

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

August 21, 2023

- Call to Order: The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met in the courthouse commission meeting room on Monday, August 21, 2023. Chairman Dennis Ray called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with Member Debora Smith present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance as recording secretary.
- Visitors: Others present for portions of the meeting: Commissioner-Elect Ryley Hembry, Denah Jensen, Char Chase, Larry Barr, Roberta Turner, Elizabeth Sheldon, Felicia Strahm, Teri Hiitter, Leann Bishop, and Diane Walters.
- Correspondence: Correspondence: email from ARPA Administrator Bri Beck concerning the City of Barnard's award; letters of support for the Sylvan Senior Center grant applications; a bill from Circle C Paving; and the Hospital Board of Trustees monthly board packet.
- Correspondence Action: The board approved providing ARPA funds to the City of Barnard before paying actual expenses, as the city does not have excess funds to accommodate the reimbursement requirement for the project size. Dennis Ray moved to sign and send a letter of support on behalf of the Sylvan Senior Center for a grant application, seconded by Debora Smith. Motion carried. The board approved payment from the road and bridge funds for the additional cost to chip seal the Westfall streets.
- Minutes Approved: Debora Smith moved to approve the August 14 minutes, seconded by Dennis Ray. Motion carried.
- Transportation Bus: Transportation Bus Director Roberta Turner provided an update on repairs to the department's vehicles. Turner provided a copy of the incident reports for the complaints discussed on July 24 and requested that the minutes be corrected. The board took no action on this date.
- RNR Inquiry: Char Chase inquired about the Revenue Neutral Rate notice sent and why the County has proposed a tax levy increase. Commissioner Ray encouraged the public to attend the RNR and Budget Hearing on August 30 at 7:15 p.m. and discussed statutorily approved LAVTR and Special City-County Highway fund payments that the State withholds from counties.
- Wellness Committee: Wellness Committee members Elizabeth Sheldon, Felicia Strahm, and Teri Hiitter discussed the October 9 training day.
- Nursing Home: Nursing Home Administrator Diane Walters discussed nursing home maintenance concerns and activities.
- Human Resources: Human Resource Officer Felicia Strahm updated the board on the status of the landfill/transfer station job offers. Strahm inquired if the board would like to interview for the part-time position or have the new operator complete the interviews. The board agreed to interview with the new operator.
- KCAMP Board Appointment: Clerk Harlow notified the board that she was officially appointed to serve on the KCAMP Board of Trustees. Harlow will fill the unexpired term through the end of the year and will be eligible

to be reappointed in January 2024 if nominated for and approved at the annual KCAMP conference held in conjunction with the Kansas Association of Counties annual meeting.

Emergency
Management:
Adjourn:

Emergency Manager Jesse Knight provided an update on department activities.

The chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:39 a.m. The next meeting will be Monday, August 28, 2023, in the courthouse commission meeting room.