# Phillips County Commissioner Meeting Minutes<sup>1</sup> September 30, 2022

#### Call to order

Chairman Timm called the meeting of the Phillips County Commissioners to order and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:07 A.M. on September 30, 2022, at the County Courthouse in the Commissioner Meeting room.

## **Executive Session**

Roberts made a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of receiving legal advice on a specific legal question under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(b). Hofmeister seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The regular meeting recessed at 7:17 A.M. and reconvened at 7:40 A.M.

Chairman Timm stated the participants in the executive session were: Terry Hofmeister, Garold Roberts, Laura Schroetlin, Tammy Kelley, Andrew Nygaard and himself. Participants in the executive session were asked if they believed that any substantial discussion of any matters not included in the motion to go into executive session occurred during the executive session, or that any improper action occurred during the executive session in violation of the Open Meetings Law, to state their concerns for the record. No concerns were stated.

#### **County Attendees**

Chairman Tom Timm, Commissioners Garold Roberts and Terry Hofmeister, County Administrator Laura Schroetlin, County Clerk Beth Zilla, County Attorney Tammy Kelley, Maintenance Supervisor Lonny Vernon and Assistant Administrator Andrew Nygaard.

#### **Additional Attendees**

Tammy Kelley, Janelle Krueger, Darci Rodriguez, Trisha Herman, Darlene Carpio, Jessie Stewart, Elia Wear, Layna Wear, Lucinda Mares, Holly Ferguson and Walt Page.

## **Additions or Corrections to the Agenda**

Administrator Schroetlin added the following items:

- 18) Intergovernmental Agreement with Logan County
- 19) VALE Grant
- 20) Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of Revenue

# **Approval of Consent Agenda**

Hofmeister made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roberts seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

## **Consent Agenda Items:**

- a) Approval of the minutes of the BOCC 09.19.2022 meeting
- b) Approval of September payroll
- c) Approval of A/P invoice list
- d) Approval of the Veterans Service Officer monthly reports
- e) Approval of the MOU for control of confidential data
- f) Acknowledge receipt of HUTF summary
- g) Acknowledge receipt of Building Permits log
- h) Acknowledge receipt of Event Center/ BOC Pavilion Rentals

# **Public Comments**

Walt Page of National Renewable Solutions discussed the county's wind regulations and was informed of the upcoming public hearing about the topic.

Janelle Krueger made comments on the possibility of creating the role of a multiple municipality Chamber of Commerce Director in the county.

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

#### **Appointments**

The board met with Holyoke Enterprise Managing Editor Darci Rodriguez for the monthly press briefing. Notes from this portion of the meeting will be sent to the Haxtun-Fleming Herald.

The board was notified of the resignation of Deputy Sheriff Kory Peterson, effective September 21, 2022.

The board met with Phillips County Economic Development Director Trisha Herman, who discussed the Innovative Housing Planning grant, the Rural Jump-Start Program and the proposed economic development budget for 2023.

The board met with Congressman Ken Buck's Representative, Darlene Carpio, for updates from the Congressman's office.

The board met with CSU Extension Agent Jessie Stewart and 4-H members Lucinda Mares, Elia Wear and Layna Wear. Stewart reported on State Fair results and discussed the activities planned for National 4-H week. The board signed the National 4-H Week Proclamation. Stewart also provided updates from the Extension office on behalf of Stephanie Starkebaum.

The board met with Holyoke Chamber of Commerce Director Holly Ferguson. Ferguson asked the board if the diagonal parking lot south of the courthouse on Furry Street can be used for parking for the Halloween Trunk or Treat event on October 31 from 3:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. The board agreed to allow them to use the parking lot.

The board met with Maintenance Supervisor Lonny Vernon to discuss maintenance needs and repairs recently made at Amherst Community Park.

#### **Unfinished Business**

The board discussed the date for the public hearing regarding the proposed county wind regulations. The board agreed to hold the hearing on October 19, 2022, at 7:00 P.M. at the Biesemeier Room at the Event Center. Notice of the hearing will be published in The Holyoke Enterprise and the Haxtun-Fleming Herald.

## **Motions/New Business**

Roberts made a motion to appoint Commissioner Hofmeister to serve on CCI's Legislative Committee on behalf of Phillips County and to designate Chairman Timm as an alternate. Hofmeister seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Hofmeister made a motion to approve the revised dates to the 2022 Board of County Commissioners meeting schedule, as presented. Roberts seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Roberts made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve the subdivision exemption request submitted by Terry Martin to sell 9.89 acres to Dan Prenzlow in the W 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of Section 29-T7N-R42W. Hofmeister seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Hofmeister made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve the subdivision exemption request submitted by Terry Martin to sell 7.55 acres to Dan Prenzlow in the E 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of Section 29-T7N-R42W. Motion carried unanimously.

Roberts made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve the subdivision exemption request submitted by Gayln L. Einspahr to sell 5.0 acres to David J. Tyznik and Julia G. Tyznik in the SE 1/4 of Section 3 T7N-R44W. Hofmeister seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Hofmeister made a motion to make no changes in County Health Pool employee health care benefits for 2023. Roberts seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Hofmeister made a motion to appoint Laura Schroetlin to receive confidential information concerning sales tax from the Department of Revenue. Roberts seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Roberts made a motion to authorize Chairman Timm to sign the Intergovernmental Agreement between Phillips County and the City of Holyoke, the Town of Haxtun, Melissa Memorial Hospital Ambulance Service, Haxtun Health Ambulance Service, Haxtun Rural Fire Board, Holyoke Rural Fire Board, and the E911 Telephone Authority Board to provide funding for the operating expenses of the Phillips County Communications Center. Hofmeister seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Hofmeister made a motion to approve the request from Melissa Memorial Hospital to sell alcohol at their banquet on December 3, 2022, from 4:00 P.M. to 11:59 P.M. as long as they receive a special event permit from the City, provide liquor liability insurance and pay the additional liquor deposit. Roberts seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Roberts made a motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between Logan County and Phillips County regarding the housing of prisoners, as presented. Hofmeister seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Roberts made a motion to authorize Chairman Timm to sign the VALE grant for 2023. Hofmeister seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Roberts made a motion to obligate \$1,000 to the Innovative Housing Planning grant. Hofmeister seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

# Adjournment

Chairman Timm adjourned the meeting at 12:11 P.M.

Minutes submitted by County Clerk Beth Zilla.

Next meeting is scheduled for October 7, 2022.

**Phillips County Commissioners:** 

Attest:

Tom Timm

Garold Roberts