

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

July 14, 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, July 14, 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: Debora Zachgo, Rodney Job, Michel O'Hare, Joyce Walker, Larry Meitler, Carrie Meili, Carl Eyman, Les Richards and Russ Black.
- Executive Session:** Al Joe Wallace moved to recess the meeting into executive session for thirty minutes from 8:10 a.m. – 8:40 a.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel, Human Resource Officer Debora Zachgo was requested to enter the executive session at 8:38 a.m., seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.
- Reconvene:** The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 8:40 a.m.
- Executive Session:** Steve Errebo moved to recess the meeting into executive session for ten minutes from 8:42 a.m. – 8:52 a.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with Human Resource Officer Debora Zachgo present, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.
- Reconvene:** The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 8:52 a.m.
- Emergency Management:** Emergency Manager Rodney Job provided the Elected Official Guide to Emergency Management for the board to use as a tool during emergency situations. Job presented the department's 2009 budget request. Job discussed grant opportunities available; board members declined to apply for grant funding to build an Emergency Operations Center noting that due to the current economy the matching funds would be difficult to find.
- Treasurer:** County Treasurer Joyce Walker presented the Treasurer's Office 2009 budget request. Walker provided the following 2nd quarter 2008 Treasurer's Quarterly reports: Treasurer's Special Vehicle Fund Balance - \$20,784.38; Interest Earned on Idle Funds - \$39,726.72.
- Highway Department:** Road Supervisor Larry Meitler with Assistant Road Supervisor Michel O'Hare reported on highway department projects. The group discussed the musk thistle complaint in Orange Township Section 7, contributing factors and options available. Board members requested that the County Attorney send notification to the railroad concerning the need to treat rail road right-of-way for the noxious weed and directed the highway department to mow as much of the area as possible. O'Hare reported on equipment repairs; noted that the highway department does not have the equipment available to repair the apron at the transfer station; and presented the Highway Department's Bulk Fuel Storage Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasure Plan, prepared by John Cashatt, Schwab Eaton, P.A. for the board's review and approval. Al Joe Wallace moved to approve and allow the chairman to sign the Lincoln County Highway Department's Bulk Fuel Storage Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasure Plan as presented, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried. O'Hare noted that the highway department has not received FEMA reimbursement, for the December ice storm emergency work, due to the paperwork being lost.
- Landfill/Transfer Station:** Landfill/Transfer Station Operator Carrie Meili provided a sample of the magnetic signs purchased for the new E-Waste recycling trailer. Meili related that the trailer, as well as promotional brochures, will be on display at the County Fair. Meili presented the department's 2009 budget request. Meili provided a copy of the billing received to recycle tires disposed of at the transfer station, noting that the cost exceeds the amount currently being collected per the transfer station's fee schedule. The board approved increasing the tire disposal rate; Clerk Harlow will prepare a resolution for approval. The board requested that Meili contact John Cashatt, P.A. to obtain a listing of contractors and specifications to replace the apron at the transfer station pit.
- Law Enforcement:** Sheriff Russ Black with Undersheriff Les Richards reported that Charlene Batchman was employed as a per-need dispatcher and requested a starting salary of \$9.55 per hour. Steve Errebo moved to set the salary of Charlene Batchman as a per-need part-time dispatcher, starting salary \$9.55 per hour, effective upon successful completion of pre-employment

testing, and that no six month salary increase will be granted due to the higher starting wage, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried. Steve Errebo moved to sell the law enforcement drug/personal safety dog to Les Richards for \$1.00 effective today's date, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried. Steve Errebo moved that the salary for Undersheriff Les Richards not be altered due to the ownership change of the law enforcement drug/personal safety dog, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.

Carl Eyman, Loss Prevention Specialist with KWORCC, the County's worker's compensation insurance provider, provided a claim analysis for each of the following years: 2006, 2007 and 2008, comparing actual premiums paid vs. a premium with a deductible for each claim filed. Eyman noted that the premiums are calculated on a three year claims history and that savings will be minimal during the first year but should increase each year over the three year period, as reflected in the analysis provided. No decision was made this date.

Health Nurse/Administrator Ladonna Reinert presented a Memorandum of Agreement for the board's approval. Al Joe Wallace moved to approve entering into a Memorandum of Agreement with Cloud County Health Department to provide child care licensing in Lincoln County, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried. Reinert discussed Bio-terrorism and Pandemic Flu grant funding.

Al Joe Wallace moved to approve and adopt Resolution 2008-09, establishing rates and fees for operation of the Lincoln County Ambulance Service, effective August 1, 2008, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.

The board signed a letter of support for the nomination of Ethel Zachgo for the EMS Support Person of the Year Award, for her successful goal to raise funds to purchase AED units for both the Lincoln and Sylvan Grove School Districts.

The board discussed future maintenance of the Heiser Cemetery as an abandoned cemetery.

Al Joe Wallace moved to approve a correction to Resolution 2008V-05, correcting a portion of the road description for Road 2 as recorded in Book 7 of Misc. Page 59 filed May 8, 2008 the corrected description is as follows: That road beginning at the SW corner of Section 35 Township 10S Range 10W thence east ½ mile to the SE corner of the W1/2 SW1/4 Section 35 Township 10S Range 10W, *also this right-of-way being in the NE1/4 of Section 3 Township 11S Range 10W*, said right-of-way being 40 feet, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.

Steve Errebo moved to approve and adopt Resolution 2008R-07, Preliminary Resolution and Notice of Proposed Vacation, whereby the board proposes to vacate the following roads located in Golden Belt Township: That road beginning at a point being 640 feet South of the Northeast corner of the SE1/4 of Section 36 Township 13S Range 9S thence northwesterly 1,030 feet to the North line of the SE1/4 of Section 36 Township 13S Range 9S, said right-of-way being 40 feet, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.

9-1-1 Maintenance Agreement: Al Joe Wallace moved to enter into an annual maintenance agreement with Nine One One, Inc, in the amount of \$8,236.00 providing annual software and hardware technical support to the Emergency 9-1-1 system, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.

Clerk: Clerk Harlow presented the Clerk's Office and Election fund's 2008 budget requests. Harlow presented budget estimates for several miscellaneous funds and expenses.

Abatement: Steve Errebo moved to allow tax abatement 2007-70 in the amount of \$60.00, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried.

Minutes Approved: Al Joe Wallace moved to approve and adopt the minutes of the July 7, 2008 regular meeting as presented, seconded by Steve Errebo. Motion carried.

Adjourn: With no further business to come before the board the chairman adjourned the meeting at 1:10 p.m. until 8:00 a.m. Monday, July 21, 2008 in the commission meeting room of the courthouse.