

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

June 9, 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, June 9, 2008. Chairman Terry Finch called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. with Vice-Chairman Steve Errebo and Member Al Joe Wallace present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance.
- Visitors: Others present for portions of the meeting: Jo Hachmeister, Susan Wollesen, Larry Meitler, Michel O'Hare, Pat Murray, Kent Clark, Doug McKinney, Sara Crangle, Carol Miller, Carolee Miner, Sheila Nelson-Stout, Pat Wallerius, Carrie Meili, Jennifer O'Hare, and Titus Pete Falcon Sr.
- District Court: District Court Clerk Jo Hachmeister provided information on alternative cooling solutions for the district court courtroom and requested that the board consider changing the current system, as the courtroom is being utilized on a continuous basis and for longer periods of time. The board made no decision this date.
- Leadership Lincoln County 2009 Budget Request: Susan Wollesen representing Leadership Lincoln County shared background information on the organization and the leadership training program that is offered, noting several benefits to class participants. Wollesen related that the program is funded by the Lincoln Area Chamber of Commerce, Lincoln County Economic Development Foundation and class participation fees. Wollesen requested that the board consider providing \$2,500.00 per year to help fund the program, noting that funds will be used, in part, to develop and implement group projects; and requested ideas for future group projects. Wollesen shared information on Dickinson County's Leadership Program and related that their goal is to make Leadership Lincoln County's program just as successful.
- Highway Department: Road Supervisor Larry Meitler reported on highway department projects. The board reviewed the County's Five Year Bridge Update for fiscal years 2009-2013 and prioritized projects. Al Joe Wallace moved to approve the Lincoln County Five-Year 2009-2013 Bridge Plan as presented, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.
- 5-yr Bridge Plan Approved: Commissioner Errebo reiterated the need for ditch maintenance in Grant Township, Section 14.
- Executive Session: Steve Errebo moved to recess into executive session for five minutes from 9:36 – 9:41 a.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with Road Supervisor Meitler and Assistant Road Supervisor Michel O'Hare present, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 9:41 a.m.
- Highway Department: Assistant Road Supervisor Michel O'Hare reported on bridge deficiencies discovered on the following Off-System Bridges: OS32 & OS33 in Scott Township.

Land Acquisitions Approved/E Jaguar Dr Project: Steve Errebo moved to approve the following acquisitions of Real Estate for the E Jaguar Dr road relocation project: purchasing permanent road right-of-way from Dorothy A Percival in the amount of \$1,300.00; and purchasing permanent road right-of-way from Ronald L McCosh & Cynthia S McCosh, in the amount of \$481.00, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.

CKMHC 2009 Budget Request: Pat Murray, Executive Director for the Central Kansas Mental Health Center presented the Center's 2009 budget request and provided the 2007 annual report for the board to review.

Inquiry/Lease Fire District Property: Kent Clark requested approval to lease vacant lots owned by the Barnard Rural Fire District to park equipment. The board related that it was the Barnard Rural Fire District governing board's decision, noting that the fire district will possibly need to advertise and accept sealed bids to afford everyone an equal chance to lease the property.

Purchase Approved: County Clerk Harlow requested approval to purchase four storage/transport cages for the iVotronic voting booths and equipment. The board approved the request.

CASA 2009 Budget Request: Carol Miller, North Central Kansas CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children) presented the 2009 budget request.

CDBG Grant/Sylvan Fire: Doug McKinney and Sara Crangle, North Central Regional Planning Commission presented grant documentation for the Sylvan Grove Rural Fire District's CDBG Grant Project 08-PF-825, fire station, for the boards approval. Al Joe Wallace moved to authorize the chairman to sign the following CDBG grant documents: Funding Request Signature Authorization Form, Designation of Depository and Determination of Level of Review for environmental review, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.

N 280th Rd Road Slide: The board discussed grant funding options to repair the N 280th Rd road slide. McKinney related that the county could qualify for a CDBG grant, but to qualify the County would need to commit 40% - 50% in matching funds. The board requested highway department officials obtain an updated cost estimate for the project from John Cashatt, Schwab-Eaton, P.A.

OCCK 2009 Budget Request: OCCK, Inc representatives Carolee Miner, Sheila Nelson-Stout and Pat Wallerius presented OCCK's 2009 budget request and updated the board on programs and activities occurring within the agency.

Landfill/Transfer Station: Landfill/Transfer Station Operator Carrie Meili presented a price estimate to replace a computer, and discussed possibly replacing the computer with a laptop. After discussion, the board requested that Meili receive additional bids.

Recess: The chairman recessed the meeting for lunch at 12:21 p.m.

Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 1:20 p.m.

County Attorney: County Attorney Jennifer O'Hare discussed the request to form a Public Building Commission to issue revenue bonds for the Hospital renovation project. The group discussed the Windpower Economic Benefit fund board and bylaws. O'Hare presented the County Attorney's office 2009 budget request.

2009 Budget Request:

Salary Increase Approved: Clerk Harlow forwarded a request from the Transportation Bus Board for the commissioners to approve a salary increase for Jerry Philbrick, for the completion of his first year of service. Al Joe Wallace moved to grant Jerry Philbrick a twenty-five cent per hour merit increase, for the completion of the first year of service, effective May 26, 2008, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.

Payment Approved: The board authorized Clerk Harlow to issue early payment to Dennis Cross for labor performed on the Sylvan Grove Stone Arch Bridge Transportation Enhancement Grant project.

Minutes Approved: Al Joe Wallace moved to approve and adopt the minutes of the June 3, 2008 regular meeting as presented, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.

Adjourn: With no further business to come before the board the chairman adjourned the meeting at 3:00 p.m. until 8:00 a.m. Monday, June 16, 2008 in the commission meeting room of the courthouse.