

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

February 4, 2008

- Call to Order:** The regular meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners was held in the commission meeting room of the courthouse Monday, February 4, 2008. Vice-Chairman Steve Errebo called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with Member Al Joe Wallace present; Chairman Terry Finch not present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance.
- Visitors:** Others present for portions of the meeting: Debra Byarlay, Russ Black, George Miller, Sheldon VanAmburg, Larry Meitler, Leon Kingan, Debora Zachgo, Stanley Walker and Chad Koehn.
- Central Kansas Mental Health:** Debra Byarlay, Central Kansas Mental Health Center provided an update on services provided to residents of Lincoln County.
- Law Enforcement:** Sheriff Russ Black reported that Larry Holiday has completed his first six months of employment and requested the customary salary increase; indicated that the finger print machine has been installed and is fully operational; and requested approval to replace the 1997 Ford Crown Victoria with a vehicle from the Kansas Highway Patrol. Decisions tabled until all members are present.
- Concern:** Sheldon VanAmburg discussed the taxation process of personal property.
- Member Arrives:** Chairman Terry Finch joined the meeting at 11:00 a.m.
- Highway Department:** Road Supervisor Larry Meitler reported on highway department projects. Board members reported on problems and requests received within their respective areas.
- Executive Session:** Al Joe Wallace moved to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes from 11:46 a.m. – 12:01 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with Road Supervisor Meitler present, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.
- Reconvene:** The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 12:01 p.m.
- Executive Session:** Steve Errebo moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes from 12:02 p.m. – 12:12 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with Road Supervisor Meitler present, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.
- Reconvene:** The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 12:12 p.m.
- Salary Increase:** Road Supervisor Meitler reported that Steve Anderson has completed his first year of service and requested the customary salary increase. Al Joe Wallace moved to grant Steve Anderson a twenty-five cent per hour merit increase for the completion of the first year of service, effective January 26, 2008, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.

Executive Session: Al Joe Wallace moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes from 12:16 p.m. – 12:26 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with Human Resource Officer Debora Zachgo and Clerk Harlow present, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.

Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 12:26 p.m.

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.

Law Enforcement:
Salary Increase: Al Joe Wallace moved to grant Larry Holiday a fifty cent per hour merit increase for the completion of six months of employment, effective January 26, 2008, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried. The board authorized the replacement of the 1997 Ford Crown Victoria.

Economic
Development: The board discussed with Economic Development Director Stanley Walker various topics affecting economic development in Lincoln County and the State of Kansas.

Investment of
Bequeathed & Gifted
Funds: The board conferred with Chad Koehn, United Capital Management regarding a response received from Representative Elaine Bowers requesting more detailed plans for investments of bequeathed and gifted funds. After discussion of goals and objectives for investing the funds, Koehn related that he would be willing to assist the board in preparing an investment plan detailing information needed for Representative Bowers to proceed with the board's request for changes to the investment limitations of county government.

Exception to
Personnel Policies: Clerk Harlow forwarded an employee's request for an exception to the County's Employee Rules and Regulations extended illness leave policy. The board denied the request.

Minutes Approved: Al Joe Wallace moved to approve and adopt minutes of the January 28, 2008 and January 31, 2008 regular meetings as presented, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.

Drug Education
Materials Approved: Steve Errebo moved to continue the funding for drug education materials for USD 298 and USD 299 for the ensuing year, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.

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, February, 11, 2008 in the commission meeting room of the courthouse.