---------- $ 53.47
Mid-American Benefits, admin. fees ---------- $ 23.25
Miller & Assoc. Consulting Engineers, survey ---------- $ 527.25
NE Dept. Revenue, state tax ---------- $ 484.29
Powerplan JD Financial, repair ---------- $ 2,152.17
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement ---------- $ 1,544.35
Richards Gravel Pit, gravel ---------- $ 14,364.00

Rippen Oil, LLC, fuel ---------- $ 111.40
Sensel Welding & Repair, repair ---------- $ 65.00
SW Farm & Auto Supply, repair/tools ---------- $ 119.97
Stratton Auto Parts, repair ---------- $ 144.84
Village of Culbertson, utility ---------- $ 50.16
Village of Trenton, utility ---------- $ 155.38
VSP Insurance, vision ins. ---------- $ 83.35

REGISTER OF DEEDS P&M FUND:
MIPS, Inc., data process. ---------- $ 130.97

E-911 PSC FUND:
CenturyLink, service ---------- $ 1,666.67
Frontier Communications, service ---------- $ 25.99

911 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND:
CenturyLink, service ---------- $ 533.34
Frontier Communications, service ---------- $ 8.20

Highway Superintendent Phillip Dixon joined the meeting. Discussion held on placement of regulatory, warning and advisory signs on county roads. Various road and bridge projects were discussed.

Member Nichols offered Resolution #20-14 and moved for its' adoption. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the roll was called thereupon and the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, McDonald, 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:

RESOLUTION #21-14

WHEREAS, the Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners desires to provide maximum protection to the users of roads in Hitchcock County; and

WHEREAS, said Board of Commissioners acknowledges the State of Nebraska has adopted the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) as published by the Federal highway Administration; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Manual of Local Control Devises which states, local authorities in their respective jurisdiction shall place and maintain the traffic control devices on roads under their jurisdiction as they deem necessary to indicate and to carry out local traffic ordinances or to regulate, warn or guide traffic. All traffic control devices erected shall conform to the manual and specifications; and

WHEREAS, official recognition of the proper position of warning types of signs is required to provide legal enforcement; and

WHEREAS, the County Highway Superintendent, has performed and presented a traffic study on the North ¼ mile of Road 376 between Sections Twenty-six (26) and Twenty-seven (27), Township Four (4), Range Thirty-one (31) and Road 722 between Sections Twenty-three (23) and Twenty-six (26), Township

Four (4), Range Thirty-one (31) West of the 6th P.M. in Hitchcock County, Nebraska and for the permanent placement of warning speed limit signs on said roads accordingly; and

WHEREAS, in the interest of public safety, the board is desirous of placing and maintaining 25 MPH warning speed limit signs 600 feet South and 600 feet East of the common intersection of Road #376 and Road #722 in Township Four (4) North, Range Thirty-one (31) West of the 6th P.M. Hitchcock County, Nebraska.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that permanent 25 MPH warning speed limit signs shall be placed and maintained 600 feet South and 600 feet East of the common intersection of Road #376 and Road #722 in Township Four (4) North, Range Thirty-one (31) West of the 6th P.M. Hitchcock County, Nebraska.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 17th, day of May, 2021, at Hitchcock County, Nebraska.

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

The Resolution is hereby adopted.

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Paul Nichols, Chair

ATTEST:

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting.

Sheriff Gerry Hunter met with the board regarding pickup bids. Attorney Garners advised as to the bidding process.

Motion by Wertz to solicit sealed bids for one new sheriff patrol unit. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to direct chair to execute the *Product Lease Agreement* by and between the County and Quadient Leasing for an IX-3 Series Base with Integrated 5lb weighing platform (postage meter). Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Member McDonald moved to direct Chair to execute the 2021 Blue Cross & Blue Shield Subgroup Application. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members vote in favor of the motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to direct Chair to execute the 2021 Mid-American Benefits, LLC Health Reimbursement Arrangement Renewal. Member Nichols seconded the motion, and after consideration the following members voted in favor of the motion. Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Clerk Pollmann advised as to redistricting services

Member Nichols moved to authorize Region 51 Emergency Manager Brandon Myers to sign the AlertSense, Inc. Master Service Agreement on behalf of the County regarding mass notification systems within the County for a three year period. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, McDonald, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Board acknowledged receipt of a letter signed by Governor Pete Ricketts and others and addressed to President Joseph Biden relating to Executive Order 14008 addressing 30 x 30 program.

Discussion held on American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds.

Member Wertz moved to adjourn at 11:30 a.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, June 7th, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Member Nichols seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

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Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

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Trenton, Nebraska
June 7th, 2021

A meeting of the County Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska was held at the Hitchcock County Courthouse Community Room, 229 East D Street, Trenton, Nebraska on Monday, the 7th day of June, 2021 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Scott McDonald and Ron Wertz, and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County 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 where 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.

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 June 7th, 2021 Agenda and approval of the May 17th, 2021 meeting minutes. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to approve the following claims. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll	$15,807.88
Albany County Sheriff, service fees	$ 50.00
Capital Business Systems, lease	$ 1.06
Capital One, supply/equipment	$ 678.75
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$ 5,152.10
Kimberly Cook, mileage/communications	$ 117.44
D&S Hardware, supply/equipment	$ 5,299.98
Dollar General, supply	$ 33.30
Eakes Office Solutions, supply/equipment	$ 4,193.24
Farmers Coop, fuel/repair	$ 1,317.53
Nancy Frecks, mileage/communications	$ 139.65
Garner Law Office, mileage	$ 66.23
Goodwiin Siegfried, LLP, ct. appt. counsel	$ 635.00
Government Forms & Supply, supply	$ 322.34
Hitchcock Co. Treasurer, tax sale correction	$ 5.97
Hometown Leasing, equipment lease	$ 200.80
ICS, supply	$ 146.02
JA Automotive, repair	$ 28.00
Messersmith Water Treatment, supply	$ 20.65
Mid-American Benefits, deductible funding	$ 8,000.00
MIPS, data process.	$ 1,960.82
NACO, registration	$ 120.00

NE Dept. Rev., state tax ---------- $ 787.67
NIRMA, auto/liability/work comp./damage ins. ---------- $32,745.00
Quality Farm & Ranch Center, repair ---------- $ 30.67
Quality Urgent Care, inmate medical ---------- $ 601.00
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement ---------- $ 2,371.87
Rippen Oil, fuel ---------- $ 151.00
Snell Services, Inc., repair ---------- $ 970.67
SW Public Power, utility ---------- $ 36.19
Streicher's, uniforms ---------- $ 399.00
Trails West Texaco, fuel ---------- $ 28.44
US Bank, subscription ---------- $ 73.40
Verizon Wireless, service ---------- $ 265.12
Village of Trenton, utility ---------- $ 1,497.45
Ryan R. Wilcox, public defender contract ---------- $ 3,200.00
Wireless Inet, service ---------- $ 150.00
Xpediter Techonolgy, software maint. ---------- $ 575.00
911 Custom, equipment ---------- $ 510.00

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll ---------- $14,161.85
Barco Municipal Products, supply ---------- $ 133.03
Bud's Tire Repair, repair ---------- $ 782.50
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. ---------- $ 4,122.61
Farmers Coop, supply/fuel ---------- $15,879.50
Inland Truck Parks, repair ---------- $ 95.96
Kugler Co., supply ---------- $ 8,296.20
Lakeside Sand & Gravel, gravel ---------- $21,737.30
League Builders Supply, repair ---------- $ 18.87
Modern Farm Equipment, blades ---------- $ 1,029.72
NE Dept. Rev., state tax ---------- $ 697.97
NE Machinery, repair/blades ---------- $25,882.35
NIRMA, work comp./liability/physical damage/vehicle/machine ins. ------ $33,334.00
Power Plan JD Financial, repair ---------- $ 2,393.08
Quality Urgent Care, DOT testing ---------- $ 100.00
Red Willow Chemical & Spraying, supply ---------- $ 7,525.00
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement ---------- $ 2,070.29
Retriever LLC, repair ---------- $ 1,218.00
Richards Gravel Pit, gravel ---------- $ 3,825.00
Rippen Oil, fuel ---------- $ 153.20
SW Farm & Auto Supply, repair ---------- $ 218.56
SW Public Power, utility ---------- $ 33.10
Stratton Auto Parts, repair ---------- $ 77.96
Village of Culbertson, utility ---------- $ 50.78
Village of Stratton, utility ---------- $ 146.24
Village of Trenton, utility ---------- $ 152.70

REGISTER OF DEEDS P&M FUND:

MIPS, Inc., data process. ---------- $ 130.97

S.T.O.P PROGRAM FUND:

Applied Concepts, Inc., radar units ---------- $ 6,380.00

E911 PSC FUND:

CenturyLink, service ---------- $ 29.31
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 52.23

911 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND:

CenturyLink, service ---------- $ 9.26
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 16.50

Weed Superintendent Bill Hagemann advised as to noxious weed infestations.

Assessor Riggs advised as to a copier purchase and service agreement.

Motion Wertz to direct Chair to execute a copier Service Agreement with Eakes Office Solutions for the Assessor's copier. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Member McDonald moved to direct Chair to execute the letter of engagement by and between Daniel D. Miller, CPA and the County for budget preparation services. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Board acknowledged receipt of surplus property affidavits filed by the Hitchcock County Sheriff and the Extension Office.

Treasurer Jackie Drain advised as to pledged securities and the process relating to releasing the same.

Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting. Discussion held regarding enforcement of zoning permits.

Sheriff Gerry Hunter offered information as to jail upgrades. Attorney Garner advised as to competitive bidding.

Motion by Wertz to recess regular meeting at 10:50 a.m. to enter into Board of Equalization Session this date. Member McDonald seconded the motion. The following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

The regular meeting reconvened at 11:12 a.m. this date.

Kathy Haase joined the meeting and advised as to the offerings of the Family Resource Center. Board will consider $3,500.00 for said agency in the 2021/2022 budget year.

Discussion held on the County's burial policy.

Member McDonald moved to adjourn at 12:16 p.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, June 21st, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Member Wertz seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

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ATTEST:

Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

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Trenton, Nebraska
June 21st, 2021

A meeting of the County Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska was held at the Hitchcock County Courthouse Community Room, 229 East D Street, Trenton, Nebraska on Monday, the 21st, day of June, 2021 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Scott McDonald and Ron Wertz, and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County 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 where 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.

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 June 21st, 2021 Agenda and approval of the June 7th, 2021 meeting minutes. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

No budget over expenditure resolution was necessary.

Member Wertz moved to approve the following claims. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll	$50,738.66
Albany Co. Sheriff, service fees	$ 50.00
AFLAC, suppl. ins.	$ 929.60
Applied Connective Technologies, email domain	$ 77.50
BC&BS, dental ins.	$ 1,230.28
BC&BS, health ins.	$18,580.56
Capital Business Systems, lease	$ 28.00
Carpenter-Breland Funeral Home, pauper burial	$ 1,800.00
Colonial Life & Accident, suppl. ins.	$ 91.45
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$16,452.91
D&L Pest Control, service	$ 60.00
DAS State Accounting, data process.	$ 184.48
Dataspec, Inc., software subscription	$ 449.00
Dollar General, supply	$ 12.30
Jaclyn Drain, mileage/reimb. supply	$ 205.45
Eakes Office Solutions, supply/equipment	$ 6,507.13
Fairfield By Marriott, lodging	$ 192.00
Suhr Enterprises, supply	$ 686.51
Goodwin Siegfried LLP, ct. appt. counsel	$ 820.00
Great Plains Comm., service	$ 1,121.81

Hall Weapon System, firearms ---------- $ 4,200.00
Holiday Inn Kearney, lodging ---------- $ 689.70
JA Automotive, repair/maint. ---------- $ 986.29
Jacks Uniforms, uniforms ---------- $ 1,022.27
Justice Data Solutions, software support ---------- $ 1,800.00
K-C Motor & Electric, repair ---------- $ 6,285.69
MASA, suppl. ins. ---------- $ 56.00
Scott McDonald, mileage ---------- $ 246.96
Mid-American Benefits, Admin. fee/SBC fee ---------- $ 183.50
Midwest Special Service, inmate transport ---------- $ 708.00
MIPS, Inc., new equipment ---------- $ 2,990.52
NE Dept. Rev., state tax ---------- $ 2,529.35
New York Life, life ins. ---------- $ 75.00
Paul Nichols, mileage ---------- $ 294.56
Quill Corp., supply ---------- $ 654.95
Red Willow Co. Sheriff, service fees ---------- $ 74.95
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement ---------- $ 7,817.48
Rippen Oil, repair ---------- $ 684.75
Shauna Schutz, reimb. shelving ---------- $ 143.29
Scoop Media LLC, publications ---------- $ 938.61
SW Public Power, utility ---------- $ 346.16
U-Save Pharmacy & Medical Supply, inmate scripts. ---------- $ 130.21
US Bank, antivirus subs. ---------- $ 7.88
US Bank, fuel/supply ---------- $ 400.68
VSP Insurance Co., vision ins. ---------- $ 341.66
Ron Wertz, mileage ---------- $ 174.16

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll ---------- $11,974.76
AFLAC, suppl. ins. ---------- $ 519.00
BC&BS, dental ins. ---------- $ 314.04
BC&BS, health ins. ---------- $ 4,172.58
Bud's Tire Repair, repair ---------- $ 385.00
C&K Distributors, small tools ---------- $ 24.50
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. ---------- $ 3,316.46
Dan's R Us Sanitation, service ---------- $ 20.50
Phillip Dixon, hwy. supt. contract ---------- $ 900.00
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 257.73
JA Automotive, repair ---------- $ 504.94
Jesse Mallet, gravel ---------- $12,997.50
Lakeside Sand & Gravel, gravel ---------- $ 4,702.50
Mid-American Benefits, admin. fees ---------- $ 23.25
NE Dept. Rev., state tax ---------- $ 482.94
Powerplan JD Financial, grader blades ---------- $11,516.20
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement ---------- $ 1,561.12
Richards Gravel Pit, gravel ---------- $12,622.50
VSP Insurance, vision ins. ---------- $ 83.35

E911 PSC FUND:

CenturyLink, service ----------$ 229.74
Frontier Communications, service ----------$ 25.98
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 52.23

911 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND:
CenturyLink, service ----------$ 72.55
Frontier Communications, service ----------$ 8.21
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 16.50

Building Maintenance Manager Karen Wertz advised as to the courthouse lighting upgrade project.

AFLAC representative Ericka Hoyt introduced herself to the board and offered a brief overview of various plans.

Member McDonald moved to recommend approval of the application of R2R Group, LLC for a one day, special designated license for August 6th, 2021 located at Good Life Marina, 36152 Road 44B, Trenton, Nebraska, legally described as the S½ of the S½ of Section 17, Township 2, Range 33 West of the 6th P.M., Hitchcock County, Nebraska. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried. Chair executed the local governing body approval on Nebraska Liquor Control Commission Form 200.

Clerk Pollmann advised as to the agreement with the University of Nebraska, Omaha for redistricting services. This item will be placed on the July 5th agenda for consideration.

No patrol vehicle bids were received.

Sheriff Gerry Hunter advised as to progress on jail upgrades and an overall update on his department.

Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting.

Member McDonald moved to allow a fifty cent (.50) cent per hour increase in employee salaries/wages for the ensuing budget year. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Member Nichols moved to adjourn at 1100 a.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Tuesday, July 6th, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Member McDonald seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

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Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

Hitchcock County Board Minutes

Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska
July 6, 2021

A meeting of the County Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska was held at the Hitchcock County Courthouse Community Room, 229 East D Street, Trenton, Nebraska on Tuesday, the 6th day of July, 2021 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Scott McDonald and Ron Wertz, and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County 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 where 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.

Chair Nichols called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Member Wertz moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following items: Approval of the July 6th, 2021 Agenda and approval of the June 21st, 2021 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 Wertz moved to approve the following claims. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll	$10,974.68
Capital Business Systems, lease	$ 91.63
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$ 3,249.94
Kimberly Cook, mileage/communications	$ 143.20
Eakes Office Products, supply	$ 36.99
Nancy Frecks, mileage/communications	$ 116.13
Hitchcock Co. Court, costs	$ 51.00
Hometown Leasing, lease	$ 105.42
Thomas Jones, meals	$ 8.56
Mid American Benefits, deductible funding	$ 5,000.00
MIPS, new equipment install.	$ 700.56
NE Generator Service, annual generator service/maint.	$ 2,110.64
NE Dept. Rev., state tax	$ 399.30
NE Dept. Rev., fuel tax	$ 780.00
Paul Nichols, mileage	$ 399.28
Postage	$ 1,000.00
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement	$ 1,594.93
Ashley K. Spahn, ct. appt. counsel	$ 340.00
US Bank, supply	$ 60.07
Verizon Wireless, service	$ 265.12
Village of Trenton, utility	$ 2,374.88
Ryan R. Wilcox, public defender contract	$ 3,200.00

Capital One, supply	$ 323.08
Thomas Co. Sheriff, service fees	$ 45.00

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll	$10,383.31
Bud's Tire Service, repair	$ 860.00
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$ 2,734.30
EIA, LLC, gravel	$ 4,302.54
Heartland New Holland, repair	$ 862.83
Lakeside Sand & Gravel, gravel	$ 1,688.40
NE Dept. Rev., fuel tax	$ 644.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax	$ 397.65
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement	$ 1,474.04
SW Public Power, utility	$ 33.36
Village of Stratton, utility	$ 173.60
Village of Trenton, utility	$ 153.38

The Board acknowledged the surplus property affidavit from Sheriff Hunter for a 2002 Dodge Ram pickup. Said vehicle will be transferred to the Road Department.

Member Wertz moved to enter into an agreement for redistricting services with the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska d/b/a University of Nebraska at Omaha for redistricting services and direct Chair to execute the same. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Discussion held on West Central Nebraska Area Agency on Aging membership.

Treasurer Jackie Drain advised as to the need for a COVID American Rescue Plan Act Fund for the purpose of receiving federal funds under the act and a fund number correction of the 911 Emergency Fund, that being correcting said fund number to 2910.

Member McDonald to direct Treasurer to create and establish a COVID American Rescue Plan Act Fund #2580 with a revenue code of 339.25 effective July 1, 2021, for the purpose of receiving federal funds under said act. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Discussion held on a canal drainage bridge located in 29-4-32.

Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting and advised as to a community betterment loan that is involved in a tax sale proceeding.

Motion by McDonald to notify the Trustee, Michael McQuillan that the debtor on Secured Promissory note dated December 27, 2012 is in default. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Pursuant to NEB. REV. STAT. §23-122 et seq. Hitchcock County job titles and current salaries are being published.

ANNUAL SALARIES

Commissioner $23,113.75; County Clerk $52,531.25; Chief Deputy Clerk $37,622.66; Deputy Clerk $33,533.00; County Attorney $52,531.25; County Sheriff $63,037.50; Chief Deputy Sheriff $48,323.56; Deputy Sheriff's $46,093.13/$45,636.76; County Treasurer $52,531.25; County Assessor $52,531.25; Chief Deputy Assessor $35,132.48; Extension Office Manager $31,147.04; Veteran's Service Officer $22,345.44; NIRMA Contact Person $1,058.37.

HOURLY WAGES

Attorney Legal Assistant $19.43; Treasurer Clerical $16.00/ $16.15; Assessor Clerical $16.50; Road Maintenance $17.00/$21.27; Part Time Road Maintenance $12.00/$16.00; Janitorial $17.90; Weed Superintendent $17.50; Dispatcher Jailer $17.41/ 17.76; Permanent Part Time Dispatcher Jailer $17.09; Part Time Dispatcher Jailer $16.48; Zoning Administrator $19.80; Planning Commission Secretary $12.33.

Member Wertz moved to adjourn at 10:35 a.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, July 19th, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Member Nichols seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: Nichols, McDonald, and Wertz. Motion carried.

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Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

Hitchcock County Board Minutes

Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska
July 19, 2021

A meeting of the County Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska was held at the Hitchcock County Courthouse Community Room, 229 East D Street, Trenton, Nebraska on Tuesday, the 19th day of July, 2021 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Scott McDonald and Ron Wertz, and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County 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 where 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.

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 July 19th, 2021 Agenda and approval of the July 6th, 2021 meeting minutes. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Member McDonald moved to approve the following claims. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll	$54,009.66
AFLAC, suppl. ins.	$ 851.52
Applied Connective Tech., email domine	$ 77.50
BC&BS, dental ins.	$ 1,252.72
BC&BS, health ins.	$19,189.99
Colonial Life & Accident, suppl. ins.	$ 39.70
Common Scents, supply	$ 150.00
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$17,679.77
D&L Pest Control, service	$ 60.00
DAS State Accounting, data process	$ 184.48
Dept. of Treasury, Form 720 return	$ 93.10
Eakes Office Solutions, maint./copies	$ 551.98
Farmers Coop, fuel	$ 1,477.45
Suhr Enterprises, supply	$ 751.16
Great Plains Comm., service	$ 1,221.74
Hitchcock Co. Court, transcripts	$ 8.50
Hometown Leasing, equip. lease	$ 100.40
JA Automotive & Repair, repair	$ 25.00
KC Motor & Electric, repair	$ 678.00
Lincoln Co. Clerk, probation costs	$ 4,086.20
MASA, suppl. ins.	$ 56.00

Scott McDonald, mileage ---------- $ 297.92
Mid-American Benefits, admin. fees ---------- $ 108.50
Mile High Shooting ACCS, supply ---------- $ 486.50
MIPS, Inc., data process ---------- $ 1,997.66
NACO, registrations ---------- $ 750.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax ---------- $ 2,806.32
New York Life, life ins. ---------- $ 75.00
Quadient Finance USA, postage ---------- $ 1,002.88
Region II Human Services, quarterly assessment ---------- $ 2,801.50
Region II Services, quarterly assessment ---------- $ 1,439.00
Lincoln Co. Treasurer, Emergency Mgmt. contract ---------- $ 6,716.75
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement ---------- $ 8,350.52
Scoop Media, publications ---------- $ 847.63
SW Public Power, utility ---------- $ 40.43
Thomas Co. Sheriff's Office, service fees ---------- $ 30.00
Trails West Texaco, fuel ---------- $ 65.05
U Save Pharmacy, inmate prescriptions ---------- $ 55.65
US Bank, Adobe subscription ---------- $ 189.77
US Bank, fuel ---------- $ 33.75
VSP Insurance, vision ins. ---------- $ 341.66
Ron Wertz, mileage ---------- $ 137.76
Wireless Inet, service ---------- $ 150.00

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll ---------- $12,283.88
AKRS Equipment, repair ---------- $ 6,542.18
AFLAC, suppl. ins. ---------- $ 496.90
BC&BS, dental ins. ---------- $ 314.04
BC&BS, health ins. ---------- $ 4,309.44
Bosselman Energy, grease ---------- $ 51.39
Bud's Tire Repair, repair/tire ---------- $ 1,378.00
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. ---------- $ 3,418.25
Dan's R Us Sanitation, service ---------- $ 20.50
Farmers Coop, fuel ---------- $ 5,327.37
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 257.11
Lakeside Sand & Gravel, gravel ---------- $ 6,962.20
Mid-American Benefits, admin. fees ---------- $ 23.25
NE Dept. Rev., state tax ---------- $ 505.91
NE Machinery Co., repair/blades ---------- $ 7,349.32
Powerplan JD Financial, blades ---------- $ 1,965.00
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement ---------- $ 1,606.24
Rippen Oil, fuel ---------- $ 99.00
SW Farm & Auto Supply, repair ---------- $ 530.35
Stratton Auto Parts, repair ---------- $ 6.38
Titan Machinery, repair ---------- $ 1,483.08
Van Diest Supply Co., chemicals ---------- $ 900.00
Village of Culbertson, utility ---------- $ 52.02
VSP Insurance, vision ins. ---------- $ 83.35

REGISTER OF DEEDS P&M FUND:

MIPS, Inc., data process ---------- $ 134.02

911 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND:

CenturyLink, service ---------- $ 50.86
Frontier Comm., service ---------- $ 16.41
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 16.50

E 911 PSC FUND:

CenturyLink, service ---------- $ 161.19
Frontier Comm., service ---------- $ 51.97
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 52.23

Chair Nichols executed the IRS Form 720 return regarding patient centered outcomes research fees.

The following inventories were acknowledged: County Court, Weed Superintendent, County Clerk, Clerk of the District Court, District Judge, County Attorney, Veteran's Service Officer, County Board, County Owned Real Estate, Emergency Management, and Assessor.

Region 51 Emergency Manager Brandon Myers offered the agency's quarterly report. Treasurer Jackie Drain and Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting and EM Myers advised as to a grant for updating the County's Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Highway Superintendent Phillip Dixon joined the meeting. Discussion held on repair of a bridge located in 28-4-32. Various road and bridge projects were discussed.

Member McDonald moved to adjourn at 11:52 a.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, August 2nd, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Member Nichols seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

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Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

Hitchcock County Board Minutes

Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska
August 2nd, 2021

A meeting of the County Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska was held at the Hitchcock County Courthouse Community Room, 229 East D Street, Trenton, Nebraska on Monday, the 2nd day of August, 2021 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Scott McDonald and Ron Wertz, and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County 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 where 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.

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 August 2nd, 2021 Agenda and approval of the July 19th, 2021 meeting minutes. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to approve the following claims. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll	$12,398.12
Acme Printing Co., supply	$ 175.00
Capital One, supply/equip.	$ 158.73
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$ 3,774.68
Community Hospital, inmate medical	$ 1,338.21
Dollar General, supply	$ 8.20
Eakes Office Solutions, supply	$ 24.60
Goodwin Siegfried, ct. appt. council	$ 771.20
Great Plains Comm., service	$ 61.88
William Hagemann, mileage	$ 272.16
Hometown Leasing, lease	$ 100.40
Lincoln Co. Treasurer, mental health board fees	$ 300.00
NACO, registrations	$ 300.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax	$ 513.36
Ramada Worldwide by Wyndham, lodging	$ 285.00
Red Willow Chemical, chemical	$ 109.00
Red Willow Co. Treasurer, district judge costs	$ 332.22
Redfield Direct, supply	$ 393.88
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement	$ 1,803.43
Terra Riggs, reimb. supply	$ 29.88
Tanya Roberts-Connick, mental health board fee	$ 100.00

Secretary of State – Election Division, supply---------- $ 10.00
Ryan R. Wilcox, public defender contract ---------- $ 3,200.00

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll ---------- $10,497.83
Capital One, supply ---------- $ 152.61
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. ---------- $ 2,776.10
Phillip Dixon, hwy. supt. contract ---------- $ 900.00
Dultmeier Sales, repair ---------- $ 46.92
Heartland New Holland, repair ---------- $ 93.50
Lakeside Sand & Gravel, gravel/asphaltic ---------- $12,470.98
NE Dept. Rev., state tax ---------- $ 404.97
Odiss Entreprises, bldg. repair ---------- $ 1,220.00
Olson Livestock & Seed, grass seed ---------- $ 765.00
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement ---------- $ 1,491.88
Sensel Welding & Repair, repair ---------- $ 43.35
SW Public Power, utility ---------- $ 36.57
Village of Trenton, utility ---------- $ 163.48

911 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND:

Geo Com, dispatch map term licensing ---------- $ 462.00
Intrado Life & Safety Solutions Corp., PSAP coverage ---------- $ 360.00

E 911 PSC FUND:

Geo Com, dispatch map term licensing ---------- $ 1,463.00
Intrado Life & Safety Solutions Corp., PSAP coverage ---------- $ 1,140.00

Building Maintenance Manager Karen Wertz discussed the CML Security LLC jail renovation proposal with the board.

Highway Superintendent Phillip Dixon advised as to Oak Creek Engineering Agreements for Professional Services relating to 2021 Routine Fracture Critical Bridge Inspections and replacement of Structure C004404905P located in 19-1-31. Superintendent Dixon offered three estimates on repair/replacement on the bridge located in 28-4-32.

County Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting.

Member Wertz moved to direct Chair to execute an agreement with Oak Creek Engineering, LLC for professional services for 2021 Routine Fracture Critical Bridge Inspections (1 structure). Member McDonald seconded the motion, and after consideration the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Treasurer Jackie Drain offered a Pledge Securities Report and Board officially acknowledged the same.

Member Wertz moved to direct Chair to execute the MASA Employer Benefit Agreement "Payroll Deduction" effective August 1, 2021. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Attorney Garner advised as to CML Securities Proposal for jail update renovation and maintenance.

The Board finding that the proposal for jail renovation, update, and maintenance received from CML Security LLC consists of unique or noncompetitive items, professional services and equipment maintenance, finds that competitive bidding is not required pursuant to NEB. REV. STAT. §23-3109 (1).

Member McDonald moved to proceed with the jail renovation, update, maintenance in accordance with the proposal submitted by CML Security LLC for the quotation quoted price of $189,600.00. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Clerk Pollmann advised as to the annual certification of Highway Street and Bridge Buyback Program funds/expenditures to the Nebraska Department of Transportation.

Member Nichols moved to adjourn at 12:05 p.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, August 16th, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Member McDonald seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: Nichols, McDonald, and Wertz. Motion carried.

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Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

Hitchcock County Board Minutes

Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska
August 16th, 2021

A meeting of the County Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska was held at the Hitchcock County Courthouse Community Room, 229 East D Street, Trenton, Nebraska on Monday, the 16th day of August, 2021 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Scott McDonald and Ron Wertz, and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County 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 where 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.

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 August 16th, 2021 Agenda and approval of the August 2nd, 2021meeting minutes. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to approve the following claims. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll	$52,324.39
AFLAC, suppl. ins.	$ 851.52
Applied Connective Technologies, email domain	$ 77.50
BC&BS, dental ins.	$ 1,179.82
BC&BS, health ins.	$18,469.10
Bud's Tire Repair, repair	$ 603.74
C&K Dist., repair	$ 2.71
Colonial Life & Accident Ins. Co., suppl. ins.	$ 39.70
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$17,032.57
Kimberly Cook, mileage/communications	$ 187.81
CVSOAN, registration	$ 60.00
DAS State Accounting-Central Finance, data process.	$ 184.48
Eakes Office Solutions, supply	$ 99.16
Farmers Coop, fuel/supply/repair	$ 1,763.06
Nancy Frecks, mileage/communications	$ 128.45
Hitchcock Co. Court, costs	$ 51.00
JA Automotive & Repair, repair	$ 25.00
MASA, suppl. ins.	$ 62.50
Scott McDonald, mileage	$ 227.92
Mid-American Benefits, Inc., admin. fee/deductible funding	$ 8,108.50
MIPS, Inc., data process.	$ 4,132.48
NACO, registration	$ 150.00

NE Dept. Rev., state tax ---------- $ 2,638.26
Neopost, postage meter---------- $ 50.00
New York Life, life ins. ---------- $ 75.00
Paul Nichols, mileage ---------- $ 282.80
Prairie State Comm., repair ---------- $ 898.20
Protex Central, fire alarm inspection ---------- $ 244.00
Quadient Finance USA, postage meter ---------- $ 39.00
Quadient Leasing, UCA, postage meter ---------- $ 214.59
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement ---------- $ 7,949.57
Rippen Oil LLC, repair ---------- $ 89.50
Scoop Media, publications ----------$ 588.70
Shredding Solutions, service ---------- $ 304.92
Total Turf, repair ---------- $ 156.95
Village of Trenton, utility ----------$ 2,093.32
VSP Insurance Co., vision ins. ----------$ 341.66
Ron Wertz, mileage ---------- $ 171.36
Wireless Inet, service ---------- $ 150.00

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll ---------- $12,301.87
Akrs Equipment, repair ---------- $ 97.00
AFLAC, suppl. ins. ---------- $ 496.90
BC&BS, dental ins. ----------$ 314.04
BC&BS, health ins. ----------$ 4,309.44
Bud's Tire Repair, repair ---------- $ 100.00
C&K Dist., supply ---------- $ 49.95
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. ---------- $ 3,425.32
Kerwin Propp, repair ---------- $ 220.00
Dan's R Us Sanitation, service ---------- $ 20.50
Phillip Dixon, hwy. supt. contract/bridge inspections ---------- $ 3,650.00
EAI, LLC, gravel ---------- $ 5,274.10
Farmers Coop, fuel/supply ---------- $14,955.65
Ramsey Harders, repair ---------- $ 369.74
Lakeside Sand & Gravel, gravel ---------- $ 1,223.86
Mid-American Benefits, admin. fees ---------- $ 23.25
NE Dept. Rev., state tax ---------- $ 508.08
NE Machinery Co., repair ---------- $ 776.72
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement ---------- $ 1,609.22
Richards Gravel Pit, gravel ---------- $ 8,491.50
Rippen Oil LLC, fuel ---------- $ 174.50
SW Farm & Auto Supply, repair - ---------- $ 431.07
Stratton Auto Parts, repair ---------- $ 46.17
Vance Brothers Inc., asphalt ---------- $15,469.50
Village of Culbertson, utility ---------- $ 55.58
Village of Trenton, utility ---------- $ 156.78
VSP Insurance Co., vision ins. ---------- $ 83.35

REGISTER OF DEED P&M FUND:

MIPS, Inc., data process ---------- $ 134.02

911 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND:
Frontier Communications, service ----------$ 16.41

E 911 PSC FUND:
Frontier Communications, service ----------$ 51.97

Member Wertz offered Resolution #21-15 and moved for its' adoption. Member Nichols 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:

RESOLUTION

SIGNING OF THE
COUNTY ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF PROGRAM COMPLIANCE FORM 2020

Resolution No. 20-15

Whereas: State of Nebraska Statutes, sections 39-2115, 39-2119, 39-2120, 39-2121, and 39-2510(2), requires an annual certification of program compliance to the Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards; and

Whereas: State of Nebraska Statute, section 39-2120 also requires that the annual certification of program compliance by each county shall be signed by the County Board Chairperson and shall include a copy of a resolution of the governing body of the county authorizing the signing of the certification form.

Be it resolved that the County Board Chairperson of Hitchcock County is hereby authorized to sign the attached County Annual Certification of Program Compliance form.

Adopted this 16th day of August, 2021 at Trenton, Nebraska.

County Board Members

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Paul Nichols Ron Wertz Scott McDonald

County Board Member Wertz moved the adoption of said resolution. Member Nichols seconded the motion. Roll Call: 3 Yes – 0 No – 0 Abstained – 0 Absent. Resolution adopted, signed and billed as adopted.

ATTEST:

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Margaret M. Pollmann, Hitchcock Co. Clerk

Member Nichols moved to approve 2021 Veteran's Service Committee members as follows: Robert Brown, Dennis Kennedy, Richard Baxter, Thomas Jones, and Cliff Johnson. Member McDonald seconded the motion

and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to direct Chair to execute an agreement with Oak Creek Engineering, LLC for professional services for Structure C004404510 Replacement. Member Nichols seconded the motion, and after consideration the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Two informal propane quotes were received for the 2021/2022 winter season for the County shops located in Culbertson, Trenton, and Stratton, and the County Courthouse. Mike Hedke representing Bosselman Energy was present.

Motion by Nichols to accept the quote of Bosselman Energy in the amount of $1.59 on a pay as you go basis for the County's 2021/2022 winter season propane needs. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Pamela Mann and Mary Lawson with Region II Services gave the agency's annual report.

Nick Ladenburger, Dennis Hoyt, Hope Strong, Victoria Bauer, and Bruce Desautels joined the meeting and offered opinions as to 30x30 America The Beautiful. Discussion was held. Chair Nichols advised that this item will be placed on the September 7th, 2021 meeting agenda.

Daniel D. Miller, CPA met with the board regarding the 2021/2022 County Budget.

The following inventories were acknowledged by the Board: Road Districts #1, #2, and #3; Sheriff.

Member Nichols moved to adjourn at 12:35 p.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Tuesday, September 7th, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Member McDonald seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: Nichols, McDonald, and Wertz. Motion carried.

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Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

Hitchcock County Board Minutes

Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska
August 23rd, 2021

A meeting of the County Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska was held at the Hitchcock County Courthouse Community Room, 229 East D Street, Trenton, Nebraska on Monday, the 23rd day of August, 2021 commencing at 8:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Scott McDonald and Ron Wertz, and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County 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 where 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.

Chair Nichols called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Member Nichols moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following items: Approval of the August 23rd, 2021 Agenda and approval of the August 16th, 2021 meeting minutes. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Member Wertz offered Resolution #21-16 and moved for its' adoption. Member Nichols 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:

RESOLUTION #21-16

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:	General Fund	$ 6,519.88
	Sinking Fund	$ 5,100.00
	Total	$ 11,619.88
Stratton Rural Cemetery District:	General Fund	$ 12,000.00
	Total	$ 12,000.00

Trenton Cemetery District:	General Fund	$ 7,000.00
	Sinking Fund	$ 5,000.00
	Total	$ 12,000.00
Culbertson Fire Protection District:	General Fund	$ 31,867.65
	Total	$ 31,867.65
Palisade Rural Fire District:	General Fund	$ 62,945.01
	Sinking/Bond Fund	$ 40,000.00
	Total	$102,945.01
Stratton Ambulance & Fire Protection District:	General Fund	$ 68,340.00
	Total	$ 68,340.00
Trenton Rural Fire Protection District:	General Fund	$ 15,000.00
	Sinking Fund	$ 25,000.00
	Total	$ 40,000.00
Hitchcock County Agricultural Society	General Fund	$ 67,912.00
	Total	$ 67,912.00
Hitchcock County Historical Society	General Fund	$ 29,824.00
	Total	$ 29,824.00

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 23rd day of August, 2021.

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

The Resolution is hereby adopted.

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Paul Nichols, Chair

ATTEST:

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

McDonald moved to Direct Chair to execute a service agreement with Eakes Office Solutions enter into service agreement for service and support relating to the County Attorney's copier. The motion was seconded by Nichols and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, McDonald, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Kent Lorens, Nick Ladenburger, Hope Strong and Victoria Bauer were present for discussion on Resolution #21-17 relating to the federal government's "30x30" land preservation goal.

Member Nichols offered Resolution #21-17 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: Wertz and Nichols. Voting against the motion: McDonald. 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:

RESOLUTION #21-17

OPPOSING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S "30 X 30" LAND PRESERVATION GOAL

WHEREAS, the County of Hitchcock, State of Nebraska, hereinafter referred to as "COUNTY", is a duly organized political subdivision, existing pursuant to the laws of the State of Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, Hitchcock County contains about 460,000 acres of land situated in Southwest Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, designating lands as wilderness does not assure its preservation. Left in an undisturbed or natural state, these lands are highly susceptible to wildland wildfires, insect infestation and disease, all of which degrade the natural and human environment; and

WHEREAS, the wellbeing, health, safety, welfare, economic condition, and culture of the COUNTY, its businesses, and its citizens depend on private land ownership and the use of these resources; and

WHEREAS, many of COUNTY'S businesses and its citizens are involved in or otherwise depend on industries that utilize private lands and their resources, including farming, ranching, livestock grazing, oil and gas exploration and production, mining and mineral development, recreational industries, hunting and other outdoor recreation; and

WHEREAS, these industries are important components of the Nebraska economy, and are major contributors to the economic and social wellbeing of COUNTY and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, on January 27, 2021, President Joseph R. Biden, Jr., issued Executive Order 14008 entitled Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Aboard (86 Fed. Reg. 7,619); and

WHEREAS, in Section 216 of Executive Order 14008, President Biden directed the Secretary of the Interior, in consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture and other senior officials, to develop a program to conserve at least 30 percent of the lands and waters in the United States by 2030, which is called "30 x 30" program; and

WHEREAS, under the 30 x 30 program, some 680 million acres of our Nation's lands would be set aside and permanently preserved in its natural state, preventing the productive use of these lands and their resources; and

WHEREAS, there is no constitutional or statutory authority for the President, the Department of the Interior, the Department of Agriculture, or any other federal agency to set aside and permanently preserve 30 percent of all land and water in the United States, and no such authority is referenced in Executive Order 14008; and

WHEREAS, placing private lands into permanent conservation status will cause dramatic and irreversible harm to the economies of many states, including Nebraska, and in particular rural counties such as COUNTY whose citizens depend on private lands for their livelihoods; and

WHEREAS, the 30 x 30 program, if implemented, will conflict with the plans, policies and programs of COUNTY as expressed in COUNTY's Comprehensive Development Plan adopted May 7, 2001 and revised May 21, 2012 which obligates the federal government to coordinate its policy development with COUNTY; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order 14008 at 216(a) directs the Secretary of the Interior, in consultation with other relevant federal agencies to "submit a report to the Task Force within 90 days of the date of this order recommending steps that the United States should take, working with State, local, Tribal, and territorial governments, agricultural and forest landowners, fisherman, and other key stakeholders, to achieve the goal of conserving at least 30 percent of our lands and waters by 2030."

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

1. The Board opposed the 30 x 30 program, including its objective of permanently preserving 30 percent of the Nation's lands in its natural state by 2030, or any similar program that will set aside and prevent the productive use of millions of acres of our lands.

2. The Board further opposes the designation of lands in COUNTY as wilderness, wilderness study areas, wildlife preserves, open space, or other conservation land, thereby restricting public access to such lands and preventing the development and productive use of the resources on or within such lands.

3. The Board supports the continued private ownership of land in the COUNTY, recognizing the Nation's need for domestic sources of minerals, energy, timber, food, and fiber.

4. The Board recognizes and supports the State of Nebraska's water rights system, and other state laws and programs governing water rights and water use, and opposes any federal designation of waters and watercourses within the COUNTY that would impair or restrict water diversions and uses authorized under Nebraska law.

5. The Board supports reasonable national, regional, and global greenhouse gas emissions policies and goals that are comprehensive, practical, cost-effective, and do not unnecessarily single out specific industries or activities, but opposes the use of global climate change as an excuse to set aside large tracts of land as preserves or open space to fulfill the 30 x 30 program's objectives.

6. The Board also maintains that any lands or other rights that are acquired to fulfill the 30 x 30 program's objectives should be acquired only from willing landowners and for the payment of full and fair market value for all rights and interests acquired, and not through regulatory compulsion, and only after analyzing and considering the impacts of such land acquisitions on the well-being, health, safety, welfare, economy, and culture of COUNTY, its businesses, and its citizens.

7. The Board shall send a copy of this Resolution to the Department of Interior, the Department of Agriculture, and all other relevant Federal and State agencies.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 23rd day of August, 2021.

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

The Resolution is hereby adopted.

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Paul Nichols, Chairman
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Margaret Pollmann, County Clerk
(SEAL)

Member Wertz moved to adjourn at 8:25 a.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Tuesday, September 7th, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Member McDonald seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

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Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

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Trenton, Nebraska
September 7, 2021

A meeting of the County Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska was held at the Hitchcock County Courthouse Community Room, 229 East D Street, Trenton, Nebraska on Tuesday, the 7th day of September, 2021 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Scott McDonald and Ron Wertz, and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County 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 where 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.

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 September 7th, 2021 Agenda and approval of the August 23rd, 2021 meeting minutes. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Nichols, McDonald, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to approve the following claims. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll	$16,254.38
Capital One, supply	$ 132.31
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$ 5,139.99
Kimberly Cook, mileage/communications	$ 171.01
Lacey Daniels, mileage/exam fee	$ 174.00
Dollar General, supply	$ 15.60
Eakes Office Solutions, supply	$ 275.73
Nancy Frecks, mileage/communications	$ 82.53
Goodwin Siegfried, LLP, ct. appt. counsel	$ 3,158.75
Great Plains Comm., service	$ 1,203.28
Hitchcock Co. Court, costs	$ 135.00
Hometown Leasing, lease	$ 100.40
K-C Motor Electric, repair	$ 2,342.08
Messersmith Water Treatment, supply	$ 20.75
MIPS, Inc., data process.	$ 2,091.41
NE Dept. Rev., state tax	$ 772.22
Nebraska.gov, transcripts	$ 8.00
Paul Nichols, mileage	$ 337.68
NSA/POAN, regist.	$ 100.00
Chris Ott, permit refund	$ 30.00
Quill Corp., supply	$ 51.48
Redfield Direct, LLC, supply	$ 612.03
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement	$ 2,417.58

SW Public Power, utility ---------- $ 41.19
Ashley K. Spahn, ct. appt. counsel ---------- $ 655.84
Jason Swartz, reimb. uniform ---------- $ 56.50
UNL-WCREEC, registration ---------- $ 90.00
US Bank, postage meter ---------- $ 26.35
Village of Trenton, utility ---------- $ 2,837.98
West Central Dist. Assessor's Assoc., dues ---------- $ 25.00
Ryan R. Wilcox, public defender contract ---------- $ 3,200.00
7-D Lockshop, repair ---------- $ 298.98

ROAD FUND:
Road Fund Payroll ---------- $15,010.02
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. ---------- $ 4,515.54
Construction Trailer Specialists, repair ---------- $ 99.56
D&S Hardware, repair ----------$ 56.99
Dultmeier Sales, repair ---------- $ 51.30
EIA, LLC, gravel ---------- $12,525.90
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 257.11
Heartland New Holland, repair ----------$ 520.90
Jesse Mallet, gravel ---------- $ 6,281.50
Lakeside Sand & Gravel LLC, gravel ---------- $ 8,561.96
NE Dept. Rev., state tax ---------- $ 777.80
Powerplan JD Financial, repair ---------- $ 1,322.65
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement ---------- $ 2,214.38
Richards Gravel Pit, gravel ---------- $ 3,901.50
SW Public Power Dist., utility ---------- $ 32.70
Village of Culbertson, utility ---------- $ 289.56
Village of Stratton, utility ---------- $ 173.60
Village of Trenton, utility ---------- $ 152.29

REGISTER OF DEEDS P&M FUND:
MIPS, Inc., data process. ---------- $ 134.02

E911 PSC FUND:
CenturyLink, service ---------- $ 61.43
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 16.50

911 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND:
CenturyLink, service ---------- $ 194.50
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 52.23

Member Nichols moved to approve the Application To Occupy County Road Right of Way filed by Viaero Fiber Networks, LLC for an underground fiber optic cable starting at Highway 6 heading north on County Road 374 for 824'. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Member Nichols moved to approve the Application To Occupy County Road Right of Way filed by Viaero Fiber Networks, LLC for an underground fiber optic cable starting at Highway 6 heading north on County Road

374 for 1,074'. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

The Exempt Property Publication was reviewed and Chair Nichols signed the same. Clerk to submit for publication in the Hitchcock County News on September 16th, 2021.

Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting.

Clerk Pollmann advised as to .Gov email domain registration.

Member Wertz moved to direct chair to execute letter of understanding regarding .Gov domain registration. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

The following inventories were acknowledged by the Board: Extension and Building and Grounds, and Treasurer.

Chair opened the 2021/2022 Budget Hearing on the Hitchcock County budget as published. Budget preparation assistant Daniel D. Miller, CPA was present and offered a brief synopsis on the 2021/2022 budget document. Three copies of said budget were made available. It was the consensus of the board to decrease line item 100-970-2-2401 in the Miscellaneous General Budget from $75,000.00 to $50,000.00 for decreased court appointed counsel costs. An ARPA Fund which was not included in the published notice was added to the proposed budget of disbursements in the total amount of $536,486.00. The funds necessary for this expenditure will be received pursuant to ARPA. Publication of said changes will occur within 20 days of September 7th, 2021.

The use of Inheritance Tax funds is crucial to the implementation of the budget and allows for the reduction of property taxes, purchase of capital items, and the payment of unforeseen expenses.

Chair asked for those in favor of the proposed budget. No comments were offered. Chair asked for those in opposition of the proposed budget. No comments were offered. Chair asked for any comments from a neutral position. No comments were offered. Chair asked for any further comments or questions. There were none. Chair closed the public hearing at 11:29 a.m. this date.

Member Wertz offered Resolution #21-18 and moved for its' adoption. Member McDonald 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:

RESOLUTION #21-18
Hitchcock County
Resolution of Adoption and Appropriations

WHEREAS, a proposed County Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022, prepared by the Budget Making Authority, was transmitted to the County Board on the 7th day of September, 2021.

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

SECTION 1. That the budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022, as categorically evidenced by the Budget Document be, and the same hereby is, adopted as the Budget for Hitchcock County for said fiscal year.

SECTION 2. That the offices, departments, activities and institutions herein named are hereby authorized to expend the amounts herein appropriated to them during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022.

SECTION 3. That the income necessary to finance the appropriations made and expenditures authorized shall be provided out of the unencumbered cash balance in each fund, revenues other than taxation to be collected during the fiscal year in each fund, and tax levy requirements for each fund.

PASSED AND APPROVIED on this 7th day of September 2021.
VOTING FOR THE MOTION: Nichols, McDonald, and Wertz
VOTING AGAINST THE MOTION: None
ABSTAINING: None
ABSENT: None

The Resolution is hereby adopted._____
Paul Nichols, Chair

ATTEST:

_____ SEAL
Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

Chair opened the public hearing to set the final tax request for the 2021/2022 County budget at 11:35 a.m. Chair asked for those in favor of the proposed final request. No comments were offered. Chair asked for those in opposition of the final tax request. No comments were offered. Chair asked for any comments from a neutral position on the final tax request. No comments were offered. Chair asked for any further comments or questions. There were none. Chair closed the public hearing at 11:45 a.m. this date.

Member Wertz offered Resolution #21-19 and moved for its' adoption. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the roll was called thereupon and the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols. 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:

RESOLUTION SETTING THE PROPERTY TAX REQUEST
RESOLUTION NO. 21-19

WHEREAS, NEBRASKA REVISED STATUTE §77-1601.02 provides that the Governing Body of the Hitchcock County passes by a majority vote a resolution or ordinance setting the tax request; and

WHEREAS, a special public hearing was held as required by law to hear and consider comments concerning the property tax request;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Governing Body of the County of Hitchcock, resolves that:

1. The 2021-2022 property tax request be set at $1,910,078.00.

2. The total assessed value of property differs from last year's total assessed value by -0.19%.

3. The tax rate which would levy the same amount of property taxes as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of property, would be $0.277395 per $100 of assessed value.

4. The County of Hitchcock proposes to adopt a property tax request that will cause its tax rate to be $0.272453 per $100 of assessed value.

5. Based on the proposed property tax request and changes in other revenue, the total operating budget of County of Hitchcock will decrease the 2020-2021 budget by 5.28%

6. A copy of this resolution be certified and forwarded to the County Clerk on or before October 13, 2021.

Motion by Wertz, seconded by McDonald to adopt Resolution #21-19.

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

Dated this 7th day of September 2021.
The Resolution is hereby adopted.

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Paul Nichols, Chair

ATTEST:

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Margaret M. Pollmann

The Sheriff's 2nd Quarter Report was on file.

Member Wertz moved to adjourn at 12:14 p.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, September 20th, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Member McDonald seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: Nichols, McDonald, and Wertz. Motion carried.

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Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

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Trenton, Nebraska
September 20, 2021

A meeting of the County Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska was held at the Hitchcock County Courthouse Community Room, 229 East D Street, Trenton, Nebraska on Monday, the 20th day of September, 2021 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Scott McDonald and Ron Wertz, and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County 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 where 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.

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 September 20th, 2021 Agenda and approval of the September 7th, 2021meeting minutes. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

The Board finds that the total amount of claim #21091045 is over $50,000.00. Said claim was based upon multiple purchases pertaining to repairing and maintaining separate and distinct portions of various county roads located in several different areas of the County (some of the road repairs being in District #1, some in District #2, and some in District #3 as reflected on the vendor's invoice). Because each specific road improvement/repair maintenance project was estimated to be less than $50,000, competitive sealed bidding was not obtained. Furthermore, due to the nature of necessary repair(s) pertaining to each of said projects, obtaining three informational quotes was impracticable.

Member Wertz moved to approve the following claims. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: Nichols, McDonald, and Wertz. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll	$51,776.19
AFLAC, suppl. ins.	$ 851.52
Applied Connective Technologies, email domain	$ 70.00
BC&BS, dental ins.	$ 1,179.82
BC&BS, health ins.	$18,469.10
Bridge of Hope Advocacy Center, budgeted funding	$ 2,000.00
Central NE Cremation & Mortuary Services, coroner fees	$ 1,184.00
Clerk of the District Court, adv. costs	$ 72.00
Colonial Life & Accident Ins., suppl. ins.	$ 39.70
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$ 17,010.42
DAS State Accounting – Central Finance, data process.	$ 184.48
Eakes Office Solutions, supply	$ 391.34
Farmers Coop, fuel/supply/repair	$ 2,058.82
Suhr Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a Gary's, supply	$ 1,312.63



Great Plains Communications, service ---------- $ 1,087.55
Hitch & Hay Public Transit, budgeted funding ---------- $ 6,000.00
KU Edwards Campus, registration ---------- $ 550.00
Lynn Peavy Co., law enforcement supply ---------- $ 125.60
MASA, suppl. ins. ---------- $ 62.50
McCook Daily Gazette, publication ---------- $ 297.00
McCook Humane Society, budgeted funding ---------- $ 500.00
McCook Net, Inc., repair ---------- $ 250.00
Mid-American Benefits, admin. fees ---------- $ 108.50
Daniel D. Miller, CPA, budget preparation ---------- $ 2,900.00
Mousel, Brooks, Schneider & Mustion, ct. appt. counsel ---------- $ 285.52
NACO, registrations ---------- $ 105.00
NE Institute of Forensic Sciences, coroner fees ---------- $ 2,000.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax ---------- $ 2,671.99
New York Life, life ins. ---------- $ 75.00
Palisade Public Library, budgeted funding ---------- $ 100.00
Prairie Plans CASA, budgeted funding ---------- $ 3,000.00
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement ---------- $ 7,997.36
Rippen Oil LLC, repair ---------- $ 234.50
Scoop Media, LLC, publications ---------- $ 449.00
Trails West Texaco, supply ---------- $ 35.84
Trenton Public Library, budgeted funding ---------- $ 100.00
US Bank, postal service ---------- $ 25.80
Verizon Wireless, service ---------- $ 530.22
VSP Insurance, vision ins. ---------- $ 334.49
Ron Wertz, mileage ---------- $ 245.84
Wireless Inet, service ---------- $ 150.00

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll ---------- $ 12,052.28
AKRS Equipment, repair ---------- $ 176.62
AFLAC, suppl. ins. ---------- $ 496.90
B&H Paving, asphaltic ---------- $125,000.00
BC&BS, dental ins. ---------- $ 314.04
BC&BS, health ins. ---------- $ 4,309.44
Bosselman Energy, Inc., supply ---------- $ 48.59
Bud's Tire Repair, Inc., repair ---------- $ 778.00
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. ---------- $ 3,335.55
Dan's R Us Sanitation, service ---------- $ 20.50
Phillip Dixon, hwy. supt. contract ---------- $ 900.00
E.D. Enterprises, Inc., supply ---------- $ 295.99
Farmers Coop, fuel/repair/supply ---------- $ 14,292.61
Frenchman Valley Coop, repair ---------- $ 723.90
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 257.11
JA Automotive && Repair, LLC, repair ---------- $ 732.29
Jesse Mallett, asphlatic/gravel ---------- $ 7,688.63
Lakeside Sand & Gravel, gravel ---------- $ 590.04
League Builders Supply, Inc., repair ---------- $ 27.98
MASA, suppl. ins. ---------- $ 12.50

Mid-American Benefits, Inc., admin. fees	$	23.25
NE Dept. Rev., state tax	$	488.81
NE Machinery Co., repair	$	2,326.36
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement	$	1,571.47
Rippen Oil, LLC, fuel	$	118.75
SW Farm & Auto Supply, repair	$	130.03
Stratton Auto Parts, repair	$	146.44
VSP Insurance, vision ins.	$	83.35

E911 PSC FUND:

CenturyLink, service	$	394.86
Great Plains Comm., service	$	52.24

911 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND:

CenturyLink, service	$	124.69
Great Plains Comm., service	$	16.49

Elaine Menzel, JD, MPA, legal counsel with Nebraska Association of County Officials (NACO) offered updates on ARPA funds and various other county issues. County Attorney D. Eugene Garner and Highway Superintendent Phillip Dixon joined the meeting and participated in discussion relating to using American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds for road and bridge projects.

Highway Superintendent Dixon presented the proposed 1 & 6 year Road and Street Improvement Plan map. Discussion held on various bridge and road projects.

Member Nichols offered Resolution #21-20 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: Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols. 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:

RESOLUTION #21-20

WHEREAS, it appears from the records of the office of the Hitchcock County Treasurer that certain parcels of real estate in the County of Hitchcock, State of Nebraska, on which taxes are delinquent were not sold for want of bidders at the last annual tax sale held in such county.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHAIRMAN AND THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HITCHCOCK COUNTY, NEBRASKA;

Pursuant to NEB. REV. STAT. §77-1809 the County Treasurer shall issue Tax Sale Certificates to the County upon such parcel(s) of real estate upon which there are delinquent taxes.

This resolution rescinds any and all former resolutions of this Board concerning this matter, which may be in conflict herewith.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 20th, day of September, 2021.

Voting for the motion: McDonald, Wertz and Nichols

Voting against the motion: None
Abstaining: None
Absent: None

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
HITCHCOCK COUNTY, NEBRASKA

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Paul Nichols, Chair

ATTEST :

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Margaret M. Pollmann, Co. Clerk

Member Nichols moved to adjourn at 11:11 a.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, October 4th, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Member McDonald seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

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Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

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Trenton, Nebraska
October 4, 2021

A meeting of the County Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska was held at the Hitchcock County Courthouse Community Room, 229 East D Street, Trenton, Nebraska on Monday, the 4th day of October, 2021 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Scott McDonald and Ron Wertz, and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County 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 where 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.

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 October 4th, 2021 Agenda and approval of the September 20th, 2021meeting minutes. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to approve the following claims. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll	$10,878.86
Capital One, supply/equipment	$ 539.97
Colfer, Wood, Lyons & Wood, ct. appt. counsel	$ 2,443.44
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$ 3,218.65
Kimberly Cook, mileage/communications	$ 117.63
Dollar General, supply	$ 15.60
Domestic Abuse/Sexual Assault Services, budgeted funding	$ 3,400.00
Eakes Office Solutions, supply	$ 161.28
Nancy Frecks, mileage/communications	$ 28.40
Goodwin Siegfried, LLP, ct. appt. counsel	$ 125.00
Hometown Leasing, equipment lease	$ 100.40
JA Automotive & Repair, repair	$ 115.21
Thomas Jones, uniform reimb.	$ 30.49
MASA, suppl. ins.	$ 6.25
Scott McDonald, mileage	$ 241.92
NACO, registration	$ 35.00
NE County Court Assoc., dues	$ 5.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax	$ 393.69
Paul Nichols, mileage	$ 380.80
Region II Human Services, ¼ assessment	$ 2,801.50
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement	$ 1,581.17
Secretary of State, registration	$ 40.00

SW Public Power Dist., utility ---------- $ 41.27
US Bank, supply ---------- $ 47.73
Village of Trenton, utility ---------- $ 2,264.34
Ryan R. Wilcox, public defender contract ---------- $ 3,200.00

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll ---------- $10,284.60
Capital One, supply ---------- $ 26.96
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. ---------- $ 2,708.66
Heartland New Holland, repair ---------- $ 2,365.36

Lakeside Sand & Gravel LLC, gravel ---------- $ 9,677.25
MASA, suppl. ins. ---------- $ 6.25
NACO, registration ---------- $ 20.00
NE Dept. Rev. Motor Fuels ---------- $ 421.00
NE Dept. Transportation, bridge inspection ---------- $ 473.86
NE Dept. Rev., state tax ---------- $ 389.70
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement ---------- $ 1,460.29
Richards Gravel Pit, gravel ---------- $10,557.00
SW Public Power Dist., utility ---------- $ 34.41
Village of Stratton, utility ---------- $ 163.48
Village of Trenton, utility ---------- $ 155.00

Member McDonald moved to appoint Chris Williamson to the Hitchcock County Board of Adjustment for term expiring January 1, 2024. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, McDonald, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Member Wertz offered Resolution #21-21 and moved for its' adoption. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration the roll was called thereupon and the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols. 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:

RESOLUTION 21-21

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Board of Commissioners, Hitchcock County, Nebraska, that for the purpose of transferring money from the General Fund to the County Road Fund per the supporting schedule of transfers budgeted found in the County Budget, that the board directs the County Treasurer to transfer as needed and available a portion of the monies collected pursuant to the General levy for 2021 to the Road Fund,

and that said transfer(s) be made by the County Treasurer after collections have been calculated.

The total portion from the 2021 County General levy to be transferred to the Road Fund is .308243 not to exceed $588,769.00 for the budget year ended June 30, 2022.

The County Board believes that this is the most accurate way to keep track of Road

Fund and General Fund revenues.

Passed and approved this 4th, day of October, 2021.

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Paul Nichols, Chair

ATTEST:

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk *SEAL*

Voting for the motion: McDonald, Wertz, Nichols
Voting against the motion: None
Abstaining: None

Member Wertz moved to enter into an agreement with Lutz and Company PC to perform consulting services for Hitchcock County to assist in use of State and Local Fiscal Recover Funds (SLFRF) as part of the 2021 American Rescue Plan Act. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

County Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting.

Member Nichols moved to enter into an Agreement for Professional Services with Oak Creek Engineering for bridge replacement engineering services on the structure located on Road 722, ¼ mile east of Road 368. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, McDonald and Wertz. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to enter into an Agreement for Professional Services with Oak Creek Engineering for bridge replacement engineering services on Structure C004404515 located on Road 370, 1.15 miles south of Road 707 between Sections 14/15, T1N, R32W. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

The Board was in receipt of the Treasurer's pledged securities report for securities as of August 31, 2021.

Member Wertz moved to adjourn at 10:25 a.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, October 18th, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Member McDonald seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols. Motion carried.

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Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

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Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska
October 18, 2021

A meeting of the County Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska was held at the Hitchcock County Courthouse Community Room, 229 East D Street, Trenton, Nebraska on Monday, the 18th day of October, 2021 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Scott McDonald and Ron Wertz, and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County 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 where 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.

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 October 18th, 2021 Agenda and approval of the October 4th, 2021meeting minutes. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to approve the following claims. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll	$51,474.95
AFLAC, suppl. ins.	$ 851.52
Applied Connective Technologies, email domaine	$ 70.00
BC&BS, dental ins.	$ 1,179.82
BC&BS, health ins.	$18,469.10
Board of Adjustment 10-4-21 meeting per diem/mileage	$ 111.96
Clerk of the District Court, adv. costs	$ 36.00
Colonial Life & Accident Ins., suppl. ins.	$ 39.70
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$16,919.53
D&L Pest Control, service	$ 60.00
Daake Law Office LLC, ct. appt. counsel	$ 120.00
DAS State Accounting-Central Finance, data process.	$ 184.48
Mid-American Benefits, admin. fees	$ 108.50
Eakes Office Solutions, supply/copies	$ 490.25
Family Resource Center, budgeting funding	$ 3,500.00
Farmers Coop, fuel/repair/supply	$ 2,032.92
Goodwin Siegfried LLP, ct. appt. counsel	$ 30.00
Government Forms & Supplies, supply	$ 175.27
Hitchcock Co. Court, costs	$ 114.00
JA Automotive & Repair, repair	$ 115.21
LaQuinta Inn & Suites, lodging	$ 199.90
Lord's Inc., jail washing machine	$ 803.00

MASA, suppl. ins.	$ 56.25
Scott McDonald, mileage	$ 190.96
NE Dept. Rev., state tax	$ 2,669.16
NE Weed Control Assoc., regist.	$ 120.00
Nebraska.gov, subscription	$ 100.00
New York Life, life ins.	$ 75.00
Paradise Ammo Shack, ammunition	$ 540.00
Margaret Pollmann, mileage	$ 241.47
Prairies States Comm., repair	$ 103.75
Red Willow Dental, inmate dental	$ 2,025.00
Region II Services, ¼ assessment	$ 1,439.00
Lincoln Co. Treasurer, Emergency Mgmt. Interlocal	$ 7,219.88
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement	$ 7,969.89
Rippen Oil LLC, repair	$ 1,213.00
Scoop Media, publications	$ 745.01
Ashley K. Spahn, ct. appt. counsel	$ 2,160.80
Trails West Texaco, supply/1184 meal	$ 51.08
Laken Vrbas, blood draws	$ 375.00
VSP Insurance, vision ins.	$ 334.49
Ron Wertz, mileage	$ 277.20
West Central NE Area Agency on Aging, dues	$ 2,142.32
Wireless Inet, service	$ 150.00

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll	$11,974.45
AFLAC, suppl. ins.	$ 496.90
BC&BS, dental ins.	$ 314.04
BC&BS, health ins.	$ 4,309.44
Bosselman Energy, Inc., supply	$ 48.59
Bud's Tire Repair, repair	$ 50.00
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$ 3,303.18
Dan's R Us Sanitation, service	$ 20.50
Phillip Dixon, hwy. supt. contract	$ 900.00
Mid-American Benefits, admin. fees	$ 23.25
Farmers Coop, fuel	$ 4,352.59
Hagan Transport LLC, repair	$ 217.40
Lakeside Sand & Gravel, LLC, gravel	$ 3,294.61
League Builders Supply Inc., tools	$ 6.29
MASA, suppl. ins.	$ 6.25
NE Dept. Revenue, state tax	$ 480.48
Powerplan JD Financial, repair	$ 1,374.24
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement	$ 1,557.87
Rippen Oil, LLC, fuel/repair	$ 373.30
SW Farm & Auto Supply, repair/tools	$ 708.64
Stratton Auto Parts, repair	$ 9.14
Village of Culbertson, utility	$ 50.62
VSP Ins., vision ins.	$ 83.35

Heidi Wheeler, Assistant Director with Southwest Nebraska Public Health Department offered the agency's annual report and update.

Highway Superintendent Phillip Dixon discussed the agreement with Lutz & Company, PC relating to SLFRF funding as part of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 and possible consulting fee cost sharing with Hayes County on the same.

Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting.

The One and Six Year Street Improvement Program hearing was opened at 10:00 a.m. Chair asked for comments in favor of the One and Six Year Street Improvement Plan. There were none. Chair asked for comments opposing the One and Six Year Street Improvement Plan. There were none. Chair asked for comments from a neutral position. Chair asked if there were any further comments. There were none and the Chair declared the public hearing closed at 10:07 a.m.

Member Wertz offered Resolution #21-22 and moved for its' adoption. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration the roll was called thereupon and the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. 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:

RESOLUTION #21-22

RESOLUTION OF ADOPTION & APPROVAL OF THE ANNUAL ONE & SIX YEAR PLAN FOR HIGHWAY, ROAD & STREET IMPROVEMENTS IN HITCHCOCK COUNTY, NEBRASKA

WHEREAS, Hitchcock County annually develops a One and Six Year Plan for Highway, Road and Street Improvements in Hitchcock County, Pursuant to NEB. REV. STAT. § 39-2115 to 39-2117, and 39-2119; and **WHEREAS,** a legal Notice of Public Hearing for Hitchcock County's One and Six Year Plan for Highway, Road, and Street Improvements was published in the *Hitchcock County News* on October 7, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Notice of Public Hearing for Hitchcock County's One and Six Year Plan for Highway, Road, and Street Improvements was posted on the County's website www.hitchcockcounty.ne.gov on September 21st, 2021.

WHEREAS, a copy of said Notice of Public Hearing for Hitchcock County's One and Six Year Plan for Highway, Road, and Street Improvements was mailed for posting to the following four (4) locations: US Post Office, 402 Main Street, Trenton, Nebraska; US Post Office, 105 North Main Street, Palisade, Nebraska; US Post Office, 310 Bailey, Stratton, Nebraska; and US Post Office, 408 Wyoming, Culbertson, Nebraska on September 22nd, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Hitchcock County's One and Six Year Plan for Highway, Road, and Street Improvements has been duly published and posted and is hereby approved and adopted as submitted, without change.

Dated this 18th day of October, 2021.

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Paul Nichols Ron Wertz Scott McDonald

ATTEST:

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk SEAL

VOTING FOR THE MOTION: Wertz, McDonald and Nichols
VOTING AGAINST THE MOTION: None
ABSTAINING: None
ABSENT: None

Member Nichols moved to approve the Application To Occupy County Road Right of Way filed by McCook Public Power District for an underground utility to be located under Road 363 from the SW¼ of Section 2, Township 1, Range 33 to the NW¼ of Section 11, Township 1, Range 33. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to approve the Application To Occupy County Road Right of Way filed by McCook Public Power District for an underground utility to be located under Road 704 in the SW¼ of Section 22, Township 1, Range 32. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Member Nichols moved to approve the Application To Occupy County Road Right of Way filed by Shaun Smith for an underground water line to be located under Road 711 in the SE¼ of Section 18, Township 2, Range 31. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Member Nichols offered Resolution #21-23 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: Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols. 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:

RESOLUTION NO. 21-23

WHEREAS, the County of Hitchcock is the owner and holder of four (4) certificates of Tax Sale, to wit: County Tax Sale Certificates #COTS3118, COTS3218, COTS3318, COTS4418 on parcels of real estate, issued to the County of Hitchcock for all delinquent regular taxes thereof, and which, having been regularly advertised and offered for sale at tax sale and remaining unsold for want of bidders, was sold to the County of Hitchcock and a Certificate of Tax Sale issued thereon under provisions of *NEBRASKA REVISED STATUTES, §77-1809*; and

WHEREAS, time for redemption has elapsed since the issuance of such respective certificate of tax sale and by reason thereof the right of redemption of the owner or claimant of such respective tract has expired;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hitchcock County Attorney be, and he is hereby directed as promptly under the circumstances as it is reasonably possible to do, to institute action to foreclose

the lien on all taxes delinquent, whether regular or special, on all real estate within Hitchcock County, Nebraska, which, having been heretofore advertised and offered for sale and remaining unsold for want of bidders were sold to the County of Hitchcock, and Certificates of Tax Sale issued thereon.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 18th, day of October, 2021.
Voting for the motion: McDonald, Wertz, Nichols
Voting against the motion: None
Abstaining: None
Absent: None

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
HITCHCOCK COUNTY, NEBRASKA

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Paul Nichols, Chair

ATTEST:

_____ SEAL
Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

Sheriff Gerry Hunter presented his agency's quarterly report. Discussion held on a possible contract for enforcement of village ordinances. Agreements for Inmate Communications and Inmate Commissary Services will be placed on the November 1st, 2021 agenda.

Member Wertz moved to direct Sheriff Hunter to solicit bids/quotes pursuant to law for a new patrol vehicle. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Member Nichols moved to adjourn at 11:23 a.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, November 1st, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Member McDonald seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

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Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

Hitchcock County Board Minutes

Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska
November 1, 2021

A meeting of the County Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska was held at the Hitchcock County Courthouse Community Room, 229 East D Street, Trenton, Nebraska on Monday, the 1st day of November, 2021 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Scott McDonald and Ron Wertz, and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County 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 where 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.

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 1st, 2021 Agenda and approval of the October 18th, 2021meeting minutes. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to approve the following claims. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll	$11,151.82
Capital One, supply	$ 425.42
Comfort Inn, Kearney, lodging	$ 314.85
Comfort Inn, Omaha, lodging	$ 237.00
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$ 3,268.12
Kimberly Cook, mileage/communications	$ 86.83
Dollar General, supply	$ 41.45
Harvest Homes, repair	$ 150.00
Eakes Office Solutions, supply	$ 309.95
Nancy Frecks, mileage/communications	$ 128.08
Suhr Enterprises, supply	$ 454.12
Goodwin Siegfried LLP, ct. appt. counsel	$ 589.00
Great Plains Comm., service	$ 1,198.35
Hampton Inn, Kearney, lodging	$ 338.00
Holiday Inn, Kearney, lodging	$ 752.65
Hometown Leasing, copier lease	$ 100.40
Jacks Uniform & Equipment, uniforms	$ 485.34
Thomas Jones, meals	$ 7.12
MASA, suppl. ins.	$ 6.25
Menards Kearney, repair	$ 826.08
Mid-American Benefits, deductible funding	$ 5,000.00
Midwest Connect, supply	$ 210.00

MIPS, Inc., data process. ---------- $ 1,997.66
NE Public Health Environmental Lab, blood tests ---------- $ 105.00
NE Dept. of Rev., state tax ---------- $ 399.37
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas ---------- $ 1,605.21
Saint Louis University, coroner fees ---------- $ 441.50
Scoop Media LLC, publications ---------- $ 456.91
Robert Scott, mileage/meals ---------- $ 155.95
SW Public Power, utility ---------- $ 445.39
Ashley K. Spahn, ct. appt. counsel ---------- $ 1,997.44
US Bank, postal service ---------- $ 8.90
Verizon Wireless, service ---------- $ 264.98
Village of Trenton, utility ---------- $ 1,602.70
Joni Drain, cleaning ---------- $ 71.25

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll ---------- $ 9,852.27
Bud's Tire Service, repair ---------- $ 399.00
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. ---------- $ 2,550.25
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 256.04
Heartland New Holland, repair ---------- $ 361.58
Lakeside Sand Gravel LLC, gravel ---------- $ 4,367.44
MASA, suppl. ins. ---------- $ 6.25
Medical Enterprises Inc., DOT testing ---------- $ 35.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax ---------- $ 354.19
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement ---------- $ 1,392.00
Village of Stratton, utility ---------- $ 142.49
Village of Trenton, utility ---------- $ 150.16

REGISTER OF DEEDS P&M FUND:

MIPS, Inc., data process ---------- $ 134.02

911 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND:

Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 16.50

911 PSC FUND:

Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 52.23

Sheriff Gerry Hunter provided an agreement with Crown Correctional Telephone Inc., and Sterling Commissary, LLC Inmate Communication and Commissary Services.

County Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting.

Member Wertz moved to approve the contract with Crown Correction Telephone, Inc. for inmate communications services and authorize Sheriff Gerry Hunter to execute the same. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Member McDonald moved to approve the contract with Sterling Commissary, LLC for inmate commissary services and authorize Sheriff Gerry Hunter to execute the same. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after

consideration the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Attorney Garner advised as to opioid litigation settlements. This item will be placed on the November 15th, 2020 meeting agenda.

Board met with Weed Superintendent William Hagemann regarding his current time sheet.

Discussion held on redistricting and County Surveyor salary.

Treasurer Jackie Drain presented the monthly Pledged Security Report and the 2021 Distress Warrant Report.

The board received the Conditional Use Application filed by Paul Dwyer and referred the same to the Hitchcock County Planning Commission.

Member Wertz moved to adjourn at 12:15 p.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, November 15th, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Member McDonald seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

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Trenton, Nebraska
November 15, 2021

A meeting of the County Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska was held at the Hitchcock County Courthouse Community Room, 229 East D Street, Trenton, Nebraska on Monday, the 15th, day of November, 2021 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Scott McDonald and Ron Wertz, and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County 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 where 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.

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 15th, 2021 Agenda and approval of the November 1st, 2021meeting minutes. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Member Nichols moved to approve the following claims. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll	$51,736.17
AFLAC, suppl. ins.	$ 921.72
Applied Connective Technologies, email domain accounts	$ 70.00
BC&BS, dental ins.	$ 1,129.36
BC&BS, health ins.	$18,469.10
Bosselman Energy, Inc., propane	$ 801.52
C&K Dist., repair	$ 48.16
CAN Surety, bond	$ 425.00
Colonial Life & Accident Ins., Co., suppl. ins.	$ 39.70
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$16,970.42
Community 1st Bank, ACH fees	$ 150.00
Consolidated Management Co., meals	$ 12.68
CVSOAN, dues	$ 60.00
DAS State Accounting – Central Finance, data process.	$ 184.48
Diebold Nixdorp, Inc., maint. contract	$ 620.81
Eakes Office Solutions, supply	$ 150.24
Farmers Coop Grain & Supply, fuel/supply	$ 1,904.90
SUHR Enterprises, supply	$ 910.68
Goodwin Siegfried, LLP, ct. appt. counsel	$ 235.00
William Hagemann, mileage	$ 153.44
Hitchcock Co. Court, costs	$ 55.00
ICS, inmate provisions	$ 141.21

MASA, suppl. ins.	$ 56.25
Scott McDonald, mileage	$ 264.88
Mid American Benefits, admin. fees	$ 108.50
Mile High Shooting ACCS, LLC, training	$ 484.00
Darin Morgan, zoning administrator services	$ 3,380.84
NACVSO, dues	$ 50.00
NACO, second ½ dues	$ 1,200.42
NE Game & Parks, blood tests	$ 105.00
NE Law Enforcement Training Center, lodging	$ 75.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax	$ 2,640.81
New York Life, life ins.	$ 75.00
Paul Nichols, mileage	$ 265.44
Postage	$ 2,000.00
Prairie State Comm., Inc., repair	$ 505.31
Quadient Leasing USA, Inc., postage meter	$ 214.59
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement	$ 8,413.01
Rippen Oil LLC, repair	$ 429.50
US Bank, postal services/supply	$ 150.66
Verizon Wireless, service	$ 264.93
VSP Insurance Co., vision ins.	$ 313.49
Ron Wertz, mileage	$ 306.32
Ryan R. Wilcox, public defender contract/cont. ed. reimb.	$ 3,426.12
Wireless Inet, service	$ 150.00

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll	$12,027.87
ARKS Equipment, repair	$ 191.72
AFLAC, suppl. ins.	$ 496.90
BC&BS, dental ins.	$ 314.04
BC&BS, health ins.	$ 4,309.44
Bosselman Energy, Inc., fuel/supply	$20,239.79
C&K Distributors, repair	$ 13.57
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$ 3,339.72
Dan's R Us Sanitation, service	$ 20.50
Farmers Coop Grain Supply, supply/fuel	$16,865.12
Hagan Transport, LLC, repair	$ 151.96
Lakeside Sand & Gravel, gravel	$ 7,073.33
MASA, suppl. ins.	$ 6.25
Mid-American Benefits, admin. fees	$ 23.25
NE Dept. Rev., state tax	$ 488.62
NE Machinery Co., repair	$ 68.17
Powerplan, JD Financial, repair	$ 576.71
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement	$ 1,568.57
Richards Gravel Pit, gravel	$ 5,508.00
Rippen Oil, LLC, fuel	$ 190.91
SW Farm & Auto Supply, repair	$ 161.92
SW Public Power, utility	$ 30.67
Village of Culbertson, utility	$ 50.00
VSP Insurance Co., vision ins.	$ 83.35

911 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND:
Geo-Com, Inc., service ---------- $ 238.80

911 PSC FUND:
Geo-Com, Inc, service ---------- $ 756.20

Member Nichols moved to approve the Application To Occupy County Road Right of Way filed by McCook Public Power for an underground electric line in the S ½ of Section 24-2-24 and the N1/2 of Section 25-2-31 relating to Road 710. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Chair Nichols executed the Management Representation Letter regarding the 2020/2021 audit.

County Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting and advised as to bidding and informal quote processes.

Sheriff Gerry Hunter joined the meeting for Agenda Item #4, Sheriff Patrol Vehicle bids. One bid was received from Deveny Motors, McCook in the amount $39,941.00. No action taken at this time.

Highway Superintendent Phillip Dixon advised as to the crossing located on Road 722, ¼ mile east of Road 368 further described as Oak Creek Engineering Project #67C18.

Motion by Nichols to solicit bids for replacement of the crossing structure described as Oak Creek Engineering Project #67C18 on Road 722, ¼ mile east of Road 368 in Section 28-4-32 and pursuant to NEB. REV. STAT. §23-3111 to designate Oak Creek Engineering as designated agent for the County Board to open said sealed bids. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Attorney Garner advised as to the Opioid Litigation Settlement.

Motion by McDonald to opt in to the Opioid Litigation Settlement. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion. McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

County Attorney Garner advised as to various statutes regarding the position of County Surveyor.

Redistricting was considered and discussed.

Member McDonald moved to adjourn at 12:35 p.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, December 6th, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Member Wertz seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

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Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

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Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska
December 6, 2021

A meeting of the County Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska was held at the Hitchcock County Courthouse Community Room, 229 East D Street, Trenton, Nebraska on Monday, the 6th, day of December, 2021 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Scott McDonald and Ron Wertz, and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County 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 where 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.

Chair Nichols called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Member Wertz moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following items: Approval of the December 6th, 2021 Agenda and approval of the November 15th, 2021meeting minutes. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to approve the following claims. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll	$18,967.26
Axon Enterprises, Inc., law enforc. supply	$ 3,449.92
Capital One, supply	$ 395.36
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$ 6,454.03
Creative Product Sourcing Inc.-DARE, supply	$ 481.80
Justin M. Daake, ct. appt. counsel	$ 310.00
Lacey Daniels, mileage/regist.	$ 174.00
Dundy Co. Sheriff, service fees	$ 18.00
Eakes Office Solutions, supply	$ 6.91
Nancy Frecks, mileage/communications	$ 144.13
Garner Law Office, mileage	$ 117.04
Goodwin Siegfried, LLP, ct. appt. counsel	$ 585.00
Great Plains Comm., service	$ 1,177.29
Hitchcock Co. Court, costs	$ 38.00
Hometown Leasing, lease	$ 105.42
Homicide Investigation & Crime, registration	$ 295.00
ICS, supply	$ 69.72
MASA, suppl. ins.	$ 6.25
Menards, Kearney, supply	$ 49.75
Midwest Connect, supply	$ 54.00
MIPS, Inc., data process.	$ 1,997.66
Mousel, Brooks, Schneider & Mustion, ct. appt. counsel	$ 200.00

NACO, dues	$ 80.00
NACo, dues	$ 450.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax	$ 1,035.85
NE Sheriff's Assoc., dues	$ 100.00
Paul Nichols, mileage	$ 309.68
Prairie States Comm., repair	$ 127.50
Redfield Direct, supply	$ 365.13
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement	$ 2,886.20
Andrea Richards, mileage	$ 20.16
Secretary of State, supply	$ 20.00
SW Public Power, utility	$ 36.70
Ashley K. Spahn, ct. appt. counsel	$ 2,044.94
US Bank, repair	$ 59.88
US Bank, law enforce. supply	$ 153.91
Village of Trenton, utility	$ 1,054.10
Ryan R. Wilcox, public defender/GAL fees	$ 3,625.00
7-D Lockshop, key	$ 3.00

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll	$15,631.29
Capital One, shop supply	$ 438.88
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$ 4,376.88
Phillip Dixon, hwy. supt. contract	$ 900.00
Great Plains Comm., service	$ 418.87
Lakeside Sand & Gravel, gravel	$11,248.05
Jesse Mallett, gravel	$ 4,080.00
MASA, suppl. ins.	$ 6.25
NE Dept. Rev., state tax	$ 730.89
Powerplan JD Financial, repair	$ 8,320.43
Quality Urgent Care, DOT Testing	$ 50.00
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement	$ 2,262.59
SW Public Power, utility	$ 47.16
Village of Stratton, utility	$ 148.11
Village of Trenton, utility	$ 153.10

REGISTER OF DEEDS P&M FUND:

MIPS, Inc., data process.	$ 134.02

AMERICAN RESCUE FUND:

Lutz & Company, consulting service	$ 333.50

911 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND:

CenturyLink., service	$ 58.45
Frontier Comm., service	$ 8.21
Great Plains Comm., service	$ 16.50

911 PSC FUND:

CenturyLink, service	$ 185.08
Frontier Comm., service	$ 25.98

Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 52.23

Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting.

Josi Gatti Schafer, PhD, with the Center for Public Affairs Research UNO met with the Board via phone conference. Discussion was held on redistricting using 2020 Deci centennial population figures. Dr. Shafer advised that redistricting is based on population as per statute and not land area and Attorney Garner concurred.

Member Wertz moved to reapportion Hitchcock County as required by NEB. REV. STAT. §32-553 et seq. and establish the following commissioner district lines by township: **District #1** Pleasant Hill, Blackwood, Culbertson and the East Half of Riverside; **District #2** Beverly, Ridnour, Trenton, Grant, Logan, Upper Driftwood, Cornell, Driftwood and the West Half of Riverside; **District #3** Eden, Palisade, Webster, Starkey, Stratton, Pleasant View, Union and Freedom. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion. McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Emergency Manger Brandon Myers presented Region 51 Emergency Managements quarterly report. Also present was Deputy Emergency Manager Kyle Clapp.

Sheriff Gerry Hunter advised as to patrol vehicle bids/quotes and jail renovation progress.

Member McDonald moved to accept the quote of Deveny Motors for a 2022 Ram 1500 SSV patrol vehicle for the quote price of $39,941. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, McDonald, and Wertz. Motion carried.

Bill Hagemann advised as to a recent sign training seminar. Discussion held on the County's signage program.

Member Nichols moved to designate Andrea Richards as opioid litigation settlement registration signee. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to contribute the County's direct share of the opioid litigation settlement to Region II Human Services. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Board acknowledged receipt of a surplus property affidavit filed by the County Clerk consisting of a Dell Precision T3400 Computer and components and an IBM Wheel Writer typewriter.

Assessor Terra Riggs advised as to the new Conservation Easement Application Form. Extensive discussion held on conservation/preservation easements and the effect of NEB. REV. STAT. §77-2112.

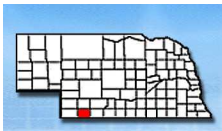
Member Nichols moved to adjourn at 1:10 p.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, December 20th, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Member Wertz seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

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Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Hitchcock County Board Minutes



Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

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Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska
December 20, 2021

A meeting of the County Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska was held at the Hitchcock County Courthouse Community Room, 229 East D Street, Trenton, Nebraska on Monday, the 20th, day of December, 2021 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Paul Nichols, Commissioners Scott McDonald and Ron Wertz, and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County 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 where 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.

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 December 20th, 2021 Agenda and approval of the December 6th, 2021meeting minutes. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to approve the following claims. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll	$51,361.74
AFLAC, suppl. ins.	$ 921.72
Applied Connective Technologies, email domain/accts.	$ 70.00
BC & BS, dental ins.	$ 1,129.36
BC & BS, health ins.	$18,469.10
Bosselman Energy, Inc., propane	$ 1,338.47
CDC Assoc., dues	$ 50.00
Colfer, Wood, Lyons, & Wood, ct. appt. counsel	$ 1,772.36
Colonial Life & Accident Ins. Co., suppl. ins.	$ 39.70
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed.	$16,844.64
Kimberly Cook, communications/mileage	$ 132.56
Culbertson Public Library, budgeted funds	$ 100.00
Justin M. Daake, ct. appt. counsel	$ 410.00
DAS State Accounting, data process.	$ 184.48
Dan Dotson, service	$ 156.00
Jaclyn Drain, mileage/lodging reimb.	$ 334.56
Eakes Office Solutions, supply	$ 128.59
Eisenhart Law, ct. appt. counsel	$ 909.60
Farmers Coop Grain & Supply, fuel	$ 1,650.38
Suhr Enterprises, supply	$ 466.04
Goodwin Siegfried LLP, ct. appt. counsel	$ 780.90
Government Forms & Supply, supply	$ 562.39

Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 1,127.77
William R. Hagemann, mileage ---------- $ 153.44
Hampton Inn, lodging ---------- $ 574.75
Gerry Hunter, reimb. uniform ---------- $ 75.00
Thomas W. Jones, meals/mileage ---------- $ 161.12
K-C Motor & Electric, repair ---------- $ 225.72
Planning Commission per diem/mileage ---------- $ 139.96
MASA,, suppl. ins. ---------- $ 56.25
Scott McDonald, mileage ---------- $ 242.48
Mead Lumber, repair ---------- $ 227.40
Menards, Kearney, repair ---------- $ 368.04
Mid American Benefits, admin. fees ---------- $ 108.50
MIPS, Inc., data process. ---------- $ 2,033.66
Mousel, Brooks, Schneider & Mustion ---------- $ 703.04
NE Game & Parks, blood/alcohol lab tests ---------- $ 105.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax ---------- $ 2,610.68
New York Life, life ins. ---------- $ 75.00
Margaret Pollmann, mileage ---------- $ 136.08
Region II Human Services, ¼ assessment ---------- $ 2,801.50
Retirement Plans Division, Amertias, retirement ---------- $ 8,335.91
Terra Riggs, mileage ---------- $ 140.00
Rippen Oil, LLC, repair ---------- $ 300.00
Scoop Media LLC, publications ---------- $ 602.00
Robert Scott, mileage ---------- $ 145.00
SW Public Power, utility ---------- $ 73.04
Ashley K Spahn, ct. appt. counsel ---------- $ 360.00
Total Turf Co., Inc., winterizing sprinkler system ---------- $ 90.00
US Bank, AVG renewal ---------- $ 65.29
VSP Ins., vision ins. ---------- $ 313.49
Ron Wertz, mileage ---------- $ 149.52
Wireless Inet, service ---------- $ 150.00

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll ---------- $13,447.03
AFLAC, suppl. ins. ---------- $ 496.90
BC&BS, dental ins. ---------- $ 314.04
BC&BS, health ins. ---------- $ 4,309.44
Bosselman Energy, Inc., fuel ---------- $ 323.08
Bud's Tire Repair, Inc., repair ---------- $ 55.00
C&K Dist., repair ---------- $ 42.93
Community 1st Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. ---------- $ 3,558.97
Dan's R Us Sanitation, service ---------- $ 20.50
Deveny Motors LLC, tools ---------- $ 949.98
Philip Dixon, reimb. regist./hwy. supt. contract ---------- $ 975.00
EIA, LLC, gravel ---------- $ 1,570.50
Farmers Coop Grain & Supply, repair/fuel ---------- $10,228.87
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 351.82
Lakeside Sand & Gravel, gravel ---------- $ 4,594.48
League Builders Supply, supply ---------- $ 5.98

MASA, suppl. ins. ---------- $ 6.25
Medical Enterprises, Inc., DOT drug testing ---------- $ 35.00
Mid American Benefits, admin. fees ---------- $ 23.25
NE Dept. Rev., state tax ---------- $ 517.18
NE Machinery Co., blades ---------- $ 5,402.40
Quality Urgent Care, DOT testing ---------- $ 50.00
Retirement Plans Division, Ameritas, retirement ---------- $ 1,685.79
Richards Gravel Pit, gravel ---------- $ 4,360.50
Rippen Oil LLC, fuel ---------- $ 215.15
SW Farm & Auto Supply, supply ---------- $ 91.87
Stratton Auto Parts, repair ---------- $ 33.18
Titan Machinery, repair ---------- $ 6,567.74
Village of Culbertson, utility ---------- $ 50.00
VSP Insurance, vision ins. ---------- $ 83.35
Heartland New Holland, repair ---------- $ 1,857.20

REGISTER OF DEEDS P&M FUND:
MIPS, Inc., data process. ---------- $ 134.02

911 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND:
CenturyLink., service ---------- $ 121.85
Frontier Comm., service ---------- $ 16.41
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 16.50

911 PSC FUND:
CenturyLink, service ---------- $ 385.84
Frontier Comm., service ---------- $ 51.97
Great Plains Comm., service ---------- $ 52.23

Bill Hagemann met with the Board regarding information received at the annual NACO conference pertaining to the noxious weed program.

County Attorney D. Eugene Garner joined the meeting.

Highway Superintendent Phillip Dixon, Dave Wilke with Wilke Contracting Corp., and Dayton Maul with Oak Creek Engineering. Bids on the crossing structure in 28-4-32 were opened as published. One bid was received from Wilke Contracting Corp. in the amount of $210,585.65. Discussion held.

Member Nichols moved to accept and approve the bid of Wilke Contracting Corp. in the amount of $210,585.65 for replacement of the crossing structure located in Section 28, Township 4 North, Range 32 West of the 6th P.M. in Hitchcock County, Nebraska. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion. McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Member Wertz offered Resolution #21-24 and moved for its' adoption. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration the roll was called thereupon and the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. 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:

RESOLUTION

SIGNING OF THE
COUNTY ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF PROGRAM COMPLIANCE FORM 2020

Resolution No. 21-24

Whereas: State of Nebraska Statutes, sections 39-2302, and 39-2501 through 39-2505 detail the requirements that must be met in order for a county to qualify for annual Incentive Payment; and

Whereas: The State of Nebraska Department of Transpiration (NDOT) requires that each county must annually certify (by December 31st of each year) the appointment of the County Highway Superintendent(s) to the NDOT using the Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent form; and

Whereas: The NDOT requires that such certification shall also include a copy of the documentation of the county highway superintendent's appointment, i.e., meeting minutes showing the appointment of the County Highway Superintendent by their name as it appears on their License (if applicable), the License Number (if applicable) and Class of License (if applicable), the type of appointment, i.e., employed or under contract (consultant, or interlocal agreement with another county and/or incorporated municipality), and the beginning date of the appointment; and

Whereas: The NDOT also requires that such Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent form shall be signed by the County Board Chairperson and shall include a copy of a resolution of the County Board authorizing the signing of the Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent form by the County Board Chairperson.

Be it resolved that the County Board Chairperson of Hitchcock County is hereby authorized to sign the attached Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent form(s).

Be it resolved that the County Board Chairperson of Hitchcock County is hereby authorized to sign the attached County Annual Certification of Program Compliance form.

Adopted this 20th day of December, 2021 at Trenton, Nebraska.

County Board Members

Paul Nichols	Ron Wertz	Scott McDonald

County Board Member Wertz moved the adoption of said resolution. Member Nichols seconded the motion. Roll Call: 3 Yes – 0 No – 0 Abstained – 0 Absent. Resolution adopted, signed and billed as adopted.

ATTEST:

Margaret M. Pollmann, Hitchcock Co. Clerk

Board acknowledged receipt of the recommendation of the Hitchcock County Planning Commission on the Application for Conditional Use submitted by Diamond J Enterprises, LLC, Paul Dwyer, Member for the expansion of Castaway Parkway Subdivision located in the S½ of Section 32, Township 3 North, Range 33 West of the 6th P.M., Hitchcock County, Nebraska.

Chair Nichols opened the public hearing at 11:00 a.m. this date as published for the conditional use filed by Diamond J Enterprises, LLC, Paul Dwyer, Member. The following Exhibits were received: Exhibit "A" - Hitchcock County Clerk's *Certificate of Service* dated November 24th, 2021 relating to Notice of Public Hearing mailed to applicant Paul Dwyer; Exhibit "B" Hitchcock County Clerk's *Certificate of Service* dated November 24th, 2021 relating to Notice of Public Hearing mailed to adjacent land owners and interested persons, Exhibit "C" Zoning Administrator Darin Morgan's *Memorandum* dated November 23, 2021; Exhibit "D" Warranty Deed recorded at Book 76 Page 133; and Exhibit "E" *Recommendation of the Hitchcock County Planning Commission*. Chair asked for those in favor of granting the conditional use as requested in the application. There were none. Chair asked for those in opposition of granting the conditional use. There were none. Chair asked for those representing a neutral position. There were none.

Chair closed the public hearing at 11:10 a.m.

The Board finds that this conditional use is consistent with Hitchcock County's Comprehensive Plan, is permitted as a conditional use in the AG-G General Agricultural District pursuant to Section 501.06 (9) and (10).

Member Nichols offered Resolution #21-25 and moved for its' adoption. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the roll was called thereupon and the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, McDonald, 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:

RESOLUTION #21-25

WHEREAS, the Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners having held a public meeting on December 20, 2021, for the purpose of reviewing the Application for Conditional Use submitted by Diamond J Enterprises, LLC, Paul Dwyer, Member to expand Castaway Parkway Subdivision located in the S½ of Section 32, Township 3 North, Range 33 West of the 6th P.M., Hitchcock County, Nebraska, and after review and research of said application, to act to approve or disapprove the same; and

WHEREAS, the Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners having held a public hearing on December 20, 2021, for the purpose of hearing said application and for hearing comments thereon from the public in attendance and to receive information and documents, in relation thereto; and

WHEREAS, the Notice of said Public Hearing was published in the *Hitchcock County News* on December 2nd, 2021; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the notice of said Public Hearing was duly mailed on November 24, 2021 by U.S. Mail, proper first class postage prepaid, to all adjacent landowners as evidenced by the Certificate of Service on file in the office of the Hitchcock County Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners have received the recommendation of the Hitchcock County Planning Commission recommending approval of said application; and

WHEREAS the Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners, having found that the requested conditional use of said land is consistent with the Hitchcock County Comprehensive Plan and is permitted as a conditional use in the AG-G General Agricultural District pursuant to Section 501.06 (9) and (10) on the following conditions to wit:

CONDITION(S):

1. Refer to Memorandum dated November 23, 2021, submitted by Darin Morgan, Hitchcock County Zoning Administrator, attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and incorporated herein by this reference.
2. Recording of final survey play for Castaway Parkway Subdivision Filing #2

EXCEPTION(S): None

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Conditional Use Application of Diamond J Enterprises, LLC, Paul Dwyer, Member, to expand Castaway Parkway Subdivision located in the S½ of Section 32, Township 3 North, Range 33 West of the 6th P.M., Hitchcock County, Nebraska, on the conditions and exceptions, if any, set forth hereinbefore be approved.

PASSED AND APPROVE THIS 20th day of December, 2021

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Paul Nichols, Chair

ATTEST:

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Margaret M. Pollmann, Hitchcock Co. Clerk

VOTING FOR THE MOTION: Wertz, Nichols and McDonald
VOTING AGAINST THE MOTION: None
ABSTAINING: None
ABSENT: None

Board acknowledged receipt of the final, 2021 Hitchcock County redistricting map from the UNO, Center for Public Affairs Research.

Member Nichols moved to direct Chair Nichols to execute the 2022 Election Certification for County offices. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Attorney Garner presented the Memorandum of Understanding for Community Based Juvenile Services and Programs.

Member Nichols moved to direct Chair to execute the Memorandum of Understanding for Community Based Juvenile Services. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Member Wertz offered Resolution #21-26 and moved for its' adoption. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the roll was called thereupon and the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols, McDonald, 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:

RESOLUTION 21-26

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners must set salaries for certain County Officers for the new term beginning January 5th, 2023 and ending January 7th, 2027 in accordance with *NEB. REV. STAT.* §23-1114.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HITCHCOCK COUNTY, NEBRASKA:

That the following salaries should be and hereby are affixed for the following County Officials of Hitchcock County, Nebraska for the term beginning January 5th, 2023 and ending January 7th, 2027:

County Assessor……	$57,000.00
County Attorney ……	$57,000.00
County Clerk ……..	$57,000.00
County Commissioner ……..	$25,000.00
County Sheriff ……..	$68,000.00
County Treasurer ……..	$57,000.00

The annual salary for the listed offices have been established for the calendar year 2023, plus an increase during the term of office (2024, 2025, 2026) of two and one half percent (2½%) annually. Said salaries shall be full compensation in consideration of performance of all statutory duties relating to said office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in addition to the above stated salary the elected official shall be eligible to participate in the County's health and medical plan as offered to all county employees, as may be amended from time to time.

Passed and approved this 20th day of December, 2021.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
HITCHCOCK COUNTY, NEBRASKA

ATTEST

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Chair

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Margaret M. Pollmann, Hitchcock Co. Clerk

SEAL

Voting for the motion: McDonald, Wertz and Nichols
Voting against the motion: None
Abstaining: None
Absent: None

Member Nichols moved to adjourn at 11:57 a.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, January 3rd, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. Member McDonald seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

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Paul Nichols, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk