

The Hooker County Board of Commissioners held a regular monthly meeting at 2:00 p.m. in the courthouse on July 10, 2025. Present were commissioners Bryan Crisp, Thad Emerson and Julie Kraye. Also present during the meeting were Jessica Hampton, George Vinton, Mike Baum, Crystal Hardy, Todd Yost, Fritz Cooley and Elizabeth Yost.

Minutes of the June 12th, 2025 meeting were read aloud and approved with corrections. Thad Emerson made a motion to approve the minutes, Julie Kraye seconded. Roll call vote, three ayes, motion carried. Chairman Bryan Crisp announced the Public Meetings Law posted in the boardroom and copies of it and the agenda are available for the public.

The claims on file were audited by the board. Thad Emerson moved and Julie Kraye seconded the motion that the audited claims be allowed and warrants from the various county funds be issued for their payment. Roll call vote, three ayes, motion carried. Approved claims are listed below. Budget workshop was held and department heads presented required budgets for fiscal year 2025-2026. The next budget workshop will be July 24th at 4 p.m.

Sealed bids for a dump truck were opened at 3:35 p.m. Two bids were received, both from Floyds Truck Center. First bid was for a 2026 Freightliner. Second bid was for a 2026 Westernstar. Bryan Crisp made a motion to accept the bid for the 2026 Freightliner with added warranty. Thad Emerson seconded the motion. Roll call vote, three ayes, motion carried. The Freightliner will be paid for using the road equipment fund and inheritance fund, with the intent to pay back the inheritance fund over time.

Roads were discussed and monthly expenses reviewed. Mike Baum updated the board on current road projects. Baum asked about putting the old dump truck on Big Iron. In August the board will discuss selling the truck as surplus. Baum also notified the board that the white truck is having mechanical issues and needs repaired.

The board received a letter of resignation from Frederick "Fritz" Cooley. Bryan Crisp made a motion to accept the letter of resignation from Frederick Cooley, Julie Kraye seconded the motion. Roll call vote, three ayes, motion carried.

Crisp requested that the clerk advertise for the road maintenance position.

The clerk and Baum are working on a job description for road supervisor and/or foreman for the August meeting.

The maintenance building still needs heaters installed, water hooked up and office wiring. The clerk will work on a grant for the balance of the funds needed for completion.

Elizabeth Yost attended the meeting to speak about her interest in the road superintendent position and qualifications. The board will make a decision regarding the road superintendent position in the next couple of months.

Bryan Crisp recessed the regular meeting at 4:02 p.m. for the Board of Equalization. Meeting reconvened at 4:03 p.m.

Clerk Jessica Hampton requested that the board allocate the following general funds \$2000 from elections, \$2000 from buildings and grounds, \$7000 from public defender, \$1800 from assessor and \$9200 from noxious weed to the transit fund for budget year 2024-2025. Bryan Crisp made a motion to allocate \$2000 from elections, \$2000 from buildings and grounds, \$7000 from public defender, \$1800 from assessor and \$9200 from noxious weed to the transit fund. Julie Kraye seconded the motion. Roll call vote, three ayes, motion carried.

Julie Kraye made a motion to adopt Resolution 2025-7 removing the LATCF Fund #2585 from the Hooker County Budget. Thad Emerson seconded the motion. Roll call vote, three ayes, motion carried.

Bryan Crisp made a motion and Thad Emerson seconded the motion to approve the SDL for Highway 2 Depot on 8/1/2025. Roll call vote, three ayes, motion carried.

Crystal Hardy presented the semi-annual treasurer's report and remaining tax report. Bryan Crisp made a motion to approve the treasurer's semi-annual report and Thad Emerson seconded the motion. Roll call vote, three ayes, motion carried. Hardy requested to transfer the remaining ARPA fund balance to the general fund. Bryan Crisp made a motion to transfer the ARPA fund balance to the general fund, Julie Kraye seconded the motion. Roll call vote, three ayes, motion carried.

Sheriff Todd Yost provided a sheriff's report.

Library budget worksheet was reviewed.

CLAIMS

GENERAL FUND

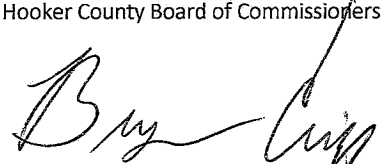
Applied Connective Technologies	\$ 813.20
Artis Hicks	\$ 40.00
AT&T Mobility	\$ 275.86
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Nebraska	\$ 12,554.12
Brouillette, Troshynski, Kingston &	\$ 25.00
Cardmember Service	\$ 309.56
Consolidated Telephone Company	\$ 346.74
DAS State Acctg-Central Finance OCIO	\$ 66.00
Douglas Boyer	\$ 230.37
Eakes Office Solutions	\$ 144.42
First Concord Benefits Group	\$ 75.00
Grant County Treasurer	\$ 691.57
Great Plains Health	\$ 50.00
Hooker County Clerk	\$ 14.00
Hooker County Tribune	\$ 122.90
Kwik Stop	\$ 690.82
Mary Lou Harding	\$ 20.00
Microfilm Imaging Systems, Inc	\$ 20.00
MIPS, Inc	\$ 1,424.93
Quill Corporation	\$ 29.42
Region II Human Services	\$ 113.38
Stryker Sales LLC	\$ 300.00
Todd Yost	\$ 9.68
Village of Mullen	\$ 625.94
Vision Service Plan	\$ 62.35
West Central Nebraska Area Agency Aging	\$ 609.50
West Payment Center	\$ 298.50
Windstream of the Midwest Inc	\$ 20.98
Windstream of the Midwest, LLC (2)	\$ 32.94
WPCI	\$ 32.00
Ameritas Life Insurance	\$ 4,218.25
George Vinton	\$ 2,250.00
Internal Revenue Service	\$ 12,451.57
Medical Air Services Association-B2B	\$ 75.00
NE Department of Revenue	\$ 1,999.29

Payroll	\$ 28,171.43
ROAD FUND	
Consolidated Telephone Company	\$ 119.05
Custer Public Power District	\$ 98.07
DAS State Acctg-Central Finance OCIO	\$ 44.00
Dooley Oil Inc-Nebraska	\$ 33.77
Floyd's Truck Center	\$ 67.23
Grant County Treasurer	\$ 691.57
Handyman Hardware & Construction	\$ 320.00
Hooker County Tribune	\$ 14.93
Kwik Stop	\$ 389.75
Macke's Grocery, Inc.	\$ 6.59
Neal Oil	\$ 2,263.48
NMC, Inc	\$ 876.73
Triple G RediMix LLC	\$ 4,447.57
Village of Mullen	\$ 35.24
Ameritas Life Insurance	\$ 814.06
Internal Revenue Service	\$ 1,259.20
Payroll	\$ 16,560.00
LIBRARY FUND	
Brodart Co	\$ 261.75
Consolidated Telephone Company	\$ 114.35
EBSCO	\$ 270.50
Macke's Grocery, Inc.	\$ 8.88
Village of Mullen	\$ 417.41
Ameritas Life Insurance	\$ 93.75
Internal Revenue Service	\$ 136.09
Payroll	\$ 1,779.00
911 SURCHARGE FUND	
Consolidated Telephone Company	\$ 343.16
LODGING TAX PROMO FUND	
Highway 2 Depot	\$ 1,200.00
NE Travel Association	\$ 500.00
LODGING TAX CAPITAL FUND	
School Bond	\$ 1,181.25

Meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m. Notice is hereby given that a budget workshop meeting will be held Thursday, July 24th at 4 p.m. Notice is hereby given that the next regular meeting of the Hooker County Board of Commissioners will be held Thursday, August 14th at 3:30 p.m. Meetings are held in the Commissioners Room and agendas for these meetings are kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the county clerk during normal business hours.

Attest:


Jessica Hampton, Hooker County Clerk

Hooker County Board of Commissioners

Bryan Crisp, Chairman

HOOKER COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING
JULY 10, 2025

The Hooker County Board of Equalization convened at 4:02 p.m. in the courthouse on July 10, 2025. Present were commissioners Bryan Crisp, Thad Emerson and Julie Kraye. Also present during the meeting were George Vinton and Jessica Hampton

Zero protests were filed. Clerk Jessica Hampton presented three clerk's corrections:

460012123 assessed value \$20,910 as rural residential. After review it was determined the parcel should be valued as ag land, new value \$9,781. Reduction of \$11,129.

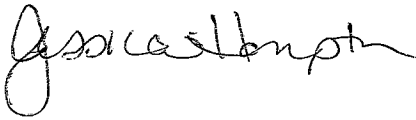
460006815 assessed value \$247,890. Determined that a carport did not exist on the property as was documented in MIPS. New value \$246,760. Reduction of \$1,130.

460000320 assessed value \$73,781. After review and inspection of the property it was determined to lower the value. New value \$57,196. Reduction of \$16,585.

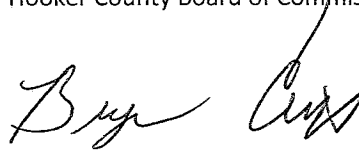
Bryan Crisp made a motion to accept the clerk's corrections, Julie Kraye seconded the motion. Roll call vote, three ayes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:03 p.m. to hold regular commissioners meeting.

Attest:

Hooker County Board of Commissioners



Jessica Hampton, Hooker County Clerk



Bryan Crisp, Chairman

HOOKER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS BUDGET MEETING

July 24, 2025

The Hooker County Board of Commissioners held a budget meeting at 4:00 p.m. in the courthouse on July 24, 2025. Present were commissioners Bryan Crisp, Thad Emerson, absent Julie Kraye. Also present during the meeting were Jessica Hampton, George Vinton, Mike Baum and Crystal Hardy. Chairman Bryan Crisp announced the Public Meetings Law posted in the boardroom and copies of it and the agenda are available for the public.

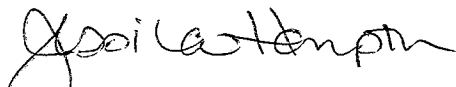
The second budget workshop was held. Department heads worked with the board to reach a budget that would meet state requirements for fiscal year 2025-2026.

Agenda item for vacation pay was added to the budget meeting. A road warrant was presented for payroll claims. Bryan Crisp made a motion that the audited claims be allowed and warrant from the road fund be issued for their payment. Thad Emerson seconded the motion. Roll call vote, two ayes, motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:25 p.m. Meetings are held in the Commissioners Room and agendas for these meetings are kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the county clerk during normal business hours.

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Hooker County Board of Commissioners



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