

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

November 24, 2008

Call to Order:

The regular meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners was held in the commission meeting room of the courthouse Monday, November 24, 2008. Chairman Terry Finch called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. with Vice-Chairman Steve Errebo and Member Al Joe Wallace present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance.

Visitors:

Others present for portions of the meeting: Ed Hlad, Anna Marie Wolting, Russ Black, Les Richards, Larry Meitler, Michel O'Hare, Rodney Job, Ladonna Reinert, Jennifer O'Hare and Debora Zachgo.

Access Request:

Ed Hlad requested access repair to his county leased gravel pit. Hlad related that he will make the repairs to access the pit in exchange for a portion of the gravel already piled in the pit. The board approved the exchange of service for materials.

Landfill/Transfer Station:

Carrie Meili inquired whether the landfill/transfer station will be open or closed on Saturday, November 29, 2008. The board determined that the transfer station shall remain open. Meili requested approval to install a buzzer on the scale, which will alert staff in both buildings that customers are waiting on the scale, at a cost of \$650.00. No decision was made this date.

PBC Revenue Bond Update:

Dustin Avey, PiperJaffray, via telephone, updated the board on the status of the Public Building Commission Revenue Bonds for the Hospital Renovation Project.

Transportation Bus Board:

Anna Marie Wolting, Transportation Bus Board, presented a current listing of the fares charged for transportation bus services and inquired whether there should be a fare increase for 2009. After discussion, Al Joe Wallace moved to approve an increase in bus fares across the board by \$1.00, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried. Wolting provided a copy of a letter sent to customers reiterating that the bus travels to Salina on Monday and Wednesday's and that all doctors' appointments should be made on those days. Wolting inquired about purchasing fuel from sources other than from the highway department. The board related that all county departments should be obtaining fuel from the highway department. Wolting discussed lost revenue due to the transportation bus board not realizing that KDOT is now allowing for the reimbursement of employee benefit expenses; however the state will allow the service to go back and request the additional reimbursement from July 1, 2008, the start date for the current year budget.

Law Enforcement:

Sheriff Russ Black with Undersheriff Les Richards requested approval to hire Keith Phillips as a full-time dispatcher, and related that David Dohe will move to the position of Dispatch Supervisor/Jailer. Steve Errebo moved to employ Keith Phillips, as a full-time dispatcher, starting salary \$9.55 per hour, effective upon successful completion of pre-employment testing, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried. Al Joe Wallace moved to approve the job status change for David Dohe from Dispatcher to Dispatch Supervisor/Jailer, effective November 24, 2008, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried. Black and Richards provided information on the 800 MHz radio upgrade process.

Highway Department: Road Supervisor Larry Meitler and Assistant Road Supervisor Michel O'Hare reported on highway department projects. The board forwarded Ed Hlad's request to exchange service, and requested that they contact Mr. Hlad concerning the request. The duo discussed the rock crushing project, relating that there is an additional cost of \$1.00 per ton to pre-screen materials, gaining an additional 15,000 tons of usable materials. O'Hare reported that he has obtained price estimates to contract a truck and belly dump trailer to haul gravel. The board approved proceeding with determining what would be required to contract the services. Shop Foreman John Deines related that Martin Oil Company will be able to contract fuel for January and provided costs for all fuel types used by the County. No action was taken this date. O'Hare reported that six sites had been approved for funding by the Emergency Watershed Protection Program and provided a copy of correspondence concerning the project for the board to review.

Recess: The chairman recessed the meeting at 12:15 p.m. for lunch.

Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Emergency Management: Emergency Manager Rodney Job reported on Emergency Management activities. Job presented a price estimate to purchase a Barcode Identification Program and Equipment. No action was taken this date.

Health Department: Health Nurse/Administrator Ladonna Reinert presented several contracts for the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program. Steve Errebo moved to authorize Chairman Terry Finch to sign a contract between the Secretary of Health and Environment of Kansas and the Lincoln County Health Department, to conduct the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children in Lincoln, Ellsworth, Jewell, Mitchell and Ottawa Counties, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried. Al Joe Wallace moved to allow Health Nurse/Administrator Ladonna Reinert to enter into separate agreements with Ellsworth, Jewell, Mitchell and Ottawa Counties to service as Local Agency for WIC programs within their respective counties, and to enter into agreements with a dietician to provide Nutrition Education Plans for all counties and Nutrition Services for Lincoln County, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried. Reinert provided a review on the Point of Dispensing (POD) site exercise held October 24.

PBC Revenue Bonds: County Attorney Jennifer O'Hare presented a Pledge of Revenues and Operating Agreement for the board to review and approve. Al Joe Wallace moved to allow the chairman to sign Pledge of Revenues and Operating Agreement with the Lincoln County Hospital Board of Trustees, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.

PBC Revenue Bonds: Dustin Avey, PiperJaffray, via telephone, reported that the revenue bonds were sold today with a 5.18% interest rate. Avey requested that the board sign a tentative Bond Purchase Agreement, with formal action to follow at the December 1, 2008 regular meeting. Al Joe Wallace moved to enter into a Bond Purchase Agreement, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.

Tax Abatements: Steve Errebo moved to allow tax abatements 2008-01 – 2008-05 in the amount of \$1,642.12, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.

Payroll & Accounts Payable Approved: Al Joe Wallace moved to approve November gross payroll in the amount of \$146,467.90 and November accounts payable warrants in the amount of \$332,235.48, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.

Interlocal Agreement Approved: Al Joe Wallace moved to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Lincoln Center and USD 298 to participate in the City of Lincoln Center's 2009 – 2012 Neighborhood Revitalization Plan, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.

Minutes Approved: Steve Errebo moved to approve and adopt the minutes of the November 10, 2008 regular meeting as presented, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.

Executive Session: Steve Errebo moved to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes from 2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with County Attorney Jennifer O'Hare and County Clerk Harlow present, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.

Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 3:00 p.m.

Executive Session: Steve Errebo moved to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes from 3:01 p.m. – 3:16 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with County Attorney Jennifer O'Hare and County Clerk Harlow present, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.

Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 3:16 p.m.

Executive Session: Steve Errebo moved to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes from 3:16 p.m. – 3:31 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with County Attorney Jennifer O'Hare and County Clerk Harlow present, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.

Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 3:31 p.m.

Executive Session: Al Joe Wallace moved to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes from 3:32 p.m. – 3:47 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with County Attorney Jennifer O'Hare present, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.

Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 3:47 p.m.

Executive Session: Steve Errebo moved to recess into executive session for thirteen minutes from 3:47 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with County Attorney Jennifer O'Hare and Human Resource Officer Debora Zachgo present, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.

Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 4:00 p.m.

Adjourn: Al Joe Wallace moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:02 p.m., seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried. With no further business to come before the board, the chairman adjourned the meeting until 10:00 a.m. Monday, December 1, 2008 in the commission meeting room of the courthouse.