Phillips County Commissioner Meeting Minutes¹ July 19, 2022

The board held a work session with Communications Center Director Kenny Gaskill and Road and Bridge Manager Mike Salyards prior to the meeting.

Call to order

Chairman Timm called to order the meeting of the Phillips County Commissioners and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance at 8:01 A.M. on July 19, 2022, at the County Courthouse in the Commissioner Meeting room.

County Attendees

Chairman Tom Timm, Commissioners Garold Roberts and Terry Hofmeister, Assessor Doug Kamery, Sheriff Thom Elliott and Assistant Administrator Andrew Nygaard.

Additional Attendees

Janelle Krueger, Tom Bennett, Trisha Herman, Jeremy Kilpatrick, Doug Bergstrom, John Grivas and Ronny Farmer (via Zoom.)

Additions or Corrections to the Agenda

None presented.

Approval of Consent Agenda

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

Consent Agenda Items:

- a) Approval of the minutes of the BOCC 07.11.2022 meeting
- b) Approval of A/P invoice list
- c) Acknowledge receipt of CAPP reports
- d) Acknowledge receipt of Workers' Comp Reports
- e) Acknowledge receipt of Event Center/Facilities rentals

Public Comments

None presented.

Appointments

The board met with Ronny Farmer, who presented the county's 2021 audit via Zoom.

The board met with Veterans Service Officer Jeremy Kilpatrick for updates from his office.

The board met with Economic Development Director Trisha Herman and Board member Tom Bennett for an update on the Holyoke Community Childcare Initiative. Herman also provided an update on the Rural Jump Start Program.

The board met with Assessor Kamery for his annual report.

The board met with Holyoke Police Chief Doug Bergstrom and Sheriff Thom Elliott regarding security and safety in the restrooms at the Phillips County Event Center.

Unfinished Business

New employees in the Road & Bridge department will receive a payment of \$750 after they're hired and every six months until the full amount of \$3,000 is met. In the event the employee does not stay for the full two years, payment back to the county will be prorated. The board also confirmed that the county will pay for new Road & Bridge employees to get their CDL.

Motions/New Business

The board authorized Road & Bridge Manager Salyards to offer \$40,000 to Prestige Equipment for a 2002 Gradall XL4100.

Roberts made a motion to approve a \$3,000 signing bonus with a two-year employment commitment for new Communications Center employees. Hofmeister seconded the motion. Motion carried

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unanimously. The payout schedule and conditions for this bonus will be the same as for Road & Bridge employees.

Hofmeister made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve the subdivision exemption request submitted by Jason Koberstein to subdivide 21 acres in SE Section 4-T8N-R45W. No sale is involved. Timm seconded the motion. Motion carried, with Roberts abstaining.

The board discussed HB21-1085 regarding Secure Transportation Licensure.

Roberts made a motion to approve the request from Communications Center Director Kenny Gaskill to use American Recovery Plan Act funds to purchase additional mapping enhancements from IMEG Corp. for \$960. Hofmeister seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Hofmeister made a motion to approve the application to amend the ambulance service license for East Phillips County as presented. Roberts seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The board accepted the 2023 annual budget schedule as presented.

The board tabled approving the scheduling of a date for discussion about FAMLI leave with county employees until further information is received.

Chairman Timm signed the 2022 EMPG award letter.

The board corrected the hire date of Kory Peterson as Deputy Sheriff to July 18, 2022.

Hofmeister moved to approve the request from Road & Bridge Manager Salyards to purchase a 2023 Caterpillar 140LVR motor grader from Wagner Equipment in Denver, Colorado, for \$313,385.85. Roberts seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Roberts moved to approve the request from Road & Bridge Manager Mike Salyards to purchase a 2023 Load King Bottom Dump 2060-40-2 trailer from Crossroads Trailer in Hudson, Colorado, for \$46,500. Hofmeister seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

Chairman Timm adjourned the meeting at 12:17 P.M.

Minutes submitted by Assistant Administrator Andrew Nygaard.

Next meeting is scheduled for July 29, 2022.

Phillips County Commissioners:

Time

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Attest:

Roth Zilla County Clark