

The Phelps County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on September 1, 2026, at 9:00 A.M. as per public notice given in the Holdrege Citizen on August 25, 2026, 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; Theresa Puls; Matt Gregg; Russ Cruise; Rick Streeter; Barb Malm 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 a copy is available in the Commissioners board room. Gregg moved, seconded by Puls, to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Puls, yes; Gregg, yes; Streeter, yes; Malm, yes; Cruise, abstain; Ostgren, yes. Motion carried.

Cruise moved, seconded by Streeter, to approve the United Methodist Church to use the courthouse lawn on September 9, 2026, from 5:00 to 7:00 pm for a BBQ fund raiser and the hold harmless agreement. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Puls, yes; Gregg, yes; Streeter, yes; Malm, yes; Cruise, yes; Ostgren, yes. Motion carried.

Gregg moved, seconded by Puls, to approve a 1-day liquor permit for Lost Way Brewery on September 19, 2026, at Sweet Blooms Village Flower Farm. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Puls, yes; Gregg, yes; Streeter, yes; Malm, yes; Cruise, yes; Ostgren, yes. Motion carried.

At 9:15 a.m. the commissioners went into session as a Board of Equalization. Larissa Davenport, County Assessor, Sally Fox, County Clerk and Corey O’Brien, County Attorney, were present. Larissa reviewed tax list correction #56. After discussion Nutt moved, seconded by Puls, to approve tax list correct # 56. Roll call vote was Nutt, yes; Puls, yes; Gregg, yes; Streeter, yes; Malm, yes; Cruise, yes; Ostgren, yes. Motion carried.

The Board resumed regular session as a Board of Commissioners at 9:18 a.m.

Theresa discussed a committee meeting she attended.

The meeting adjourned at 9:39 a.m.

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Sally Fox, County Clerk

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Dennis Ostgren, Chairman Board of Commissioner