

Phillips County Commissioner Meeting

February 17, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Chairman Don Lock and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Also present were Commissioners Joe Kinnie and Harlan Stern, County Administrator Randy Schafer, and County Clerk Beth Zilla. Commissioner Kinnie was absent from 9:30 to 1:00 to attend a funeral.

Aaron Sprague, Phillips County's representative on the Republican River Water Conservation District Board, brought an update to the commissioners regarding the current Hutton Foundation lawsuit. The outcome could have significant impact on all irrigation wells in the county and Republican River basin.

The board approved an accounts payable batch for January.

Stern made a motion, seconded by Lock, to approve the minutes with changes for the January 29, 2016 meeting. Motion carried.

The board met with Valerie Hibbert, director of the Northeastern Colorado Revolving Loan Fund (NECRLF). NECRLF needs approval from each of the six counties in order to apply for \$580,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds.

Stern made a motion, seconded by Don Lock, to approve the CDBG application. Motion carried.

The board met with County Sheriff Rob Urbach and Weed and Pest Manager Kerri Doleshall to discuss new door locks for the Courthouse Building. Doleshall has previous experience in the locksmith business so he and Urbach will bring back what it will cost to install security locks on the exterior doors of the courthouse building and the Communications Center.

The board reviewed a bid from Holli Kurtzer to paint the interior offices of the courthouse. Schafer will request a bid for two (2) specific offices for the board's consideration.

The board reviewed a letter from Gale Wiebers on behalf of the Colorado Junior Rodeo Association (CJRA). Wiebers stated that due to conflicts they will not be holding their annual CJRA rodeo this year.

Lock announced at 11:00 a.m. that the Supplemental Budget hearing was in session.

Stern made a motion, seconded by Lock, to purchase a 2010 Ford F150 from Korf Auto in the amount of \$18,500 for the Weed and Pest department. Motion carried.

Lock announced at 11:15 a.m. Supplement Budget hearing was closed.

A motion was made by Stern, seconded by Lock, to adopt the 2015 Supplemental Budget as presented. Motion carried. Copy attached.

The board met with Taylor Hendrix. She is the 2016 Phillips County Fair Queen. She asked the board for a contribution during her reign as Fair Queen. Chairman Lock told Taylor that they would table their decision until Commissioner Kinnie returned.

Stern made a motion, seconded by Kinnie, to donate \$300 toward the 2016 Fair Queen expenses. Motion carried.

The board met with Road and Bridge manager Mike Salyards. Road building efforts for the upcoming construction season were discussed. Salyards requested the option of hiring two (2) part-time employees for the summer.

The board was updated on the new computers being purchased. Jim Edwards, the County IT provider, recommended that all old computers be wiped clean before any employee is allowed to purchase them. The board accepted his recommendation and decided that all computers must be wiped clean before they are available for purchase by employees. The cost will be \$85 per machine.

The board reviewed payroll questions about the recent snow day. The former snow day policy will be used. A committee will review and recommend a cancellation policy for adoption before next fall. Schafer will get representatives from several departments to sit on the committee.

The board was reminded of the Rural Philanthropy Days Listening Tour that the County is hosting on February 25th. The meeting is designed to provide foundation representatives of the needs in Phillips County.

The board signed the annual HUTF report showing the county has 1,022 miles currently being maintained.

The board provided a notice of the upcoming 911 surcharge increase to \$1.75. It will take effect May 1, 2016.

The board reviewed the following event center rentals:

- Bethleen McCall
- Shawn Sullivan
- Jacks Bean Company
- 21st Century Equipment
- Bob Heldenbrand
- Ag Power Equipment
- Holyoke Community Federal Credit Union

The board reviewed the following reports:

- County Veteran Service Officer
- Treasurer
- Cash Balances End of Month
- Cash Flow
- Expenditure

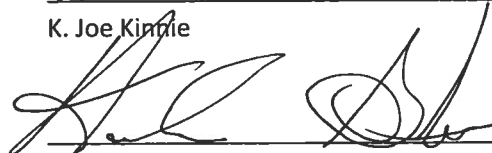
The meeting adjourned at 2:04 p.m.

Submitted by Beth Zilla
Phillips County Clerk

Donald J. Lock

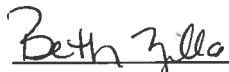


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Harlan Stern

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Beth Zilla, County Clerk