

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

July 20, 2020

- Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners was held in the commission meeting room of the courthouse Monday, July 20, 2020. Chairman Randy Lohmann called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with Vice-Chairman James Gabelmann and Member Alexis Pflugh present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance as recording secretary.
- Visitors: Others present for portions of the meeting: Nancy Knapp, Leann Bishop, Brendan Mackay, Tanner Yost, Howard Wehrman, Alice Oldham, Sarah Hageman, Mike Weigel, and Kelly Riphahn.
- Correspondence: Correspondence: Central Kansas Mental Health Center funding requests for SPARK funds.
- SPARK Update: Nancy Knapp provided a proposed budget that the SPARK committee developed after their first meeting, reimbursement requests will be due on Monday, July 27, and requests for funding through the direct plan will be due August 5. The SPARK committee will meet Monday, July 27 at 6:00 p.m. in the commission meeting room.
- Highway Department: Tanner Yost, Kirkham Michael with Director of Highway Department Brendan Mackay reported that they will be meeting with Jon Pancost regarding the tuck pointing projects. Yost related that the Off-System bridge cost share funding applications are due soon and provided a list of bridges that are considered fracture critical, which would have a better opportunity to be selected. The board approved submitting an application for OS 65. Yost provided an agreement to complete the county's biannual bridge inspections, at a proposed cost of \$90 per bridge for a total of \$18,090. Alexis Pflugh moved to approve the agreement for engineering services for the biannual bridge inventory appraisal with Kirkham Michael, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. Mackay presented an updated map by phase for road improvements based upon roads identified by the commissioners and input from employees and will provide a total estimated cost for phase 1. The board requested that Mackay place the phased plan on the county website. Lohmann reported a washout near Fox Dr and 210th Rd. Alexis Pflugh moved to approve the three phase plan for prioritization of roads presented by the Director of Highway Department, seconded by James Gabelmann. Motion carried.
- Nursing Home: James Gabelmann moved to approve the request for proposal, with the dates of interest included on page 6, and approve to provide it to Dawn so she can disseminate, seconded by Alexis Pflugh. Motion carried. Voting as follows: Gabelmann – Aye; Pflugh – Aye; Lohmann – Nay. (RFP to sell the nursing home) Clerk Harlow requested that the board provide her with the names of companies that they would like to have the RFP sent to.
- Employee Benefits Consultant: Alice Oldham, PIC reviewed the current usage of the health insurance plan through June 30 and presented a modified agreement that removes the consulting fees charged by PIC from September 1 – December 31, 2020. Alexis Pflugh moved to approve the agreement for consulting services with PIC from September 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried.
- Recess/Reconvene: The chairman recessed the meeting for lunch at 12:13 p.m. until 12:50 p.m. The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 12:51 p.m.

Executive Session: Alexis Pflugh moved to recess into executive session for forty minutes for the purpose of conducting emergency manager interview, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(2)(b)(3) to discuss employer-employee negotiations whether or not in consultation with the representative or representatives of the public body or agency, to reconvene in the commission meeting room with Kelly Riphahn, Sarah Hageman and the commission, seconded by James Gabelmann. Motion carried. Time in: 12:55 p.m. Time out: 1:35 p.m.

Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 1:35 p.m. with no action taken.

Executive Session: Alexis Pflugh moved to recess into executive session for five minutes for the purpose of assessing emergency manager interview, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(2)(b)(3) to discuss employer-employee negotiations whether or not in consultation with the representative or representatives of the public body or agency, to reconvene in the commission meeting room, with HR Officer Sarah Hageman and the commission, seconded by James Gabelmann. Motion carried. Time in: 1:42 p.m. Time out: 1:47 p.m.

Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 1:47 p.m. with no action taken.

Minutes Approved: James Gabelmann moved to approve the 13 July and 16 July minutes with corrections, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried.

Correspondence: The board received an email from Health Nurse/Administrator Ladonna Reinert requesting that the board social distance during the meeting and recommending that if offices at the courthouse don't have plexi-glass shields then employees should wear masks.

Human Resources: Human Resource Officer Hageman provided an amended 2021 budget request. The board discussed requests to purchase a new backhoe and walking bottom trailer at the landfill/transfer station and how to fund the requests.

Executive Session: Alexis Pflugh moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes for the purpose of discussing emergency management applicants, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(2)(b)(3) to discuss employer-employee negotiations whether or not in consultation with the representative or representatives of the public body or agency, to reconvene in the commission meeting room, with HR Officer Sarah Hageman and the commissioners, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. Time in: 2:47 p.m. Time out: 2:57 p.m.

Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting at 2:57 p.m. with no action taken.

Human Resources: The board directed HR Officer Hageman to proceed with the hiring process.

Adjourn: The chairman adjourned the meeting at 3:08 p.m. until 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, July 22, 2020 in the commission meeting room of the courthouse.