

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

June 10, 2019

- Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners was held in the commission meeting room of the courthouse Monday, June 10, 2019. Chairman Alexis Pflugh called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with Member Randy Lohmann present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance.
- Visitors: Others present for portions of the meeting: Cynthia Nelson, Howard Wehrman, Sharon Dohe, Dennis Ray, Rhonda Wright, David Dohe, Ladonna Reinert, Lorelei Dohl, Mike Kratky and Mona Gerstmann.
- Correspondence: Correspondence: City of Lincoln, Notice of Public Hearing and of Issuance of Taxable Industrial Revenue Bonds; North Central Kansas CASA, Inc, budget request for 2020 in the amount of \$7,000 which is the same amount as approved in 2019; Lincoln County Economic Development Foundation, results of the survey of downtown Lincoln Sylvan Grove historical assessment; and Robert Keach, recommendation to fill a vacancy on the Barnard Rural Fire District governing board.
- Resolution 2019-13: Alexis Pflugh moved to approve Resolution 2019-13, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. (Resolution of the Board of Lincoln County Commissioners authorizing participation in Rural Opportunity Zone Student Loan Repayment Program)
- Resolution 2019R-01: Alexis Pflugh moved to approve Resolution 2019-R01, notice of proposed vacation, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. (whereby the board proposes to vacate the following township road located in Madison Townships: Beginning at the Northeast corner of the Northeast quarter of Section 35 also be the Northwest corner Northwest quarter of Section 36 thence south to the Southeast corner of the Northeast quarter also be the Southwest corner of the Northwest quarter of Section 36 all being in Township 13S and Range 6W. Road right-of-way be 60 foot. A vacation hearing will be held June 24, 2019, at 10:30 a.m. in the commission meeting room of the courthouse)
- Historic Preservation Grant Agreement Approved: Clerk Harlow presented an agreement with the State of Kansas, Kansas Historical Society, State Historic Preservation Office, to conduct an assessment of the Lincoln County Courthouse, for the board's approval. Randy Lohmann moved to approve the contract agreement with the Kansas Historical Society and produce a report for the courthouse, seconded by Alexis Pflugh. Motion carried.
- Thursday Meetings: The board approved holding meetings on Thursdays beginning at 10:00 a.m. until all items are caught up.
- Minutes Approved: Alexis Pflugh moved to approve the June 3, 2019 minutes from the regular meeting, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. Alexis Pflugh moved to approve the minutes of the June 6, 2019 meeting as corrected, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried.
- County Appraiser: County Appraiser Rhonda Wright reported that they will be reassessing and also mailing Ag questionnaires to the following: Sylvan Grove City, Grant Township, Highland Township, Marion

Township and the City of Lincoln Center lying within Marion Township. Wright presented the 2020 budget request, which is \$1,259 more than the amount approved for the 2019 budget.

Emergency Management: Emergency Manager David Dohe presented the following: a report on activities for the last month; and his 2020 budget request, which is \$2,611 more than the amount approved for the 2019 budget. Dohe requested approval to charge meals and parking expenses on the County credit card for his training trip to Corpus Christi, Texas. The board approved.

Recess: The chairman recessed the meeting for fifteen minutes from 10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. The
Reconvene: chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session 10:57 a.m.

Nursing Home: Commissioner Lohmann related that John Grace has agreed to meet with the board on June 17 regarding the nursing home.

Highway Department: Director of Public Works Michel O'Hare discussed the following: he needs dirt for several projects and would like to obtain it from approximately five acres of county owned property adjacent to the construction/demolition pit; Wilson Lake Estates Home Owners Association has been added to the June 24 agenda to discuss the road slide within the estates; road improvement request from Cory Uhl, road has a 60-foot right-of-way, however does not have a sufficient base. Randy Lohmann moved to prepare the road for Cory Uhl. Motion died for a lack of second. The board gave approval for road preparation between 40th & 50th on E Bison Dr. Howard Wehrman and Sharon Dohe identified areas of concern. Commissioner Lohmann related that landowners have inquired about the status of several roads that have been closed as farmers need access to their properties. O'Hare requested approval for employees to work overtime on Friday's and Saturday's to get roads ready for harvest. The board approved allowing overtime to key employees that work on Friday and/or Saturday's. The board members issued their concerns with the department's four, ten-hour work days per week. O'Hare discussed equipment status and needs for the department. O'Hare notified the board that D&S has lower diesel fuel cost per gallon than the contracted price with the Great Bend COOP noting that the county did not sign a contract.

Health Department: Health Nursing/Administrator Ladonna Reinert requested an executive session to discuss the department's medical consultant. Alexis Pflugh moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes for the purpose of discussing the medical consultant pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(2)(b)(3) to discuss employer-employee negotiations whether or not in consultation with the representative or representatives of the public body or agency, with Ladonna (Reinert), Clerk (Harlow) and commission, to reconvene in the basement meeting room, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. Time in: 12:09 p.m. Time out: 12:19 p.m.

Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 12:19 p.m. with no action taken.

Health Department: Reinert presented the Health Department's budget 2020 budget request, which is \$12,609 less than the amount approved for 2019 due to end of the 1422 grant.

Sylvan Senior Center: Lorelei Dohl and Mike Kratky, Sylvan Senior Center requested the Center's 2019 funding in the amount of \$24,000. The group reported that the Sylvan Senior Center has purchased a new building which will require some repairs and that the board members are hesitant to agree to spend their private funds until they know the status of 2019 funding from the County.

- Hospital:** Commissioner Pflugh related that a citizen had issued a concern that the cost to obtain open records from copies from the hospital was not reasonable and suggested that the board encourage the hospital to consider charging a reasonable fee for open records. The board approved Commissioner Pflugh to request the past three years of cash balances as well as contracts for the providers from the Lincoln County Hospital.
- Executive Session:** Alexis Pflugh moved to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes for the purpose of discussing time clock department head expectations pursuant to K.S.A 79-4319(2)(b)(1) to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel, to reconvene in the basement meeting room of the courthouse with the commission and County Clerk as acting HR, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. Time in: 1:54 p.m. Time out: 2:04 p.m.
- Reconvene:** The chairman reconvened the meeting at 2:04 p.m. with no action taken.
- Department Schedules:** The board made the following motions regarding department schedules, noting after each motion that any time worked outside the established hours need to be documented and approved by the employee's supervisor. Alexis Pflugh moved to establish Courthouse department office hours as 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 pm., seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. (half-hour lunch) Alexis Pflugh moved to require written documentation of all hours outside of regular office hours, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. (half-hour lunch) Alexis Pflugh moved to establish janitorial regular hours of 5:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. (half-hour lunch) Alexis Pflugh moved to establish the summer regular hours of the Highway Department as 6:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. for the 2019 summer schedule, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. (half-hour lunch) Alexis Pflugh moved to establish the regular working hours for the Health Department to be 8:00 am. – 4:30 p.m., seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. (half-hour lunch). Alexis Pflugh moved to establish the regular hours for the Landfill Monday – Friday 8-4:30 (half-hour lunch), Saturday summer hours 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Saturday winter hours 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. Alexis Pflugh moved to establish the hours for the Noxious Weed Department as 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. (half-hour lunch) Alexis Pflugh moved to establish Transportation Bus department hours as 8:00 – 5:00 p.m., seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. (one-hour lunch).
- Adjourn:** The chairman adjourned the meeting at 3:06 p.m. until 10:00 a.m. Thursday, June 13, 2019 in the commission meeting room of the courthouse.