

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

August 12, 2024

- Call to Order: The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met in the courthouse commission meeting room on Monday, August 12, 2024. Chairman Dennis Ray called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with Vice-Chairman Debora Smith and Member Ryley Hembry present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance as recording secretary.
- Visitors: Others present for portions of the meeting: Truette McQueen, Morgan Tillotson, Dale Hlad, Brett Wilkinson, and Jesse Knight.
- Correspondence: Correspondence: information on a solid waste management conference; an invitation to the North Central Kansas Area Commissioners meeting at 6:00 p.m. on August 28, 2024, at the Concordia Senior Center; bills for Lincoln Park Manor; a bid to complete a Code Footprint plan for the nursing home; and a resolution.
- Correspondence Action: Dennis Ray moved to approve Resolution 2024-19, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried.
- Resolution 2024-19: (Transferring \$40,000 from the Lincoln County Health Capital Outlay fund into the Lincoln County Health Fund) Debora Smith moved to approve a contract with Landmark Architects to complete a code footprint for Lincoln Park Manor, not to exceed \$4,850, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried.
- County Appraiser: County Appraiser Truette McQueen requested a salary increase for Teri Hitter as she is taking on more responsibilities in the office. McQueen provided information on an employee recruitment grant available to potential candidates for the open position in the appraiser's office and requested approval to apply. The board approved the request. The group discussed the price range available to purchase a vehicle for the department. Debora Smith moved to grant Teri Hitter a two-step increase for the increased responsibilities in the county appraiser's office, moving to a grade 14, step 32, effective July 26, 2024, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried.
- Roof Maintenance Program: Morgan Tillotson, Stanfield Roofing, provided information on the roof maintenance program and discussed what happens after completing the inspection on all county-insured buildings.
- Highway Department: Brett Wilkinson, Kirkham Michael provided the cost to complete the biennial bridge inspections and the annual inspections for the nonredundant steel tension member bridges. Debora Smith moved to approve the annual bridge inspections and biennial bridge inspections for a total of \$24,304 and to allow Dale Hlad to sign the agreements with Kirkham Michael, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. Director of Public Works Dale Hlad provided an update on highway department projects. Hlad related that staff have been working at the landfill to get it cleaned up and that he has contacted a different salvage company to collect the white goods. The group discussed the need to begin planning for a third CD pit as the pit is nearing capacity. Wilkinson inquired whether the Highway Department would be required to pay for a floodplain permit for bridge projects. The board related that the department should pay the permit fee on projects to remain consistent.
- Minutes Approved: Debora Smith moved to approve the August 5, 2024, minutes as presented, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried.

Special Meeting: The chairman called a special meeting so all members could attend the North Central Kansas Area Commissioners Meeting on Wednesday, August 28, at 6:00 p.m. at the Concordia Senior Center.

Adjourn: The chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:12 a.m. The next meeting will be in the courthouse commission meeting room at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, August 14, 2024, when the board will sit as the Board of Canvassers.