

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

May 29, 2014

- Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners was held in the commission meeting room of the courthouse, Thursday, May 29, 2014. Chairman Terry Finch called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. with Vice-Chairman Gerald Huehl and Member Al Joe Wallace present. Debora Zachgo served as recording secretary in the absence of County Clerk Dawn Harlow.
- Visitors: Others present for portions of the meeting: David Dohe, Jyll Phillips, Michel O'Hare, Larry Meitler and Pete Falcon, Jr.
- Executive Session: Terry Finch moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes from 8:20 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with David Dohe present, seconded by Gerald Huehl. Motion carried.
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 8:30 a.m.
- Emergency Management: The board discussed negotiations made with a potential candidate for the Emergency Manager Position. The board related that a starting inventory of supplies and equipment should be conducted as soon as the employee accepts and starts employment.
- Dollar General Inquiry: Jyll Philips, Lincoln Sentinel Republican, inquired on the status of the Dollar General Development project for a news article.
- Highway Department: Road Supervisor Larry Meitler with Assistant Road Supervisor Michel O'Hare reported on highway department projects. Meitler requested permission to solicit bids to replace the mower tractor that was damaged by fire last year; O'Hare stated that with the items to be sold on Purplewave most the cost should be offset by the proceeds. The Board approved the request to obtain bids. O'Hare presented a bid to prepare cold mix. After discussion, Al Joe Wallace moved to approve the purchase of 2,500 tons of Cold Mix from Coughlin Company, at a rate of \$29.90 per ton, seconded by Gerald Huehl. Motion carried. O'Hare shared the pros and cons of renting an oil distributor to allow the County to patch and seal oil roads, the cost for rental would be approximately \$8,000.00 - \$8,500.00 for a one month period. Doing so would be more cost efficient and allow the County to get back on a manageable rotation schedule for chip sealing of the 37 miles of county asphalt roads. The board authorized O'Hare to acquire a bid for the rental. O'Hare noted that it was suggested to submit both previously approved off-system bridge requests to the state, hopefully insuring funding for at least one bridge. The board approved the submission of OS33 and OS145 bridges to the State Off-System Bridge Program.
- Board Appointment: Gerald Huehl moved to appoint Brock Mueller to fill the vacant position on the Sylvan Grove Rural Fire Board, effective immediately, term expiring February 28, 2015, second Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.

- Employee Hired: Al Joe Wallace moved to employ Zachary Streit as a temporary part-time Maintenance/Custodian, starting salary \$10.30 per hour, effective May 27, 2014, seconded by Gerald Huehl. Motion carried.
- Employee Hired: Gerald Huehl moved to employ David Dohe as the Lincoln County Emergency Manager with a starting salary of \$2,350 per month, no effective date given pending notification and discussion with current supervisor, with the following stipulations: that Dohe shall maintain the current balance of his Leave Time and Extended Illness Leave Time; be allowed to take his already scheduled vacation; and would be allowed to work an adjusted work schedule when he is required to respond to emergencies permitting that he work a 40 hour work week, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion Carried.
- Minutes Approved: Al Joe Wallace moved to approve and adopt the minutes of the May 19, 2014 regular meeting as corrected, seconded by Gerald Huehl. Motion carried.
- Courthouse Repairs: The board viewed the condition of the stone wall after removing the paneling on the exterior wall. After discussion the board requested that a bid from Schwerdtfager Masonry be obtained to repair the wall. Falcon requested permission to gather unused county office furniture and other items and hold a garage sale during the city wide garage sale event; the board denied the request as there is not enough time for such an undertaking. The Board requested Falcon contact county departments and compile a list of items to be sold.
- Accounts Payable & Payroll Approved: Al Joe Wallace moved to approve May accounts payable warrants in the amount of \$516,852.44 and May gross payroll in the amount of \$149,542.97, seconded by Gerald Huehl. Motion carried.
- Adjourn: With no further business to come before the board the chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:45 a.m. until 8:00 a.m. Monday, June 2, 2014 in the commission meeting room of the courthouse.