

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

July 22, 2024

- Call to Order: The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met in the courthouse commission meeting room on Monday, July 22, 2024. Chairman Dennis Ray called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with Vice-Chairman Debora Smith and Member Ryley Hembry (via telephone) present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance as recording secretary.
- Visitors: Others present for portions of the meeting: Leann Johnson, Mary Ann Stertz, John Paul Ellis, Lisa Feldkamp, Roberta Turner, Felicia Strahm, Brandon Cochran, Dawn Snyder, and Dale Hlad.
- Correspondence: Correspondence: an invitation to an open house for NCKCASA; correspondence from the State of Kansas regarding a proposed Kansas Water Pollution Control Permit; and a flyer to Burgess Locksmith.
- Recycling Center: Commissioner Smith reported that she was approached by an employee with Slechta Enterprises requesting a carport at the recycling center. The board made no decision on this date.
- Treasurer: County Treasurer Leann Johnson and Deputy Treasurer Mary Ann Stertz presented the Treasurer's 2nd Quarter report: Interest Earned on Idle Funds - \$48,432.96.
- District Court: District Court Clerk Lisa Feldkamp reported that her supervisor had requested that each district court apply for grants to replace two public service laptops used in district court and at the sheriff's department. The board authorized Feldkamp to apply for grant funding.
- Main St Lot: Commissioner Ray asked Lisa Feldkamp whether the Improvement Committee plans to assist with the vacant lot on Main St.
- Courthouse Maintenance: Courthouse Maintenance/Custodian John Paul Ellis inquired about the highway department removing an additional tree that is dying while removing the downed tree. The board related that the other tree can wait until winter to be removed.
- Transportation Bus: Transportation Bus Director Roberta Turner reported that she had received approval to fix the Dodge van and provided an update on activities. Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes for the purpose of discussing employees in the transportation department, 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, Commissioner Hembry present via telephone, Transportation Bus Director Roberta Turner, HR Felicia Strahm, and County Clerk Dawn Harlow present, seconded by Debora Smith. Motion carried. Time in: 9:53 a.m. Time out: 10:08 a.m.
- Executive Session:
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 10:08 a.m. The board authorized the HR Officer to advertise the full-time Transportation Bus Director position.
- Ambulance Service: EMS Director Brandon Cochran provided a status update on billing, including that he has provided documentation for most of the bank deposits that have been received in the county's checking account over several months. He is working with Delisa's to get the drop box working

so that he can receive information. The KMAP renewal was approved, and the Medicare renewal says it is being processed. Commissioner Smith inquired whether the additional information had been submitted for the Medicare renewal and requested that Cochran follow up to ensure it was sent.

Community Corrections: Dawn Snyder, 12th Judicial District Community Corrections, provided FY24 year-end outcome reports for the adult and juvenile service program and requested that the board approve the FY25 revised budget. Debora Smith moved to approve the 12th Judicial Community Corrections revised budget for the 2025 year in the amount of \$441,938.31, seconded by Dennis Ray. Motion carried.

Executive Session: Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for thirty minutes for the purpose of discussing highway department employees, 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, Director of Highway Department Dale Hlad, and County Clerk Dawn Harlow, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. Time in: 10:47 a.m. Time out: 11:17 a.m.

Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 11:17 a.m. with no action taken.

Executive Session: Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for twenty minutes for the purpose of discussing Highway Department employees, 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, Director of Highway Department Dale Hlad, and County Clerk Dawn Harlow, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. Time in: 11:22 a.m. Time out: 11:42 a.m.

Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 11:42 a.m. with no action taken.

Executive Session: Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes to discuss landfill and highway department employees, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(2)(b)(1) to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel, with the commission and County Clerk Dawn Harlow present, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. Time in: 12:00 p.m. Time out: 12:10 p.m.

Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 12:10 p.m. with no action taken.

Minutes Approved: Debora Smith moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried.

Adjourn: The chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:23 p.m. The next meeting will be in the courthouse commission meeting room at 8:30 a.m. Monday, July 29, 2024.