

Hitchcock County Board Minutes



Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska
September 15, 2014

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 September, 2014 commencing at 9:00 o’clock a.m. Present were Chair Scott McDonald, 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 were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. The Meetings Act was available for review and Chair indicated the location of such copy in the room where the meeting was being held.

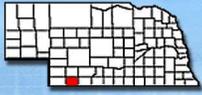
Chair McDonald called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy in the room where the meeting was being held.

Member Nichols moved to approve the consent calendar consisting of the following items: 1. Approval of September 15th, 2014 agenda; 2. Approval of the September 2nd, 2014 meeting minutes. McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: McDonald, Nichols and Wertz. 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 -----	\$40,050.68
AFLAC, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 967.28
Ameritas Life Insurance Corp., vision ins. -----	\$ 202.88
BC & BS, dental ins. -----	\$ 1,039.26
BC & BS, health ins. -----	\$21,075.35
C&K Dist., repair -----	\$ 43.67
Capital Business Systems, quarterly copy chg. -----	\$ 96.41
Hitchcock Co. Dist. Ct., atty. Fee foreclosure/GAL fees -----	\$ 150.00
Colonial Life & Accident, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 495.33
D&S Hardware, repair -----	\$ 4.95
Eakes Office Products, supply -----	\$ 96.94
Eisenhart & Farquhar, ct. appt. atty. fees -----	\$ 1,765.04
Farmers Coop, propane/fuel -----	\$ 2,550.89
Farmers State Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$12,502.88
Hitchcock Co. Court, costs -----	\$ 119.00
Holiday Inn Kearney, lodging -----	\$ 479.70
LaRue Dist., supply -----	\$ 318.08
Madison National Life, life ins. -----	\$ 98.00
Cynthia McCorkle, mileage -----	\$ 145.60
Scott McDonald, same -----	\$ 245.28



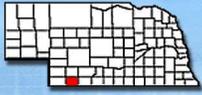
Hitchcock County Board Minutes



Mid-American Benefits, deductible funding/admin. fee -----	\$ 2,150.00
Midwest Mailing, ACH fee -----	\$ 50.00
Midwest Special Services, prisoner transport -----	\$ 279.45
MIPS, Inc., data process. -----	\$ 1,054.88
NE Law Enforcement Training Center, registration -----	\$ 50.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax -----	\$ 1,470.83
Nebraska.gov, transcripts -----	\$ 16.00
New York Life, life ins. -----	\$ 75.00
NSA&POAM Conference Fund, registration -----	\$ 120.00
Postmaster, postage -----	\$ 1,000.00
Red Willow Co. Sheriff, service fee -----	\$ 31.67
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 6,584.86
Schamel's Auto Supply, supply -----	\$ 16.98
Schmick's Market, same -----	\$ 917.71
Dawn M. Siegfried, deposition -----	\$ 262.00
Donna Stetler, clerical -----	\$ 60.00
T&J Repair, repair -----	\$ 3.50
Trails West, supply/fuel -----	\$ 318.59
U-Save Pharmacy, inmate script -----	\$ 99.11
US Bank, meals -----	\$ 75.34
Village of Trenton, utility -----	\$ 2,888.11
Ryan Wilcox, public defender -----	\$ 2,000.00
Wireless Inet, service -----	\$ 84.45

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll -----	\$ 7,444.34
AFLAC, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 511.93
Ameritas Life Ins., vision ins. -----	\$ 41.76
BC & BS, dental ins. -----	\$ 217.01
BC & BS, health ins. -----	\$ 6,274.45
Brad's Sand & Gravel, gravel -----	\$ 4,278.23
C&K Dist., repair/supply -----	\$ 75.55
Carquest, repair -----	\$ 100.90
Colonial Life & Accident, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 36.32
Cross Dillon Tire Lincoln, tires -----	\$ 1,202.00
Phillip Dixon, hwy. supt. -----	\$ 725.00
Don Hagan & Sons, Inc., repair -----	\$ 79.10
Farmers Coop, propane/fuel -----	\$12,953.22
Farmers State Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$ 2,060.05
JA Automotive, repair -----	\$ 23.97
Jim Hawk Truck Trailers, Inc., repair -----	\$ 265.52
League Builders Supply, same -----	\$ 118.00
Madison National Life, life ins. -----	\$ 24.50
Mentzer Oil Co., fuel -----	\$ 8,397.90
Mid American Benefits, admin. fee -----	\$ 37.50
NE Dept. Rev., state tax -----	\$ 200.19
NE Machinery Co., repair/blades -----	\$ 3,661.61
Plains Equipment Group, repair -----	\$ 624.25
Powerplan John Deere Financial, same -----	\$ 511.68



Hitchcock County Board Minutes



R&W Repair, LLC, repair/fuel -----	\$ 753.16
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 1,131.92
Richards Gravel Pit, gravel -----	\$ 7,267.50
Schamel's Auto Supply, repair/supply -----	\$ 45.57
SW Fertilizer, chemical supply -----	\$11,113.39
SW Public Power, utility -----	\$ 26.00
Stratton Auto Parts, repair/supply -----	\$ 93.64
Titan Machinery, repair -----	\$ 174.18
Village of Culbertson, utility -----	\$ 32.27
Village of Trenton, same -----	\$ 113.85
D&S Hardware, repair -----	\$ 65.06

Member Nichols moved to approve the claim of Scott's Sinclair in the amount of \$540.20 for fuel in the Road Fund. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of the motion; Wertz and Nichols. Member McDonald, Abstained. Motion carried.

Chair McDonald executed the Inland Insurance Company General Status Inquiry Contract Bonds for Phase #1 of the parking lot and sidewalk replacement project.

Member McDonald moved to approve the Application for Addition to Liquor License #IB-093333 of R2R Group, LLC, doing business as Good Life Marina with a current premises description of : one story irregular shaped building approximately 53' x74' including an irregular shaped deck area approximately 40'x34' to new description: one story irregular shaped building approximately 53'x62' including irregular outdoor area approximately 100'x62' and deck area approximately 40'x34' as said application appears to be in order. The motion was seconded by Wertz and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: McDonald, Wertz and Nichols. Motion carried.

Member Wertz offered Resolution #14-23 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 14-23

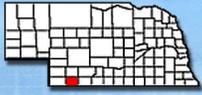
SIGNING OF NEPA SERVICE AGREEMENT – BK1446

Whereas: Hitchcock County is developing a transportation project for which it intends to obtain Federal funds;

Whereas: Hitchcock County as a sub-recipient of Federal-Aid funding is charged with the responsibility of expending said funds in accordance with Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, policies and guidelines applicable to the funding of the Federal-aid project;

Whereas: Hitchcock County and Olsson Associates Inc., wish to enter into a Professional Services Agreement to provide NEPA services for the Federal-aid project.

Be It Resolved: by the Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County that: Scott McDonald, Chair, of the Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized to sign the attached NEPA services agreement between Hitchcock County, Nebraska and Olsson Associates, Inc.



Hitchcock County Board Minutes



NDOR Project Number: BRO-7044(27)
NDOR Control Number: 70811
NDOR Project Name: Trenton Southeast

Adopted this 15th day of September, 2014 at Trenton, Nebraska.

Paul Nichols

Ron Wertz

Scott McDonald

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, County Clerk

Member Wertz moved to direct chair to execute NEPA Services Agreement by and between Hitchcock County and Olsson Associates on Project BRO-7044(27) Trenton, SE. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the following member voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Member Wertz offered Resolution #14-24 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, 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 14-24

SIGNING OF NEPA SERVICE AGREEMENT – BK1445

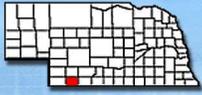
Whereas: Hitchcock County is developing a transportation project for which it intends to obtain Federal funds;

Whereas: Hitchcock County as a sub-recipient of Federal-Aid funding is charged with the responsibility of expending said funds in accordance with Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, policies and guidelines applicable to the funding of the Federal-aid project;

Whereas: Hitchcock County and Olsson Associates Inc., wish to enter into a Professional Services Agreement to provide NEPA services for the Federal-aid project.

Be It Resolved: by the Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County that: Scott McDonald, Chair, of the Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized to sign the attached NEPA services agreement between Hitchcock County, Nebraska and Olsson Associates, Inc.

NDOR Project Number: BRO-7044(29)
NDOR Control Number: 70862



Hitchcock County Board Minutes



NDOR Project Name: Palisade Southeast

Adopted this 15th day of September, 2014 at Trenton, Nebraska.

Paul Nichols

Ron Wertz

Scott McDonald

Board Member Wertz moved the adoption of said resolution.

Member McDonald seconded the motion.

Roll Call: 3 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstained; 0 Absent:

Resolution adopted, signed and billed as adopted

ATTEST:

Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

Member Nichols moved to direct chair to execute NEPA Services Agreement by and between Hitchcock County and Olsson Associates on Project BRO-7044(29) Palisade, SE. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the following member voted in favor of said motion: McDonald, Nichols and Wertz. Motion carried.

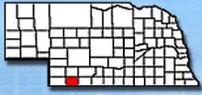
Informal propane quotes received from Farmers Cooperative Grain and Supply Company and Southwest Fertilizer, Inc. were opened at 10:00 a.m., reviewed and discussed. Tommy Lewis with Southwest Fertilizer was present.

Motion by McDonald to accept the quote of Southwest Fertilizer, Inc. of \$1.60 per gallon, pay as you go contract running from 10-1-14 to 4-1-15. The motion was seconded by Nichols and after consideration the following member voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Highway Superintendent Phil Dixon presented the Annual Report for Nebraska Department of Roads Board of Classifications and Standards for 2014. The board reviewed said statement and discussion was held on the same.

Member Wertz moved to direct Chair to execute the Hitchcock County Annual Report for Nebraska Department of Roads Board of Classifications and Standards, 2014. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols. Motion carried.

Chair McDonald opened the public hearing on the 2014/2015 Hitchcock County budget at 11:00 a.m. as published. Patron/Candidate Marlene Bedore was present. Budget preparer Daniel D. Miller as present and offered a brief synopsis of the 2014/2015 budget document. Chair asked for those in opposition of the proposed budget. There were none. Mrs. Bedore advised she wasn't speaking in opposition of the budget but rather had questions regarding the Assessor's proposed budget specifically two line items, \$40,000.00 under data processing costs and \$21,000 under appraiser's fees and reappraisal staff. Board advised as to what these two line items consisted of. Further Mrs. Bedore inquired as to the re-assumption of the Assessor's office from the State of Nebraska Department of Revenue and Chair McDonald advised the county had no further budgeting obligation to this agency. Chair asked for those in a neutral position. There were none. Chair asked for those



Hitchcock County Board Minutes



in favor of the proposed budget. No comments were offered. Chair asked for any further questions. There were none. Chair closed the public hearing at 11:09 a.m. this date.

Member Wertz offered Resolution #14-21 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 #14-21

Hitchcock County

Resolution of Adoption and Appropriations

WHEREAS, a proposed County Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2014, to June 30, 2015, prepared by the Budget Making Authority, was transmitted to the County Board on the 15th day of September, 2014.

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, 2014, to June 30, 2015, 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, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015.

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 APPROVED on this 15th day of September 2014.

VOTING FOR THE MOTION: McDonald, Nichols and Wertz

VOTING AGAINST THE MOTION: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

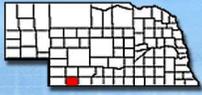
The Resolution is hereby adopted.

Scott McDonald, Chairman

ATTEST:

Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

SEAL



Hitchcock County Board Minutes



Member McDonald offered Resolution #14-22 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 #14-22

WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute §77-1601.02 provides that the property tax request for the prior year shall be the property tax request for the current year for purposes of the levy set by the County Board of Equalization unless the Governing Body of the County of Hitchcock passes by a majority vote a resolution or ordinance setting the tax request at a different amount; and;

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

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the County of Hitchcock that the property tax request for the current year be a different amount than the property tax request for the prior year.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Governing Body of the County of Hitchcock, by a majority vote, resolves that:

1. The 2014-2015 property tax request be set at \$2,093,378.00
2. A copy of this resolution be certified and forwarded to the County Clerk prior to October 15, 2014.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 15th, day of September, 2014.

VOTING FOR THE MOTION: McDonald, Wertz, Nichols

VOTING AGAINST THE MOTION: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

The Resolution is hereby adopted.

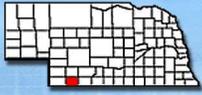
Scott McDonald, Chair

ATTEST:

Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

SEAL

Member Nichols moved to increase the restricted funds authority by an additional 1% for the 2014/215 budget. 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. Motion carried.



Hitchcock County Board Minutes



The Treasurer was in receipt of \$25.00 from West Central District for registration refund, credited to the General Fund; \$3,948.52 from Great Plains Comm. for 911 surcharges, credited to the 911 Emergency Services Fund.

Member Wertz moved to adjourn and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, October 6, 2014 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, Wertz and McDonald. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Scott McDonald, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk