

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

January 22, 2008

- Call to Order:** The regular meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners was held in the commission meeting room of the courthouse Tuesday, January 22, 2008. Chairman Terry Finch called the meeting to order at 9:50 a.m. with Vice-Chairman Steve Errebo and Member Al Joe Wallace present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance.
- Visitors:** Others present for portions of the meeting: Wendy Gronau, Del Vignery, Joyce Walker, Michel O'Hare, Russ Black and Les Richards.
- Recreation Commission Director:** City of Lincoln Center Mayor Del Vignery inquired whether space would be available in the courthouse to house the Recreation Commission Director on a temporary basis for approximately one year. The board will consider the matter and get back with Vignery at a later date. Vignery related that the following individuals were appointed to the Recreation Commission Board: Amanda Uhl, Lincoln County representative; David Dohe, USD 299 representative; Alan Luck, USD 298 representative; and Anita Wirth, Kae Hayworth, Stephan Smith and Mitch Kobbeman, City of Lincoln representatives.
- Executive Session:** Al Joe Wallace moved to recess into executive for ten minutes from 10:00 a.m. -10:10 a.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with Ambulance Service Director Wendy Gronau present, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.
- Reconvene:** The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 10:10 a.m.
- Ambulance Service:** Ambulance Service Director Gronau reported on ambulance service activities.
- County Treasurer:** County Treasurer Joyce Walker provided the following 4th quarter 2007 reports for the board to review: Treasurer's Quarterly Idle Funds Investment Report 4th quarter interest earned - \$34,412.43; Treasurer's Idle Fund Report year to date total interest earned - \$148,084.19; and the Treasurer's Special Vehicle Fund Report with a 12-31-07 fund balance of \$23,653.38. Walker discussed treasurer's office activities.
- Meals Approved:** The board reviewed a request from County Attorney Jennifer O'Hare to provide meals for out of town witnesses for a three day trial beginning January 28. The board approved the request.
- Highway Department:** Assistant Road Supervisor Michel O'Hare reported on highway department activities. Commissioner Wallace forwarded a request from Jack Donabauer concerning a culvert in Madison Township. O'Hare provided pictures of the Highway Department Dozer that had been vandalized. O'Hare related that John Cashatt, Schwab Eaton is working on the plans for E Apache Ln, E Jaguar Dr and N 260th Rd. O'Hare provided information on GPS software packages. Al Joe Wallace moved to grant William Tagtmeyer a twenty-five cent per hour merit increase for the completion of the first year of service, effective December 26, 2007. The motion died for a lack of a second.

- Executive Session: Steve Errebo moved to recess into executive session for five minutes from 11:59 a.m. – 12:04 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with Assistant Road Supervisor O'Hare and County Clerk Harlow present, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 12:04 p.m.
- Executive Session: Steve Errebo moved to recess into executive session for five minutes from 12:04 p.m. – 12:09 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with Assistant Road Supervisor O'Hare and County Clerk Harlow present, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 12:09 p.m.
- Executive Session: Al Joe Wallace moved to recess into executive session for five minutes from 12:12 p.m. – 12:17 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with Sheriff Russ Black and Undersheriff Les Richards present, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 12:17 p.m.
- Law Enforcement: Sheriff Russ Black with Undersheriff Les Richards related that Neil Berry was hired as a part-time per-need deputy and requested a starting wage of \$10.50 per hour. Steve Errebo moved to set the starting wage of part-time per-need deputy Neil Berry at \$10.50 per hour, effective upon successful completion of pre-employment screenings, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.
- Payroll Approved:
- Recess: The chairman recessed the meeting for lunch at 12:30 p.m.
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 1:15 p.m.
- Correspondence: The board approved correspondence to all Elected Officials, Department Heads, County Employees, Rescue Squad Members, all Rural Fire District Governing Board Members and Volunteer Emergency Services Personnel regarding the personal use of camera phones, cameras and video equipment.
- Abatements: Al Joe Wallace moved to allow tax abatements 2007-29 through 2007-35 in the amount of \$982.52, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.
- Resolution 2008-05: Al Joe Wallace moved to approve and adopt Resolution 2008-05, an order for real estate foreclosure and sale by Lincoln County, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.
- Executive Session: Al Joe Wallace moved to recess into executive session for thirty minutes from 1:37 – 2:07 for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with no others present, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.

- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 2:07 p.m.
- Executive Session: Al Joe Wallace moved to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes from 2:11 p.m. – 2:26 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with no others present, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 2:26 p.m.
- WEB Fund: The board discussed preliminary ideas on the formation of the Wind power Economic Benefit Fund board organization and bylaws.
- Minutes Approved: Steve Errebo moved to approve and adopt the minutes of the January 14, 2008 regular meeting as presented, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.
- Adjourn: With no further business to come before the board the chairman adjourned the meeting at 3:45 p.m. until 10:00 a.m. Monday, January 28, 2008 in the commission meeting room of the courthouse.