

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

May 20, 2019

- Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners was held in the commission meeting room of the courthouse Monday, May 20, 2019. Chairman Alexis Pflugh called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with Vice-Chairman Al Joe Wallace and Member Randy Lohmann present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance.
- Visitors: Others present for portions of the meeting: Cynthia Nelson, John Tyson, Howard Wehrman, Nancy Walter, David Wacker, Carl Nielsen, Jason Coover, John Buttenhoff, Hannah Stambaugh, Shawn Esterl, Ladonna Reinert, Michel O'Hare, Tanner Yost and David Dohe.
- Correspondence: Correspondence: bills for Lincoln Park Manor, flyer from the Extension District, and letter from Department of Commerce regarding census information.
- Minutes Approved: Randy Lohmann moved to approve the May 13, 2019 minutes, seconded by Alexis Pflugh. Motion carried.
- Nursing Home: Commissioner Lohmann related that he had contacted John Grace to get on the agenda, and that Grace is not interested in coming without a specific subject matter. Lohmann requested approval to draft a letter to John Grace with a list of discussion items.
- Conservation District: Lincoln County Conservation District Board Members John Buttenhoff, David Wacker, Carl Nielsen, Jason Coover and District Manager Nancy Walter provided information on District activities throughout the the past year and presented the districts 2020 budget request.
- Road Concerns: John Tyson identified several areas in which water has gone over the road due to heavy rains and requested road repair and additional materials be added to Fox Dr near the bridge.
- Hospital Budget: The board reviewed the Lincoln County Hospital Budget.
- Health Department: Health Nurse/Administrator Ladonna Reinert reported that she will be gone May 28 – May 31. Reinert requested that if the board receives bids for IT services that they consider allowing the department heads to make the decision.
- Recess: The chairman recessed the meeting at 10:51 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.
- LEPP: Shawn Esterl, Saline County Planning & Zoning, introduced his supervisor Hannah Stambaugh, Saline County Deputy County Administrator. Esterl presented the 1st quarter 2019 Local Environmental Protection Program (LEPP) performance report for services being provided within the county. Esterl related that the contract with Saline County has expired and that they are continuing into 2019 based on the 2018 contract. Esterl will work with Saline County officials to prepare and present a new contract for 2020 in June.
- Highway Department: Director of Public Works Michel O'Hare with Tanner Yost, Kirkham Michael provided final costs to complete the piling on OS 105. O'Hare presented changes to the Road and Bridge Supervisor job description. The group discussed the following topics: tuck pointing projects; utilizing rail cars as bridge structures; equipment update on the D6 and Komatsu dozers; and a road maintenance agreement for the Smoky Hills Wind Farm wind repower project. O'Hare related

that he has sand pre-staged in Barnard for sandbagging and will do the same for other areas that might be affected should we get the amount of rain that is being predicted.

- Executive Session:** Gary Frederking requested an executive session. Randy Lohmann moved to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes for the purpose of discussing employee concerns pursuant to K.S.A. 19-4319(2)(b)(1) for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with the board, Gary Frederking and County Clerk Harlow present, to reconvene in the basement meeting room of the courthouse, seconded by Alexis Pflugh. Motion carried. Time in: 12:25 p.m. Time out: 12:40 p.m.
- Reconvene:** The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 12:40 p.m. with no action taken.
- Health Insurance:** Clerk Harlow reported that she has sent plan information to two insurance agencies and has met with two companies that provide benefit management services, as well as obtaining quotes for health insurance, and that she has requested that both companies meet with the board to provide a presentation to the board on services and costs.
- Review Department Time Cards:** Alexis Pflugh moved to review Emergency Management time cards from January 2018 – present, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. Pflugh – Aye; Lohmann – Aye; Wallace – Nay. Alexis Pflugh moved to review all department head time cards from January 2018 – present, for the remaining departments, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried.
- Agenda Item:** The board requested that the following be added to the June 3 agenda: review Road and Bridge Supervisor job description.
- Bill Approved:** Al Joe Wallace moved to pay Reddi Industries, for the grease trap cleaning, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. Voting as follows: Wallace – Aye; Lohmann – Aye; Pflugh – Nay.
- Ambulance Resignation/ Special Meeting:** The board reviewed the resignation received from Interim Ambulance Director Brandon Cochran. The board approved holding a special meeting to conduct a second interview with one of the Ambulance Service Director applicants. Clerk Harlow will contact the individual and schedule a meeting.
- Emergency Management:** Emergency Manager David Dohe requested that the board declare a State of Local Disaster Emergency, providing current water level forecasts, and presented the resolution for the board’s approval. Randy Lohmann moved to approve Resolution 2019-11, seconded by Alexis Pflugh. Motion carried. (Proclamation of a State of Local Disaster Emergency for Lincoln County, for a period of seven days)
- Hospital Budget:** The board continued the review of the Lincoln County Hospital Budget. The board requested that Clerk Harlow notify Steve Granzow that they are in receipt of the budget and request that Mr. Granzow attend one of their meetings to answer questions regarding the budget submitted.
- Nursing Home:** The board approved allowing Commissioner Lohmann to draft a letter to John Grace regarding the nursing home, with the following items being addressed: rent, accounts payable, which bills he is responsible for while operating our facility, Appendix A, and CHOW paperwork.
- Adjourn:** The chairman adjourned the meeting at 2:06 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 28, 2019 in the commission meeting room of the courthouse.