



Phelps County Board Minutes



COMMISSIONERS ROOM, HOLDREGE, NE
9:00 A.M. August 9, 2022

The Phelps County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on August 9, 2022, as advertised, with Commissioners Rick Streeter; Barb Malm; Russ Cruise; Dennis Ostgren; Matt Gregg; Tom Nutt and Theresa Puls present. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Puls. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Theresa announced the open meeting law would be in effect and that a copy is posted on the wall. Cruise moved, seconded by Ostgren, to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Roll call vote was Malm, yes; Ostgren, yes; Cruise, yes; Gregg, yes; Streeter, yes; Nutt, yes; Puls, yes. Motion carried.

Bobby Hamilton, Highway Supt., met with the Board to discuss the purchase of a new pickup from the state bid. The bids are for a Dodge or Ford Crew Cab. There will be a 6 month wait on the vehicle and the state bid is \$42,000. After discussion Ostgren moved, seconded by Gregg, to approve Bobby to purchase a pickup truck on the state bid. Roll call vote was Malm, yes; Ostgren, yes; Cruise, yes; Gregg, yes; Streeter, yes; Nutt, yes; Puls, yes. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the 521's (real estate transfer statements)

Streeter moved, seconded by Malm, to approve the inventory sheets. Roll call vote was Malm, yes; Ostgren, yes; Cruise, yes; Gregg, yes; Streeter, yes; Nutt, yes; Puls, yes. Motion carried.

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

The Board discussed the request of county ARPA funds for the infrastructure of Iron Horse & Industry Park which was requested by Ron Tillery with PCDC. After discussion Ostgren moved, seconded by Malm to approve \$135,000 from the ARPA funds for the engineering cost at Iron Horse & Industry Park. Roll call vote was Malm, yes; Ostgren, yes; Cruise, no; Gregg, yes; Streeter, yes; Nutt, yes; Puls, yes. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the budget.

Nutt moved, seconded by Streeter to go into closed session at 10:22 a.m. to discuss personnel and for the purpose of protecting the public interest. Roll Call vote was Malm, yes; Ostgren, yes; Cruise, yes; Gregg, yes; Streeter, yes; Nutt, yes; Puls, yes. Motion carried. At 10:35 a.m. Nutt moved, seconded by Malm, to go out of closed session. Roll call vote was Malm, yes; Ostgren, yes; Cruise, yes; Gregg, yes; Streeter, yes; Nutt, yes; Puls, yes. Motion carried.

Barb discussed a meeting she attended.

The meeting adjourned at 10:56 a.m.

Sally Fox, County Clerk

Theresa Puls, Chairman Board of Commissioner