



# Hayes County Board Minutes



Hayes County Commissioners  
Regular Meeting  
September 13, 2016

A Regular meeting of the Hayes County Board of Commissioners was scheduled for September 13, 2016 at 9:00 A.M. in the Courthouse in Hayes Center, Nebraska. Advanced notice of the meeting, time and place was given by publication and posted in accordance with law. Those present were Mark Clifford, Wayne Christner, Barry Richards, Rita Erickson, Susan Messersmith, Tom Dow, Joe Miller, D. Eugene Garner, Phil Dixon, Craig Softley and Leon Kolbet. Visitors present were Gilbert Gigax, Clayton Loomis, Forrest Matti, Dan Hughes, Lance Hastings, and Chad Taylor.

Chairman Clifford opened the meeting at 9:05 A.M. Roll call: Christner, present; Clifford, present; Richards, present.

In accordance with Section 84-1412 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, Clifford announced that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is available for review and is posted on the wall of the Commissioner Room.

Motion by Richards, second by Christner to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: Clifford, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Chairman Clifford requested comments from the audience. There were none.

Gilbert Gigax and Clayton Loomis addressed the Board regarding financial support for Hitch and Hay Transit. The Commissioners confirmed their support for Hitch & Hay Transit but are working through questions with the funding formula prior to contributing.

Chairman Clifford recessed the Regular meeting at 9:20 A.M. for the Budget Hearing and reconvened the regular meeting at 9:30 A.M.

Motion by Clifford, second by Richards to adopt Resolution 2016-10 as follows:

## RESOLUTION OF ADOPTION AND APPROPRIATIONS

WHEREAS, a proposed County Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017, prepared by the Budget Making Authority, was transmitted to the County Board on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of COMMISSIONERS of HAYES County, Nebraska as follows:

SECTION 1. That the budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017, as categorically evidenced by the Budget Document be, and the same hereby is, adopted as the Budget for HAYES 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, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017.

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.

Dated and passed this 13<sup>TH</sup> day of September, 2016.

Roll call vote: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Clifford, yes. Motion carried.

Chairman Clifford recessed the Regular meeting at 9:30 A.M. for the Final Tax Request Hearing and reconvened the regular meeting at 9:35 A.M.



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Motion by Clifford, second by Christner to set the final tax request at \$922,569.00 which is a different amount than the prior year tax request of \$1,065,511.00. Roll call vote: Christner, yes; Clifford, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried

Motion by Richards, second by Clifford to approve the additional 1% increase in the restricted fund authority. Roll call vote: Clifford, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes.

Forrest Matti joined the meeting to request the Board give consideration to updating the 911 call center equipment giving it the capability to record incoming calls. Hitchcock County currently dispatches for Hayes County. Updating equipment would be cost prohibitive.

Phil Dixon, Hayes County Highway Superintendent joined the meeting to discuss the Horizontal Curved Signage project. Chevron signs have arrived, but they are still waiting on the posts. Deadline to install the signs is December 31, 2016. The county will ask for an extension as all needed supplies have not been delivered. Other items of discussion were the Spickelmier Dam, roads & street financial report. Access to Game & Parks Wildlife Management Area was discussed. Senator Dan Hughes joined the conversation regarding the cost of a bridge over the Frenchman and offered to assist working through government regulations that exist when multiple government agencies are involved.

Other topics of discussion with Senator Hughes were possible changes to future locations of the driver's license examiners, health insurance, inheritance tax, and suggested requirements of those receiving government assistance.

Craig Softley, Hayes County Economic Development Coordinator, updated the Board on activities and communications he is pursuing for economic growth in Hayes County.

Char Hamilton, Hayes County Emergency Manager, met with the Board and provided information relating to the updated LEOP (Local Emergency Operations Plan) for Hayes County.

Motion by Clifford, second by Christner to adopt Resolution 2016-11, adoption of the updated Local Emergency Operations Plan. Roll call vote: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Clifford, yes. Motion carried.

Chairman Clifford recessed the Regular meeting at 12:25 P.M. for lunch, and reconvened the meeting at 12:55 P.M.

Lance Hastings and Chad Taylor, with the Nebraska Game & Parks Commission, made an official request to the County to place a bridge over the Frenchman River in section 31-T5N-R33W. No decisions were made regarding the request. A meeting will be held with all parties involved prior to any decision.

Leon Kolbet, Zoning Administrator, visited with the Board regarding the newly developed livestock matrix. Nebraska Department of Agriculture, in consultation with an appointed committee, has approved a matrix designed to assist local officials in evaluating livestock siting applications. The matrix is posted on NDA's website and is voluntary.

Motion by Richards, second by Christner to approve and pay claims, excluding claims 1609055 and 1609071, in the amount of \$52,559.17. Roll call vote: Christner, yes; Clifford, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Richards, second by Christner to approve and pay claim 1609055 in the amount of \$299.70. Roll call vote: Clifford, abstain; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Christner, second by Clifford to approve and pay claim 1609071, in the amount of \$9,639.00. Roll call vote: Richards, abstain; Christner, yes; Clifford, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Richards, second by Christner to approve the Treasurer's report. Roll call vote: Christner, yes; Clifford, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.



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Motion by Richards, second by Clifford to approve payroll in the amount of \$74,031.45. Roll call vote: Clifford, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Richards, second by Christner to direct Chairman to sign the Federal Funds Purchase Program Annual Certification Form for the period of July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016. Roll call vote: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Clifford, yes. Motion carried.

Motion Christner, second by Richards to approve the consent agenda consisting of the financial reports of the Clerk, Clerk of the District Court and Imprest Account and the minutes of the August 9, 2016 meeting with the a correction to the following published motion: *Motion by Christner, second by Clifford to approve claim 1608044 in the amount of \$82.03. Roll call vote: Christner, abstain; Clifford, yes; Richards, yes.* The motion should have read: *Motion by Clifford, second by Richards to approve claim 1608044 in the amount of \$82.03.* Roll call vote: Christner, yes; Clifford, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Richards, second by Christner to direct Chairman to sign the sub grant agreement for child support enforcement services between Hayes County and the Department of Health and Human Services and the Audit Requirement Certification covering October 1, 2016 until September 30, 2017. Roll call vote: Clifford, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Chairman Clifford adjourned the meeting at 4:42 P.M.

The next Regular Meeting is October 11, 2016 at 8:30 A.M.

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Hayes County Clerk

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Board Chairman