

**Phillips County Commissioner
Meeting Minutes¹
November 9, 2022**

The board held a work session with Department of Human Services Director Lori Lundgren prior to the meeting.

After the regular meeting was adjourned, the board held a work session to discuss the county's proposed wind energy regulations. Maui Sand and Alex Ingulsrud of National Renewable Solutions attended the first part of the work session, and County Attorney Tammy Kelley and John Sullivan of Sullivan, Green, Seavy LLC attended the second part of the work session via Zoom.

Call to order

Chairman Timm called the meeting of the Phillips County Commissioners to order and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance at 8:00 a.m. on November 9, 2022, at the County Courthouse in the Commissioner Meeting room.

County Attendees

Chairman Tom Timm, Commissioners Garold Roberts and Terry Hofmeister, County Administrator Laura Schroetlin, and Assistant Administrator Andrew Nygaard.

Additional Attendees

Janelle Krueger, Andrew Turck, Kathy Secrist, Joe Kinnie, Cherrie Brown, Steve Brown, and Will Arthur.

Additions or Corrections to the Agenda

None presented.

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 10.31.2022 meeting
- b) Approval of A/P invoice list
- c) Acknowledge receipt of CAPP reports
- d) Acknowledge receipt of building permits log
- e) Acknowledge receipt of Event Center/BOC Pavilion rentals

Public Comments

Janelle Krueger made comments regarding soil temperature and rainfall as they pertain to wind energy production.

Appointments

The board met with Kathy Secrist for a report on the Food Bank of the Rockies.

The board met with Cherrie Brown, Steve Brown, and Joe Kinnie about election integrity. Cherrie Brown discussed the Phillips County Election Integrity Project and invited the Commissioners, Clerk and Sheriff to an election symposium scheduled for November 13.

The board met with Will Arthur, representing the Attentive-CIGNA partnership, regarding employee benefits. Information about the program and its benefits will be presented to county employees before the board acts on it.

Unfinished Business

The board discussed the 2023 BST racing schedule and contract.

Motions/New Business

Hofmeister made a motion to approve the request from the Food Bank of the Rockies to renew their annual contract with Phillips County to run their mobile food pantry in the county in 2023. Roberts seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Roberts made a motion to approve the B&B Investments 2023 Phillips County Raceway contract and the Phillips County Raceway race schedule as presented. Hofmeister seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Hofmeister made a motion to approve the request from Road and Bridge Manager Mike Salyards to move Beau Waln to RB Grade 16 Step 5, effective November 12, 2022. Roberts seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

¹Minutes prepared by Andrew Nygaard are a summary of discussions, not a verbatim account.

Roberts made a motion to approve the request from County Administrator Laura Schroetlin to reclassify Andrew Nygaard as Deputy Administrator/Planner and be placed at GN Grade 26 Step 3, effective November 16, 2022. Hofmeister seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment


Chairman Timm adjourned the meeting at 10:42 a.m.

Minutes submitted by Andrew Nygaard.

Next meeting is scheduled for November 18, 2022.

Phillips County Commissioners:

Attest:



Tom Timm



Beth Zilla, County Clerk



Terry Hofmeister



Garold Roberts