



Box Butte County Board Minutes



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Box Butte County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., November 16, 2020, in the County Court Room, first floor of the County Courthouse, 515 Box Butte Ave. Notice of meeting was published in The Ledger, November 5, 2020. Agenda was emailed to board members and posted on the county's website on November 13, 2020. Chairman McGinnis called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m., following an opening prayer. Roll call: Susan Lore, present by zoom; Doug Hashman, and Mike McGinnis present. Judy Messersmith, County Clerk, recorded the proceedings of the meeting. Deputy County Attorney Marissa Curtiss present. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Chairman McGinnis acknowledged that this meeting will follow the open meeting act that is posted on the West wall of the County Court Room. Doug Hashman moved to accept the agenda with the moving of the right of way closure from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., seconded by Mike McGinnis. Lore, yes (zoom); Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. No public comments on agenda items. Prior to approving November 5, 2020 minutes, Commissioner Hashman wanted a correction to paragraph 7, correcting the second to the motion from Hashman to Lore. Doug Hashman moved to approve the minutes with a correction, seconded by Susan Lore. Lore, yes (zoom); Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. Mike McGinnis moved to accept and sign County Clerk/Register of Deeds monthly report, seconded by Doug Hashman. Lore, yes (zoom); Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. Correspondence was acknowledged and available for public view. Commissioners Hashman and McGinnis reported on meetings they had recently attended and Chairman McGinnis added that he had contracted with new snow removal individuals for the Extension Office on Black Hills Avenue and for the courthouse building.

Doug Hashman moved allowing Chairman McGinnis to sign MAXIMUS Certificate of Cost Allocation Plan, seconded by Susan Lore. Lore, yes (zoom); Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

Doug Hashman moved allowing Chairman McGinnis to sign all closing documents for the limited tax county building bonds, series 2000, with DA Davidson, seconded by Susan Lore. Closing documents will be signed by Chairman McGinnis, County Treasurer Bell and County Clerk Messersmith, with DA Davidson wiring funds to the Box Butte County Treasurer account at fnbo. Funds will be paid out of County Building Fund (4050) and Inheritance Fund (2700) to fnbo for construction loan repayment. Lore, yes (zoom); Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

Maintenance and Grounds employees Jeane Warfield and Lori White provided updates on renovation projects. Chairman McGinnis had carpet samples in the Board room for employees to look at and he had contacted a carpet layer to give an estimate. No action taken.

Doug Hashman moved to sign Resolution 2020-20: Signing of the Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent 2020, seconded by Susan Lore. Lore, yes (zoom); Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

Doug Hashman moved allowing Chairman McGinnis to sign Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent for determining incentive payment, seconded by Susan Lore. Lore, yes (zoom); Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

At 10:30 a.m., Road Superintendent Barb Keegan read her report of study on road right-of-way abandonment/vacation of 6400-6300 Logan Road. Those members of the county speaking in favor of closing the road right of way were James Jelinek, representing Zach Jelinek and he stated that Surveyor Scott Bosse had surveyed section 17, township 25, range 48 in 2012, prior to the county's sale of property to Zach Jelinek. Jerry Underwood, representing his wife Connie Underwood, owner of property in section 8, township 25, range 48, stated they are also in favor of closing the right of way. County Attorney Terry Curtiss, via zoom, explained the process to abandon/vacate right of way and that this has not been used as a road. Mike McGinnis moved to abandon/vacate Logan Road between 6400 and 6300, seconded by Susan



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Lore. Lore, yes (zoom); Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried. County Attorney Curtiss will prepare a resolution to vacate/abandon 6400-6300 Logan Road to be an agenda item on the December 7, 2020 meeting.

Road Superintendent Keegan will notify all previous vendors with request for proposal information for off-road fuel. Proposals will need to be delivered to the Box Butte County Clerk by 9:05 a.m., December 7, 2020, at which time proposals will be opened. Requests for proposals can be a pay as you go proposal or a total cash price for fuel.

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Prior to approving monthly claims, the Board and County Attorney discussed the NIRMA claim, the claim for TERC attorney fees, and the construction loan payoff. Susan Lore moved to approved monthly claims as presented and an additional claim for construction loan payoff, that will be paid to fnbo out of County Inheritance Fund up to and not to exceed \$168,964.54, seconded by Mike McGinnis. Lore, yes (zoom); Hashman, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

Chairman McGinnis adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Chairman

Attest: _____
County Clerk