

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

May 4, 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 4, 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: Joyce Walker, Rodney Job, Ladonna Reinert, Les Richards, Michel O'Hare, Larry Meitler, Keith Jeffers, Craig Roy, Scott Tolley, Anna Marie Wolting, George Miller, Carrie Meili, Robert Basgall and Jennifer O'Hare.
- County Treasurer: County Treasurer Joyce Walker provided the following 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2009 Treasurer Quarterly reports: Treasurer's Special Vehicle Fund Balance - \$11,105.69; and Interest Earned on Idle Funds - \$21,738.32. Walker presented four orders of cancellation for the board's consideration. Walker related that she will not be able to purchase the RVI system due to the lack of hard drive space on the current AS/400, and inquired if there are plans to replace the current machine; and provided information on the progression of the new VIPS program. The board requested that all future nursing home lease payments be deposited into the Home for the Aged-Emergency and Repair fund; and that funds remaining in the Home for the Aged-Debt Service account be transferred into the Home for the Aged-Emergency and Repair fund.
- Emergency Management: Emergency Manager Rodney Job provided an estimate on a new computer from McPherson Business Machines and requested approval to purchase. The board approved the purchase.
- Health Department: Health Nurse/Administrator Ladonna Reinert provided an update on the H1N1 flu outbreak in Kansas. Reinert requested approval to count time working on health department administrative work from home, while at home sick, as time worked as she was required to perform her certain aspects of her job due the State of Kansas enacting their Emergency Operations Plan for the H1N1 flu outbreak. The board made no decision at this time.
- Courthouse Security: Under-Sheriff Les Richards related that a Midwest Security Systems, Inc representative will be here this afternoon, and inquired about which offices should be considered for a panic button.
- Highway Department: Road Supervisor Larry Meitler reported on highway department projects. Meitler related that a 140G motor grader is due for the 10,000 hour transmission overhaul; that test results from the last oil change also reflect antifreeze in the oil, causing a need to overhaul the engine as well; and that Foley Equipment representatives will be here to present cost estimates for repairs. Meitler detailed a meeting held with Wilson Telephone Company and the engineering firm working on a project to install fiber optic cable in the Wilson Lake Estates area. Meitler provided a map identifying areas to

which burying the cable in the back slope or ditch were not practical. Board members related that they would be in favor of allowing the cable to be buried in the road bed as long as there is an agreement, signed by both parties, stating that the County will not be liable for costs to repair the cable if county equipment damages the cable and that road material is replaced with material meeting county specifications. Meitler forwarded a request from Rolling Hills Electric Cooperative to utilize the counties property near Juniata to park equipment and utility poles while working on a project to replace utility poles in the area. The board approved the request. Assistant Road Supervisor Michel O'Hare related that he had provided employees a memo concerning call back pay as he thought the board had approved the call back pay in January. The board related that they had agreed to the idea of call back pay and thought that they had approved it; but after discussion they now remember that in order to enact the new pay structure that a policy and/or Resolution had to be formulated, written and adopted, which has not been completed at this time. Board members identified road concerns within their respective districts.

**Motor Grader Repairs:** Craig Roy and Scott Tolley, Foley Equipment representatives overviewed the needed repairs for the 140G motor grader and presented a bid to overhaul the transmission and differential at a cost of \$16,352.07 and a bid to overhaul the engine at a cost of \$22,625.51. Roy also provided information on the CAT certified power train program for model 140G's, were Foley's will go through the machine's entire drive train, including the transmission and engine, for a total cost of \$70,000.00. The board made no decision this date.

**Road Maint. Request:** Keith Jeffers requested road maintenance in Beaver Township

**Executive Session:** Al Joe Wallace moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes from 10:17 a.m. – 10:27 a.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with Road Supervisor Meitler, Assistant Road Supervisor O'Hare and County Clerk Harlow present, seconded by Terry Finch. Motion carried.

**Reconvene:** The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 10:27 a.m.

**Rescue Squad:** Michel O'Hare related that the invoiced repairs to the rescue squad truck totaled \$3,638.15. O'Hare noted that he has contacted Bradford Tri Co Marketing, the business who sold the truck, concerning the bill; and related that the invoice was forwarded to Bradford, but nothing has been determined at this time.

**Transportation Bus:** Anna Marie Wolting inquired about the meeting being held to discuss regional transportation pilot programs to streamline transportation bus services.

**Recess:** The chairman recessed the meeting at 10:35 a.m. to view the rescue squad vehicle.

**Reconvene:** The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 10:55 a.m.

Orders of Cancellation: Al Joe Wallace moved to approve Orders of Cancellation, whereby the Board of Commissioners of Lincoln County, Kansas, do hereby order cancellation of the following expense warrants: Midwest Community Bank warrant no. 18495, dated April 28, 2006, issued to Datamaxx in the amount of \$378.65 for annual software support; Midwest Community Bank warrant no. 18544, dated April 28, 2006, issued to KDHE in the amount of \$150.00 for certificate fee; Midwest Community Bank warrant no. 20350, dated January 31, 2007, issued to John Wolting in the amount of \$10.64 for charge cords; Midwest Community Bank warrant no. 19540, dated September 29, 2006, issued to Roderic Rees in the amount of \$10.00 for CPR Class, seconded by Terry Finch. Motion carried.

Storage Shed Roof Approved: The board received a bid from Bullfoot Contractors to replace the roof at the Court St storage building. The board approved the installation of a metal roof on the Court St storage building by Bullfoot Contractors in the amount of \$2,206.13.

Landfill/Transfer Station: Landfill/Transfer Station Operator Carrie Meili with Reg Stadel, Habco, Inc. discussed the transfer station chute replacement project. Stadel related that Habco, Inc. would be interested in bidding the project and proposed modifications to materials listed on the engineer's plans to help achieve a more structurally sound chute. Stadel will forward a bid based upon discussions this date.

Entrance Request: Robert Basgall, Knothead at Wilson Lake, requested repairs to the drive entrance to his business in Highland Township.

Observer: George Miller observed portions of the commission meeting. Miller discussed Leadership Lincoln County and encouraged the board to have a representative of Lincoln County attend the next class session.

County Attorney: County Attorney Jennifer O'Hare discussed county legal matters. O'Hare informed the board that she had mailed Mid-America Health Centers, Inc. a termination notice for the management agreement, as Lincoln Park Manor, Inc. has obtained State licensure to operate the nursing home facility.

Request Denied: The board denied the request to allow time worked from home count as time worked and related that the employee will need to utilize leave time.

Boot Allowance Approved: Clerk Harlow forwarded an inquiry from Emergency Manager Rodney Job as to whether his department qualifies for the boot reimbursement, Harlow related that the only departments addressed in the Resolution setting the boot allowance fee is the Sheriff's Department and Ambulance Service and inquired if the board would like to add Emergency Management. The board related that they were in favor of allowing Job a yearly boot reimbursement; Clerk Harlow will present the new Resolution for approval at the May 11 regular meeting.

No Pets Sign: The board instructed that a 'No Pets' sign, similar to the one at the Post Office, should be placed at all entrances to the courthouse.

Minutes Approved: Terry Finch moved to approve and adopt the minutes of the April 27, 2009 and April 30, 2009 regular meetings as presented, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.

Adjourn: With no further business to come before the board the chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:45 p.m. until 8:00 a.m. Monday, May 11, 2009 in the commission meeting room of the courthouse.