

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

June 15, 2009

- Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners was held in the commission meeting room of the courthouse Monday, June 15, 2009. Chairman Steve Errebo called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. with Vice-Chairman Al Joe Wallace and Member Terry Finch present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance.
- Visitors: Others present for portions of the meeting: Stanley Walker, Rodney Job, Wendy Gronau, Rod Rees, Larry Meitler, Michel O'Hare, Rhonda Wright, Carol Miller, Carrie Meili and Dan Heina.
- Emergency Management: Emergency Manager Rodney Job reported on the planning meeting held June 11 to develop a Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. Job requested that the board adopt a Resolution authorizing EFM Consulting LLC to prepare the Lincoln County, Kansas Mitigation Plan. Job discussed emergency management activities.
- Ambulance Service: Ambulance Service Director Wendy Gronau and EMT I/D Rod Rees demonstrated one of the two new cardiac monitors. Gronau updated the board on the student testing status of the recently completed EMT-B class. The group discussed having jump kits and oxygen available to first responders and EMT's who live in remote areas of the county, allowing them to provide additional medical care, when first responding, prior to the Ambulance arriving.
- Resolution 2009-14: Al Joe Wallace moved to approve and adopt Resolution 2009-14, authorizing EFM Consulting, LLC on behalf of Lincoln County to prepare the Lincoln County, Kansas Mitigation Plan, seconded by Terry Finch. Motion carried.
- Road Request: The board received a telephone message from Bill Wineinger inquiring about the status of his previous requests for road repairs in Elkhorn Township.
- Road Request: The board received a telephone message from Mike Street requesting road repairs in Elkhorn Township.
- Highway Department: Road Supervisor Larry Meitler with Assistant Road Supervisor Michel O'Hare reported on highway department projects. Meitler related that the City of Beverly has requested to utilize the County's power broom. The board was in agreement, but on the condition that the County will perform the work with the City of Beverly reimbursing the Highway Department for labor and equipment costs. Meitler updated the board on the status of the West Elkhorn Creek Bridge replacement project. O'Hare reported that KDOT will be completing a site inspection on County bridge files and on several bridges this week. O'Hare discussed a problem with carpenter bees in outlying shops and ways to deter the bees from nesting; and equipment needs. O'Hare presented the 2010 budget proposals for the Road and Bridge fund requesting \$2,921,900.00, which is \$1,253,750.00 more than the 2009 approved budget of \$1,668,150; and the Special Bridge fund requesting \$400,000.00, which is \$175,000.00 more than the 2009 approved budget of \$225,000. The board forwarded road requests received from their respective districts. Commissioner Wallace related that Leonard Holl has a 10ft pull

behind mower that he would like to sell and requested that O'Hare look at the mower to determine if it would fit the County's needs. Wallace related that the City of Barnard has requested approval to close Main St on the 4th of July. The board approved the closing contingent upon the City assuming the responsibility of placing and removing barricades.

County Appraiser: County Appraiser Rhonda Wright related that her contract is set to expire June 30 and presented a contract for the board to review. Wright reported that the Appraiser's Office will be converted July 2 to the new PC based CAMA system, ORION. Wright requested approval to purchase a multi-purpose colored laser printer/scanner/fax machine from ImageQuest in the amount of \$1,200.00 to be used in conjunction with ORION. The board approved the purchase.

CASA Budget Request: Carol Miller, North Central Kansas CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children) presented the 2010 budget request of \$4,000.00, which is \$500.00 more than the 2009 approved budget of \$3,500.00.

Courthouse Light Fixtures: Clerk Harlow related that one of the light fixtures in the Clerk's Office is broke and will have to be replaced; and that Francis Strutt, courthouse maintenance had checked into purchasing a new light fixture but found that the current T-12 light fixtures are being phased out and are no longer available. Harlow requested approval to replace all light fixtures in the Clerk's Office with energy efficient T-8 fixtures. The board approved replacing the T-12 light fixtures in the Clerk's Office with T-8 light fixtures and all other Courthouse T-12 fixtures as they break.

ImageQuest Program: Clerk Harlow provided information on a free program offered by ImageQuest, in which ImageQuest would evaluate county copiers and printers, and provide the county a report by printer of costs per copy to operate each of the machines. The board approved to allow ImageQuest to evaluate all county owned copiers and printers.

Resolution 2009-15: Al Joe Wallace moved to approve and adopt Resolution 2009-15, an agreement to employ Rhonda Wright as Lincoln County Appraiser, from July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2013, seconded by Terry Finch. Motion carried.

Landfill/Transfer Station & Noxious Weed: Landfill/Transfer Station Operator Carrie Meili and Noxious Weed Director Dan Heina discussed the need to have an additional part-time employee to assist at the transfer station. The board discussed their goals for both departments, which includes possibly hiring a full time person who would be available to haul trash, work at the landfill and spray for the weed department; as well as purchasing a truck to haul trash. The board requested that Meili include the addition of a full-time employee in the 2010 budget request. Heina reported on the status of musk thistle complaints.

Minutes Approved: Al Joe Wallace moved to approve and adopt the minutes of the June 8, 2009 regular meeting as presented, seconded by Terry Finch. Motion carried.

Adjourn: With no further business to come before the board the chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:20 p.m. until 8:00 a.m. Monday, June 22, 2009 in the commission meeting room of the courthouse.