HOOKER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING
October 7, 2026

The Hooker County Board of Commissioners held a regular monthly meeting at 3:30 p.m. in the courthouse on October 7, 2026. Present were commissioners Bryan Crisp, Thad Emerson and Julie Kraye. Also present during the meeting were Jessica Hampton, George Vinton, Crystal Hardy and Devan Polt.
Minutes from the September 9th, 2026 meeting were read aloud and approved. Emerson made a motion to approve the minutes, Crisp seconded. Roll call vote, three ayes, motion carried. Chairman 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. Kraye moved and Emerson 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.
Noxious Weed Superintendent Devan Polt asked the Commissioners to consider withdrawing from Sandhills Weed Management Area. After discussion, Kraye made a motion to withdraw Hooker County from the Sandhills Weed Management Area Interlocal Cooperation Agreement. Emerson seconded the motion. Roll call vote, three ayes, motion carried.
Roads were discussed and monthly expenses reviewed. Mike Baum, unable to attend the meeting sent his road report, the road drag has been purchased, the current road gravel aggregate is too small and a new gravel source is needed. Crisp looked at gravel that is being hauled from Gurnsey, Wyo. by Danielski. It was agreed to give Baum the authorization to purchase gravel from Gurnsey, Wyo. and have Danielski haul. The armor coat project was discussed, the job is complete and claim submitted for payment.
Crisp motion to adopt Resolution 2026-15 to set the Tax Rates for Hooker County, Kraye seconded. Roll call vote, three ayes, motion carried.
The sales tax question on the ballot was discussed.
Crisp moved to surplus the 2008 Chevrolet Uplander, Emerson seconded the motion. Roll call vote, three ayes, motion carried.
Correspondence was presented to the board. No action was taken.
Hampton provided an update on the bus barn.
The Central Plains Valuation Assessment, LLC Contract was reviewed. Kraye moved and Emerson seconded to accept the 2026 contract with Central Plains Valuation Assessment, LLC. Roll call vote, three ayes, motion carried.
Crystal Hardy presented the treasurer's report, provided an update on delinquent taxes, distress warrants and requested fund transfers. Kraye moved to approve the treasurer's report and Emerson seconded. Roll call vote, three ayes, motion carried. Crisp made a motion to transfer $4,702.13 from General Fund to Institutions Fund & $150,000 from General Fund to Road Fund. Emerson seconded the motion. Roll call vote, three ayes, motion carried.
Sheriff Todd Yost was absent.
Library budget worksheet was reviewed.

CLAIMS

GENERAL FUND	
Applied Connective Technologies	936.27
Artis Hicks	55
AT&T Mobility	300.84
Axon Enterprises Inc	1299.84
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Nebraska	13718.5
Cardmember Service	286
Cindy Daly	35
Consolidated Telephone Company	336.08
Crystal Hardy	147
DAS State Acctg-Central Finance OCIO	66
DataShield Coporation	59.21
Douglas Boyer	180
Election Systems & Software, LLC	1488.19
First Concord Benefits Group	408.61
Grant County Treasurer	752.66
Hooker County Court	85
Hooker County Tribune	534.73
Kwik Stop	850.49
Lindemeier Law Office	225
Microfilm Imaging Systems, Inc	20
MIPS, Inc	1598.19
Nebraska Association of County Officials	1325.64
Quill Corporation	454.05
The Radar and Lidar Shop	128
Thomas County Treasurer	6835.42
Village of Mullen	639.24
Vision Service Plan	43.04
Windstream of the Midwest Inc	14.24
Windstream of the Midwest, LLC (2)	41.81
WPCI	100
Ameritas Life Insurance	4366.2
George Vinton	2250
Internal Revenue Service	12530.48
Medical Air Services Association-B2B	75
NE Department of Revenue	1844.49
Payroll	28474.89

ROAD FUND	
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Nebraska	1433.58
Consolidated Telephone Company	118.77
DAS State Acctg-Central Finance OCIO	44
Dickinson Land Surveyors, Inc	750
Dooley Oil Inc-Nebraska	489
Kwik Stop	513.03
Macke's Grocery, Inc.	4.89
Mullen Motors LLC	50
Neal Oil	3776.93
NIRMA	54
NMC, Inc	221.12
Reynolds Mercantile	28.5
Village of Mullen	71.48
Vision Service Plan	9.62
Windstream of the Midwest Inc	2.63
WPCI	100
Midwest Coatings Company, Inc	107046.09
Ameritas Life Insurance	769.23
Internal Revenue Service	1152.43
Payroll	15164.4
LIBRARY FUND	
Brodart Co	261.75
Consolidated Telephone Company	114.07
Macke's Grocery, Inc.	7.19
Michael Frederick	50
Village of Mullen	412.14
Windstream of the Midwest Inc	2.86
Ameritas Life Insurance	114.77
Internal Revenue Service	153.02
Payroll	2000.2
INSTITUTIONS FUND	
Region II Services	782
ROAD BUYBACK FUND	
Midwest Coatings Company, Inc	38104.63

Meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m. Notice is hereby given that the next regular meeting of the Hooker County Board of Commissioners will be held Thursday, November 12th at 1:00 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