

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

July 15, 2013

- Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners was held in the commission meeting room of the courthouse Monday, July 15, 2013. Chairman Al Joe Wallace called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. with Vice-Chairman Terry Finch and Member Gerald Huehl present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance.
- Visitors: Others present for portions of the meeting: Tami Kerth, Rhonda Wright, Teri Hiitter, Ladonna Reinert, Larry Meitler, Michel O'Hare, Jennifer O'Hare, Steve McReynolds, Nikki Schwertfager, Carly Errebo, Lisa Feldkamp, Jyll Phillips, Betty Crawford, Barb Gourley, Erna Feldkamp, Jim Gabelmann, Pam Morgan, Lei Kasey, Travis Schwertfager, Janet Dowlin, Barb Rathbun, James Oltman, Connie Crawford, Martha Russell, Ann Wilkerson, Connie Liggett, Richard Peterson, Brenda Peterson, Lee Modrow, Carol Modrow, Joette Vignery, Ann Gabelmann, John Gabelmann, Kathy Lupfer-Nielsen, Mike Weigel, Bob White, Pete Falcon Jr, and Zach Streit.
- Executive Session: Al Joe Wallace moved recess into executive session for ten minutes from 8:15 a.m. – 8:25 a.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with Register of Deeds Tami Kerth and County Clerk Harlow present, seconded by Terry Finch. Motion carried.
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the regular meeting at 8:25 a.m.
- County Appraiser: County Appraiser Rhonda Wright presented the Appraiser's Office 2014 budget proposal requesting \$95,760 which is \$960 more than the 2013 approved budget of \$94,800. The board discussed utilizing appraiser staff to help in the register of deed's office later this year.
- Staff Changes: The board discussed future courthouse staffing changes with clerk/secretary Teri Hiitter.
- Health Department: Health Nurse/Administrator Ladonna Reinert presented the Health Department's 2014 budget proposal in the amount of \$267,305, which is \$11,851 more than the 2013 approved budget of \$255,454. Reinert discussed health department activities.
- Executive Session: Terry Finch moved to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes from 9:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. for consultation with an attorney deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship, with County Attorney Jennifer O'Hare, Road Supervisor Meitler, Assistant Road Supervisor O'Hare, and County Clerk Harlow present, seconded by Gerald Huehl. Motion carried.
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 9:30 a.m.
- Recess: The chairman recessed the meeting to the courtroom at 9:30 a.m.

Executive Session: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 9:35 a.m. in the courtroom with the following present: Steve McReynolds, Nikki Schwertfager, Carly Errebo, Lisa Feldkamp, Jyll Phillips, Betty Crawford, Barb Gourley, Erna Feldkamp, Jim Gabelmann, Pam Morgan, Lei Kasey, Travis Schwertfager, Janet Dowlin, Barb Rathbun, James Oltman, Connie Crawford, Martha Russell, Ann Wilkerson, Connie Liggett, Richard Peterson, Brenda Peterson, Lee Modrow, Carol Modrow, Joette Vignery, Ann Gabelmann, John Gabelmann, Kathy Lupfer-Nielsen, Mike Weigel, Bob White, Michel O'Hare, Larry Meitler, Pete Falcon Jr, and Zach Streit. The group of community members met with the board to request that the county consider waiving disposal fees for construction/demolition debris of dilapidated houses within the City of Lincoln. No decision was made this date, however the board will take comments from the group under advisement and consider the matter at a later date.

Recess: The chairman recessed the meeting to the commission meeting room at 10:27 a.m.

Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session in the commission meeting room.

Highway Department: Road Supervisor Larry Meitler with Assistant Road Supervisor Michel O'Hare reported on highway department projects. O'Hare reviewed letting dates for the N 120<sup>th</sup> Rd drainage repair project and the draft road maintenance agreement for the Tallgrass Pony Express Pipeline Project.

Minutes Approved: Terry Finch moved to approve and adopt the minutes of the July 8, 2013 regular meeting as presented, seconded by Gerald Huehl. Motion carried.

Adjourn: With no further business to come before the board the chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m. to attend a meeting in Concordia concerning concealed carry laws and how it affects county courtrooms. The next regular meeting will be at 8:00 a.m. Monday, July 22, 2013 in the commission meeting room of the courthouse.