

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

May 11, 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, May 11, 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: Rodney Job, Ladonna Reinert, Larry Meitler, Michel O'Hare, Royce Crawford, Marilyn Crawford, Russ Black, Jo Hachmeister, Ray Laskowski, Brian Grace, Les Richards, Allan Serrien, Hal Byarlay, Dave Tangeman and Jennifer O'Hare.
- Transportation Bus Meeting: Al Joe Wallace provided information received concerning the Salina Regional Transit Breakthrough Team meeting being held May 12, to discuss streamlining transportation bus services, by combining several communities and counties bus services into one group with consolidated services.
- Emergency Management: Emergency Manager Rodney Job reported that McPherson Business Machines had offered a \$150.00 trade-in allowance for his laptop and inquired if the board wanted to trade-in the unit or make it available to other departments. The board decided to keep the laptop and make it available to another department. Job provided information on a messaging service called Nixle that provides community based information broadcasts which notify local subscribers of severe weather affecting their community. Job related that the service is free, and provides him the capabilities to send messages to all subscribers via their cell phone and/or email account at one time. Job discussed the required annual training exercise being planned and expressed his frustrations with the constant interference from other county departments in regard to the exercise.
- Hunter Rural Fire: Clerk Harlow discussed a request for information received from Hunter Rural Fire District Governing Board Member Leo Lessor, indicating that she was unable to answer some of the questions asked. Commissioner Errebo agreed to meet with members of the Hunter Fire Board concerning the request and asked Emergency Manager Rodney Job to be present to assist.
- Health Department: Health Nurse/Administrator Ladonna Reinert updated the board on H1N1 cases identified in Kansas.
- Highway Department: Road Supervisor Larry Meitler with Assistant Road Supervisor Michel O'Hare reported on highway department projects. Meitler related that the handrails were poured on the East Elkhorn Creek Bridge Project and that once dirt work and guard rail installation are complete that the bridge could be open as soon as June 1. Meitler discussed the following: Wilson Telephone Company's fiber optic installation project in the Wilson Lake Estates; and utility poles in Grant Township Section 14 are scheduled to be repositioned the week of May 18. Assistant Road Supervisor O'Hare provided a gravel report for the board to review. O'Hare related that if the board approved purchasing the

Certified Power Train option to repair the 140G motor grader that Foley Equipment has agreed to provide a 140H motor grader to be utilized for approximately six weeks at no charge to the County. O'Hare notified the board that a representative for KDOT will be here the week of June 15 to complete a Quality Control/Quality Assurance Inspection on Lincoln County bridge records. O'Hare updated the board on funding options available to complete repairs that occurred in the 2007 flood. O'Hare provided documentation for Project 53C-4568-01, N 280th Rd road slide project for the boards' approval. Al Joe Wallace moved to approve and execute the Kansas Department of Transportation Form 1306, Certification of Real Property Acquisition Procedures and Utility Arrangements, for Project 53C-4568-01, seconded by Terry Finch. Motion carried. The board forward road requests received from their respective districts.

Road Vacation Hearing: Chairman Errebo convened the scheduled road vacation hearing at 10:05 a.m. concerning the proposed vacation of a county line road located in Golden Belt Township with Larry Meitler, Michel O'Hare, Royce Crawford and Marilyn Crawford present. With no others appearing the chairman adjourned the road vacation hearing at 10:20 a.m.

Resolution 2009V-01: Al Joe Wallace moved to approve and adopt Final Resolution and Order, Resolution 2009V-01, whereby it is therefore ordered that the following described county road shall be vacated and is hereby vacated: That road beginning at the Southwest corner of Section 31 thence East one mile to the Southeast corner of Section 31 all in Township 13S and Range 9W. Road right of way being unknown but the right of way to the west is a 40 foot right-of-way. This road is a county line road. Seconded by Terry Finch. Motion carried.

Drainage Request: Royce Crawford and Marilyn Crawford reported a county road drainage problem in Indiana Township and requested culvert repair to improve the drainage.

Courthouse Security: Ray Laskowski, Midwest Security Systems Inc, with Clerk of the District Court Jo Hachmeister, Judge Brian Grace, Sheriff Russ Black and Under-sheriff Les Richards present, presented bid options to install panic buttons and cameras in the courthouse. No decision was made this date. The board forwarded information received, to Judge Grace and Court Clerk Hachmeister, concerning changing the hours of operation for the District Court to match those of the courthouse and requested a meeting with 12th Judicial District Judge Kim Cudney concerning the hours of operation.

Miscellaneous: Allan Serrien complimented the work performed by his area's new motor grader operator. Serrien inquired if it was possible to discontinue paying a tax levy and participating in the Central Kansas Library District, due to the availability of internet resources. Serrien issued a concern regarding a fence in Section 20 Indiana Township, which the board has previously viewed as fence viewers. Serrien related that the adjacent landowner has now strung a one wire fence, and noted that the fence does not follow the property line veering off on land to which he rents. The board requested that Serrien contact the owner of the property that he rents from to ask that he provide a written complaint to the board. Serrien, as Hospital Board of Trustees Member,

provided the board with an invitation to the Lincoln County Hospital employee barbeque.

Courthouse Security: Dave Tangeman, File Safe inquired about plans to install security equipment in the courthouse and requested that his company be allowed to bid on the project. The board afforded Tangeman the opportunity to bid the project and requested that the bid be received by May 18.

County Attorney: County Attorney Jennifer O'Hare presented an invoice received from Arbor Springs Management Services, for the use of Mid-America Health Care Inc.'s state license to operate the nursing home facility. O'Hare discussed a fence complaint in Valley Township brought forth by Richard Plinsky, and related that the board will need to sit as fence viewers to resolve the complaint. The board agreed to act as fence viewers and scheduled the viewing for May 18, at 11:00 a.m.

Tax Abatement: Terry Finch moved to allow tax abatement 2008-24 in the amount of \$885.24, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.

Minutes Approved: Al Joe Wallace moved to approve and adopt the minutes of the May 4, 2009 regular meeting as presented, seconded by Terry Finch. Motion carried.

Resolution 2009-13: Al Joe Wallace moved to approve and adopt Resolution 2009-13, rescinding Resolution 2004-37, allowing the county sheriff and deputies, Lincoln County Ambulance Service personnel and the Lincoln County Emergency Manager a reimbursable annual boot allowance, seconded by Terry Finch. Motion carried.

Salary Increase: Clerk Harlow forwarded a request from the Lincoln County Transportation Bus Board for a salary increase for Albert Howard who has completed the first six months of employment. Terry Finch moved to grant Albert Howard a fifty cent per hour merit increase for the completion of the first six months of employment, retroactive to March 26, 2009, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.

Road Repair Request: Richard White, via telephone, requested road repair in Franklin Township.

Adjourn: With no further business to come before the board the chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:30 p.m. until 8:00 a.m. Monday, May 18, 2009 in the commission meeting room of the courthouse.