

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

October 17, 2022

- Call to Order: The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met in the courthouse commission meeting room Monday, October 17, 2022. Chairman Dennis Ray called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with Member Randy Lohmann present and Vice-Chairman Darrell Oetting absent to attend the annual KAC Conference. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance as recording secretary.
- Visitors: Others present for portions of the meeting: Cindy Entriiken, Dustin Florence, Steve McReynolds, Sarah Hageman, and Diane Walters.
- Correspondence: Correspondence: a KCAMP Risk Avoidance Grant suggestion from Transportation Bus Director Roberta Turner to purchase a two-vehicle carport for the buses; a card from Greg Riat, Pottawatomie County Commissioner, requesting a vote from Lincoln County, for his nomination to the KWORCC governing board; and mid-month accounts payable.
- Propane Contract: Commissioner Ray provided a copy of the propane tanks owned by CVA and noted that he contacted Home Oil Company regarding the issue and that they agreed to cancel the propane contract and reimburse the county the amount prepaid. Randy Lohmann moved to rescind the propane contract with Home Oil Company in Lucas, seconded by Dennis Ray. Motion carried. Randy Lohmann moved to work with CVA to supply us with propane, seconded by Dennis Ray. Motion carried.
- Mid-Month AP Approved: Dennis Ray moved to approve mid-month accounts payable in the amount of \$25,164.17, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. The board approved payment to Blue Cell and Glassman Corp.
- Law Enforcement: Sheriff Dustin Florence discussed a retired part-time employee who will soon exceed the annual income limitation causing the county to be penalized with the 30% contribution rate for gross wages. Florence requested approval to rehire Makenzie Ringquist as a part-time per-need dispatcher. Dennis Ray moved to hire Mackenzie Ringquist as a part-time per-need dispatcher contingent upon passing all pre-employment testing, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. Florence reported that the State Fire Marshall had inspected the facility and cited the department for the equipment placement in the booking room as it is too close to the breaker box. Florence related that the department is limited on space and that he was told it would be cost-prohibitive to relocate the breaker box to another location in the building. Florence will continue to research the matter, but he will request a waiver if a suitable option can't be determined.
- Employee Hired:
- Executive Session: Human Resource Officer Sarah Hageman requested a five-minute executive session to discuss employee negotiations. Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for five minutes for the purpose of discussing employee negotiations with the highway department, 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 HR Sarah Hageman, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. Time in: 9:11 a.m. Time Out: 9:16 a.m.

Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 9:16 a.m. Dennis Ray moved to hire
Employee Hired: Corbin Weers with the highway department starting wage at \$14.45 per hour, start date on the 20th of October, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried.

Minutes Approved: Randy Lohmann moved to approve the October 10, 2022 minutes, seconded by Dennis Ray. Motion carried.

McReynolds Park: Steve McReynolds discussed the estimates received to install a bathroom/storm shelter at McReynolds Park. Due to the pricing, the combination would not be possible and they are researching alternatives; however, the storm shelter might be removed from the plans.

Nursing Home: Nursing Home Administrator Diane Walters provided an update on building repairs. Walters related that the facility removed their mask requirement. The staff is planning resident activities, including Halloween tricker treaters and a family Thanksgiving celebration.

Adjourn: The chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:12 a.m. The next meeting will be at 8:30 a.m. Monday, October 24, 2022, in the courthouse commission meeting room.