



Phelps County Board Minutes



COMMISSIONERS ROOM, HOLDREGE, NE
9:00 A.M. April 4, 2017

The Phelps County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on April 4, 2017 as advertised, with Commissioners Tom Nutt; Rick Streeter; Matt Gregg; Shelley Brenn; Theresa Puls; Russ Cruise and Jim Ostgren present. 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. Nutt moved, seconded by Puls, to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Gregg, yes; Brenn, yes; Streeter, yes; Puls, yes; Cruise, yes; Ostgren, yes. Motion carried.

Bobby Hamilton, Highway Supt., told the Board the culvert crew is currently working with Harlan County on 726 Rd, west of Highway 183 to replace the old bridge with a corrugated metal pipe (CMP). This is for project C-69(0835).

At 9:15 a.m. as advertised, Randy Deans and Bobby Hamilton opened bids for the 2 bridge projects located on S RD project C-69(0009) and project C-69(0877) located on 744 & P Rd. The project will consist of removing the wooden canal bridges and replacing them with a new concrete box culverts. The bids received are for both bridge projects. Randy opened bids from Husker Eng. For \$207,054.40; Midland Contracting for \$137,984.70; Meyers Construction for \$174,180.80 and Ramos Construction for \$143,295.85. Bobby will review the bids and give his recommendation next week.

Dave Meyer with Kollmorgen and Associates and Craig Johnson with Holmes Murphy met with the Board to discuss their health insurance plan.

Shelley Brenn left the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Jean Issler, representing the Visitors Committee, met with the Board to give an update on their committee and their grant activities. The Board advised the Visitors Committee to start reporting to the Board quarterly and if they wanted to delegate Carol Rapstine from the Chamber she could give their report. They also want to approve all grants submitted to the Visitors Committee.

Since the Visitors Committee voted not to renew the agreement with the Holdrege Chamber the Board feels the agreement needs to be between the County and the Chamber since the Visitors Committee is an Advisory Board. After discussion Nutt moved, seconded by Streeter, to approve the agreement between Phelps County and The Holdrege Area Chamber of Commerce. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Gregg, yes; Streeter, yes; Puls, yes; Cruise, yes; Ostgren, yes. Brenn absent. Motion carried.

Theresa and Tom gave a report on meetings they attended.

The meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Sally Fox, County Clerk

James Ostgren, Chm. Bd. of Commissioners