

Phelps County Board Minutes



COMMISSIONERS ROOM, HOLDREGE, NE
9:00 A.M. July 12, 2016

The Phelps County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on July 12, 2016 as advertised, with Commissioners Tom Nutt; Shelley Brenn; Rick Streeter; Russ Cruise; Matt Gregg and Jim Ostgren present. Theresa Puls was absent. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ostgren. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Jim announced the open meeting law would be in effect and that a copy is posted on the wall. Gregg moved, seconded by Brenn, to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Cruise, yes; Gregg, yes; Ostgren, yes. Puls absent. Motion carried.

At 9:00 a.m. the Board went into session as a Board of Equalization. Theresa Puls was absent. Sally Fox, County Clerk, Mike Henry, County Attorney and Melodie Marvin, County Assessor were present.

Melodie discussed 2 homestead exemption applications that were received late in her office.

After discussion Brenn moved, seconded by Streeter, to approve the homestead exemption application by Robert L. Johnson. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Cruise, yes; Gregg, yes; Ostgren, yes. Puls absent. Motion carried.

Brenn moved, seconded by Nutt, to approve the homestead exemption application by Dennis & Janice Jordan. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Cruise, yes; Gregg, yes; Ostgren, yes. Puls absent. Motion carried.

Protest #32, parcel 6835, Leslie Grimm met with the Board to protest the increase of his valuations. Melodie will review the property and get back to the Board with her recommendation.

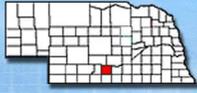
Protest #12, parcel 7468.1, Linda Marshall, was discussed. Melodie recommended adjusting the property to \$329,795. Cruise moved, seconded by Streeter, to reduce the value based on the Assessor's recommendation. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Cruise, yes; Gregg, yes; Ostgren, yes. Puls absent. Motion carried.

Protest #26, parcel 6972.1, Mark Gillespie was discussed. Melodie recommended adjusting the property to \$301,113. Nutt moved, seconded by Brenn, to reduce the value based on the Assessor's recommendation. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Cruise, yes; Gregg, yes; Ostgren, yes. Puls absent. Motion carried.

Protest #28, parcel 3586, Howard Nelson was discussed. Melodie recommended adjusting the property to \$881,764. Cruise moved, seconded by Brenn, to reduce the value based on the Assessor's recommendation. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Cruise, yes; Gregg, yes; Ostgren, yes. Puls absent. Motion carried.

Protest #38, parcel 6809, Rick Turner was discussed. Melodie recommended adjusting the property to \$132,228. Gregg moved, seconded by Streeter, to reduce the value based on the Assessor's recommendation. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Cruise, yes; Gregg, yes; Ostgren, yes. Puls absent. Motion carried.

Protest #47, parcel 419, Catherine Eltiste, was discussed. Melodie recommended adjusting the property to \$75,890. Brenn moved, seconded by Streeter, to reduce the value based on the Assessor's recommendation. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Cruise, yes; Gregg, yes; Ostgren, yes. Puls absent. Motion carried.



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Protest #48, parcel 396, Howard Eltiste was discussed. Melodie recommended adjusting the property to \$15,510. Cruise moved, seconded by Nutt, to reduce the value based on the Assessor's recommendation. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Cruise, yes; Gregg, yes; Ostgren, yes. Puls absent. Motion carried.

Protest #40, parcel 2987, Jacquelyn Stroup met with the Board to protest the increase of her valuation. She showed 1 exhibit to the Board on her ipad. Melodie will review the property and get back to the Board with her recommendation.

The Board resumed regular session as a Board of Commissioners at 9:46 a.m.

Cruise moved, seconded by Streeter, to approve the monthly reports of the clerk, sheriff and clerk of district court. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Cruise, yes; Gregg, yes; Ostgren, yes. Puls absent. Motion carried.

Nutt moved, seconded by Brenn, to approve the bank deposit with First State Bank of Loomis. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Cruise, yes; Gregg, yes; Ostgren, yes. Puls absent. Motion carried.

Streeter moved, seconded by Brenn, to approve the pledged bond report from The First State Bank of Holdrege. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Cruise, yes; Gregg, yes; Ostgren, yes. Puls absent. Motion carried.

Charlie Brooks, Weed Supt., submitted his budget for the coming fiscal year.

Brenn moved, seconded by Gregg, to go into closed session at 10:05 a.m. with Mike Henry, County Attorney, to discuss personnel and for the purpose of protecting the public interest. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Cruise, yes; Gregg, yes; Ostgren, yes. Puls absent. Motion carried. At 10:40 a.m. Brenn moved, seconded by Streeter, to go out of closed session. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Cruise, yes; Gregg, yes; Ostgren, yes. Puls absent. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:41 a.m.

Sally Fox, County Clerk

James Ostgren, Chm. Bd. of Commissioners