

Hayes County Board of Commissioners
February 28, 2025

A meeting of the Hayes County Board of Commissioners was scheduled for February 28, 2025, at 8:45 A.M. in the Hayes County Courthouse, 505 Troth Street, Hayes Center, Nebraska. Advanced notice of the meeting, time and place was given to each Commissioner, was published in the *Times Republican* on February 13, 2025, and posted in accordance with law. Chairman Christner called the meeting to order at 9:05 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. All proceedings shown hereafter were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Those present were board members Wayne Christner, Kevin Fornoff; Tammy Schwenk, County Treasurer; Susan Messersmith, County Clerk; Joe Miller, Emergency Manager; and Kerry Miller Deputy Emergency Manager. Guests present were Scott Sleeman, FEMA Representative and Brad Thomas, FEMA Mitigation Team.

Fornoff moved, second by Christner to approve the agenda. Discussion held. Roll call: Richards, absent; Christner, yes; Fornoff, yes. Motion carried.

Scott Sleeman and Brad Thomas, FEMA representatives, reviewed current status of Hayes County FEMA projects and available funding to assist with repair.

Fornoff moved, second by Christner to approve payroll for \$78,256.98. Discussion held. Roll call: Christner, yes; Fornoff, yes; Richards, absent. Motion carried.

Fornoff moved, seconded by Christner to adopt Resolution 2025-06, Temporary Moratorium on Wind Energy Installations & Solar Power Generation Systems. Discussion held. Roll call: Fornoff, yes; Richards, absent; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Christner moved, second by Fornoff to adopt Resolution 2025-07, Temporary Moratorium on Data Centers & Crypto Mining Facilities. Discussion held. Roll call: Richards, absent; Christner, yes; Fornoff, yes. Motion carried.

Fornoff moved, second by Christner to appoint Shawn Sullivan as District One Planning and Zoning Board representative. Discussion held. Roll call: Christner, yes; Fornoff, yes; Richards, absent. Motion carried.

Christner moved, second by Fornoff to appoint Josh Skelton as District Three Planning and Zoning Board representative. Discussion held. Roll call: Fornoff, yes; Richards, absent; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Christner moved, second by Fornoff to set 8:00 A.M. as meeting time for March 11, 2025 Commissioner meeting. Discussion held. Roll call: Richards, absent; Christner, yes; Fornoff, yes. Motion carried.

The Employee Handbook General Personnel Policies regarding smoking were reviewed. Christner moved, second by Fornoff to enforce the current policy designation of nonsmoking facilities and vehicles. Discussion held. Roll call: Fornoff, yes; Richards, absent; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Christner moved, seconded by Fornoff to adjourn the meeting. There being no further discussion. Roll call: Fornoff, yes; Richards, absent; Christner, yes. Motion carried

Chairman Christner adjourned the meeting at 11:00 A.M.

The next meeting will be March 11, 2025, at 8:00 A.M.

Hayes County Clerk

Board Chairman