



Phelps County Board Minutes



COMMISSIONERS ROOM, HOLDREGE, NE

9:00 A.M. April 28, 2020

The Phelps County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on April 28, 2020 as advertised, with Commissioners Rick Streeter; Barb Malm; Dennis Ostgren; Matt Gregg; Theresa Puls; Russ Cruise and Tom Nutt present. The Meeting was called to order by Chairman Nutt. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Tom announced the open meeting law would be in effect and that a copy is posted on the wall. Cruise moved, seconded by Gregg, to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Roll call vote was Streeter, yes; Malm, yes; Ostgren, yes; Gregg, yes; Puls, yes; Cruise, yes; Nutt, yes. Motion carried.

Malm moved, seconded by Ostgren, to approve April payroll claims in the amount of \$207,367.49 for general fund, \$68,693.96 for the road and \$800 for the weed fund. Roll call vote was Streeter, yes; Malm, yes; Ostgren, yes; Gregg, yes; Puls, yes; Cruise, yes; Nutt, yes. Motion carried.

Bobby Hamilton, Hwy. Supt., met with the Board with his road report. Bobby discussed the purchase of a used 2013 dump truck. Bobby had published a notice in the paper to waive the bidding requirement because this purchase is a significant savings. After discussion Cruise moved, seconded by Ostgren, to approve the purchase of the 2013 freightliner dump truck from RDO Truck in the amount of \$71,500. Roll call vote was Streeter, yes; Malm, yes; Ostgren, yes; Gregg, yes; Puls, yes; Cruise, yes; Nutt, yes. Motion carried. This truck will be paid out of the inheritance fund.

At 9:15 a.m. as advertised, Gary Steele with Miler & Associates opened bids for bridge projects located on V Road and J Road. This project will consist of removing the existing bridges and replacing them with new concrete box culverts. Bid A is for J Rd bridge, Bid B is for V Rd bridge and Bid A + B are for both bridges. Gary opened the bids and totals for both bridges are: Myers Construction, \$681,111.20; Midlands Contracting \$425,574.96; VanKirk Contracting, \$363,688.80 and Walz Inc., \$430,894.00. Gary reviewed the bids and recommended going with the low bid from VankKirk Contracting. After discussion Gregg moved, seconded by Cruise, to go with Gary's recommendation and go with VanKirk Contracting. Roll call vote was Streeter, yes; Malm, yes; Ostgren, yes; Gregg, yes; Puls, yes; Cruise, yes; Nutt, yes. Motion carried.

Theresa discussed a meeting she attended.

The meeting adjourned at 9:46 a.m.

Sally Fox, County Clerk

Tom Nutt, Chairman Board of Commissioner