

## PHILLIPS COUNTY COMMISSIONER MEETING

March 08, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 by Chairman Joe Kinnie and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Also present were County Commissioners Harlan Stern and Don Lock, County Administrator Randy Schafer and County Clerk Beth Zilla.

Stern made a motion, seconded by Lock, to approve the minutes from the February 28, 2017 meeting. Motion carried.

The board met with Greg Etl - representative from DOLA, Chris Shelley - representative from CSU Extension, and Ron Koberstein – local FSA director, to discuss the recent Logan County/Phillips County wildfire disaster and the disposal of over 250 head of livestock that were destroyed in fire. Koberstein stated that 38,000 acres burned. In Phillips County, approximately 32,564 acres were affected. Shelley read the requirement for livestock disposal by burial from the Colorado Department of Ag. approximately 32,564.00 acres

The board met with Keith Sagehorn representative from Colorado Farm Bureau, to discuss damages from the fire. Sagehorn mentioned that Farm Bureau has a relief fund set up and donations can be made at [www.coloradostatefarm.com](http://www.coloradostatefarm.com).

The Board of County Commissioners along with Etl, Shelley, Koberstein and Sagehorn held a conference call with (Richanne Locken) to discuss the burial of livestock.

Etl suggest that the Commissioners work with the Logan County Commissioner to set up a joint Disaster Assistance Center.

Brenda Brandt, editor of the Holyoke Enterprise, joined the meeting to offer help where she can. Brandt also shared her part in the Colorado Explorer Magazine that is put out by area newspapers.

Lock made a motion, seconded by Stern to approve the \$175.00 ad to the Explore Magazine. Motion carried.

The board met with Marilee Johnson with Logan County Tourism Center, Christine Rubene with the Ft. Morgan Tourism Center, and Elizabeth Trampas with the Holyoke Chamber of Commerce. Rubene is asking for a donation of \$600.

Stern made a motion, seconded by Lock, to approve a donation of \$500 to the NE Colorado Tourism board. We will notify the Haxtun Chamber of Commerce and the Holyoke Chamber of Commerce that they need to donate \$50 each to fulfill the request. Motion carried.

Lock made a motion, seconded by Stern, to use alternative route to the west for rail road crossing. Motion carried.

Chairman Kinnie open the hearing for the Dollar General Store at 11:00.

Citizens attending the meeting were Mike Wolfe, Kacey Wolfe, Devon Ferris and Jean Gray.

After discussion and input, Lock made a motion, seconded by Stern to approve the rezoning a tract of land in the NW¼ of the NE¼ of Section 29, T8N, R47W of the 6th P.M., Phillips County, Colorado, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the South line of U.S. Highway 6 and the West line of the NW¼ NE¼ of said Section 29, thence South 350', thence East 368', thence in a Northwesterly direction along the South line of said U.S. Highway, 513' to the Place of Beginning, being approximately 1.47 acres as recommended by the Planning Commission. Motion carried.

The board met with County Weed and Pest Supervisor Kerri Doleshall. Doleshall gave the board a list of those that received Prairie Dog Control. Doleshall gave the board a list of the cost of chemicals.

The board met with Emergency Manager Bob Heldenbrand.

The board met with Human Service Director Penny Verhoeff.

Stern made a motion, seconded by Lock to become the Department of Human services at 12:15. This portion of the minutes will be maintained by the Department of Human Services.

The board held a conference call with Joe Bellum with B and B Raceway.

Stern made a motion, seconded by Lock, to approve the Phillips County Emergency Declaration for the Logan Fire on March 6-8, 2017. Motion carried. Declaration attached.

The board held a conference call with the Logan County Board of Commissioners to set up the joint Disaster Assistance Center meeting in Haxtun on Thursday March 16<sup>th</sup> from 3:00-7:00 at the Community Center.

The board agreed to waive the fee for those bringing in trash from the fire to the landfill.

Lock made a motion, seconded by Stern, to approve a state approved abatement on NKC Railnet, state assessed property of \$12,550.36. Motion carried.

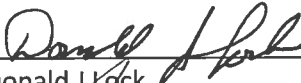
The board met with the County Attorney Al Wall and Human Service Director Penny Verhoeff to discuss contracting for placement of children.

Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm.

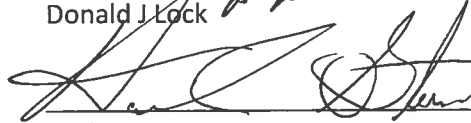
Submitted by Beth Zilla  
Phillips County Clerk



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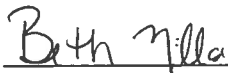


Donald J Lock



Harlan Stern

Attest:



Beth Zilla, County Clerk