



Box Butte County Board Minutes



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Box Butte County Commissioners met in an open and public regular meeting at 9:00 a.m., January 5, 2017, 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 December 31, 2016, with agenda information emailed to Board members January 3, 2017. 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.

Doug Hashman moved to approve and sign monthly payroll and claims, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. **GENERAL:** Payroll 117,972.46; AFLAC 1201.79; Ameritas Life Insurance 692.16; Bank of the West 41710.88; Box Butte County Treasurer 97016.00; Credit Management Services Inc 309.60; Lincoln National Life Insurance 187.28; NE Child Support Payment Center 50.00; Retirement Plans Division/Ameritas 21301.75; St of NE Dept of Revenue 4807.64. **ROAD:** Payroll 37,773.09; AFLAC 73.90; Ameritas Life Insurance Corp 178.36; Bank of the West 8767.60; Box Butte County Treasurer 1282.00; Lincoln National Life Insurance 6.80; NE Child Support Payment Center 650.00; Retirement Plans Division/Ameritas 2343.80; St of NE Dept of Revenue 1617.98.

Susan Lore moved to appoint Mike McGinnis as Board Chairman, seconded by Doug Hashman. Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. Susan Lore moved to appoint Doug Hashman as Vice-Chairman, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

Doug Hashman moved to allow the Commissioners to remain on the boards they are currently serving, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. Those appointments being:

Chairman Mike McGinnis:

1. Extension Board
2. Box Butte Development Corporation
3. Vice-Chairman/Welfare Board
4. Box Butte General Hospital
5. Northwest Community Action
6. Region 23 Emergency Management Agency

Vice-Chairman Doug Hashman:

1. Panhandle Mental Health Board
2. Region I Office of Human Development
3. Panhandle Development & Disabilities
4. Area Agency of Aging
5. Alternate/Northwest Community Action
6. E911 Advisory Board

Commissioner Susan Lore:

1. Chairman/Welfare Board
2. Alternate/Panhandle Mental Health Board
3. Alternate/Region I Office of Human Development
4. Alternate/Agency of Aging
5. Public Health Board/Panhandle Partnership
6. Family Focus Committee
7. Senior Citizens Board



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Doug Hashman moved that the Board of Commissioners will remain as Directors of Building and Grounds, seconded by Susan Lore. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

Susan Lore moved to appoint Barbara Keegan as Road Superintendent, seconded by Doug Hashman. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

Doug Hashman moved to appoint Cody Renkoski as Weed Superintendent, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

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Susan Lore moved to appoint Mike Johnson as Zoning Administrator, seconded Doug Hashman. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis yes. Motion carried.

Doug Hashman moved to appoint Dennis Laughlin as Veteran’s Service Officer, seconded by Susan Lore. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

Susan Lore moved to appoint Deb Kraenow as 4-H Assistant, seconded by Doug Hashman. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis yes. Motion carried.

Susan Lore moved to declare Alliance Times Herald and The Ledger as official county newspapers, seconded by Doug Hashman. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

Susan Lore moved to name the following banks as county depositories: Bank of the West (Alliance & Hemingway Branches); Wells Fargo Bank; NPAIT; First State Bank; Great Western Bank; Western Heritage Credit Union; Farm State Bank; First National Bank North Platte (Alliance Branch); and Sandhills State Bank, seconded by Doug Hashman. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Susan Lore allowing County Treasurer to close First State Bank accounts, (two certificate of deposits and a money market account) bringing the monies back to Box Butte County financial institutions, seconded by Doug Hashman. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

Susan Lore moved to declare KCOW/AM & KAAQ/FM as official county radio stations, seconded by Doug Hashman. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

Doug Hashman moved to name www.boxbuttecounty.us as the county website, seconded by Susan Lore. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

Susan Lore moved to name Scott Bosse’ as County Surveyor as needed, seconded by Doug Hashman. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

Susan Lore moved to set the following holidays for 2017, seconded by Doug Hashman. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

2017 HOLIDAYS

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| 1. New Years Day | Fri. January 2, 2017 |
| 2. Martin Luther King | Mon. January 16, 2017 |
| 3. President’s Day | Mon. February 20, 2017 |



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| 4. Arbor Day | Fri. April 28, 2017 |
| 5. Memorial Day | Mon. May 29, 2017 |
| 6. Independence Day | Mon. July 4, 2017 |
| 7. Labor Day | Mon. September 4, 2017 |
| 8. Columbus Day | Mon. October 9, 2017 |
| 9. Veteran's Day | Fri. November 10, 2017 |
| 10. Thanksgiving | Thurs. November 23, 2017 |
| 11. Day after Thanksgiving | Fri. November 24, 2017 |
| 12. Christmas Day | Mon. December 25, 2017 |

Doug Hashman moved to set regular board meeting dates for the first and third Mondays of each month, or the day after in case of a Monday holiday, and to move the September 18, 2017 meeting to September 19, 2017, seconded by Susan Lore. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

Susan Lore moved to set regular board meeting starting time at 8:30 a.m., seconded by Mike McGinnis. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

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Following reorganization, Susan Lore moved to approve December 19, 2016 and December 28, 2016 minutes as written, seconded by Doug Hashman. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. Susan Lore moved to accept and sign Clerk of District Court monthly report, seconded by Doug Hashman. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. Correspondence had been emailed to Board members and was available for public inspection. Commissioners reported on various meetings they had recently attended, and Commissioner Hashman reported that NIRMA will be sending a check for the 2007 Durango loss, with the county to retain the Durango and will have the vehicle repaired.

Susan Lore moved to open as Board of Equalization at 10:30 a.m., seconded by Doug Hashman. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. Susan Lore moved authorizing Chairman McGinnis to sign the correction book presented by County Assessor Robinson, seconded by Doug Hashman. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. At 10:44 a.m., Doug Hashman moved to close Board of Equalization, seconded by Susan Lore. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

Chairman McGinnis called recess at 10:45 a.m.

Chairman McGinnis resumed the meeting at 10:53 a.m., with roll call: Susan Lore, Doug Hashman, Mike McGinnis present.

Family Focus Coalition Director, Mary Wernke, presented applicant information. Doug Hashman moved authorizing Chairman McGinnis to sign Nebraska Crime Commission 2017 Community-based Juvenile Services Aid (CB), seconded by Susan Lore. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. Doug Hashman moved authorizing Chairman McGinnis to sign Nebraska Crime Commission 2017 Community-based Juvenile Services Aid Enhancement (E), seconded by Susan Lore. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

Susan Lore moved to appoint Shane Dye to the Box Butte County Extension Board and to appoint Gail Burke to fill the unexpired term to the Box Butte County Extension Board, seconded by Doug Hashman. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.



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Road Superintendent Barb Keegan provided a road and equipment report, with the 1 & 6 year road hearing to advertised for February 6, 2017 at 10:15 a.m.

Susan Lore moved to enter into executive session at 12:12 p.m., for the protection of public interest or for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual to discuss a personnel matter with NIRMA attorney Pam Bourne on a telephone conference, seconded by Doug Hashman. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. Susan Lore moved to close executive session at 12:43 p.m., that had been called for the prevention of needless injury to the protection of public interest, seconded by Doug Hashman. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. No action taken.

Quarterly jail visit is postponed until January 17, 2017, following the employee appreciation dinner.

With no public comment, Chairman McGinnis adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

Attest: _____

Chairperson

County Clerk