

COMMISSIONER PROCEEDINGS

June 16, 2014

- 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 16, 2014. Chairman Terry Finch called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. with Vice-Chairman Gerald Huehl and Member Al Joe Wallace present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance.
- Visitors: Others present for portions of the meeting: John Buttenhoff, Carlene Friesen, Patricia Winters, Rickey Jackson, Wendy Gronau, Larry Meitler, Michel O'Hare, Lewis Wacker, Ladonna Reinert, Kerry Jackson and John Denny.
- Conservation District Budget Request: Conservation District Board Members John Buttenhoff and Carlene Friesen, with Manager Patricia Winters and NRCS Soil Conservationist Rickey Jackson presented the District's 2015 budget request, requesting an increase of \$3,700.00 over the amount received for budget year 2014. The group provided a copy of FY 2015 Aid to Conservation Districts, by county, which breakdowns local and state contributions. Winters also related that over the past ten years the district has helped local residents receive \$637,688 in financial assistance through the cost-share programs: Non-Point Source and Water Resources. Examples of projects performed include but are not limited to: septic system replacement, well plugging, soil testing, and new or rebuilt terraces and waterways.
- Board Resignation: The board received a resignation from Jan Wilson, the County's representative to the Lincoln Recreation Board, effective immediately.
- Ambulance Service: Ambulance Service Director Wendy Gronau reported that she has been appointed to the Kansas Board of Emergency Medical Services, as a representative for EMT's.
- Highway Department: Road Supervisor Larry Meitler with Assistant Road Supervisor Michel O'Hare provided bids received to replace a mower tractor that was totaled last year due to fire damage. The board made no decision this date. O'Hare provided an agreement for the board's review and approval. Al Joe Wallace moved to enter into a Fund Exchange Agreement, Project 53C-4659-14, with the Kansas Department of Transportation, seconded by Gerald Huehl. Motion carried. O'Hare provided an amended agreement with Coughlin Company I Inc, changing the composition of a portion of the material previously approved. After discussion Gerald Huehl moved to approve an amended agreement with Coughlin Company I Inc, for a total amount due of \$82,850, for 2,500 tons of cold mix recycled asphalt, seconded by Al Joe Wallace. Motion carried. The board discussed the State permitting process for the improvement of the entrance to the proposed Dollar General Store site.
- Road Concerns: Lewis Wacker issued concerns with the recent drainage structure repair project on N 120th Rd.

- Health Department:** Health Nurse/Administrator Ladonna Reinert provided information on a Walk and Read Program and noted that she would like to apply for grant funding for the project. The board approved. Reinert related that an employee will be on Family Medical Leave beginning the end of June and that schedules will be modified and the part-time employee has agreed to work an additional shift per week to ensure that all clients are seen. Reinert provided a breakdown of grant awards to the department from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) for state FY 2015.
- Landfill/Transfer Station:** Landfill/Transfer Station Operator Kerry Jackson related that KDHE has approved the Facility Operating Plan for the Construction and Demolition Landfill and that a Construction Quality Assurance Plan will need to be submitted for approval as well. The group discussed the last cleanup day, in which a home was demolished and transferred to the CD pit, complaints had been received that the pit was too full to adequately dispose of the home, however it was determined that several voids in the pit were created because staff did not go to the pit to ensure that trucks dumping were backed as far back as possible prior to dumping, and that the pit was not prepared prior to the disposal due to the unavailability of equipment. Discussion ensued on future capacity of the pit as well as consideration for digging a second pit once the first pit is at capacity.
- Auditor:** County Auditor John Denny, Lindburg Vogel Pierce Faris Chtd, pursuant to audit requirements, inquired if the board had any concerns about mismanagement of county funds, fraudulent activities or knowledge of any litigation that occurred during the year ended December 31, 2013.
- Executive Session:** Al Joe Wallace moved to recess into executive session for five minutes from 11:18 a.m. – 11:23 a.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with Human Resource Officer Debora Zachgo and County Clerk Harlow present, seconded by Terry Finch. Motion carried.
- Reconvene:** The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 11:23 a.m.
- Executive Session:** Al Joe Wallace moved to recess into executive session for five minutes from 11:30 a.m. – 11:35 a.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel with County Clerk Harlow present, seconded by Gerald Huehl. Motion carried.
- Reconvene:** The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 11:35 a.m.
- Minutes Approved:** Al Joe Wallace moved to approve and adopt the minutes of the June 9, 2014 regular meeting as presented, seconded by Gerald Huehl. Motion carried.
- Adjourn:** With no further business to come before the board the chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:54 a.m. until 8:00 a.m. Monday, June 23, 2014 in the commission meeting room of the courthouse.