

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

March 27, 2023

- Call to Order: The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met in the courthouse commission meeting room Monday, March 27, 2023. Chairman Dennis Ray called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with Vice-Chairman Darrell Oetting and Member Debora Smith present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance as recording secretary.
- Visitors: Others present for portions of the meeting: Jesse Knight, John Paul Ellis, Kris Heinze, Craig Stertz, Ladonna Reinert, and Elizabeth Sheldon.
- Correspondence: Correspondence: the monthly meeting packet for the Hospital Board of Trustees; and bills for Lincoln Park Manor.
- Commissioner Updates: Commissioner Ray reported that he had visited with Julia Mathias Manglitz, TreanorHL, regarding the courthouse renovation project and that she requested that the board appoint a point of contact for the project. The board approved appointing Dennis Ray as the point of contact for the courthouse renovation project. Commissioner Smith reported that the next Juvenile Detention meeting will be in Salina, and board members will tour the old jail to explore it as an option for future expansion.
- Meeting Time Set: The board set the Friday, March 31 meeting start time at 10:00 a.m.
- Emergency Management: Emergency Manager Jesse Knight reported that the floodplain map for Lincoln County will be FIRM on April 15. The County must adopt permitting and zoning regulations for areas within the floodplain. Knight suggested a meeting with the Kansas Department of Agriculture and KDEM/FEMA to answer the board's questions and explain the process once the map is FIRM. The board requested that Knight organize a public meeting for residents affected by the floodplain map. Knight provided an update on department activities, including the following topics: inventory system; IMT and Command trailers; emergency warning sirens; training; and planned activities.
- Executive Session: Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes for the purpose of discussing employee evaluations, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(2)(b)(1) to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel, to reconvene in the courthouse commission meeting room, with the commission and Emergency Manager Jesse Knight, seconded by Debora Smith. Motion carried. Time in: 9:30 a.m. Time out 9:45 a.m.
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 9:45 a.m. with no action taken.
- Executive Session: Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes for the purpose of discussing employee evaluations, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(2)(b)(1) to discuss personnel matters in nonelected personnel, to reconvene in the courthouse commission meeting room, with the commission and John Paul Ellis, seconded by Debora Smith. Motion carried. Time in: 9:47 a.m. Time out: 10:02 a.m.
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 10:02 a.m. with no action taken.

- Chamber of Commerce: Lincoln Area Chamber of Commerce representatives Craig Stertz and Kris Heinze presented the annual funding request and information on the organization's activities. The board approved the annual funding request for \$1,000 for membership and tourism activities.
- Health Department: Health Nurse/Administrator Ladonna Reinert reported that Elizabeth Sheldon needs to be appointed as the Public Health Officer and the Public Health representative to the LEPC. Debora Smith moved to appoint Elizabeth Sheldon as the Lincoln County Public Health Officer, effective today, seconded by Darrell Oetting. Motion carried. Dennis Ray moved to appoint Elizabeth Sheldon to serve on the LEPC committee in the Public Health capacity, effective today, seconded by Debora Smith. Motion carried. Reinert and Elizabeth Sheldon related that although the full-time RN position would not be needed, the department would still need a part-time RN. Reinert addressed concerns with the pay grade and payscale for the RN position. Reinert suggested that the board consider assigning a commissioner as a point of contact to each department.
- Health Department: Health Nurse/Administrator Elizabeth Sheldon requested approval to employ a part-time RN. The position would work 16-19 hours per week, with an estimated annual salary of \$23,000. The board approved advertising for a part-time RN position.
- Minutes Approved: Debora Smith moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Darrell Oetting. Motion carried.
- Executive Session: Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes for the purpose of discussing HR applicants, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(2)(b)(1) to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel, to reconvene in the courthouse commission meeting room with the commission and County Clerk Harlow, seconded by Debora Smith. Motion carried. Time in: 10:58 a.m. Time out: 11:13 a.m.
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 11:13 a.m. with no action taken.
- Adjourn: The chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:19 a.m. The next meeting will be at 8:30 a.m. Friday, March 31, 2023, in the courthouse commission meeting room.