

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

January 7, 2013

- Call to Order:** The regular meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners was held in the commission meeting room of the courthouse Monday, January 7, 2013. Vice-Chairman Al Joe Wallace called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with Member Terry Finch present. Chairman Steve Errebo was absent. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance.
- Visitors:** Others present for portions of the meeting: Gerald Huehl, Ladonna Reinert, Debora Zachgo, Michel O'Hare, Larry Meitler, Russ Black, and Jennifer O'Hare.
- Health Department:** Health Nurse Administrator Ladonna Reinert discussed health department activities.
- Auditor:** County Auditor John Denny, Lindburg Vogel Pierce Faris Chtd, via telephone, inquired pursuant to audit requirements if the board had made any changes in county operations or if the board had any concerns about mismanagement of county funds, fraudulent activities, or potential lawsuits that occurred during the year ended December 31, 2012.
- Cost of Living Increase:** Human Resource Officer Debora Zachgo related that longevity pay would be issued on January 15 and inquired about plans for cost of living increases. The board instructed Zachgo to prepare the annual pay resolution granting a twenty-five cent per hour merit increase to all county employees and elected officials, except for the County Commissioners, effective with the first pay period of 2013. A resolution will be presented at the next regular meeting.
- Highway Department:** Road Supervisor Larry Meitler with Assistant Road Supervisor Michel O'Hare reported on highway department projects and equipment. Meitler requested approval to employ Ron Sutton as a full-time equipment operator on the bridge crew and related that Krystoffer Sprague is going to be moved to the open truck driver position. Terry Finch moved to employ Ron Sutton as a full-time equipment operator, starting salary \$10.55 per hour, effective January 7, 2013, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried. O'Hare related that Michael Ward has completed his first six months of employment and requested the customary wage increase. Terry Finch moved to grant Michael Ward a fifty cent per hour merit increase for the completion of the first six months of employment, effective December 26, 2012, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried. Al Joe Wallace moved to approve the change job status change for Krystoffer Sprague from full-time equipment operator to full-time truck driver, effective January 7, 2013, seconded by Terry Finch. Motion carried.
- Employee Hired**
- Employee Position Change:**
- Law Enforcement:** Sheriff Russ Black reported that Ryan Hageman has completed six months of employment and requested the customary salary increase. Terry Finch moved to grant Ryan Hageman a fifty cent per hour merit increase for the completion of the first six months of employment, effective December 26, 2012, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.

Amendment to Road Agreement: Al Joe Wallace moved to enter into an Amendment to County Road Crossing Permit with Tallgrass Interstate Gas Transmission, LLC successor in interest to an agreement formerly approved with Kinder Morgan Interstate Gas Transmission Company LLC, seconded by Terry Finch. Motion carried.

Resolution 2013R-01: Terry Finch moved to approve and adopt Resolution 2013R-01, Preliminary Resolution and Notice of Proposed Vacation, whereby the board proposes to vacate that part of a county line road lying in Lincoln County which begins at the Northeast corner of Section 36 thence south following the curve in the road to the Southeast corner of the Northeast Quarter (NE1/4) all in Township 13S, Range 6W. Right of way being 40 ft. A Vacation hearing will be held Tuesday, January 22, 2012, 10:30 a.m. in the commission meeting room of the courthouse, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.

Minutes Approved: Al Joe Wallace moved to approve and adopt the minutes of the December 31, 2012 regular meeting as presented, seconded by Terry Finch. Motion carried.

Adjourn: With no further business to come before the board the chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:01 p.m. until 10:00 a.m. Monday, January 14, 2012 in the commission meeting room of the courthouse.