

*Phillips County Commissioner
Meeting Minutes¹
February 15, 2022*

The board held a work session with County Maintenance Supervisor Dan Waln and Fairgrounds Maintenance Supervisor Lonny Vernon 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 9:00 A.M. on February 15, 2022, at the County Courthouse in the Commissioner Meeting room.

Attendees

Chairman Tom Timm, Commissioners Garold Roberts and Terry Hofmeister, County Administrator Laura Schroetlin, Assistant Administrator Nici Akey, and County Clerk Beth Zilla.

Additional Attendees

Janelle Krueger, Trisha Herman

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 3-0.

Consent Agenda Items:

- A) Approval of the minutes of the BOCC 02.09.2022 meeting
- B) Approval of A/P invoice list
- C) Acknowledge receipt of CTSI YE 2021 Loss Ratio Reports
- D) Acknowledge receipt of Workers' Comp Reports as of 01.30.2022
- E) Acknowledge receipt of Mobile Food Pantry Report
- F) Acknowledge receipt of Event Center/BOC Pavilion Rental Agreements

Public Comments

None presented.

Old Business

None presented.

Motions/ New Business

Hofmeister made a motion to approve the rental rate for the Phillips County Republican Committee at the Event Center for their Lincoln Day Dinner and General Assembly on March 20th, 2022 to be the same as in previous years. Roberts seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

The board agreed to have Chairman Timm sign the NJC Foundation letter of support.

The board reviewed the EIAF Grant Award Notification. The grant amount is \$21,750 and will be used as matching funds for a comprehensive review of current zoning regulations.

Hofmeister spoke of the Proposed Collective Bargaining Mandate being considered by the General Assembly. The board signed a letter expressing their opposition to imposing an unfunded mandate. The board does not oppose collective bargaining as a policy – this is an individual employer/employee decision.

The board discussed replacement of the current video system for the Heginbotham Hall. Board tabled the issue until further information is presented.

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

The board met with Economic Development Executive Director Trisha Herman. Herman gave a recap of 2021 activities and projects for 2022. Herman gave updates on the Child Care Center. Herman asked for the fee for the Ortner room to be waived for a regional meeting on March 07, 2022. Herman asked the board if they would consider hosting an internship for the Ogallala Commons. Herman asked if she could set up on May 3rd for her event on May 4th, without charge.

Hofmeister made a motion to waive the fees for Colorado Regional Resiliency and Recovery Road Maps meeting schedule in the Ortner room on March 7th. Roberts seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously 3-0.

The board agreed to allow Ogallala Commons to set up for their May 4th event in the Heginbotham Hall at no charge on the evening of May 3rd if no other renters request that date.

The board reviewed the Region One Television Association update from manager Ed Lake.

Executive Session

Roberts made a motion to go into executive session for discussion of a personnel matter under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(f)(I)&(II) and not involving: any specific employees who have requested discussion of the matter in open session; any member of this body or any elected official; the appointment of any person to fill an office of this body or of an elected official; or personnel policies that do not require the discussion of matters personal to particular employees. Hofmeister seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. The regular meeting recessed at 11:03 and reconvened at 11:18.

Chairman Timm stated the additional participants in the executive session were: Laura Schroetlin, Terry Hofmeister, Garold Roberts, and Nici Akey. 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.

Roberts moved to approve the request from Road and Bridge Manager Mike Salyards to move Bob Overstreet to RB Grade 16 Step 5, effective February 21, 2022. Hofmeister seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Adjournment

Chairman Timm adjourned the meeting at 11:22.

Minutes submitted by County Clerk Beth Zilla.

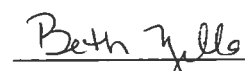
Next meeting is scheduled for February 28, 2022.

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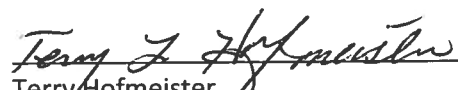
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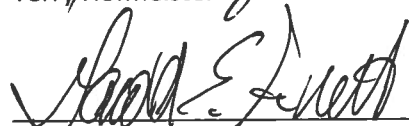
Tom Timm



Beth Zilla, County Clerk



Terry Hofmeister



Garold Roberts