

**Phillips County Commissioner  
Meeting Minutes<sup>1</sup>  
December 31, 2025**

**Call to order**

Chairman Tom Timm called the meeting of the Phillips County Commissioners to order and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance at 8:00 a.m. on December 31, 2025, at the County Courthouse in the Commissioner meeting room.

**County Attendees**

Chairman Tom Timm, Commissioners Garold Roberts and Terry Hofmeister, Administrator/Planner Andrew Nygaard, County Clerk Beth Zilla, County Assessor Doug Kamery, Deputy Assessor Toby Thompson, and Road and Bridge worker Ed Glennemeier (via phone)

**Additional Attendees**

Janelle Krueger, David Romero, Stacy Romero, and Tom Andersen

**Additions or Corrections to the Agenda**

None presented.

**Approval of Agenda**

Roberts moved to approve the agenda as presented. Hofmeister seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

**Approval of Consent Agenda**

Hofmeister moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roberts seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

**Consent Agenda Items:**

- a) Approval of the minutes of the BOCC 12.19.2025 meeting
- b) Approval of December Payroll
- c) Approval of Invoice List
- d) Acknowledge receipt of Building Permits log
- e) Acknowledge receipt of Event Center/BOC Pavilion/Facilities rentals

**Public Comments**

None presented.

**Appointments**

The board met with Assessor Doug Kamery and Deputy Assessor Toby Thompson to discuss school district taxes. There are four quarters of ground in Phillips County that the Julesburg School District gets a mill levy from, and the Holyoke School District gets some money from a mill levy on some land in Yuma County.

The board met with Fair Board President Tom Andersen to discuss Phillips County Fair Royalty funds. The board and Andersen all agree that all funding and donations should run through the Fair Board and that the Fair Royalty should have their own checking account, and that they should approach the Fair Board for funding requests before the County Commissioners. Andersen also talked about the Fair Board's stage and purchasing a gazebo to sit on top of the stage. Andersen discussed having an antique tractor pull on September 12, 2026, and requested waiving the rental fees.

The board met with Ed Glennemeier via phone to discuss the preparation of the racetrack for the 2026 races. Joe Bellm with BST Racing requested some work to be done on the track in preparation. One request was to have at least 30 loads of clay and work manure or wood chips into the track.

Glennemeier thought it would take closer to 100 loads, and the dozer is currently being rebuilt. The other option would be for Glennemeier to rip up the track before the ground freezes and then pack it in the spring. Glennemeier thought this would take about a morning of work. The board approved having Glennemeier rip the track and then see what it looks like in the spring. They would also like Glennemeier to rip up the outdoor arena. The board also agreed to allow Bellm to post the 2026 race dates as long as they are clearly labeled as tentative.

Nygaard shared that there will be a DOLA Energy Impact Grant opening soon and will close sometime in February. Roberts shared some photographs of the Logan County Landfill with the board, and it was the consensus of the board to apply for the grant for a new landfill office building.

<sup>1</sup>Minutes prepared by Beth Zilla are a summary of discussions, not a verbatim account.

Nygaard discussed the City of Holyoke's citywide cleanup and informed the board that Landfill Manager Bill Andrews had been approached by City of Holyoke Superintendent Jeremy Thompson, who shared that there is a possible commercial entity that would like to haul items to the landfill for a fee. The board would like Thompson to come to a future Commissioner meeting to discuss what the city is planning to do in terms of citywide cleanup.

The board discussed the other appointed county boards. They would like to establish a pool of interested applicants for future vacancies rather than advertising as needed when vacancies occur.

#### **Unfinished Business**

None presented.

#### **Motions/New Business**

Roberts moved to approve the request from County Administrator Andrew Nygaard to promote Carrie Waln to Deputy Administrator and move her to GN Grade 24 Step 4, effective January 1, 2026. Hofmeister seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Hofmeister moved to reappoint Jerry Wagoner to a 3-year term on the Weed & Pest Advisory Board, expiring on December 31, 2028. Roberts seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Roberts moved to reappoint Chris Fuesz to a 5-year term on the Phillips County Board of Adjustment, expiring on December 31, 2030. Hofmeister seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Hofmeister moved to reappoint Kelsey Garretson to a 5-year term on the Phillips County Recreation District Board, expiring on December 31, 2030. Roberts seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Roberts moved to reappoint Dan Waln to a 5-year term on the Phillips County Planning Commission, expiring on December 31, 2030. Hofmeister seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Roberts moved to approve Tom Andersen's request to waive the rental fees for the antique tractor pull on September 12, 2026. Hofmeister seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

#### **Adjournment**

Chairman Timm adjourned the meeting at 9:52 a.m.

Minutes submitted by County Clerk Beth Zilla.

Next meeting is scheduled for January 9, 2026.

Phillips County Commissioners:

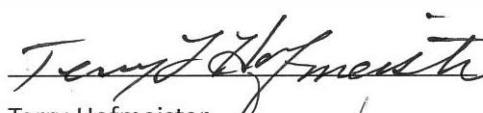
Attest:



Tom Timm



Beth Zilla, County Clerk



Terry Hofmeister



Garold Roberts