

**Lincoln County Commissioners  
Ambulance District Meeting  
Minutes for August 7, 2017**

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

9:30am Chairman McConnell called the meeting to order and opened and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman McConnell met with Larrin Sant to discuss the budget. He presented a 2018 fiscal year budget. Discussion on expenses that were not taken from the correct lines. Discussion on the current expenses presented by the Chairman.

Discussion on what the Board wants to see from Larrin. They want to see what Larrin sent to IRIS for billing. Commissioner Hubert had a discussion with IRIS and the auditors. The auditors want to see monthly statements for billing.

Clerk Farnworth discussed the new company, Systems Design West, to see that there is a control for balancing the information from Larrin for billing and what is being billed from Systems Deign West.

Discussion on the letter to be sent to IRIS by the Prosecutor, E. Scott.

Commissioner Wood has asked for accounting and reconciling for the Ambulance District since she has taken office. Discussion on what has been received and written off on billing.

Chainman McConnell discussed the meeting he had with Larrin.

Clerk Farnworth presented the L2 levy amounts for the Ambulance District. Discussion on the amount levied for last year and what can be levied for this next fiscal year and supplemental income.

Discussion on the 2018 budget.

10:00am Chairman McConnell adjourned the Ambulance District meeting.

Respectfully,  
Cindi Sievers, Chief Deputy

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Cresley McConnell, Chairman

Attest:

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Brenda Farnworth, Clerk

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10:00am Tax Cancellation

Linda Jones and Mark Babbit present.

Mark presented photo documents of property damaged from fires. Discussion on what has been burnt to the ground. Two fires destroyed property.

Linda Jones discussed what should be taxed on the properties that have been burned. Discussion on the tax cancellation; it should be from the date of the fires. Set dollar amounts cannot be figured at this time. The calculations would be figured when the tax valuation are available.

**Commissioner Wood moved to cancel the taxes on all buildings that burned on his properties from May 2017 for Mark Babbit. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carried.**

Discussion on the recent fires in Richfield.

Correspondence

\$5,300,467.99 cash from the Treasurers month end report.

Have not received an estimate from Material Testing for mitigation of mold and asbestos.

10:30am Sheriff A/C Unit

Sheriff is requesting a single A/C Unit for the Sheriff's office and Chief Deputy's office.

Discussion on the type of unit to use.

Discussion on some complaints during the fire. Discussion on County patrons that are not in a fire district and have opted not to be in one.

Sheriff discussed some changes that they will be making on notice of levels of evacuation.

Sheriff requested that the Emergency Manager, Payson Reese, be put in direct communication with the Sheriff and given a radio call number for emergencies. Commissioners agreed.

11:00am Claims, Minutes

**Commissioner Wood made a motion to pay the Indigent claims for \$637.50. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carried.**

**Commissioner Wood made a motion to pay the claims for August 7, 2017 for \$12,053.95. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carried.**

Old Business

Carl Pendleton did tell Chairman McConnell that they will get the legal description cleaned up for the County on Property A purchase.

**Commissioner Hubert made a motion to accept July 31, 2017 as corrected. Commissioner Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

ITD task force meeting update, no one showed up except the ITD representative so it is being re-scheduled.

Discussion on the property trade with the school. Commissioner Hubert asked about having the Mayor come in and discuss vacate the street between the properties. The old school may not be removed for several years.

Computer for Commissioners. Clerk's office has a laptop.

11:20am Animal Ordinance Review

Discussion on the full draft of the Animal Ordinance. Discussion on kennel licensing and whether to leave it in or take it out.

Update. ICRMP on the Facebook response. Individuals cannot be blocked from Facebook, it would be against their First Amendment rights. All must be blocked or allow individuals express their opinion. Guidelines for posts that should not be allowed that could be criminal.

11:54pm Chairman McConnell adjourned the regular meeting for lunch.

1:00pm Indigent

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

Chairman McConnell adjourned Executive Session and re-convened the Regular Meeting.

**Commissioner Hubert made a motion for case #2017043, to deny because a lack of interview. Commissioner Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

Correspondence and Review old business.

Discussion on the Pow Wow invitation from the inmates.

1:15pm Basic Emergency Management Academy

Payson Reese is presenting an academy to attend. He said that grant money will cover the expense. There are three events to attend, September to November. Payson needs approval from the Commissioners.

**Commissioner Hubert moved to allow Payson Reese to go to the National Emergency Management Academy; grant to pay expenses. Commissioner Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.**

Discussion on any issues that may arise from the eclipse. Traffic seems to be the biggest concern.

Discussion on the fires and disaster services. No texts were sent to effected residents. Discussion how to address the issues that arose.

Discussion on the losses that occurred from fire on grazing lands, grain fields, livestock. Discussion on Declaring a Disaster Declaration.

1:30pm American Stewards of Liberty

Clerk Farnworth went to the event and presented the Commissioners with the information she brought back. A federal Law under the Federal Land Act. Intent to keep people on the land not off the land. Discussion on the local plans that are to be followed. They have taken action to court for counties. When the comprehensive plan is discussed, this law should be considered.

1:45pm New Courthouse Plans Committee

Linda Jones, Chief Deputy Phillips, Don Hudson in attendance.

Clerk Farnworth put together some ideas to discuss who should be on a committee. Discussion on where the committee should start a layout on floor plans and office use and who would represent each of the departments and public. A committee of 12 and Clerk Farnworth will act as moderator. The Commissioners will choose who will be acceptable on the committee.

2:15pm Employee Handbook Review – Pg 23-26

Clerk Farnworth read text into the record. Discussion on handbook and changes to be made.

2:48pm Budget Work Session

Budget discussion. Sheriff presented a lease program for their vehicles. Will reduce the cost this year by (\$47,000) and that could be used to supplement the Ambulance for this year in the budget they requested.

3:48pm

**Commissioner Wood 74-206(1)(f) Litigation. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote Commissioner Wood, aye; Commissioner Hubert, aye; Chairman McConnell, aye. Vote unanimous in favor, meeting adjourned to Executive Session.**

3:57pm Chairman adjourned the Executive Session and reconvened the Regular Meeting.

4:08pm Chairman McConnell adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully,  
Cindi Sievers, Chief Deputy

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Cresley McConnell, Chairman

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