COMMISSIONERS ROOM, HOLDREGE, NE 9:00 A.M. September 9, 2025

The Phelps County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on September 9, 2025, at 9:00 A.M. as per public notice given in the Holdrege Daily Citizen on September 2, 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; Matt Gregg; Barb Malm; Rick Streeter; Theresa Puls Russ Cruise and Dennis Ostgren were present. 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. Gregg moved, seconded by Nutt, to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Gregg, yes; Malm, yes; Puls, yes; Streeter, abstain; Cruise, yes; Ostgren, yes. Motion carried.

Bob Dunaway met with the Board to review the county's budget. He gave preliminary amounts and told the board the mill levy decreased from last year by 8.64%. The valuation increased by 349,589,171. The property tax request is \$4,595,860 this is an increase of \$115,000 from last year. The county's property tax has not increased in the last 11 years. Puls moved, seconded by Gregg, to set the public hearing for the budget on September 23, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. with the public hearing to set the tax request immediately following. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Gregg, yes; Malm, yes; Puls, yes; Streeter, yes; Cruise, yes; Ostgren, yes. Motion carried.

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:43 a.m.	
Sally Fox, County Clerk	Dennis Ostgren, Chairman Board of Commissioner