

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

February 7, 2011

- Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners was held in the commission meeting room of the courthouse Monday, February 7, 2011. Chairman Terry Finch called the meeting to order at 8:06 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: Norman Mannel, Joyce Walker, Larry Meitler, John Wolting, Michel O'Hare, Jennifer O'Hare, Russ Black and Christen Robinson.
- County Treasurer: County Treasurer Joyce Walker presented a comparison of sales tax received from 2003-2010 and the following 4th quarter 2010 reports for the board to review: Treasurer's Quarterly Idle Funds Investment Report interest earned - \$19,989.20; and the Treasurer's Special Vehicle Fund Report with a 12-31-10 fund balance of \$25,405.11.
- Employee Inquiry: Equipment Operator John Wolting expressed his dissatisfaction with the County's extended illness leave policy which prohibits accumulation of benefits in excess of 90 days.
- Highway Department: Road Supervisor Larry Meitler with Assistant Road Supervisor Michel O'Hare reported on highway department projects. Meitler related that an employee has completed his first six months of employment and requested the customary salary increase. Al Joe Wallace moved to grant Kelvin Lopez a fifty cent per hour merit increase for the completion of the first six months of employment, effective January 26, 2011, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried. The group discussed equipment repairs. Meitler requested an executive session. Steve Errebo moved to recess into executive session for five minutes 11:03 a.m. – 11:08 a.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with Road Supervisor Meitler, Assistant Road Supervisor O'Hare and County Clerk Harlow present, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.
- Executive Session:
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 11:08 a.m.
- Gravel Agreement: Al Joe Wallace moved to enter into a three year gravel removal/purchase agreement with John D Keeler Trust and Letha D Keeler Trust, expiring January 2, 2014, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.
- Recess: The chairman recessed the meeting for lunch at 12:09 p.m.
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 1:00 p.m.
- Executive Session: Al Joe Wallace moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes from 1:14 p.m. – 1:24 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with County Attorney O'Hare and County Clerk Harlow present, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.

- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 1:24 p.m.
- Executive Session: Steve Errebo moved to recess into executive session for five minutes from 1:24 p.m. – 1:29 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with County Attorney O’Hare and County Clerk Harlow present, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 1:29 p.m.
- WEB Fund Distribution Approved: Terry Finch presented the WEB Fund committee recommendations for the board’s approval. After reviewing, Al Joe Wallace moved to approve the WEB Fund Committee’s recommendations as presented and approved the following Windpower Economic Benefit fund distributions: Lincoln County Economic Development Foundation, \$18,000, to help provide loan resources for a small business; The Bud Finch Memorial Community Theatre Foundation, \$10,000, to partially repay the loan secured for the digital equipment upgrade to the Economic Development Foundation; Sylvan Unified Schools, USD 299, \$9,000, as matching funds to help the school district purchase a new portable laptop computer lab for the high school; and Lincoln County Hospital and Health Care Foundation, \$8,000, to purchase two Electronic Vitals Documentation Systems, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.
- Nursing Home: Nursing Home Administrator Christen Robinson answered questions about Hospice Care in Lincoln County. The board approved the installation of a grease trap from R&R-Street Plumbing in the amount of \$6,100.00.
- Executive Session: Al Joe Wallace moved to recess into executive session for twenty minutes 2:29 p.m. – 2:49 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with Human Resource Officer Zachgo and County Clerk Harlow present, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 2:49 p.m.
- Minutes Approved: Steve Errebo moved to approve and adopt the minutes of the January 31, 2011 regular meeting as presented, seconded by Terry Finch. Motion carried.
- Business Solid Waste Disposal Fee: Clerk Harlow discussed solid waste disposal fees charged to businesses and noted some discrepancies in past billing practices. The Clerk’s Office will assist in identifying all businesses in the county to help determine who has not been billed a solid waste disposal fee.
- Adjourn: With no further business to come before the board the chairman adjourned the meeting at 3:10 p.m. until 10:00 a.m. Monday, February 14, 2011 in the commission meeting room of the courthouse.