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Box Butte County Commissioners met in an open and public regular meeting at 9:00 a.m., December 5, 2016, in the Commission Board Room located on the second floor of the Box Butte County Courthouse, 515 Box Butte Avenue, Alliance, NE. Notice meeting was published in the Alliance Times Herald on November 26, 2016, with agenda information emailed to Board members December 1, 2016. Following an opening prayer, Chairperson Susan Lore called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Roll call: Doug Hashman, Mike McGinnis and Susan Lore. Judy Messersmith, County Clerk, recorded the proceedings of the meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Chairperson Lore acknowledged the Open Meeting Act posted on the North wall of the board room. Motion by Mike McGinnis to accept the agenda as printed, seconded by Doug Hashman. Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. Susan Lore moved to approve the November 21, 2016 minutes with Doug Hashman amending the minutes to state Doug Hashman had left to attend a meeting with Box Butte General Hospital and Region 1 Mental Health at the hospital, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Hashman, abstained; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. Doug Hashman moved to accept and sign Clerk of District Court monthly report, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. Correspondence included the closing certificate of county document from Box Butte General Hospital. BBGH Financial Officer Tracy Jatzcak was present to answer any questions. Motion by Mike McGinnis authorizing County Clerk Judy Messersmith to sign the closing certificate document, seconded by Doug Hashman. Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. Doug Hashman moved allowing Chairperson Lore to sign the Certification of County Highway Superintendent, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. Commissioners reported on meetings they had recently attended.

Doug Hashman moved to open Board of Equalization at 9:25 a.m., seconded by Mike McGinnis. Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. A hearing for Josette Nelson, 2310 CR 58, Alliance, NE, was opened to discuss the notice of rejection of Homestead Exemption form 458R. After evidence presented and County Assessor Robinson calling for clarification from Mr. Rosenberger with the NE Department of Revenue, no action was taken as County Assessor Robinson stated Ms. Nelson was eligible for 100% exemption under category 4 military exemption. Doug Hashman moved to approve Form 457 Application for Exempt from Human Services, Inc for three vehicles, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. Mike McGinnis moved to close Board of Equalization at 9:44 a.m., seconded by Doug Hashman. Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried.

Doug Hashman moved, seconded by Mike McGinnis to approve and sign monthly payroll claims. Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. **GENERAL** Payroll \$118,181.67; AFLAC 1,201.79; Ameritas Life Insurance Corp 692.16; Bank of the West 41,883.40; Box Butte County Treasurer 97,016.00; Credit Management Services, Inc 309.60; Lincoln National Life Insurance 187.28; NE Child Support Payment Center 50.00; Retirement Plans Division/Ameritas 21,516.87; State of NE Dept of Revenue 4,926.84. **ROAD** Payroll \$35,882.68; AFLAC 73.90; Ameritas Life Insurance Corp 168.88; Bank of the West 8,130.84; Box Butte County Treasurer 1,282.00; Lincoln National Life Insurance 6.80; NE Child Support Payment Center 650.00; Retirement Plans Division/Ameritas 2,144.74; State of NE Dept of Revenue 1,491.12. Total: \$335,796.57.

Commissioner McGinnis reported that District Court Clerk Kevin Horn had informed him that he no longer would be the Health & Wellness Chairman. A memo will be sent to all offices asking for any employee that has an interest in this position to contact one of the Commissioners by December 16, 2016.

Chairperson Lore called recess at 10:00 a.m.

Chairperson Lore resumed the meeting at 10:10 a.m., with roll call: Doug Hashman, Mike McGinnis, and Susan Lore present.

Jim Gardner, Gardner, Loutzenhiser and Ryan CPAs, presented the completed audit report to the Board. Doug Hashman moved to accept the audit, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried.

Mike McGinnis moved to enter into executive session at 10:32 a.m. for the protection of public interest and prevention of need for injury to the reputation of an individual, to discuss pending litigation, seconded by Doug Hashman. Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. NIRMA attorney Pam Bourne, by telephone, and County Sheriff Tammy Mowry, along with all Board



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members were in attendance for the executive session. Executive session was closed at 11:02 a.m., that had been called for protection of public interest and prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual, with motion made by M McGinnis, seconded by Doug Hashman. Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. No action taken.

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Road Superintendent Barb Keegan presented a road and equipment report, discussing possible dates for the annual road hearing and the possibility of setting a meeting with interested parties in order to complete the Logan Road project. M McGinnis moved to adopt Resolution 2016-25: Signing of the HRRR Project Program Agreement – BL 1647, seconded by Doug Hashman. Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. Approval of Resolution 2016-25 allow for Chairperson Lore to sign the LPA Program Agreement, High Risk Rural Road Advance Railroad Warning Sign Project. Mike McGinnis moved to approve an auto gate permit as revised and had been approved by County Attorney Hood, seconded by Doug Hashman. Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. No action taken at that time, on a resolution to remove weight limit signs on oil roads.

The Board of Commissioners, County Sheriff Mowry, Sheriff Administrator Patty Kulas, Deputy County Treasurer V Bell, Road Superintendent Barb Keegan and County Clerk Judy Messersmith discussed the time and attendance program that the County will implement January 1, 2017.

With no public comment, Chairperson Lore adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Attest:

Chairperson

County Clerk