

## Hayes County Board of Commissioners

A meeting of the Hayes County Board of Commissioners was scheduled for October 14, 2025, at 8:40 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 *Southwest Nebraska Times Republican* on October 9, 2025, and posted in accordance with law. Chairman Christner called the meeting to order at 8:54 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; Marian Richards, Sign Tech; Leon Kolbet, Planning & Zoning Administrator and visitor, Mark Wilcox.

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

Christner asked for public comments. There were none.

Fornoff moved, second by Christner to approve the consent agenda consisting of the financial reports of the Clerk, Clerk of the District Court, Imprest Account, and the minutes of September 9 and 30, 2025 meetings. Discussion held. Roll call: Christner, yes; Fornoff, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Mark Wilcox, Wilcox Financial, joined the meeting. Mr. Wilcox reviewed the county health insurance plan and summary report as well as addressed questions and concerns.

Fornoff moved, second by Richards to authorize payment of Point C Claim #5984047. Discussion held. Roll call: Fornoff, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Leon Kolbet, Planning and Zoning Administrator, updated the Board on the need to update the current zoning plan.

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

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

Fornoff moved, second by Richards to approve claims, excluding claims 2510035, 2510040 and 2510049, for \$172,927.54. Discussion held. Roll call: Christner, yes; Fornoff, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Christner moved, second by Fornoff to approve claims 2510040 and 2510049 for \$6,930.30. Discussion held. Roll call: Fornoff, yes; Richards, abstain; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Richards moved, second by Fornoff to approve claim 2010035 for \$100.00. Discussion held. Roll call: Richards, yes; Christner, abstain; Fornoff, yes. Motion carried.

Lance Harter, Highway Superintendent, joined the meeting by phone. Future projects, funding options and time lines were discussed.

Richards moved, second by Fornoff to confirm the county's continued interest in the BUILD project for structure C004304710. Discussion held. Roll call: Christner, yes; Fornoff, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Richards moved, second by Fornoff to direct Highway Superintendent, Lance Harter, to submit structure C004303605P for the County Bridge Match Program. Discussion held. Roll call: Fornoff, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Richards moved, second by Fornoff to direct Chairman to sign Resolution 2025-13, Resolution certifying proper completion of project, and the reimbursement for County Bridge Match. Discussion held. Roll call: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Fornoff, yes. Motion carried.

Fornoff moved, second by Christner to approve the Sheriff's Quarterly Report. Discussion held. Roll call: Christner, yes; Fornoff, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Richards moved, second by Christner for the balance of the 25-26 fiscal year, to purchase 70% of Hayes County gravel from Richards Gravel Pit at \$8.50/ton, provided availability at supplier location. Roll call: Fornoff, no; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Fornoff moved, second by Richards to direct Chairman to sign Family Resource Center Service Agreement for 2025-26 year. Discussion held. Roll call: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Fornoff, yes. Motion carried.

Richards moved, second by Fornoff to set October 30, 2025 as payroll meeting date and November 10, 2025 as the regular November meeting date. Discussion held. Roll call: Christner, yes; Fornoff, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Richards 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 2:08 P.M.

The next meeting will be October 30, 2025, at 8:30 A.M.

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Hayes County Clerk

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Board Chairman