

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

October 5, 2009

- Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners was held in the commission meeting room of the courthouse Monday, October 5, 2009. Chairman Steve Errebo called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. with Vice-Chairman Al Joe Wallace and Member Terry Finch present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance.
- Visitors: Others present for portions of the meeting: Debora Zachgo, Rhonda Wright, Stanley Walker, Ellen Anderson, Larry Meitler, Michel O'Hare, Greg Babcock, Les Richards, Joyce Walker and Christen Robinson.
- H1N1 Update: The board reviewed an H1N1 update prepared and provided by Health Nurse/Administrator Ladonna Reinert.
- LEPC: Commissioner Errebo reported on the recent LEPC meeting that he attended.
- Lawn Use Request Approved: Clerk Harlow forwarded a request from the Lincoln Area Chamber of Commerce to utilize courthouse grounds for the pumpkin decorating contest on October 30. The board approved the request.
- Extended Illness Approved: County Appraiser Rhonda Wright requested approval to utilize extended illness leave sporadically to care for a family member. The board approved the request.
- Economic Development: Economic Development Director Stanley Walker presented a proposal to borrow money from the Windpower Economic Benefit fund for the purpose of providing matching funds to obtain a Rural Business Enterprise Grant to enlarge its existing revolving loan program. Walker related that the Farmway COOP plans to apply for an economic development tax abatement for their new storage facility owned by Farmway Storage #1 LLC and provided a comparison of tax savings between the economic development tax abatement and the neighborhood revitalization tax rebate program.
- 12th Judicial District Community Corrections: Ellen Anderson, 12th Judicial District Field Services Director presented the 12th Judicial District Community Corrections Year-End Outcomes for Fiscal Year 2009 for the board's approval. After reviewing the document, Al Joe Wallace moved to allow the chairman to sign the District's Community Corrections Year-End Outcomes for 2009, seconded by Terry Finch. Motion carried.
- Highway Department: Road Supervisor Larry Meitler with Assistant Road Supervisor Michel O'Hare reported on highway department projects.
- Nursing Home: Greg Babcock presented bids received to replace windows at the nursing home. Al Joe Wallace moved to purchase 10 Columbia Vinyl windows from Lincoln Building Supply in the amount of \$4,980.00 and to employ Rick Lund to install the windows at a cost of \$300.00 per window, seconded by Terry Finch. Motion carried.

County Treasurer: County Treasurer Joyce Walker provided current interest rates for certificates of deposit (CD) and asked the board for input in reinvesting an expiring Windpower Economic Benefit fund CD. Walker informed the board of her frustrations with the inability to get the local newspaper to print an article concerning changes in the vehicle registration process that will affect all motor vehicle owners in the future. Walker related that as part of the DMV Modernization Project the State now requires that anyone completing title and registration processing must provide their driver's license or FEIN (Federal Employer Identification Number) documents, further noting that the name on the title will appear exactly as it is on these documents to help ensure consistency.

Law Enforcement Employee Hired: Undersheriff Les Richards requested approval to employ a part-time per-need deputy and recommended a starting wage of \$12.00 per hour. Terry Finch moved to employ Brian Kinnaird as a part-time per-need deputy, starting salary \$12.00 per hour, effective upon the successful completion of pre-employment testing, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.

Nursing Home: Christen Robinson, Lincoln Park Manor, reported on nursing home activities.

Executive Session: Terry Finch moved to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes from 11:20 a.m. – 11:35 a.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with County Clerk Harlow present, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.

Transfer Station Saturday Hours: The board authorized the landfill to return to winter hours beginning Saturday, October 31, 2009. The winter hours will be 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Minutes Approved: Al Joe Wallace moved to approve and adopt the minutes of the September 28, 2009 regular meeting as presented, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.

Adjourn: With no further business to come before the board the chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:05 p.m. until 8:00 a.m. Monday, October 12, 2009 in the commission meeting room of the courthouse.