



# Hayes County Board Minutes



Hayes County Commissioners  
January 12, 2021

The Regular meeting of the Hayes County Board of Commissioners was scheduled for January 12, 2021 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 January 7, 2021, 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, Rita Erickson, Susan Messersmith, D. Eugene Garner, Phil Dixon, Boyd Gigax, Tyson Bardsley and Lance Harter.

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.

Richards 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 December 8, 2020 meeting. Roll call: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

The floor was opened for nominations to reorganize the Board for calendar year 2021. Christner moved, second by Richards to retain Unger as Chairman. There were no further nominations. Roll call: Christner, yes; Unger, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Richards moved, second by Unger to retain Christner as vice-Chairman. There were no further nominations. Roll call: Unger, yes, Richards, yes; Christner, abstain. Motion carried.

Richards moved, second by Christner to adopt Resolution 2021-1, designation of Pinnacle Bank as Official Hayes County Depository for 2021. Roll call: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

Unger moved, second by Christner to adopt Resolution 2021-2, designation of The Hayes Center Times Republican and/or the McCook Daily Gazette as official newspapers of publication for Hayes County for 2021, and to designate the County's website, <http://www.hayescounty.ne.gov> as an additional method of providing notices. Roll call: Christner, yes; Unger, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Richards moved, second by Christner to adopt Resolution 2021-3, authorization for Hayes County Treasurer to invest monies. Roll call: Unger, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Christner moved, second by Richards to adopt Resolution 2021-4, authorization for Hayes County Treasurer to transfer monies. Roll call: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

Richards moved, second by Unger to adopt Resolution 2021-5, authorization for Hayes County Treasurer to have funds secured with a pledge receipt. Roll call: Christner, yes; Unger, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Unger moved, second by Christner to set the following meeting dates and holidays for 2021.

#### Regular Meeting dates for 2021:

January 12	July 13
February 9	August 10
March 9	September 14
April 13	October 12
May 11	November 9
June 8	December 14

#### Holidays for 2020

January 1	July 5
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February 15	October 11
April 2	November 11
April 30	November 25/26
May 31	December 24/25
	December 31

Roll call: Unger, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Chairman Unger made the following 2021 appointments:

Region II Human Service County Representative – Christner

West Central Area of Aging County Representative – Christner

West Central Nebraska Development District Representative – Unger/Richards, alternate

Southwest Nebraska Public Health Department Representative – Richards

Planning and Zoning Secretary –Schwenk

Economic Development Board - Richards

NIRMA contact person –Messersmith

Safety Committee Chairman –Unger

Unger moved, second by Christner to appoint Char Hamilton as 2021 Hayes County Emergency Manager for \$750.00 per month. Roll call: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

Christner moved, second by Unger to appoint Boyd Gigax as 2021 Hayes County Weed Superintendent for \$450.00 per month. Roll call: Christner, yes; Unger, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Christner moved, second by Richards to appoint Garald Unger as 2021 Hayes County Veterans Service Officer for \$175.00 per month. Roll call: Unger, abstain; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Christner moved, second by Unger to appoint Leon Kolbet as 2021 Hayes County Zoning Administrator/Flood Plain Manager for \$150.00 per month. Roll call: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

Unger moved, second by Christner to appoint D. Eugene Garner for Child Support Enforcement. Roll call: Christner, yes; Unger, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Unger moved, second by Richards to set indigent funeral costs at \$1,500.00. Roll call: Unger, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Unger moved, second by Richards to appoint Phillip Dixon as the 2021 Highway Superintendent at the contracted rate of \$10,800.00 per year, and Bridge inspector for \$125.00 per bridge. Roll call: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

One bid for maintenance and snow removal was received for Board consideration. Richards moved, second by Unger to accept the bid of Joe Miller for \$275 per month for the 2021 maintenance and snow removal services. Roll call: Christner, yes; Unger, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

One bid for courthouse lawn and grounds care was received for Board consideration. Unger moved, second by Richards to accept the bid of Toby Cox for \$2,940.00 for 2021 courthouse lawn and grounds care. Roll call: Unger, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, 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 2021 Janitorial services. Roll call: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

Unger moved, second by Richards to retain TKO Pest Control services for pest control. Roll call: Christner, yes; Unger, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.



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Boyd Gigax joined the meeting to review the Weed Superintendent's annual weed reports. Richards moved, second by Christner to approve the five annual weed reports for 2021 and direct Chairman to sign same. Roll call: Unger, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Phil Dixon, Lance Harter and Tyson Bardsley joined the meeting to discuss county line bridge C004306105, future projects and the upcoming Bridge Match Program application.

Richards moved, second by Unger to approve the Sheriff's Quarterly Report and 2020 Final Distress Warrant report. Roll call: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

Christner moved, second by Richards to direct Chair to sign the Memorandum of Understanding for Southwest Nebraska Juvenile Services Comprehensive Community Plan. Roll call: Christner, yes; Unger, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Richards moved, second by Christner to direct Chair to sign the final Certification and Verification of Information and Data of the Semi-Annual Housing Program Income Report related to the Owner-Occupied Housing Grant in Hayes County. Roll call: Unger, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Unger moved, second by Richards to sign the letter of intent to continue financial support of Hitch and Hay Public Transit for budget years 2021-2023. Roll call: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

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

Christner moved, second by Richards to approve payroll for \$74,432.18. Roll call: Unger, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Unger moved, second by Christner to approve claims, excluding claims 02101046, for \$40,473.78. Roll call: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Unger, yes. Motion carried.

Unger moved, second by Christner, to approve claim 02101046 in the amount of \$5,278.50. Christner, yes; Unger, yes; Richards, abstain. Motion carried.

Chairman Unger adjourned the meeting at 11:25 A.M.

The next Regular Meeting will be February 9, 2021 at 8:30 A.M.

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Hayes County Clerk

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Board Chairman