

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

June 27, 2022

- Call to Order: The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met in the courthouse commission meeting room Monday, June 27, 2022. Chairman Dennis Ray called the meeting to order at 8:30 with Vice-Chairman Darrell Oetting and Member Randy Lohmann present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance as recording secretary.
- Visitors: Others present for portions of the meeting: Dale Hlad, Tanner Yost, Rhonda Wright, Sherry Pickering, Judy Coats, and Brandon Cochran.
- Correspondence: Correspondence: the auditor provided a date for the 2023 budget preparation; a message from Steve Errebo notifying the board that the Legion Building is not affected by the adjacent building collapse and requesting to remove the address from the emergency declaration; Resolution 2022-19, rescinding the emergency declaration; fair board 2023 budget request; bills for Lincoln Park Manor; and the final draft of the Solid Waste Collection Agreement.
- Correspondence Action: Resolution 2022-19: The chairman called a special meeting for July 12, 2022, at 8:00 a.m. to prepare the 2023 budget. Darrell Oetting moved to adopt Resolution 2022-19, rescinding emergency declaration and proclamation 2022-18, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried. Dennis Ray moved to approve the solid waste collection agreement to be presented to various contractors, seconded by Randy Lohmann. Motion carried.
- Meeting Time Set: The board set the time to begin the end-of-month meeting on June 30 at 10:00 a.m.
- Minutes Approved: Randy Lohmann moved to approve the June 21, 2022 minutes as amended, seconded by Darrell Oetting. Motion carried.
- Meeting Date Changed: The board approved moving the Tuesday, September 6 meeting time from 8:30 a.m. to begin at 6:00 p.m. The RNR hearing and the budget hearing will be scheduled for that evening. In addition, the board approved inviting fire districts planning to increase their mill levies to hold their RNR hearings immediately before the counties. All hearings will start at 7:00 p.m. and run consecutively.
- Highway Department: Director of Highway Department Dale Hlad updated the board on department activities. Commissioner Ray forwarded a request to clear a box culvert. Tanner Yost, Kirkham Michael, related that they did not receive any interest in relocating OS 95 and that the firm completed photographic documentation and forwarded the information to the State Historical Society for approval. The Historical Society must approve the documentation by July 21, so the county can proceed with the bidding process. Yost related that KDOT notified him that they will have a field check meeting to replace a Saline River drainage bridge east of Beverly on K-18.
- County Attorney: County Appraiser Rhonda Wright presented the department's 2023 budget request.
- Health Department: Health Department employees Sherry Pickering and Judy Coats provided two options for department hours and the results of a poll conducted with customers. The Health Department staff proposes that the department hours be changed beginning July 11 to four ten-hour days, 7:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Monday – Thursday, with the department closed on Fridays. Dennis Ray

moved to change the health department hours, 7:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Monday – Thursday, on a trial basis for three months, effective Monday, July 11, seconded by Darrell Oetting. Motion carried. The board requested that the department provide honest feedback on the hours after the three-month period is up.

Ambulance Service: Ambulance Service Director Brandon Cochran presented the following policies for the board’s approval: billing of responses that result in death; and identifying the differences between part-time and part-time per-need employees. The board took no action on this date. Cochran presented the department’s 2023 budget request.

Landfill/Transfer Station & Nox Weed: Landfill/Transfer Station Operator Kerry Jackson presented the 2023 budget request. In addition, Jackson forwarded the Noxious Weed Department’s 2023 budget request.

County Clerk: County Clerk Harlow presented the Clerk and Election funds 2023 budget requests.

Recycling Center: The board discussed the operation of the recycling center.

Adjourn: The chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:21 a.m. The next meeting will be at 8:30 a.m. Thursday, June 30, 2022, in the commission meeting room of the courthouse.