

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

January 11, 2021

- Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners was held in the commission meeting room of the courthouse Monday, January 11, 2021. 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: Art Howell, Dennis Ray, Darrell Oetting, Kerry Jackson, Sarah Hageman, Caleb Holeman, Dustin Florence, Lucas Sanders, Baldwin Fisher, Rhonda Wright, Tami Kerth, Leann Bishop, Jennifer O'Hare, and Derek Walter.
- Minutes Approved: James Gabelmann moved to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried.
- Wilson Lake Estates: Commissioner Pflugh updated the board on conversations regarding Wilson Lake Estates.
- Landfill/Transfer Station: Landfill/Transfer Station Operator Kerry Jackson provided prices for used backhoes. The board took no action this date.
- Recess/Reconvene: The chairman recessed the meeting to the courthouse meeting room at 10:50 a.m. The chairman reconvened the meeting at 11:02 a.m. in the courtroom.
- Department Head Meeting: The board met with Department Heads to review the newly adopted handbook and answer questions.
- Recess/Reconvene: The chairman recessed the meeting for the swearing-in ceremony at 11:41 a.m. The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 1:00 p.m.
- Board Reorganization: Pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 19-219, the chairman called for the organization of the board for the ensuing year with newly elected board member Darrell Oetting and Dennis Ray present. Darrell Oetting moved that Randy Lohmann becomes Chairman of the commission, seconded by Dennis Ray. Motion carried. Darrell Oetting moved for the Vice-Chairman to be Dennis Ray, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried.
- Commission Meeting Time Change: Randy Lohmann moved to change the hours, to start the commission meetings, beginning at 8:30 a.m. until noon, seconded by Dennis Ray. Motion carried.
- Board Appointments: Randy Lohmann moved to appoint James Gabelmann to the North Central Kansas Juvenile Detention Facility board of directors, seconded by Darrell Oetting. Motion carried. The board agreed to continue the following board appointments Kelly Gourley to the North Central Regional Planning Commission and Jennifer O'Hare to the 12th Judicial District Community Corrections board. Commissioner Lohman will continue to serve as the hospital board representative with Commissioner Ray attending on occasion. Randy Lohmann moved to appoint Dennis Ray as the representative to the Economic Development Foundation board meeting, seconded by Darrell Oetting. Motion carried.

- Law Enforcement: Sheriff Dustin Florence reported that he has hired Luke Sanders as Undersheriff, noting that in the future he might add sergeant positions to the staffing tiers for the department. Board members mentioned the need to upgrade the building and ensure that officers are covering all areas of the county, including rural areas.
- Bank Authorization: Dennis Ray moved to allow the chairman to sign the bank authorization form, seconded by Longevity Approved: Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. Dennis Ray moved to approve the longevity payroll as printed, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried.
- Nursing Home Lease: The board discussed the nursing home lease agreement.
- Highway Department: Interim Director of Highway Department Caleb Holeman inquired about when employees would be given the COVID-19 vaccinations. Holeman related that an employee will be due for his six-month evaluation. Holeman provided an update on the following: spot graveling, gravel pit locations, and status of equipment involved in an accident on December 15.
- Executive Session: Randy Lohmann moved to recess into executive session for five minutes for the purpose of discussing nonelected personnel disciplinary status change, 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, Highway Department Interim Director Holman, and HR Director (Sarah Hageman), seconded by Darrell Oetting. Motion carried. Time in: 2:30 p.m. Time out: 2:35 p.m.
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 2:35 p.m. with no action taken.
- Executive Session: Randy Lohmann moved to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes for purpose of discussing personnel matters pertaining to job applications, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(2)(b)(1) to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel, to reconvene in the courthouse commissioners' room, with the commission and HR Director (Hageman), seconded by Darrell Oetting. Motion carried. Time in: 2:40 p.m. Time out: 2:55 p.m.
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 2:55 p.m. with no action taken.
- Adjourn: Dennis Ray moved to adjourn at 2:56 p.m., seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned until 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, January 19, 2021, in the commission meeting room of the courthouse.