

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

March 25, 2024

- Call to Order: The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met in the courthouse commission meeting room on Monday, March 25, 2024. Chairman Dennis Ray called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with Vice-Chairman Debora Smith and Member Ryley Hembry present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance as the recording secretary.
- Visitors: Others present for portions of the meeting: Norman Mannel, Elizabeth Sheldon, Kelly Gourley, Leann Johnson, Mary Ann Stertz, Denae Smith, Dale Hlad, Denah Jensen, and Char Chase.
- Correspondence: Correspondence: a pipeline notification from Southern Star; the Lincoln County Hospital Board of Trustees monthly meeting; bills for Lincoln Park Manor; a notification from the State of Kansas regarding Water Pollution Control Permits and Applications; and a notification from a citizen that there is trash and tires on county-owned property on the North side of the river.
- Noxious Weed: Commissioner Ray notified the board that a noxious weed truck was purchased from Marshall Motor. Commissioner Ray provided estimates to purchase and install a flat bed. Debora Smith moved to purchase a bed for \$5,100 and have it installed at Winkel Manufacturing in Glen Elder, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried.
- Executive Session: Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes for the purpose of discussing employee evaluations at the landfill, 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, seconded by Debora Smith. Motion carried. Time in: 8:52 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.
- Health Department: Health Nurse/Administrator Elizabeth Sheldon inquired about billing for emergency service personnel receiving Hepatitis B and Tdap vaccinations. The board determined that the Health Department will bill the department that the individual volunteers for.
- McReynolds Park: Economic Development Director Kelly Gourley requested that the board provide input into the color scheme for the McReynolds Park signage.
- County Treasurer: County Treasurer Leann Johnson and Deputy County Treasurer Mary Ann Stertz discussed the difficulty in reconciling the county's main bank account due to department heads not providing direct deposit information to the office in a timely manner. Johnson provided a listing of electronic deposits made into the account that have no corresponding receipts from a department.
- Executive Session: Denae Smith requested an executive session to discuss family medical leave and benefits. Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes for the purpose of discussing employee family medical leave and benefits, 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 and Denae Smith, seconded by Debora Smith. Motion carried. Time in: 9:28 a.m. Time out: 9:38 a.m.

Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 9:38 a.m.

Executive Session: Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for five minutes for the purpose of discussing family medical leave and benefits, 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 and Denae Smith, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. Time in: 9:39 a.m. Time out: 9:44 a.m.

Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 9:44 a.m. with no action taken.

Highway Department: Director of Highway Department Dale Hlad provided an inventory of motor graders and current hours. The group discussed equipment needs and suggested that Hlad obtain pricing for a roller and sweeper broom. Hlad provided pictures of a completed bridge project on Rye Dr.

Minutes Approved: Dennis Ray moved to approve the minutes as corrected, seconded by Debora Smith. Motion carried.

Adjourn:
Board of Canvassers: Chairman Ray adjourned the commission meeting at 9:57 a.m. and called the Lincoln County Board of Canvassers meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., pursuant to the provision set forth in K.S.A. 25-3101 – 3110.

Election Materials Presented for Inspection: March 19, 2024 Presidential Preference Primary 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.

The Board of Canvassers inspected and checked for the accuracy of the records presented.

One provisional ballot was received, with one being approved and counted. Provisional ballot totals were added to the abstracts of votes cast.

Results Certified: Pursuant to K.S.A. 25-3109(c), the Board of Canvassers finalized and certified the abstracts of votes cast in Lincoln County, Kansas, in the March 19, 2024, Presidential Preference Primary Election.

Adjourn: With no further business to come before the Board of Canvassers the chairman adjourned the canvass at 10:38 a.m. The next meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will be in the courthouse commission meeting room at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, March 29, 2024.