



# Hayes County Board Minutes



Hayes County Commissioners  
December 11, 2018

A meeting of the Hayes County Board of Commissioners was scheduled for December 11, 2018 at 8:30 A.M. in the Hayes County Courthouse, located at 505 Troth St, in Hayes Center, Nebraska. Advanced notice of the meeting, time and place was given to each Commissioner and was published in the *Times Republican* on December 6, 2018, and posted in accordance with law. 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, Rita Erickson, Susan Messersmith, D. Eugene Garner, Joe Miller, Tom Dow, Phil Dixon and Craig Softley. Visitors present were Robert Kitt, Aaron Kitt, Will Echols, Dennis Maggert, Mark Wilcox and Curtis Smith.

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

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

Unger moved, second by Christner to approve the consent agenda, consisting of the financial reports of the Clerk, Clerk of District Court, and Imprest Account and the minutes of the November 13, 16, and 29, 2018 meetings. Roll call vote: Richards, absent; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

One bid for Janitorial services was received for Board consideration. Unger moved, second by Christner to accept the bid of Debbie Cox for \$650.00 per month for 2019 Janitorial services. Roll call vote: Christner yes; Unger, yes; Richards, absent. Motion carried.

One bid was received for maintenance and snow removal. Christner moved, second by Unger to accept the bid of Joe Miller for \$275 per month for the 2019 maintenance and snow removal services.

Two bids were received for courthouse lawn and grounds care. Jeremy Erickson-\$3000.00 and Toby Cox-\$2950.00.

Unger moved, second by Christner to accept the bid of Jeremy Erickson for \$3000.00 for 2019 courthouse lawn and grounds care. Roll call vote: Richards, absent; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

Phil Dixon, Highway Superintendent, joined the meeting to discuss the County Bridge Match Program application and the One and Six Year Road Program.

Robert and Aaron Kitt visited with the Commissioners regarding locating an irrigation well.

Will Echols joined the meeting to review contracts still pending with RWF Inc.

Christner moved, second by Unger to sign contract with RWF Inc for completion of the safety items. Roll call vote:

Christner, yes; Unger, yes; Richards, absent. Motion carried.

Economic Development Coordinator, Craig Softley, joined the meeting to provide an update on the status of the USDA Rural Economic Development Loan & Grant Program (REDLG), the local revolving loan fund, daycare and potential new business.

Chairman Unger recessed the regular meeting for lunch at 12:05 P.M. and reconvened the meeting at 12:59 P.M.

Dennis Maggert with NACO Benefit Services joined the meeting to discuss health insurance.

Richards arrived at 1:50 P.M.

Unger moved, second by Richards to adopt Resolution 2018-20, a resolution to appoint legal counsel to research and issue a legal opinion regarding the current distribution of funds received by the Nebraska



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Department of Education Lands and Funds. Cost and expense to be shared with other participating Nebraska counties on a proportional basis. Roll call vote: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

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

Richards moved, second by Unger to approve payroll for \$65,214.34. Roll call vote: Unger, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Unger moved, second by Richards to approve claims, excluding claim 1812035 for \$61,254.09. Roll call vote: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

Richards moved, second by Unger to approve claim 1812035 for \$59.76. Roll call vote: Christner abstain; Unger, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Unger moved, second by Christner to adjourn the meeting at 4:15 P.M. Roll call vote: Unger, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be January 8, 2019 at 8:30 A.M.

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Hayes County Clerk

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Board Chairman