Hayes County Commissioners March 14, 2023

A regular meeting of the Hayes County Board of Commissioners was scheduled for March 14, 2023 at 8:30 A.M. in the Courthouse in Hayes Center, Nebraska. Advanced notice of the meeting, time and place was given to each Commissioner, was published in the *Times Republican* on March 9, 2023, and posted in accordance with law. Chairman Unger called the meeting to order at 8:36 A.M. The Open Meetings Act was available for review and Chair indicated location of such copy in the room where the meeting was being held. Those present were Wayne Christner, Barry Richards, Jeffrey Unger, D. Eugene Garner, Susan Messersmith, Tammy Schwenk, and Phil Dixon. Visitors were Tony Primavera, Hannah Marquart, John Erickson, John Webster and Jeremy Cole.

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

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

Tony Primavera visited with Board regarding bus routes. Hannah Marquart and John Erickson visited with Board regarding road concerns.

Phil Dixon, Highway Superintendent, joined the meeting. Bridge projects and road classifications were discussed.

Richards moved, second by Christner to approve the consent agenda consisting of the financial reports of the Clerk, Clerk of District Court, Imprest Account and the minutes of the February 14 and 28, 2023, meetings. Roll call: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

Richards moved, second by Christner to approve the Treasurers Report. Roll call: Christner, yes; Unger, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Unger moved, second by Richards to enter into an interlocal agreement between the City of McCook and Hitchcock and Hayes County, to share access to the NCIC services at the cost of \$1780.00 per year. Roll call: Unger, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Motor grader bids were received from NMC/CAT and John Deere/Murphy.

John Deere/Murphy bids:

Option #1-New 2023 672G \$376,220 minus trade of \$34,000 for final cost of \$342,220.

Option #2-Used 2018 672G with 2575 hours for \$209,000 minus trade of \$34,000 for final cost of \$175,000. NMC/CAT bids:

Option #1 2023 Caterpillar 140M AWD, 17.5 tires for \$367,450 minus trade of \$42,800 for final cost of \$324,650. Option #2 2023 Caterpillar 140M AWD, 14.0 tires for \$367,900 minus trade of \$42,800 for final cost of \$325,100.

Unger moved, second by Christner to approve the Auditor Report for Hayes County, year ended June 30, 2022. Roll call: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

Christner moved, second by Richards to direct Chair to sign the one-year audit engagement letter for fiscal year ending June 30, 2023 with Donald D. Wilson, CPA, at the cost of \$7,800. Roll call vote: Christner, yes; Unger, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Dan Miller joined the meeting via telephone to discuss the budget amendment process. There will be a hearing to amend the budget on March 31, 2023 at 11:00 am.

Unger moved, second by Christner to purchase one 2023 Caterpillar 140 AWD motor grader for \$367,450 plus a 2' blade extensions for \$3,200 for a total cost of \$370,650 minus trade of County owned 140M AWD Serial # D9G00177 at \$42,800 for purchase price of \$327,850. Roll call: Unger, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Unger moved, second by Christner to surplus 2009 Caterpillar 140M AWD Cat, serial # D9G00177. Roll call: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

Unger moved, second by Richards to approve and pay claims for \$255,492.22. Roll call vote: Christner, yes; Unger, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

A budget hearing will be held March 31, 2023, at 11:00 AM. with a regular meeting to follow.

Hayes County Clerk

Board Chairman