

Hayes County Board of Commissioners

A meeting of the Hayes County Board of Commissioners was scheduled for August 12, 2025, at 8:30 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 August 7, 2025, and posted in accordance with law. Chairman Christner called the meeting to order at 8:30 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 and Barry Richards; Susan Messersmith, County Clerk; Tammy Schwenk, County Treasurer; D. Eugene Garner, County Attorney. Visitors present were Kris and Jeannie Kressin.

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

Richards moved, second by Fornoff to approve the consent agenda consisting of the financial reports of the Clerk, Clerk of the District Court, Imprest Account, and the minutes of July 8, 22, and 28, 2025 meetings. Discussion held. Roll call: Christner, yes; Fornoff, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Dan Miller joined the meeting to discuss the 2025-2026 budget. The budget hearing will be September 9, 2025, at 1:30 P.M. with the final tax request hearing to follow. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend.

Kris & Jeannie Kressin joined the meeting to discuss minimum maintenance Avenue 732A and installation of an underground water line on Road 363.

Christner moved, second by Richards to approve application 2025-03, from Kris Kressin, to occupy road right-of-way for installation of a water line at mapped sites in section 34 of T-5N, R-33W. Discussion held. Roll call: Fornoff, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Fornoff moved, second by Richards to approve the Treasurers Report. Discussion held. Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Fornoff, yes. Motion carried.

Richards moved, second by Fornoff to approve claims, excluding claims 2508054 and 2508055, for \$146,219.62. Discussion held. Roll call: Christner, yes; Fornoff, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Christner moved, second by Fornoff to approve claim 2508054 and 2508055 for \$7,880.70. Discussion held. Roll call: Richards, abstain; Christner, yes; Fornoff, yes. Motion carried.

Fornoff moved, second by Richards to direct Chair to sign Resolution 2025-09, Signing of the County Annual Certification of Program Compliance 2025. Discussion held. Roll call: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Fornoff, yes. Motion carried.

Christner moved, second by Fornoff to request the County Surveyor complete a survey of the section line between Sections 23 & 24; T-7-N; R-35W and 33 feet each side of said section line. Discussion held. Roll call: Christner, yes; Fornoff, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Pursuant to publication requirements of § 23-122 the following is a list of Hayes County job titles and current salaries: Commissioners-\$22,763.95/Yr, Sheriff-\$55,848.67/Yr, Part-Time Law Enforcement \$28.50/Hr, Treasurer-\$55,848.67/Yr, Deputy Treasurer-\$35,938.80/Yr, Ex-Officio Clerk-\$55,848.67/Yr, Ex-Officio Deputy Clerk-\$45,320.04; Clerk Office Assistant-\$19.50-\$20.95/Hr, Extension Office-\$40,950.00/Yr, County Attorney-\$41,813.68/Yr, Co Attorney Secretary-\$18.25/Hr, Road Department Employees-\$19.50-\$21.50/Hr, Zoning Administrator-\$1,800.00/Yr, Zoning Admin Secretary-\$19.50/Hr, Highway Superintendent-\$6,000.00/Yr, Emergency Manager-\$12,000.00/Yr, Deputy Emergency Manager-\$5,400.00/Yr, Veterans Service Admin-\$2,100.00/Yr, Weed Superintendent-\$5,400.00/Yr, Economic Dev Coordinator-\$25.00/Hr, Courthouse Maintenance-\$3,300.00/Yr.

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

Chairman Christner adjourned the meeting at 12:06 P.M.

The meeting will be August 29, 2025, at 8:30 A.M.

Hayes County Clerk

Board Chairman