

## **Lincoln County Commissioners Minutes for August 14, 2017**

**Present: Chairman Cresley McConnell, Commissioner Rebecca Wood, Commissioner Roy Hubert, Chief Deputy Cindi Sievers for minutes.**

10:05am P & Z Public Hearing – Proposed Ordinance 1212-10-1

Present: Mary Davidson, P&Z Administrator, Margo Harvey Tafoya, Linda Jones, Don Hudson, Beverly Taber.

Commissioner Wood read into the meeting the public notice published in the Times News.

Chairman McConnell stated the pages where changes are to be discussed and proposed to change. He read into the meeting the text to be changed.

Discussion on the changes on the Ordinance to move the Board to the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners and other changes mandated by State Statute.

1030am

**Commissioner Wood moved to amend the agenda and move the Emergency Management update to 11:00. Good faith reason, to allow public comment. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carried.**

10:32am Chairman McConnell opened the floor for public discussion.

Don Hudson discussed the changes are too many for a single discussion. He feels it does not belong in the hands of the Lincoln County Board. It should be discussed at a time when more people could attend. His opinion; the public would not be better served.

Margo Harvey Tafoya does not want the Board to take over P & Z.

Commissioner Wood read into the meeting a response that was sent via email from Tanya Drake noting her position for the Board not to have P&Z.

Chairman McConnell expressed his reasoning for the Lincoln County Board to take over the P&Z. He explained the fact where a single person had to wait over 3 months for a decision on building.

Discussion on how the public had been notified for openings in the P&Z Commission.

Mary Davidson explained the need for changes in the Ordinance that need to be changed by State Statutes. This has been a work in progress for 2 ½ years.

Commissioner Wood discussed the conversations with the P&Z Commission. Also, mentioned the conversation she had with Jerry Mason who trains state P&Z and is our risk management

advisor. His opinion is it is not good for the public to have a P&Z Commission vs. having the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners serve as the P&Z for the County because of the size of the County.

Discussion on the lack of interest to serve on the P&Z Commission and the comments from the current Commission.

Commissioner Hubert would like to take these concerns up for discussion to the Prosecutor and Jerry Mason.

11:00am Sheriff & Emergency Management & Emergency Management update

Sheriff Rodriguez, Chief Deputy Phillips, Payson Reese present.

Sheriff Rodriguez discussed with Payson joining the Sheriff's department to include him as a member of his department for emergency procedures.

Clerk Farnworth asked for clarification of the responsibility of the Sheriff for Payson. Payson is currently on a contract not as an employee.

Chairman McConnell stated the Disaster Service budget should be separated for grant purposes.

Payson presented his update in a report of what has been done for the eclipse emergency procedures. Update on the meetings he attended for emergency procedures. Grant projects discussed.

Discussion on the communications during this time if there is a breakdown in cell service.

Discussion on the procedures that will be taken in the courthouse for security in the Courts upstairs since that office will not close on August 21<sup>st</sup>. Command will be stationed in the Sheriff's office.

Discussion on the fires that occurred in the County.

**Commissioner Wood made a motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to IC 74-206(1) (b) Employee. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Commissioner Wood, aye; Commissioner Hubert, aye; Chairman McConnell, aye. Vote unanimous in favor, meeting adjourned to Executive Session.**

Chairman McConnell adjourned the Executive Session and reconvened the Regular Meeting.

11:30am New Juvenile Program – Contingency Management for adolescent substance abuse, a federally funded program from Oregon

Linda Boguslawski and Rosa Bravo present.

The whole 5<sup>th</sup> District participating. This is to begin October 1, 2017. Linda discussed the program and how it will work in the County. This program includes funding for assistance for the family and reward incentives. Discussion on the funding expenses.

Commissioner Hubert asked about families who are dysfunctional participating in the program; parent not willing to participate. Discussion on solutions to the issue. Linda wants to have 1 ½ hours in September to present a film to the Commissioners.

11:47am Minutes & Claims

Discussion on Ambulance billing.

**Commissioner Hubert made a motion to accept Ambulance District's August 7, 2017 minutes as presented. Commissioner Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

**Commissioner Hubert made a motion to accept August 7, 2017 Regular Minutes as presented. Commissioner Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

**Commissioner Hubert made a motion to pay the claims for August 14, 2017 for \$22,766.02. Commissioner Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carried.**

Discussion for Mayor of Shoshone to discuss closing C Street for the new Courthouse. The Mayor wants to discuss this as a whole with the City Council and the Commissioners.

12:10pm Chairman McConnell adjourned the meeting for lunch.

1:00pm Chairman McConnell reconvened the Regular Meeting.

**Commissioner Hubert made a motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to IC 74-206(1)(d) Indigent. Commissioner Wood seconded. Commissioner Wood, aye; Commissioner Hubert, aye; Chairman McConnell, aye. Vote unanimous in favor, meeting adjourned to Executive Session.**

1:08pm Chairman McConnell reconvened the Regular Meeting.

Clerk Farnworth presented the Catastrophic Care Annual Report.

Discussion on Catastrophic fund expenses.

1:15pm Triangle A – P&Z Parcel Division

Linda Jones, Diana Rowe, Mary Davidson present.

Diana presented photocopies of the parcel in discussion. She explained the division the owners want to make. The bank has demanded there is 5 acres to maintain the loan on the property.

Discussion on what should be done to satisfy the bank and P&Z requirements. Mary said that the application has met all the P&Z ordinances. Diana said the owner is also going through all the requirements from the Assessor's office.

Commissioner Wood made note that the new ordinance is not in place yet. The Commissioners will ratify the decision after the new ordinance is in place.

1:30pm Animal Ordinance Review.

E. Scott is not present for discussion because of illness.

Discussion on what was needed for the final review.

Correspondence:

Shoshone School Bond pamphlet discussion on the financial information.

Phone call from Marsha Hiatt concerning the budgeted amount for Commissioners. Clerk Farnworth sent an email out to the Commissioners what had been discussed on salary wages for Commissioners and county employees and other budget issues.

Basement mold & Asbestos Issue, still no response from MTI. Chairman McConnell will follow-up.

Due to the Courthouse closure on August 21<sup>st</sup> the Commissioners will not be meeting on Monday and will meet Tuesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Old Business list was reviewed

1:50pm Employee Handbook review.

2:30pm Fair Budget review.

2:45pm Final Budget review.

3:14pm

**Commissioner Wood made a motion to lease 7 vehicles for the next budget year shooting for 3 in the following budget year. Chairman McConnell seconded. Discussion, re-evaluate the position in 3 years. Vote 2 yea and one nay. Motion carries.**

The Ambulance District Budget will be published at \$446,361.00 and the County Budget published at \$3,490,009.00 an increase of 3.17%.

Discussion on trading the Suburban from Sheriff's office to Search & Rescue.

**Commissioner Hubert moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Wood seconded.  
Vote unanimous in favor, motion carried.**

Respectfully,  
Cindi Sievers, Chief Deputy

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Cresley McConnell, Chairman

Attest:

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Brenda Farnworth, Clerk