

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

December 12, 2022

- Call to Order: The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met in the courthouse commission meeting room Monday, December 12, 2022. Chairman Dennis Ray called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with Vice-Chairman Darrell Oetting and Member Randy Lohmann present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance as recording secretary.
- Visitors: Others present for portions of the meeting: Marty Sneath, Debora Smith, Amber Cambrice (online), Kelly Gourley, Dan Heina, Sarah Hageman, Kerry Jackson, Roberta Turner, Dale Hlad, and Tanner Yost.
- Executive Session: Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for thirty minutes for the purpose of discussing the Post Rock Wind Farm Pilot agreement, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(2)(b)(4), to discuss data relating to financial affairs or trade secrets of corporations, partnerships, trusts, and individual proprietorships, to reconvene in the courthouse commission meeting room, with the commission, Marty Sneath, Amber Cambrice (online), County Clerk Dawn Harlow, and Commissioner Elect Debora Smith, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. Time in: 8:32 a.m. Time out: 9:02 a.m.
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 9:02 a.m. with no action taken. Dennis Ray moved to approve sending an invoice to Pattern Energy for a Community Contribution in the amount of \$172,800, to be emailed today, seconded by Darrell Oetting. Motion carried.
- Moderate Income Housing Grant: Economic Development Director Kelly Gourley presented a Moderate Income Housing Program grant application for the board's approval. Dennis Ray moved to approve the Moderate Income Housing Program Application with Thatcher and Breanna Brown in the amount of \$30,000, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried.
- Noxious Weed: Noxious Weed Director Dan Heina inquired about the plans for the landfill/transfer station after the beginning of the new year.
- Executive Session: Human Resource Officer Sarah Hageman requested an executive session to review additional applications. Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes to discuss landfill applicants, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(2)(b)(1) to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel, to reconvene in the courthouse commission meeting room, with the commission, Commissioner-elect Smith, and HR Sarah Hageman, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. Time in: 9:36 a.m. Time out: 9:46 a.m.
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 9:46 a.m. with no action taken.
- Correspondence: Correspondence: bills for Lincoln Park Manor; Christmas cards from RanDan and KCAMP; and the annual dues billing for the Kansas League of Municipalities.
- Solid Waste Disposal Fee: The board reviewed the updated business solid waste listing identifying businesses that will be charged solid waste disposal fees in 2023. The board approved adding all contractors to the list

of businesses that will be billed. In addition, the board approved earmarking time on the agenda throughout January to allow businesses to meet with the board regarding the fee.

- Landfill/Transfer Station: Landfill/Transfer Station Operator Kerry Jackson discussed personnel at the landfill. Jackson provided the annual Memorandum of Understanding with Osborne County for the handling of E-Waste as well as the 2023 invoice. In addition, Jackson provided the revised Lincoln County Solid Waste Facility plan of operations for the board to review. Darrell Oetting moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding for E-Waste Disposal with Osborne County in the amount of \$1,000, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried.
- Minutes Approved: Randy Lohmann moved to approve the December 5 minutes, seconded by Darrell Oetting. Motion carried.
- Transportation Bus: Transportation Bus Director Roberta Turner provided an update on department activities.
- Bills Reviewed: The board reviewed accounts payable invoices that will be paid at mid-month.
- Highway Department: Tanner Yost, Kirkham Michael provided information on upcoming grant opportunities. Yost related that the advertisement for the Sylvan blacktop project, also known as the 60th Rd reclamation project, will occur this month. In addition, Yost presented a contract to provide construction engineering services for the Sylvan blacktop project. Randy Lohmann moved to approve an agreement for engineering services between Lincoln County and Kirkham Michael for construction engineering services for the 60th Rd reclamation project in the amount not to exceed \$132,901.00, seconded by Darrell Oetting. Motion carried. Voting as follows: Oetting – Aye; Lohmann – Aye; Ray – Nay. Director of Highway Department Dale Hlad updated the board on department activities.
- Bills Reviewed: The board reviewed accounts payable invoices received to date.
- Budget Amendments: Clerk Harlow provided the proposed 2022 budget amendments. The board requested that all departments be notified that 2024 budgets shall be submitted on the form provided, or budgets will not be approved. Clerk Harlow inquired about the board’s intentions regarding merit raises.
- Salary Increases: The board requested that all departments be notified that completed evaluations and recommended salary increases be provided to the Human Resource Officer by January 20, so that salary increases can be approved and included with employees’ January paychecks.
- Adjourn: The chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:11 p.m. The next meeting will be 8:30 a.m. Monday, December 19, 2022, in the courthouse commission meeting room.