

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

March 14, 2011

- Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners was held in the commission meeting room of the courthouse Monday, March 14, 2011. Chairman Terry Finch called the meeting to order at 10:08 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, Stanley Crawford, Connie Crawford, Greg McNeil, Jennifer O'Hare, Larry Meitler, Michel O'Hare, George Miller, Kurt Bjurlin, Randy Pickering and Debora Zachgo.
- Ambulance Service: Ambulance Service Director Wendy Gronau requested an executive session. Al Joe Wallace moved to recess into executive session for five minutes from 10:10 a.m. – Executive Session: 10:15 a.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with Gronau present, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried. Gronau reported that she can pick up the new ambulance after the closing of the KEMSA conference in April. Gronau requested approval for staff to attend the KEMSA conference as well as the pre-conference workshop. The board approved the request.
- Hospital Project: Hospital Administrator Greg McNeil, with Board of Trustees Chairman Stanley Crawford, invited the board to an open house of the Hospital's renovation project on Sunday, April 10 at 2:30 p.m. McNeil provided an update on the project.
- Solid Waste Disposal Fee: Stanley Crawford inquired about the solid waste disposal bill that was received by the church in Denmark. The board related that all Church's are being assessed the fee and noted that this fee also includes the Denmark Hall as both properties are on the same parcel.
- Executive Session: Al Joe Wallace moved to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes from 10:47 a.m. – 11:02 a.m. for the purpose deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship with County Attorney Jennifer O'Hare and County Clerk Harlow present, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 11:02 a.m.
- Executive Session: Al Joe Wallace moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes from 11:02 a.m. – 11:12 a.m. for the purpose deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship with County Attorney Jennifer O'Hare and County Clerk Harlow present, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 11:12 a.m.
- Highway Department: Road Supervisor Larry Meitler with Assistant Road Supervisor Michel O'Hare reported on highway department projects and equipment. Meitler related that Joe Soukup has been transferred to the Truck Driver position and requested that the board approve the change. O'Hare updated the board on bridge projects and the Wilson Lake Estates road disagreement. Al Joe Wallace moved to reclassify Joe Soukup as a full-time Truck Driver, effective March 7, 2011, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.

Recess: The chairman recessed the meeting for lunch at 11:40 a.m.

Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 1:00 p.m.

Post Rock Wind Farm: Kurt Bjurlin, Wind Capital Group, provided final copies of agreements for the board's approval. After discussion, Steve Errebo moved to enter into the following agreements with Post Rock Wind Power Project LLC: Payment in Lieu of Taxes Agreement; Road Maintenance Agreement; and an Escrow Agreement, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.

Business Solid Waste Disposal: Randy Pickering, RanDan Inc, provided estimated weights for businesses as requested by the board. After a lengthy discussion, the board instructed Clerk Harlow, beginning with the April billing, to adjust several businesses' solid waste tonnage billed each month, noting that those that had an estimated range of weights should be billed at the lower range at this time.

Resignation/Hunter Rural Fire: The board received a letter from Gary Sorensen resigning from the Hunter Rural Fire District Governing Board.

Solid Waste Disposal Fees: The board made the following decisions regarding solid waste disposal fees, based upon information received from the business: remove solid waste fees from Rosebrook Custom Ag and Prairie Rose Barber Shop in Sylvan Grove as each business is operated out of their residence.

Minutes Approved: Al Joe Wallace moved to approve and adopt the minutes of the March 7, 2011 regular meeting as presented, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.

Executive Session: Al Joe Wallace moved to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes from 2:47 p.m. – 3:02 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with Human Resource Officer Zachgo and Clerk Harlow present, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.

Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 3:02 p.m.

Executive Session: Al Joe Wallace moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes from 3:03 p.m. – 3:13 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with Human Resource Officer Zachgo and Clerk Harlow present, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.

Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 3:13 p.m.

Adjourn: With no further business to come before the board the chairman adjourned the meeting at 3:25 p.m. until 10:00 a.m. Monday, March 21, 2011 in the commission meeting room of the courthouse.