



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., February 20, 2018, in the Commissioner Board Room located on the second floor of the Box Butte County Courthouse, 515 Box Butte Avenue, Alliance, NE. Notice of meeting was published in the Alliance Times Herald on February 10, 2018, with agenda information emailed to Board members and posted on the county website February 16, 2018. Chairman Mike McGinnis called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., following an opening prayer. Roll call: Susan Lore, Doug Hashman and Mike McGinnis present. Judy Messersmith, County Clerk, recorded the proceedings of the meeting. County Attorney Travis Rodak in attendance. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Chairman McGinnis acknowledged the Open Meeting Act posted on the North wall of the board room. Motion by Doug Hashman to accept the agenda, seconded by Susan Lore. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. Susan Lore moved to approve February 5, 2018 minutes as written and emailed to the Board members, seconded by Doug Hashman. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. With no elected official's reports or office reports, correspondence was acknowledged and available for public view. Mike McGinnis and Doug Hashman reported on board meetings they had recently attended.

Susan Lore moved to open Board of Equalization at 9:15 a.m., seconded by Mike McGinnis. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. Motion made by Doug Hashman allowing Chairman McGinnis to sign the correction book, as County Assessor Michelle Robinson presented, seconded by Susan Lore. Correction book included three corrections, correcting real estate and personal property. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. Susan Lore moved to sign a refund claim for Chriss Kroeger as County Assessor Robinson presented, seconded by Doug Hashman. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. Susan Lore moved to close Board of Equalization at 9:20 a.m., seconded by Mike McGinnis. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

Mobius Communications Company representatives Joni Jespersen and Tonya Mayer provided opportunity information regarding fixed fiber optic grant, explaining how the grant would benefit rural Box Butte County. Doug Hashman moved for Chairman McGinnis to sign Resolution 2018-03, allowing for grant application completion, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

With no representatives present from Family Focus Coalition to discuss Community based grants, County Attorney Rodak allowed moving agenda item up to request the signing of Child Support Subaward. Susan Lore moved to sign the subaward, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

Chairman McGinnis called recess at 9:53 a.m.

Chairman McGinnis resumed the meeting at 10:00 a.m. Roll call: Susan Lore, Doug Hashman and Mike McGinnis present.

Mike McGinnis opened public hearing for 1 & 6 year road improvement plan at 10:00 a.m., seconded by Susan Lore. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. Road Superintendent Barb Keegan stated that the hearing had been advertised and provided information on projects that had been completed and projects currently on the 1 & 6 year road plan. Rural Box Butte County resident Ruby Munger was present and spoke. Road Superintendent Keegan stated the project #248 is on the current 1 year road plan, covering the area Ms. Munder spoke of. Commissioners reported on various projects that have been requested by producers and residents of the county. Discussion included cost of various projects, rock, hauling and road classifications. With no further comment, Susan Lore moved to close the 1 & 6 year road improvement plan hearing at 11:11 a.m., seconded by Doug Hashman. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. Doug Hashman moved to approve Resolution 2018-02, adopting the 1&6 year road improvement plan, identifying project #'s 1,2,4,5,7,8,13 to be included on the 6 year plan from the wish list, adding project #9 to 1 year plan, adding CR70 Hemingford to Box Butte County border line to the 1 year plan and removing project #219 from the plan, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.



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Susan Lore had requested updates from the wellness committee on a recent tobacco free campus survey and results. Commissioner Lore asked Michelle Robinson to contact other panhandle counties for copies of their tobacco free campus policies.

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Doug Hashman moved to approve and sign monthly claims, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Claims questioned or changed included changing Bobcat of Chadron claim code from 0300 0705 00 2 1400 to 0300 0705 005 1100 for \$837.00; lowering Road Sinking Fund claim to K4 Trucking to \$23,111.43 and raising Road/Bridge Fund for K4 Trucking claim to \$19,151.91; questioning the Woods & Aitken \$2620.91 claim regarding the recent training provided, allowing claims to be paid to Travis Rodak \$4,000.00 and Smith, King, Simmons & Conn, P.C. \$8,000.00, discussed claim to Morphotrak with County Sheriff Mowry, as she requested the \$4,677.00 be paid out of the General Miscellaneous Fund. The Morphotrak claims will be paid out of the County Jail Fund as presented, with this to be discussed at budget time, along with the possibility of creating a new Fund for the use of title fees collected. Lore, yes; Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

With no public comment, Chairman McGinnis adjourned at 1:18 p.m.

Attest:

Chairperson

County Clerk