

Hayes County Commissioners
March 10, 2026

A meeting of the Hayes County Board of Commissioners was scheduled for March 10, 2026, at 1:00 P.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 *McCook Gazette* on March 6, 2026, and posted in accordance with law. A current copy of the Open Meetings Act was available for review and was posted 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.

Chairman Christner called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M. Those present were board members: Wayne Christner, Barry Richards, and Kevin Fornoff; Susan Messersmith, County Clerk; and D. Eugene Garner, County Attorney.

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 approve the consent agenda consisting of the financial reports of the Clerk, Clerk of the District Court, Imprest Account and the minutes of February 10 & 27, 2026 meetings. Discussion held. Roll call: Christner, yes; Fornoff, yes; Richards, yes. Motion carried.

Christner moved, second by Fornoff to approve claim, excluding claim 2603038, for \$126,220.42. Discussion held. Roll call: Fornoff, yes; Richards, yes; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Christner moved, second by Fornoff to approve claim 2603038 for \$11,454.10. Discussion held. Roll call: Richards, abstain; Christner, yes; Fornoff, yes. Motion carried.

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

Fornoff moved, second by Christner to approve Application 2026-02 to Occupy Road Right-of-Way, from Great Plains Communication, for installation of a fiber optic cable at mapped sites in T-5 & 6N in R-31, 32 & 33W. Discussion held. Roll call: Fornoff, yes; Richards, no; Christner, yes. Motion carried.

Christner moved, second 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 2:37 P.M.

The next meeting will be on March 31, 2026, at 8:30 AM.

Hayes County Clerk

Board Chairman