

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

May 6, 2024

- Call to Order: The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met at the Landfill/Transfer Station on Monday, May 6, 2024. Chairman Dennis Ray called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with Vice-Chairman Debora Smith and Member Ryley Hembry present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance as recording secretary.
- Visitors: Others present for portions of the meeting: Dan Heina, Daniel Muchow, Eric Ahlquist, Jay Minear, Felicia Strahm, Marissa Long, and Gretchen Boyum.
- Landfill/Transfer Station: The board met with Landfill/Transfer Station and Noxious Weed Department employees to discuss the operation of the landfill, including staff responsibilities, collecting fees, receipting, balancing, and delivering deposits to the courthouse.
- Recess/Reconvene: The chairman recessed the meeting at 9:00 a.m. to travel to the courthouse. The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 9:11 a.m. in the courthouse commission meeting room.
- CKMHC: Marissa Long and Gretchen Boyum, Central Kansas Mental Health Center, read a proclamation and requested that the board declare May as Mental Health Month. Debora Smith moved to declare May as mental health month, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried.
- Human Resources: Human Resource Officer Felicia Strahm discussed department activities. Strahm forwarded two employee requests to utilize extended illness leave time intermittently. Debora Smith moved to allow both employees requesting to use intermittent extended illness, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. Strahm discussed a timecard provided by a department head for an employee who was retired, and no request or action had been taken to rehire the individual. The board requested that the department head and possibly the individual be scheduled on the agenda to discuss the subject further. Strahm forwarded an employee's suggestion to allow extended illness leave when completing annual wellness visits. The board made no change to the policy on this date.
- Executive Session: Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes for the purpose of discussing the time clock policy and personnel, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(2)(b)(1) to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel, to reconvene in the courthouse commission meeting room with the commission, HR Felicia Strahm, and County Clerk Dawn Harlow, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. Time in: 9:58 a.m. Time out: 10:13 a.m.
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 10:13 a.m. with no action taken.
- Executive Session: Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes for the purpose of discussing part-time employee policies, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(2)(b)(1) to discuss personnel matters of nonelected, to reconvene in the courthouse commission meeting room with the commission, HR Felicia Strahm, and County Clerk Dawn Harlow, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. Time in: 10:15 a.m. Time out: 10:25 a.m.
- Reconvene: The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 10:25 a.m. with no action taken.

WEB Fund Distributions: The board reviewed the WEB fund recommendations. Debora Smith moved to fund the WEB fund recommendations as present: Lincoln County Economic Development - \$25,000.00 contingent on the receipt of a grant; Sylvan Senior Center - \$13,851.72; Lincoln Golf Club - \$5,000; Finch Theatre - \$1,236.53; City of Barnard - \$2,180.00; and Vesper Community Club, Inc - \$2,306.31, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried.

Minutes Approved: Debora Smith moved to approve the April 30, 2024, minutes, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried.

Adjourn: The chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:13 a.m. The next meeting will be in the courthouse commission meeting room at 8:30 a.m. Monday, May 13, 2024.