

Phillips County Commissioner
Meeting Minutes
October 9, 2020

Call to order

Chairman Hofmeister called to order the regular meeting of the Phillip County Commissioners at 9:00 A.M. on October 9, 2020 at the County Courthouse in the Commissioner Meeting room.

Attendees

Chairman Terry Hofmeister, Commissioners Don Lock and Harlan Stern, County Administrator Pam Jensen, Commissioner candidate Garold Roberts, CSU Extension Agents Deeona Johnston and Jessie Stewart, Economic Development Director Trisha Herman, Holyoke Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Holly Ferguson, County legal counsel Tammy Kelley, Maintenance Department Supervisor Dan Waln, and Director of Human Services Lori Lundgren.

Additions/Changes to the Agenda

- Dragon Booster Club contribution
- BST racing contract contingency plan

Approval of Minutes and Consent Agenda

Hofmeister made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Stern seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Stern made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 30, 2020 meeting as presented. Lock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Appointments

The board met with CSU Extension Agents Deeona Johnston and Jessie Stewart for their monthly updates. Stewart made a request of the board to consider waiving the rental fees for the event center to host the 4-H Colorado Leadership Conference on November 7, 2020. The commissioners will discuss this request at a future meeting.

The board met with Phillips County Economic Development Director Trisha Herman and Holyoke Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Holly Ferguson. Both attendees submitted their proposed budgets for 2021. Both are working together on the next round of CVRF/DOLA available funds. Their effort is to assist local businesses to identify and quantify revenue losses due solely to COVID-19, and then help these businesses qualify and apply for any available aid. Herman talked about long-term recovery "teams" that some neighboring counties have initiated. Herman also extended an invitation for any county representative to join the Housing Board.

The board called to order an executive session with County Attorney Tammy Kelley of Kelley Law Ltd., at 10:42AM on October 9, 2020, for the purpose of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(b). The board concluded the executive session at 10:51AM.

The board met with Maintenance Department Supervisor Dan Waln. Waln presented two bids from local vendors to replace and install a new heater in the maintenance garage. Waln requested permission to participate in an upcoming online auction at Big Iron expressing interest in purchasing a toolbox for a county pickup truck. Waln also provided updates on two current projects at the fairgrounds. One project is updating the lighting at the racetrack/grandstands, the other project is improving the arena floor at the BOC Pavilion with a gravel/clay mixture.

The board became the Department of Human Services board and called to order an executive session with DHS Director Lori Lundgren at 11:51AM on October 9, 2020, for consideration of documents protected by the mandatory nondisclosure provisions of the Open Records Act under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(g). The board concluded the executive session at 12:02PM. The minutes from this portion of the meeting are maintained by DHS.

Old Business

No old business.

New Business/Motions

The board declined to participate in the Dragon Booster Club at this time.

The board agreed that any contingency plans regarding the BST Racing contract would be drawn up by the county and presented to BST Racing promoter Joe Bellm.

Hofmeister made a motion to accept bid from Hometown Heating & Air to install 100K BTU heating unit in the maintenance garage for \$3,000. Stern seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Stern made a motion to allow bidding for a pickup truck toolbox for an amount not to exceed \$1,650. Lock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The board reviewed the proposed County Holiday schedule for 2021. All commissioners consented to the schedule with no changes.

Adjournment

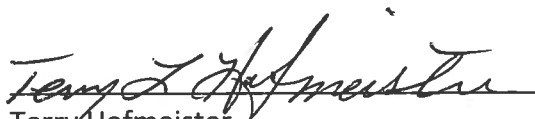
Chairman Hofmeister adjourned the meeting at 12:05pm.

Minutes submitted by Patrick Mitchell

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 19, 2020.

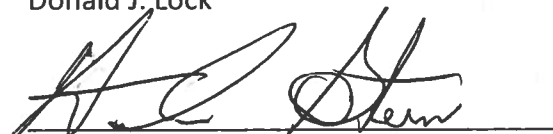
County Commissioners:

Attest:


Terry Hofmeister


Beth Zilla – County Clerk


Donald J. Lock


Harlan Stern