

Hayes County Board of Commissioners
October 30, 2025

A meeting of the Hayes County Board of Commissioners was scheduled for October 30, 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 *Southwest Nebraska Times Republican* on October 23, 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; Rebecca Grimes, Deputy Clerk and Marian Richards, County Sign Tech. Visitors were Gypsy Emerick and Judd Allen.

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

Fornoff moved, second by Richards to adopt Resolution 2025-14, a Resolution directing the County Treasure to issue Tax Sale Certificates. Discussion held. Roll call: Christner, yes; Fornoff, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Board acknowledged receipt of the County Distress Warrant Notice Listing for 2024.

Board acknowledged receipt of the Auditor's finding and will send a response.

Fornoff moved, second by Richards to direct chair to sign the Auditor's Management Representation Letter. Discussion held. Roll call: Fornoff, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Fornoff moved, second by Richards to adopt employee handbook updates relating to travel expenses and reimbursement. Discussion held. Roll call: Richards, yes; Christner, yes; Fornoff, yes. Motion carried.

Richards moved, second by Fornoff to approve the November 3, 2025, payroll for \$86,910.86. Discussion held. Roll call: Christner, yes; Fornoff, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

December Payroll meeting will be held November 26, 2025 at 4:00 P.M.

Fornoff moved, second by Richards to direct Chair to sign the Annual Certification of HBP/STP Funds. Discussion held. Roll call: Fornoff, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Gypsy Emerick, Editor of the Southwest Nebraska Times Republican joined the meeting. The Southwest Nebraska Times Republican will be transitioning to an online-only platform. The final print edition will be November 6, 2025. Future legals for Hayes County will be published in the McCook Gazette.

Judd Allen, NACO Representative, joined the meeting to review NACO's health insurance proposal for Hayes County.

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

Chairman Christner adjourned the meeting at 11:48 A.M.

The next meeting will be November 10, 2025 at 8:30 A.M..

Hayes County Clerk

Board Chairman