

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

May 23, 2022

- Call to Order: The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met in the courthouse commission meeting room Monday, May 23, 2022. Chairman Dennis Ray called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with Vice-Chairman Darrell Oetting and Member Randy Lohmann present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance as recording secretary.
- Visitors: Others present for portions of the meeting: Leann Bishop, Dale Hlad, Jesse Knight, Ryan Grace, Diane Walters, Dana Rice, Ladonna Reinert, and Sarah Hageman.
- Correspondence: Correspondence: an email from County Attorney Scott Wright regarding the Lincoln Ave tax foreclosure property; the Lincoln County Hospital Board of Trustees monthly meeting packet; and a bill for Lincoln Park Manor.
- Resolution 2022-17: Clerk Harlow and County Treasurer Leann Bishop presented a resolution to allow the qualifying personal property to become dormant and uncollectable. Dennis Ray moved to approve Resolution 2022-17, a resolution declaring certain delinquent personal property taxes to be dormant and uncollectible, pursuant to K.S.A. 79-2101, seconded by Darrell Oetting. Motion carried.
- Minutes Approved: Darrell Oetting moved to accept the minutes of May 16, 2022, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried.
- Highway Department: Director of Highway Department Dale Hlad provided an update on the department's projects, activities, and equipment repairs.
- Emergency Management: Emergency Manager Jesse Knight provided an update on activities. Wright proposed using a preparedness grant to purchase a building to centralize the office and equipment currently stored in multiple locations. In addition, Knight presented a plan participation agreement for the board to approve. Randy Lohmann moved to approve the Regional Homeland Mitigation Plan agreement and appoint the Board of County Commissioners as the authorized representative of the jurisdiction, seconded by Dennis Ray. Motion carried.
- Nursing Home: Ryan Grace, Grace Team, with Diane Walters and Dana Rice, provided information regarding his organization and the operation of the county's nursing home, Lincoln Park Manor. Grace noted that the current building has reached the end of its useful life and that the county needs to consider the facility's future. Grace related that he estimates that the county should budget more per year for maintenance instead of the \$60,000 currently being budgeted. Grace related that to be able to collect a higher rental rate from residents, to be able to pay a higher rent to the county, the facility needs to offer more amenities that would allow for the increase. Grace currently manages 12 nursing homes; 7 of those homes are county-owned facilities, some of which are newly constructed. Grace suggested that the board consider building a new building. Grace will return with a proposal on how to move forward to ensure the continued care of the facility's residents.
- Health Department: Health Nurse/Administrator Ladonna Reinert requested an executive session to discuss applicant negotiations. Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes for Executive Session:

the purpose of health department negotiations, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(2)(b)(1) to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel to reconvene in the commission meeting room of the courthouse, with the Commission, HR Sarah Hageman, and Health Department Director Ladonna Reinert, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. Time in: 11:01 a.m. Time out: 11:11 a.m.

Reconvene:  
Health Department  
Cont.: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 11:11 a.m. Dennis Ray moved to employ Elizabeth Sheldon as a full-time RN for the health department at \$28.00 per hour, effective July 1, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. Voting as follows: Ray- Aye; Lohmann – Aye; Oetting – Nay. Reinert related that she polled employees about options to extend their hours in the mornings and evenings and being closed all or a portion of Friday. The board suggested working two 10-hour days, two 8-hour days, and a half-day on Friday. Reinert will return at a later date with a proposed schedule.

Solid Waste Collection  
Agreement: The board reviewed the contract documents for the solid waste collection agreement. The board approved advertising and deadline dates to search for a new contractor. Clerk Harlow will update the contract documents and prepare an advertisement.

Adjourn: The chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:54 a.m. The next meeting will be in the courthouse commission meeting room on Tuesday, May 31.