

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

November 8, 2021

- Call to Order: The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met in the courthouse commission meeting room on Monday, November 8, 2021. Chairman Randy Lohmann called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with Vice-Chairman Dennis Ray and Member Darrell Oetting present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance as recording secretary.
- Visitors: Others present for portions of the meeting: Dale Hlad, Jennifer O'Hare, Sarah Hageman, and Roberta Turner.
- Correspondence: Correspondence: an inquiry from Dennis Cross regarding the lots on N 5th St that were obtained through the tax sale; a planned maintenance agreement with Cummins Sales and Service for the nursing home generator; and an email from Vicki Hook expressing interest in serving on the Lincoln County Council on Aging.
- Correspondence Action: Dennis Ray moved to allow the chair to sign the contract agreement with Cummins Sales and Service for the nursing home generator, three-year contract, in the amount of \$6,414.08, seconded by Darrell Oetting. Motion carried. Dennis Ray moved to appoint Vicki Hook to the Council on Aging Board, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried.
- Minutes Approved: Randy Lohmann moved to approve the minutes for November 1, 2021, with the edits, seconded by Dennis Ray. Motion carried.
- Highway Department: Director of Highway Department Dale Hlad provided status updates on bridge replacement project OS 95 and culvert replacement projects. Hlad presented a utility permit agreement for the board's approval. Dennis Ray moved to allow the chairman to sign the utility permit agreement between Lincoln County and Wilson Communications, seconded by Darrell Oetting. Motion carried. Hlad reported on department activities and provided a copy of HB 2295 that exempts motor grader operators from having a commercial driver's license. The group discussed whether county policy should be changed, as currently, employees are required to obtain a CDL within six months of employment. No change to the current policy was made this date. Hlad forwarded an inquiry made regarding the lots on N 5th St.
- Executive Session: Randy Lohmann moved to recess into executive session for five minutes for the purpose of discussing employee behavior pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(2)(b)(1) to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel, to reconvene in the courthouse commissioner room with the HR (Sarah Hageman), Highway Director (Hlad), County Attorney (O'Hare), and County Clerk (Harlow), seconded by Dennis Ray. Motion carried. Time in: 9:20 a.m. Time out: 9:25 a.m.
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 9:25 a.m. with no action taken.
- Transportation Bus: Transportation Bus Director Roberta Turner provided the new flyer advertising bus rides for children. Turner was contacted by the principal regarding services available and approved them to send a copy of the flyer home with students. Turner reported that she is now updating the passenger handbook and that the employee handbook is completed. Turner presented an authorization letter for the board's approval. Darrell Oetting moved to let Roberta sign the

authorization signatures for the application to the Kansas Department of Transportation, seconded by Dennis Ray. Motion carried.

- Human Resources: Human Resource Officer Sarah Hageman requested that the board authorize her to sign the New Directions annual agreement for the employee assistance program. Dennis Ray moved to allow HR to sign the application forms with New Directions, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. Hageman requested an executive session to discuss applicant negotiations. Randy Lohmann moved to recess into executive session for five minutes for the purpose of employee negotiations with highway department, pursuant to K.S.A.S 75-4319(2)(b)(1) to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel, with the commission, and HR Director (Hageman), to reconvene in the courthouse commission meeting room, seconded by Dennis Ray. Motion Carried. Time in: 9:56 a.m. Time out: 10:01 a.m.
- Executive Session:
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 10:01 a.m. with no action taken.
- Adjourn: The chairman adjourned the commission meeting at 10:01 a.m. The next meeting will be in the courthouse commission meeting room at 8:30 a.m. Monday, November 15, 2021.
- Board of Canvassers: The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met as the Lincoln County Board of Canvassers to enumerate the results of the November 2, 2021, City/School General Election. Chairman Randy Lohmann called the Lincoln County Board of Canvassers meeting to order at 10:01 a.m., pursuant to the provisions set forth in K.S.A. 25-3101 – 3110.
- Election Materials Provided: The November 2, 2021, General Election's preliminary abstracts of election results and records prepared by the duly appointed election boards were provided to the Board of Canvassers by Election Officer Dawn Harlow.
- Others present for portions of the canvass: none.
- Records Inspected: The Board of Canvassers inspected and checked for accuracy the records presented. Clerical errors were corrected.
- Provisional Ballots: Four provisional ballots were received, with one being approved and counted. Provisional ballot totals were added to the abstracts of votes cast.
- Abstract Finalized: Pursuant to K.S.A. 25-3108(b), the Board of Canvassers finalized and certified the abstracts of votes cast in Lincoln County, Kansas, in the November 2, 2021, City/School General Election. The signing of the official abstract will be completed when all other counties have completed their canvass and have certified their final results.
- Adjourn: With no further business to come before the Board of Canvassers, Chairman Lohmann adjourned the canvass at 10:46 a.m.