



Phelps County Board Minutes



COMMISSIONERS ROOM, HOLDREGE, NE
9:00 A.M. October 25, 2022

The Phelps County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on October 25, 2022, as advertised, with Commissioners Tom Nutt; Barb Malm; Dennis Ostgren; Rick Streeter; Russ Cruise; Matt Gregg; 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. Streeter moved, seconded by Ostgren, to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Roll call vote was Malm, yes; Streeter, yes; Ostgren, yes; Gregg, yes; Nutt, yes; Cruise, yes; Puls, yes. Motion carried.

At 9:00 a.m. as advertised, Bobby opened bids for micro-surfacing 15.6 miles off hard surface roads located on G Rd. from hwy 23 to 748 Rd (13 miles), 748 Rd from G Rd to E Rd (2 miles) and 744 Rd from 748 to bridge (.6 mile). Bobby received bids from Sta-Bilt Construction for \$58,000 per mile; total bid \$904,800 and Missouri Petroleum \$58,358 per mile; total bid \$910,384.80. The road committee will discuss the bids and give their recommendation next week. Bobby reviewed his annual road report, after discussion Ostgren moved, seconded by, Gregg, to accept the annual road report. Roll call vote was Malm, yes; Streeter, yes; Ostgren, yes; Gregg, yes; Nutt, yes; Cruise, yes; Puls, yes. Motion carried. Bobby discussed to surplus a 1978 snow blower and a 1990 dodge pickup box. After discussion Cruise moved, seconded by Streeter, to give bobby authority to surplus the snow blower and the Dodge pickup box. Roll call vote was Malm, yes; Streeter, yes; Ostgren, yes; Gregg, yes; Nutt, yes; Cruise, yes; Puls, yes. Motion carried.

Denise Smith, Administrator of Phelps County Senior Center appeared before the Board to purpose that the county wait until the end of the fiscal year to give the Senior Center the budgeted request. Next fiscal year she would like to bill the county monthly. The Board was in favor of her request.

Nutt moved, seconded by Malm, to approve October payroll claims in the amount of \$228,609.90 for the general, \$73,743.67 for the road and \$2,423.03 for the weed fund. Roll call vote was Malm, yes; Streeter, yes; Ostgren, yes; Gregg, yes; Nutt, yes; Cruise, yes; Puls, yes. Motion carried.

Cruise moved, seconded by Gregg, to go into closed session at 9:55 a.m. with Mike Henry, County Attorney, to discuss potential litigation and for the purpose of protecting the public interest. Roll call vote was Malm, yes; Streeter, yes; Ostgren, yes; Gregg, yes; Nutt, yes; Cruise, yes; Puls, yes. Motion carried. At 10:04 a.m. Streeter moved, seconded by Ostgren, to go out of closed session. Roll call vote was Malm, yes; Streeter, yes; Ostgren, yes; Gregg, yes; Nutt, yes; Cruise, yes; Puls, yes. Motion carried.

Sally Fox presented the Board with the NIRMA divided distribution check for \$6,261 which was received at the NIRMA Self-Defense Conference in Kearney, October 20 & 21, 2022.

The meeting adjourned at 10:21 a.m.

Sally Fox, County Clerk

Theresa Puls, Chairman Board of Commissioner