

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

December 20, 2021

- Call to Order: The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met in the courthouse commission meeting room on Monday, December 20, 2021. Chairman Randy Lohmann called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with Vice-Chairman Dennis Ray and Member Darrell Oetting present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance as recording secretary.
- Visitors: Others present for portions of the meeting: Norman Mannel, Frank Lamb, Dale Hlad, Emily Benedick, Diane Walters, Eric Wolgamot, Emily Wolgamot, and Kelly Gourley.
- Correspondence: Correspondence: tax abatements; a Christmas card from RanDan Inc; a newsletter from OCCK; a thank you from Kathy Anderson for the raise; a public notice from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment for proposed Kansas Water Pollution Control Permits for Agricultural and Related Wastes and Authorization to Discharge Under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System; a notice from the City of Salina Department of Public Works that solid waste fees will be increased to \$42 per ton; and bills for Lincoln Park Manor.
- Tax Abatements: Randy Lohmann moved to approve the tax roll correction 2021-04 to Lorrie Little in the amount of \$16.43 and 2021-03 to Paul Branda in the amount of \$18.00, seconded by Darrell Oetting. Motion carried.
- Emergency Management: Emergency Manager Frank Lamb Inquired about who was responsible for paying for the meals at the fire chiefs quarterly meetings. Commissioner Ray related that the fire chief of the hosting department typically pays the expense.
- Highway Department: Director of Highway Department Dale Hlad reported on highway department activities. Hlad related that he had called an employee into work that was on scheduled vacation to help clean up storm damages. Hlad requested approval to compensate the employee for the 7 hours worked in addition to the scheduled vacation day so that the employee does not lose their leave time. The Board approved the request.
- Inquiry: Norman Mannel inquired about the county's policy regarding fencing in the county road right-of-way. He reported an electric fence on the right-of-way in Vesper Township.
- Minutes Approved: Dennis Ray moved to approve the December 6, December 13, and December 16 minutes as presented, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried.
- Comprehensive Plan Update: Emily Benedick, North Central Regional Planning Commission, provided an update regarding the county's comprehensive plan. Benedick related that the board will not be required to approve the plan and that the document will be provided to the board to be used as a resource only. The substantial version of the comprehensive plan is scheduled to be completed by February 1, with the final product completed by March 1.
- Nursing Home: Diane Walters, Lincoln Park Manor, related that Street Plumbing had spoken with the State Fire Marshall regarding the cited deficiencies. She has now received the certificate from the State Fire Marshall. Walters provided information on storm damages received to the property. The group discussed the bids received to replace the guttering and repair the roof. Dennis Ray

moved to approve the guttering bid for the nursing home to Kansas Guttering Systems in the amount of \$20,000 and Bradley Roberts in the amount of \$3,100 for the roof repairs to the nursing home, seconded by Randy Lohmann. After discussion, Dennis Ray rescinded his motion. Dennis Ray moved to approve Bradley Roberts for \$3,100.68 for roof repairs at Lincoln Park Manor, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. Approval of the guttering bid was tabled.

County Owned
Property Inquiry:

Eric Wolgamot and Emily Wolgamot related that they are in the process of purchasing the old bakery building and inquired about the status of the adjacent county-owned property. Wolgamot related that rainwater from the county property is seeping into the bakery building. Commissioner Oetting proposed that the county give Wolgamot's the building and waive the landfill fees if they want to take ownership and demolish the building. Economic Development Director Kelly Gourley suggested that the county advertise a request for proposals from individuals interested in the property. Gourley agreed to assist the county in placing an advertisement. There was no decision made on the disposal of the property, however, the board agreed to allow Gourley to assist with advertisement requesting for proposals.

Ambulance Service:

Clerk Harlow requested approval to hire Scott Laffere as a part-time per-need AEMT. Dennis Ray moved to approve hiring Scott Laffere at \$12.75, effective December 4, 2021, as a part-time per-need AEMT, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried.

Election Equipment
Disposal:

County Clerk Harlow requested approval to list the transport/storage carts for the old election equipment on social media as there is no department interested in the carts. The board approved Clerk Harlow to list the carts as the advertising cost would be more than the amount received if they were placed for sale on a sealed bid. Harlow will list the carts for free, available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Executive Session:

Randy Lohmann moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes for the purpose of discussing an issue of shared leave, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(2)(b)(1) to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel, to reconvene in the courthouse commission room, with the commission and County Clerk (Harlow), acting HR, seconded by Dennis Ray. Motion carried. Time in: 10:52 a.m. Time out: 11:02 a.m.

Reconvene:

The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 11:02 a.m. with no action taken.

Executive Session:

Randy Lohmann moved to recess into executive session for thirty minutes for the purpose of discussing employee performance, pursuant to K.S.A 75-4319(2)(b)(1) to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel, to reconvene in the courthouse commission room, with the commission and County Clerk (Harlow), acting HR, seconded by Dennis Ray. Motion carried. Time in: 11:08 Time out: 11:38 a.m.

Reconvene:

The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 11:38 a.m. with no action taken.

Meeting Time Set:

The board approved the Thursday, December 30 regular meeting start time of 10:30 a.m.

Adjourn:

The chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:45 a.m. The next meeting will be in the courthouse commission meeting room at 8:30 a.m. Monday, December 27, 2021.