

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

November 14, 2022

- Call to Order: The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met in the courthouse commission meeting room Monday, November 14, 2022. Chairman Dennis Ray called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with Vice-Chairman Darrell Oetting and Member Randy Lohmann present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance as recording secretary.
- Visitors: Others present for portions of the meeting: Anthony Dail, Dale Hlad, Sarah Hageman, and Forrest Rhodes (via telephone).
- Correspondence: Correspondence: a letter from the City of Salina notifying that they will be increasing the tipping rate from \$42.00 to \$44.00 per ton beginning January 1, 2023; mid-month accounts payable; a letter from KWORCC regarding the Annual Meeting; bills for Lincoln Park Manor; WEB fund distribution recommendations; and a sealed bid to replace a boiler at Lincoln Park Manor.
- Correspondence Action: Randy Lohmann moved to approve the Lincoln County Windpower Economic Benefit Fund (WEB fund) grants: Vesper Community Mens Club \$2,643.26 (assist with the purchase and installation of a kitchen hood exhaust system); Bud Finch Memorial Theatre \$2,000 (assist with the deductible to replace roof); Lincoln Senior Center \$5,000 (assist with mold remediation); Lincoln County Economic Development Foundation \$2,000 (assist in improving the appearance of five storefronts in downtown Lincoln); Lincoln Emergency Planning Committee \$400 (to provide lunch for quarterly meetings); and City of Beverly \$600 (assist with the purchase of a new printer), for a total of \$12,643.26, seconded by Dennis Ray. Motion carried. The board tabled the sealed bid received from Street Plumbing to replace a boiler at Lincoln Park Manor. Randy Lohmann moved to approve the mid-month accounts payable in the amount of \$18,016.89, seconded by Darrell Oetting. Motion carried.
- Recycling Center: Commissioner Ray reported that he had contacted Hayworth Plumbing and Heating to service the Recycling Center's heaters and replace a faucet.
- KOMA Training: Commissioner Lohmann related that he had contacted Jay Hall with the Kansas Association of Counties regarding KOMA training and will be attending an online training in early December.
- Minutes Approved: Randy Lohmann moved to approve the edited minutes for November 7, 2022, seconded by Darrell Oetting. Motion carried.
- Highway Department: Director of Highway Department Dale Hlad presented a utility permit agreement for the board's approval. Dennis Ray moved to approve the utility permit agreement with Wilson Communications near Kiowa & 30th, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. Hlad provided a sales agreement to purchase a rebuilt 2008 140M Caterpillar motor grader for the board's consideration. Darrell Oetting moved to approve buying a completely rebuilt 2008 140M Caterpillar Motor grader for \$169,000 and trading in the burned-up motor grader, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. Hlad reported that the State has confirmed that OS 19 and OS 178 are not considered bridge length and will not need to be inspected in the future. Hlad related that after inspection, it was recommended to close OS 40, as the bridge deck has holes in the concrete. OS 40 is located on a dirt road over the Rattle Snake Creek. The board approved moving forward with closing the bridge.

Post Rock Wind Farm PILOT Draft: The board reviewed the Post Rock Wind Farm PILOT agreement provided by Ellsworth County and modified by the Ellsworth County Attorney.

Executive Session: Human Resource Officer Sarah Hageman requested an executive session with Attorney Forrest Rhodes. Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for twenty minutes for the purpose of discussing a follow-up to the EEOC complaint, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(2)(b)(2) for consultation with an attorney for the public body or agency which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship, to reconvene in the courthouse commission meeting room, with the commission, HR Sarah Hageman, and Attorney Forrest Rhodes (via telephone), seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. Time in: 9:36 a.m. Time out: 9:56 a.m.

Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 9:56 a.m. with no action taken.

Disaster Relief: The board reviewed the information provided by Taylor and Melinda Trogstad requesting disaster relief for a home destroyed by fire. Darrell Oetting moved to make a Disaster Relief Determination for the property at 2950 E Ash Dr, Beverly owned by Taylor and Melinda Trogstad, which will be a proration of the taxes, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried.

Adjourn: The chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:04 a.m. The next meeting will be at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, November 16, 2022, in the courthouse commission meeting room, the board will sit as the Board of Canvassers.