

Phelps County Board Minutes



COMMISSIONERS ROOM, HOLDREGE, NE
9:00 A.M. January 10, 2017

The Phelps County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on January 10, 2017 as advertised, with Commissioners Tom Nutt; Russ Cruise; Rick Streeter; Shelley Brenn; Matt Gregg; Theresa Puls and Jim Ostgren present. The Meeting was called to order by Sally Fox, county clerk. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Sally announced the open meeting law would be in effect and that a copy is posted on the wall. Sally requested nominations for Chairman of the Board. Puls nominated Jim Ostgren, seconded by Cruise. There being no other nominations Brenn moved, seconded by Gregg, the nomination ceased. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Cruise, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Gregg, yes; Puls, yes. Ostgren abstained. Motion carried. Cruise nominated Tom Nutt for Vice Chairman of the Board, seconded by Puls. There being no other nominations Brenn moved, seconded by Streeter, the nomination ceased. Roll call vote was Cruise, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Gregg, yes; Puls, yes; Ostgren, yes. Nutt abstained. Motion carried. Newly elected Chairman Ostgren took over the meeting. Gregg moved, seconded by Streeter, to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Cruise, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Gregg, yes; Puls, yes; Ostgren, yes. Motion carried.

Brenn moved, seconded by Nutt, to approve resolution 17-2 on bank deposits with banking institutions from First State Bank, Bertrand, First State Bank Loomis, Great Western Bank, First Tier Bank, Bruning State Bank and The First State Bank of Holdrege. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Cruise, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Gregg, yes; Puls, yes; Ostgren, yes. Motion carried.

Puls moved, seconded by Nutt, to designate NACO Phelps County website as one of the official means of publication. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Cruise, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Gregg, yes; Puls, yes; Ostgren, yes. Motion carried.

The Board agreed to retain the current meeting days and times for next year. Which will be the first four Tuesday's of the month and meetings will begin at 9:00 a.m. with the third Tuesday to begin at 8:30 a.m. Cruise moved, seconded by Brenn, to approve the meeting days and time. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Cruise, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Gregg, yes; Puls, yes; Ostgren, yes. Motion carried.

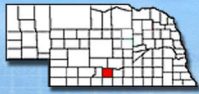
Nutt moved, seconded by Streeter, to approve the primary official county newspaper with Holdrege Daily Citizen. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Cruise, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Gregg, yes; Puls, yes; Ostgren, yes. Motion carried.

Brenn moved, seconded by Cruise, to retain the following appointments of Bobby Hamilton as Road Supt.; Justin Norris as Emergency Management; Art Johnsen as Veteran's Service Officer; Charlie Brooks as part-time Weed Supt. and Robert Slater as part-time Planning and Zoning. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Cruise, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Gregg, yes; Puls, yes; Ostgren, yes. Motion carried.

Streeter moved, seconded by Brenn, to approve the legal holidays and early close dates for 2017. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Cruise, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Gregg, yes; Puls, yes; Ostgren, yes. Motion carried.

LEGAL HOLIDAYS FOR 2017:

Monday, Jan. 2	New Year's Day	Friday, Nov. 10	Veterans Day
Monday, Jan. 16	Martin Luther King Day	Thursday, Nov. 23	Thanksgiving Day
Monday, Feb. 20	President's Day	Friday, Nov. 24	Day after Thanksgiving
Monday, May 29	Memorial Day		



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Monday, July 3	Floating Holiday	Monday, Dec. 25	Christmas
Tuesday, July 4	Independence Day	Monday, Jan. 1	New Year's Day 2018
Monday, Sept. 4	Labor Day		
Monday, Oct. 9	Columbus Day		

COURTHOUSE EARLY CLOSING DATES:

Friday, April 14 Good Friday at noon

Brenn moved, seconded by Cruise, to set the mileage rate for 2017 at 53.5¢ and the sheriff fee for serving papers at 56.5¢ based on the information from the state auditor. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Cruise, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Gregg, yes; Puls, yes; Ostgren, yes. Motion carried.

The Board approve the 2017 committee appointments.

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

Bobby Hamilton, Hwy. Supt., discussed with the Board the stop sign study on intersection 732 Rd & G Rd and the intersection at 733 Rd & K Rd. He said based on the study from Miller & Associates their recommendation is a stop sign be placed to control the south bound traffic on 732 Rd & G Rd and for 733 Rd & K Rd 2 stop signs be placed to control the north/south bound traffic and the 2 existing stop signs controlling east/west bound traffic be removed. After discussion Gregg moved, seconded by Cruise, to approve resolution 17-3 to place a stop sign based on Miller & Associates recommendation at the intersection of 732 Rd & G Rd. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Cruise, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Gregg, yes; Puls, yes; Ostgren, yes. Motion carried.

Cruise moved, seconded by Nutt, to approve resolution 17-4 to place a stop sign based on Miller & Associates recommendation at the intersection of 733 Rd & K Rd. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Cruise, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Gregg, yes; Puls, yes; Ostgren, yes. Motion carried.

Melodie Marvin, County Assessor, met with the Board with the 521s (Real Estate Transfer Statements) for their review.

Theresa discussed a meeting she attended.

The meeting adjourned at 10:04 a.m.

Sally Fox, County Clerk

James Ostgren, Chm. Bd. of Commissioners