



Phelps County Board Minutes



COMMISSIONERS ROOM, HOLDREGE, NE
9:00 A.M. October 23, 2018

The Phelps County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on October 23 2018 as advertised, with Commissioners Theresa Puls; Shelley Brenn; Russ Cruise; Matt Gregg; Tom Nutt and Jim Ostgren present. Rick Streeter 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, Cruise moved, seconded by Puls, to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Gregg, yes; Brenn, yes; Cruise, yes; Puls, yes; Ostgren, yes. Streeter absent. Motion carried.

Brenn moved, seconded by Nutt, to amend the agenda. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Gregg, yes; Brenn, yes; Cruise, yes; Puls, yes; Ostgren, yes. Streeter absent. Motion carried.

Brenn moved, seconded by Puls, to approve the October payroll claims in the amount of \$191,259.23 for the general, \$64,691.09 for the road and \$800 for the weed. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Gregg, yes; Brenn, yes; Cruise, yes; Puls, yes; Ostgren, yes. Streeter absent. Motion carried.

Bobby Hamilton, Highway Supt., met with the Board to review his NDOT SSAR annual budget report. After discussion Gregg moved, seconded by Nutt, to accept the annual budget report. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Gregg, yes; Brenn, yes; Cruise, yes; Puls, yes; Ostgren, yes. Streeter absent. Motion carried.

Bobby is applying for a NIRMA Assist Grant which is for a Smart TV and a Blu-ray DVD player. The cost is \$764.97 and NIRMA would pay 50% if they accept his grant.

Shelley and Tom discussed a meeting they attended

Travis Horner, Veteran's Service Officer and Justin Norris met with the Board to discuss getting new carpet for the Veteran's office. After discussion Brenn moved, seconded by Cruise, to approve the purchase of new carpet and to buy it local. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Gregg, yes; Brenn, yes; Cruise, yes; Puls, yes; Ostgren, yes. Streeter absent. Motion carried.

Bev Rehm thanked the Board for their budget support for the Library.

Marsha Fangmeyer, a candidate for Legislature District 38 met with the Board to discuss her goals if elected in the November, General Election.

The Board discussed a county burial appeal for an out of county burial which was a county resident. Jordan Haarberg is asking for assistants to help with grandmother, Donna Gibb's burial. In July they submitted a bill for \$3,819.76 from the Imperial Funeral Home. The county's assistance guidelines are for a basic cremation in a simple container which we have contracted through Nelson Bauer Funeral Home for \$1,300. The Board will make their decision and the next Board meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 10:32 a.m.

Sally Fox, County Clerk

James Ostgren, Chm. Bd. of Commissioners