



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 21, 2020, 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 January 15, 2020, with agenda information emailed to board members and posted on the county website January 17, 2020. Chairman McGinnis called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., following an opening prayer. Roll call: Mike McGinnis, Doug Hashman present, Susan Lore absent. Gwen Taylor, Deputy County Clerk, recorded the proceedings of the meeting. County Attorney Terry Curtiss, present. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Chairman McGinnis acknowledged the open meeting act posted on the North wall of the County Board Room. Susan Lore joined meeting at 9:02 a.m., Doug Hashman moved to accept the agenda as printed, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Hashman, yes; Lore, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. No public comment on agenda items. Doug Hashman made motion to approve January 6, 2020, minutes as written, seconded by Susan Lore. Hashman, yes; Lore, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. No elected official's reports were presented. Commissioners reported on any committee meetings they had recently attended. Correspondence was acknowledged and available for public viewing.

Susan Lore moved to open BOARD OF EQUALIZATION at 9:13 a.m., seconded by Mike McGinnis. Hashman, yes; Lore, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. County Treasurer Val Bell presented Sisters of St. Francis and Calvary Assembly of God Church exemption forms 457 that she had approved. Doug Hashman moved to sign the exemption forms, seconded by Susan Lore. Hashman, yes; Lore, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. Susan Lore moved allowing Mike McGinnis to sign the correction book as County Assessor Robinson presented, seconded by Doug Hashman. Hashman, yes; Lore, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. Susan Lore moved to approve claim for refund of taxes for DK Buskirk & Sons, provided by County Assessor Robinson, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Hashman, yes; Lore, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. Susan Lore moved to close BOARD OF EQUALIZATION at 9:21 a.m., seconded by Mike McGinnis. Hashman, yes; Lore, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

Susan Lore moved to accept O'Keefe Elevator annual inspection, seconded by Doug Hashman. Hashman, yes; Lore, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

Box Butte General Hospital representatives Lori Mazanec, CEO; Tom Cummings, Board Trustee; and Andy Forney with DA Davidson & Company were present for bond refinancing. Andy Forney presented Resolution 2020-01, refunding bonds for the purpose of interest cost savings due to low interest rates. Doug Hashman moved to sign Resolution 2020-01, seconded by Susan Lore. Hashman, yes; Lore, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

Susan Lore moved to enter into executive session at 9:50 a.m., to discuss a personnel matter, preventing needless injury to the reputation of an individual, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Hashman, yes; Lore, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. Those included in executive session were County Attorney Curtiss, Commissioners Hashman, Lore, McGinnis, and Attorney Maren Chaloupka. Doug Hashman moved to close executive session at 10:47 a.m., that had been called for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual, seconded by Susan Lore. Hashman, yes; Lore, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. No action taken but informally tabled.

Alliance Housing Authority Executive Director Patricia Klemke requested waiving pilot payment fees in the amount of \$1,586.57. Susan Lore moved to accept waiving the pilot fees on a year-to-year basis, seconded by Doug Hashman. Hashman, yes; Lore, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

County Treasurer Val Bell presented the semi-annual report and inquired about the crime commission grant status. Susan Lore stated she would be attending a meeting with the crime commission and will have an update at the next board meeting, and will keep County Treasurer Bell informed. No action taken.



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Wellness coordinator Michelle Robinson, submitted her resignation as wellness coordinator effective immediately. Susan Lore moved to accept her resignation, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Hashman, yes; Lore, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. Chairman McGinnis thanked her for her work and stated anyone interested in filling that position should contact the commissioners.

Weed Superintendent Cody Renkoski provided weed report for 2019 year and annual reports. He stated there was more time spent in the county this past year than in 2018. Susan Lore moved to accept and sign Noxious Weed Control Plan, Activity Report, Weed Control Authority Board Roster, Budget Report, and Noxious Weed Infestation Report, seconded by Doug Hashman. Hashman, yes; Lore, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. Chairman McGinnis requested Mr. Renkoski submit quarterly reports in the future.

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After the informally tabled executive session, County Attorney Curtiss read into record Resolution 2020-02. Susan Lore moved, allowing signing of the resolution, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Hashman, yes; Lore, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

Susan Lore moved to table agenda item DHHS space rental contract request until the February 5, 2020 board meeting, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Hashman, yes; Lore, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

Road Superintendent Barb Keegan provided a road and equipment report.

Commissioner Hashman attended the most recent construction meeting and reported everything is going as planned. Hashman stated he will ask for estimates on extra outlets for county offices and will discuss at a later date. No action taken.

Susan Lore left board meeting at 11:25 a.m. to attend another meeting. Mike McGinnis moved, seconded by Doug Hashman to approve and sign monthly claims as presented, including an inheritance claim payable to Mainelli Wagner & Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$3,816.82 to be repaid from the road and bridge fund. Hashman, yes; Lore, absent; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

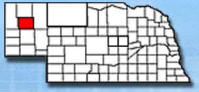
Employee confirmation of benefit balance sheets to be discussed at the February 5, 2020 meeting. No action taken.

Chairman McGinnis recessed at 11:52 a.m. for (47-109) quarterly jail visit and to tour the renovation progress on the third floor. Chairman McGinnis resumed the meeting at 12:50 p.m. with roll call: Hashman and McGinnis present, Lore, absent.

Chairman McGinnis adjourned at 12:51 p.m., January 21, 2020.

Chairman

Attest: _____
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