

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

March 11, 2024

- Call to Order: The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met in the courthouse commission meeting room on Monday, March 11, 2024. Chairman Dennis Ray called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with Vice-Chairman Debora Smith and Member Ryley Hembry present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance as the recording secretary.
- Visitors: Others present for portions of the meeting: Rhonda Wright, Jesse Knight, Dustin Florence, Kathy Moss, Cecilia Tagtmeyer, Vicki Hook, Nancy Knapp, Dale Hlad, and Brett Wilkinson.
- Correspondence: Correspondence: a proof of the insert being enclosed with appraisal notices; an Agreement with the City of Barnard; WEB fund recommendations; Resolutions; a gravel removal/purchase agreement; and a letter of support for the Sylvan Senior Center.
- Correspondence Action: Debora Smith moved to approve the contract amendment regarding compensation and invoicing with the City of Barnard to pay their ARPA funds upfront so that they can complete their project, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. Dennis Ray moved to approve the WEB fund applications: Lincoln Carnegie Library - \$5,262.30; Lincoln County Historical - \$2,853.68; Lincoln Golf Club - \$5,000; Lincoln County - \$1,500; and NCK Outdoors - \$8,000, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. The board approved an insert to be added to the appraisal notices. The board approved a letter of support for the Sylvan Grove Senior Center grant application.
- Minutes Corrected: Dennis Ray moved to correct the minutes from February 26, 2024, removing Jarrod Heinze as the appointment to the Repeater Board and replacing with Jeff Lyne, seconded by Debora Smith.
- Minutes Approved: Motion carried. Debora Smith moved to approve the minutes of March 4, 2024, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried.
- Law Enforcement: Sheriff Dustin Florence related that the department will be purchasing rifles for all patrol units with funds from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund. This purchase will allow all vehicles to be equipped with the same weapon. Currently the department is using a blend of county owned and officer owned rifles. The board approved surplus county weapons to be sold by Carr Auction.
- Services for the Aged Funding: The board discussed distribution of the Services for the Aged mill levy funds. The county can levy up to two mills each year, choosing to only levy \$60,000 for 2024. Dennis Ray moved to approve funding in the amount of \$5,000 to the Council on Aging; \$20,000 to the Sylvan Senior Center; and \$35,000 for the Lincoln Senior Center with \$15,000 specifically earmarked for the Food Program, seconded by Debora Smith. Motion carried.
- Highway Department: Debora Smith moved to enter into a gravel agreement with the Dora L Schroeder Trust, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. Director of Highway Department Dale Hlad provided costs to purchase three railroad cars from the Railroad Yard and stock culverts from J&J Drainage. The board approved the purchases. Hlad reported that the fuel pumps are scheduled to be installed this week. Brett Wilkinson, Kirkham Michael, presented an agreement for engineering services for the board's approval. Debora Smith moved to enter into an agreement for engineering services between Lincoln County and Kirkham Michael & Associates for Off-System 149, in the amount of \$12,500, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried.

Resolution 2024-07 – Dennis Ray moved to approve Resolution 2024-07, transferring \$12,500 from the General Fund to the Transportation Bus Fund; Resolution 2024-08, transferring \$32,533 from the General Fund to the Rescue Squad Fund; Resolution 2024-09, transferring \$10,000 from the General Fund to the Repeater Board Fund; Resolution 2024-10, transferring \$30,000 from the Lincoln County Ambulance Fund into the Lincoln County Ambulance Service Capital Outlay Fund; Resolution 2024-11, transferring \$100,000 from the Lincoln County General Fund into the Lincoln County Capital Improvement Fund; Resolution 2024-12, transferring \$40,000 from the Lincoln County General Fund into the Lincoln County Equipment Reserve Fund; and Resolution 2024-14, transferring \$10,000 from the Lincoln County Noxious Weed into the Noxious Weed Capital Outlay Fund, seconded by Debora Smith. Motion carried.

Resolution 2024-13: Debora Smith moved to approve Resolution 2024-13 establishing fees for Lincoln County for a Construction Notification Form and Floodplain Permit, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried.

General Discussion: The board discussed the lack of movement in finding a truck for the Noxious Weed Department. Commissioner Ray provided an update from TreanorHL on the status of the courthouse improvement plans. The board discussed an email received regarding the Council on Aging bus vouchers.

Adjourn: The chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:15 a.m. The next meeting will be in the courthouse commission meeting room at 8:30 a.m. Monday, March 18, 2024.