



Box Butte County Board Minutes



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Box Butte County Commissioners met via Zoom, at 9:00 a.m., April 20, 2020. Notice of meeting was published in The Ledger on April 9, 2020. Notice of Zoom meeting was published in the Alliance Times Herald April 15, 2020 and the Ledger April 16, 2020. Agenda and zoom information emailed to board members and posted on the county website April 2, 2020. Chairman McGinnis called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Roll call: Doug Hashman, Susan Lore and Mike McGinnis present. Judy Messersmith, County Clerk, recorded the proceedings of the meeting. County Attorney Terry Curtiss, present via zoom. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Chairman McGinnis acknowledged that this meeting will follow the open meeting act posted on the North wall of the Commissioner Board Room. Susan Lore moved to accept the agenda, seconded by Doug Hashman. Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes. Motion carried. No public comment on agenda items. Doug Hashman moved to approve April 6, 2020 minutes, seconded by Susan Lore. Hashman, yes; Lore, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. With no elected official reports, Board members reported on any meetings they had attended and correspondence. Chairman McGinnis reported that he had received correspondence from NACO regarding County Funding COVID 19 Relief Proposals and that he would keep up on that.

Chairman McGinnis stated that he had been in contact with Attorney Joel Burke from Imperial, NE in regard to the Interim Public Defender position. No action taken.

Doug Hashman moved, seconded by Susan Lore to open BOARD OF EQUALIZATION at 9:10 a.m. McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes; Hashman, yes. Motion carried. Susan Lore moved to approve two corrections as presented by County Assessor Michelle Robinson, correcting personal property, seconded by Doug Hashman. Hashman, yes; Lore, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. Chairman McGinnis will go to the courthouse later today (April 20, 2020) to sign the correction book. Jeff Chancellor's MFDG home agenda item was addressed by County Attorney Curtiss, explaining that a distress warrant that should resolve the issue. Mike McGinnis moved to close BOARD OF EQUALIZATION at 9:16 a.m., seconded by Doug Hashman. McGinnis, yes; Lore, yes; Hashman, yes. Motion carried.

Health Plan Broker Samantha Stoltenberg had emailed health plan pharmacy savings information for the Board's review. Commissioner Lore would like to wait until renewal time to make any changes and stated that she would like for renewal date to begin with new calendar year. No action taken.

Willdan Construction Field Engineer Chris Barton, spoke to the Board regarding change orders. The Board discussed the 3rd floor bathroom fan, roof drainage that has not been resolved. County Clerk Messersmith read the minutes from the April 6, 2020 meeting informing Mr. Barton that the motion approved all additional outlet requests. Snell will get final costs for all outlets on the diagram. Also discussed were the hail guards, lighting in the lobbies. Susan Lore moved to delete lighting sconces on the second and third floors as shown on the attached diagram. The county will take possession of the extra sconces. Hashman, yes; Lore, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

After reviewing and questioning several claims, Susan Lore moved to approve monthly claims, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Hashman, yes; Lore, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

Chairman McGinnis recessed at 10:15 a.m.

Chairman McGinnis resumed at 10:20 a.m., with roll call: Doug Hashman, Susan Lore, and Mike McGinnis present.

Road Superintendent Barb Keegan provided road report, with the Board discussing the need for a tire amnesty, and would encourage Keep Alliance Beautiful (KAB) to apply for the amnesty, as the County provides financial support to KAB.

At 10:30 a.m., Road Superintendent Keegan provided a spread sheet detailing the only bid to repair two locations on Jefferson Road between Highway 2 and Highway 385 and one location immediately west of Highway 2 on Jefferson Road. Three options had been received in the office of the County Clerk by 9:00 a.m., April 20, 2020. Susan Lore moved to award the bid to Peltz Companies, Inc., (option #2, with a unit price of \$445/Cubic Yard; Extension/Total \$134,256.50), seconded by Mike McGinnis. Commissioner Hashman said he will visit with Simplot and Thompson Seed to see if they will cost share. Road Superintendent Keegan stated that the County should only go to the white lines and not



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work in the state right-of-way. Commissioner Hashman said he will call the State Engineer, as the state won't say anything if the county is fixing their road. Hashman, yes; Lore, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. Commissioners Hashman and McGinnis discussed the possible purchase and use of a culvert cleaner with Road Superintendent Keegan. No decision to a purchase a culvert cleaner will be made until towards the end of the budget year.

Chairman McGinnis adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Chairman

Attest: _____
County Clerk