

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

April 10, 2023

Call to Order:

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners with the Lincoln City Council at the Lincoln City Hall Monday, April 10, 2023. Chairman Dennis Ray, Vice-Chairman Darrell Oetting, and Member Debora Smith were present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance as recording secretary.

Purpose:

Purpose: to meet with the Lincoln City Council to discuss improvements that need to be made to the City's infrastructure to accommodate water flow from the courthouse as part of the drainage repair proposal for the courthouse.

The board met with Lincoln City Council regarding the courthouse drainage project proposed to solve water infiltration problems at the courthouse. Julia Manglitz, Treanor HL, provided the City with plans of the courthouse project that would install one large drainage outlet pipe rather than the multiple drain outlet pipes. During the planning process TreanorHL engineers accessed the City's storm drain. The larger volume of water could overwhelm the city's current infrastructure and could cause failure due to the condition it is in. TreanorHL has proposed that the storm drainage infrastructure be replaced and the new foundation drainage would flow directly into the storm water drain and not at the street level to the storm drain as it currently is. Commissioner Ray related that Lincoln County is willing to pay to improve the drainage structure with ARPA funds. The county also proposed that the county would be responsible to bid the work and issue the contract if the City was in agreement. The work would close the intersection of Lincoln Avenue and 3rd St for a short time while the work was being completed. The City of Lincoln would be responsible for any problems found beyond the scope of work and be responsible to barricade the project area and any signage for detour routes if needed. The City Council voted to have City Attorney Jeff Norris and County Attorney Scott Wright draw up a "memorandum of understanding" for both parties to sign.

The board met with TreanorHL representatives present, outside of the City Hall, to review the City's action. The board agreed that funding sources are available to continue moving forward with the plans to let for bid the entire project, identifying different aspects of the project as alternates so that the board can choose which alternates they will fund. Kansas Historic Tax Credits will be applied for to assist with funding portions of the project that qualify for the tax credits. Clerk Harlow will identify for TreanorHL the amount of funding currently available and the sources of the funding.

Adjourn:

The chairman adjourned the meeting at 7:43 p.m. The next meeting will be Monday, April 17, 2023, in the courthouse commission meeting room.