



Box Butte County Board Minutes



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Box Butte County Commissioners met in an open and public meeting, at 9:00 a.m., February 19, 2019, 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 9, 2019, with agenda information emailed to board members and posted on the county website February 15, 2019. Chairman Doug Hashman called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m., following an opening prayer. Roll call: Mike McGinnis, Susan Lore and Doug Hashman present. Judy Messersmith, County Clerk, recorded the proceedings of the meeting. County Attorney Terry Curtiss in attendance. Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Chairman Hashman acknowledged the open meeting act posted on the North wall of the County Board Room. Mike McGinnis moved to accept the agenda as printed, seconded by Susan Lore. McGinnis, yes; Lore yes; Hashman, yes. Motion carried. Public comment on agenda items will appear on future agendas following accepting the agenda, as County Attorney Curtiss suggested.

Prior to approving minutes, Chairman Hashman noted a spelling correction in paragraph four of Book N Page 2019-04 (coal mix should be cold mix), and although, the motion in Book N Page 2019-03 stating that Road Superintendent's \$25.00 claim for longevity was disallowed did not include a reason, Commissioner Hashman wanted to state that denial was due to her exempt status. Susan Lore then moved to approve February 4, 2019 and February 11, 2019 minutes, seconded by Mike McGinnis. McGinnis yes; Lore, yes; Hashman, yes. Motion carried.

The Board viewed the Veteran Service Office report, and board members reported on meetings they had recently attended.

Mike McGinnis moved to open as Board of Equalization at 9:15 a.m., seconded by Susan Lore. McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes; Hashman, yes. Motion carried. Susan Lore moved to approve VSL Alliance, LLC exemption application form 451 and VSL Alliance Assisted Living, LLC exemption application form 451, seconded by Mike McGinnis. McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes; Hashman, yes. Motion carried. Susan Lore moved allowing Chairman Hashman to sign the correction book as County Assessor Robinson presented correcting a mobile home that was moved out of the county, seconded by Mike McGinnis. McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes; Hashman, yes. Motion carried. At 9:20 a.m., Susan Lore moved to close Board of Equalization, seconded by Mike McGinnis. McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes; Hashman, yes. Motion carried.

Tony Armer with Mainelli Wagner & Associates, Inc., provided his opinion on options to consider for East Otoe Rd, ranging from quick fixes to a long term fix. Mr. Armer explained the patch process and informed the board that the asphalt plant will be in the area and could be utilized. Road employees Karna Hansen and John Maser were present for the road and equipment report. Modern Farm Equipment Corporation, Gordon, NE, was awarded the bid for \$12.00/hour to lease a tractor. Other bids were received from Alliance Tractor & Implement Company for \$13.00/hour and 21st Century for \$33.25/hour. Information was provided to the board on a 2006 International 9200i Eagle Truck and that a road employee was traveling to look at it. The Board questioned the purchase of the truck and if the road/bridge budget can support the truck purchase, as motor graders had been purchased out of the current fiscal year budgets, and Commissioner Lore said she felt the money was not available for a semi truck purchase. Prior to approving Resolution 2019-01: 1 & 6 Year Road Improvement Program, Chairman Hashman stated he would like to move Nance Rd projects back to the 1 year plan. Susan Lore moved to approve Resolution 2019-01, moving projects 221 & 222 (Nance Rd., East and



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West) to the 1 year plan from the 6 year plan, seconded by Mike McGinnis. McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes; Hashman, yes. Motion carried.

Susan Lore moved, seconded by Mike McGinnis to sign County Attorney Curtiss' request for Resolution 2019-02, authorizing reallocation of salaries in the 2018-2019 County Attorney budget. McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes; Hashman, yes. Motion carried.

The courthouse heating and cooling system along with windows, modern electricity and lighting were discussed, along with bond rates. Doug Hashman moved to engage the specialized services of Willdan Group, Inc. for development and engineering services, seconded by Susan Lore. McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes; Hashman, yes. Motion carried.

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Caleb Johnson discussed with the Commissioners, his request to prepare the county's budget documents and summaries. Mr. Johnson detailed his services and costs. Budget preparation for the 2019-2020 fiscal year will be added to the March 4, 2019 agenda.

Mike McGinnis moved, seconded by Susan Lore to approve and sign monthly claims as presented. McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes; Hashman, yes. Motion carried.

Chairman Hashman adjourned at 11:27 a.m.

Chairman

Attest: _____
County Clerk