

The Phelps County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on April 8, 2025, at 9:00 A.M. as per public notice given in the Holdrege Daily Citizen on April 1, 2025, a copy of the proof of publication being on file in the County Clerk’s Office. Availability of the agendas was communicated in the advance notice of the meeting. All of the proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Commissioners Tom Nutt; Rick Streeter; Theresa Puls; Matt Gregg; Russ Cruise and Dennis Ostgren were present. Barb Malm was absent. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ostgren. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Dennis announced the open meeting law would be in effect and that a copy is posted on the wall. Streeter moved, seconded by Gregg, to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Gregg, yes; Puls, yes; Streeter, yes; Cruise, abstain; Ostgren, yes. Malm absent. Motion carried.

Calvin DeVries, Extension Educator, met with the Board and gave an update on activities the extension has been working on. He also asked the Board about adding a grant expense line for the next fiscal year so they could keep track of their grant reimbursements from the foundation. The Board gave Calvin approval to add the grant expense line.

Bobby Hamilton, Hwy. Supt., met with the Board and gave his recommendation from the road committee on the motor grader bids. Bobby’s recommendation is to go with the low bid from Nebraska Machinery which is a 2025 CAT 140-15A. The bid less trade is \$259,800. After discussion Gregg moved, seconded by Cruise, to go with Bobby’s recommendation from Nebraska Machinery. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Gregg, yes; Puls, yes; Streeter, yes; Cruise, yes; Ostgren, yes. Malm absent. Motion carried.

Amber Imler, Deputy County Assessor, met with the Board to review the 521’s (real estate transfer statements).

Gregg moved, seconded by Nutt, to approve the monthly reports from the sheriff, clerk and clerk of district court. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Gregg, yes; Puls, yes; Streeter, yes; Cruise, yes; Ostgren, yes. Malm absent. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Sally Fox, County Clerk

Dennis Ostgren, Chairman Board of Commissioner