

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

July 13, 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 13, 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: John Paul Ellis, Nancy Knapp (telephone), Scott Crenshaw, Brendan Mackay, David Gerstmann (telephone) Shawn Keim, and Ladonna Reinert (telephone).
- Correspondence: Correspondence: the board approved and signed letters of appreciation to courthouse fire responders and Boy Scout Anthony Burlingame; bills for Lincoln Park Manor; and an email which contained a news release from Health Nurse/Administrator Ladonna Reinert reporting the county's 3rd & 4th COVID-19 positive cases.
- Courthouse: Courthouse Custodian/Maintenance John Paul Ellis reported that the courthouse tower was leaking in several areas, not just the area that was damaged by lightning, and inquired about the status of the courthouse assessment. The board requested Ellis to follow up on the roof bidders and with TreanorHL.
- Cereal Malt Beverage License: Alexis Pflugh moved to approve CMB 2020-04, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. (Sylvan Grove American Legion Post #359, special event license)
- SPARK Funding The board contacted Nancy Knapp to inquire about her interest in serving as the county representative for SPARK funding.
- Minutes Approved: James Gabelmann moved to approve the minutes of the 6th and 10th of July, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried.
- USD 298: Scott Crenshaw, USD 298 Superintendent introduced himself to the board, discussing and answering questions about current projects that he has been working on. The group discussed the CARES act and SPARK funding that will help the school purchase items related to COVID-19.
- Highway Department: Director of Highway Department Brendan Mackay presented one bid received to tuck point the storage building north of the courthouse. The board approved the bid from Dennis Cross in the amount of \$450. Mackay reported that the cost share application for OS 65 was not approved for funding. Mackay presented two utility permits for the board's approval. Alexis Pflugh moved to approve the utility permit agreement in Highland Township with Wilson Communications, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. Alexis Pflugh moved to approve utility permit agreement in Highland Township with Post Rock Rural Water, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. Commission Members inquired about the status of previous requests for repairs by board members.
- SPARK Funding: The board contacted David Gerstmann to inquire about his interest in serving as the county representative for SPARK funding.

- Recess/Reconvene: The chairman recessed the meeting for lunch at 12:15 p.m. The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 12:44 p.m.
- Executive Session: Randy Lohmann moved to recess into executive session for forty-five minutes for the purpose of conducting an interview for the emergency manager position, 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 commissioner room in the courthouse on conclusion with the commission, HR Director (Sarah Hageman) and Wyatt Travnichek, seconded by James Gabelmann. Motion carried. Time in: 12:46 p.m. Time out: 1:31 p.m.
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 1:31 p.m. with no action taken.
- Executive Session: Alexis Pflugh moved to recess into executive session for forty-five minutes for the purpose of conducting an employee interview for emergency management, 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 commission room, with HR Officer Sara Hageman, Board of County Commissioners, and Kelly Riphahn, seconded by James Gabelmann. Motion carried. Time in: 1:45 Time out: 2:30 p.m.
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 2:30 p.m. with no action taken.
- Human Resources: Human Resource Officer Sarah Hageman provided a draft copy of the handbook.
- Adjourn: The chairman adjourned the meeting at 2:37 p.m. until 8:00 a.m. Thursday, July 16, 2020 in the commission meeting room of the courthouse.