

LINCOLN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting

November 12, 2019

Present: Rebecca Wood, Chairman; Roy Hubert, Commissioner; Rick Ellis, Commissioner; Cindi Sievers, Clerk for Minutes.

9:45am Chairman Wood opened the regular meeting.

Commissioner Ellis made a motion to accept the minutes for November 4, 2019 as corrected. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Spelling on page 2. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner Ellis made a motion to pay the accounts payable for \$29,777.10. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Old business

Neher Park is getting free seed from the Extension office, Carmen is working on that. Bee and butterfly pollinator seeding also to be reviewed.

EMS quarters is finished with the breezeway. The final bill has been submitted for payment. Clerk Farnworth presented the new invoice.

Marc Essary gave a list for the repairs at the maintenance yard for Commissioners' review. This will be discussed next week at the Ambulance District meeting.

Discussion on County gravel pit. Commissioner Hubert would like to get this surveyed. This will be put on next meeting for discussion.

Discussion for the Code Enforcer; still no applicant. Chairman Wood will put out the advertising for it again.

Chairman Wood talked to Georgia, Region IV, about the Care Center grant. Georgia still wants to apply for the 4 bedrooms with bathrooms. If the funding is not fully funded, it is easier to lessen the job, where adding cannot be done. Discussion on the Care Center fund balance.

Discussion on the fairgrounds and an RV park.

10:15am Action Items

Discussion on the Commissioner trailer rent renewal.

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to accept the lease agreement for \$575.00 per month including property tax and building. Commissioner Ellis seconded. Discussion on the cost for the trailer for a year. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner Ellis made a motion to accept the resignation from Everett (Buck) Ward, October 15, 2019 from the Lincoln County Housing Authority. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

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Chairman Wood read the email from Karen Tippens at the Community Center. The request is to purchase 26 tables at \$50 for a total of \$1,300.00. Discussion to order all the tables; it has been budgeted for this fiscal year. Chairman Wood would like to see them get some round tables as well.

10:30am Chairman Wood opened the Hearing for Services for Engineering for the Care Center grant and read the publication into the record. Published on October 31st and November 4th, 2019.

Two applications were received.

TD&H Engineering and Ackerman Estvold Engineering.

Brandy Lowe, Region IV, present.

Discussion on the Engineer's applications.

Ackerman Estvold Engineering's cover letter was read into the record by Chairman Wood.

Commissioners reviewed the application. Discussion on work done in the area and experience.

TD&H Engineering's cover letter was read into the record by Chairman Wood.

Commissioners reviewed the application. Discussion on work done in the area and experience; comment that this company has subdivision design and platting experience.

Chairman Wood discussed the need to secure an engineer that can also meet the needs of the County since we qualified for the Low to Moderate Income Block Grant, and the service could be used in other projects besides the Care Center addition.

Discussion on the application progress. Brandy has other information needed by the County Commissioners and Dawn, Care Center Director.

Discussion on the items needed for Region IV to submit the Grant Application next week.

Decision to make calls to for engineer references and forgo the Employee Policy Manual discussion.

11:30pm Chairman Wood closed the hearing and reconvened the regular meeting.

Chairman Wood made calls to references given by the engineering companies.

Discussion on the information in the applications.

Commissioner Ellis made a motion to accept TD&H Engineering of Twin Falls Idaho for the County of Lincoln for the Care Center project and other future projects for the County. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Discussion on the football field and the school to purchase or trade.

12:11pm Chairman Wood adjourned the meeting for lunch.

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1:00pm Chairman Wood reconvened the meeting.

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

1:23pm Chairman Wood adjourned Executive Session and reconvened the regular meeting.

Chairman Wood made a motion in case #2020010 to approve. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote Chairman Wood, aye, Commissioner Hubert, aye, Commissioner Ellis, nay, motion carried.

Chairman Wood made a motion to deny case #2020013 for lack of interview. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Chairman Wood made a motion in case #2020017 to approve. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote Chairman Wood, aye, Commissioner Hubert, aye, Commissioner Ellis, nay, motion carried.

Chairman Wood made a motion in case #2020019 to approve. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote Chairman Wood, aye, Commissioner Hubert, aye, Commissioner Ellis, nay, motion carried.

Chairman Wood made a motion to deny case #2020020 not indigent. Commissioner Ellis seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Discussion on bond failure. Clerk Farnworth presented Commissioners with statistics on the bond election. It was overall a good turnout at 37.9%. However, the bond did not pass with a super majority.

Discussion on the advertising done for the bond; what can be done differently in the future.

Discussion on what will be done to move forward now that the bond failed.

Discussion on options to go forward:

Educate residents that offices may have to move into other buildings.

Reduce the cost and do another bond.

Cost to just build the annex; build across the street. Bond for just the annex, pay for courthouse renovation with county funds as funds are available.

Build a new courthouse for 22,000 sq. ft. at the corner of Hwy 24 and Hwy 93.

Reduce the square footage to 15,000 sq. ft., lower the cost for a bond, and build similar to Bear Lake County.

Demo the courthouse building and rebuild on current location.

County Attorney Roats would like to get the architect and builder to give other options with costs to move forward for another bond. This will show that the Commissioners are trying to move forward with reaching an ADA compliant building and avoid litigation.

Discussion on demoing the courthouse and the historical society wanting to keep the building. It has been said that the historical society would fight to keep the building from being destroyed.

Chairman Wood stated we should open this up to bid again for an architect and builder; to start the bond process from the beginning.

Discussion on having a survey done by phone for public opinion. Chairman Wood will check into cost.

2:20pm November report for IDJC Juvenile statistics – Linda Boguslawski, Probation Director
Linda reviewed the numbers and explained the process for juvenile detention for IDJC.

Linda gave a report on the adults who did community service and reported on the revenue.

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to accept the report and sign the County Juvenile Justice report dated October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019. Commissioner Ellis seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

2:30pm Canvass for the November 5, 2019 election – Katie Hillin, Election Deputy

Katie presented the abstract of votes for the election. She explained the reports and presented the canvass for signature.

Discussion on the election, new voting equipment, and the polling places.

Chairman Wood made a motion to accept and read the canvass for the November 5, 2019 election into the record. Commissioner Ellis seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Clerk Farnworth presented the cash balance report and PILT history for review. Discussion on the balances.

Correspondence:

Check for the generator grant received.

Conference for housing development.

University of Idaho Extension survey of our educators to be returned by November 27th.

Chairman Wood called Brandy at Region IV and informed her who was selected as engineer.

Discussion on the fencing at Neher Park for insurance company.

Associated Tax payer of Idaho conference Wednesday December 4th.

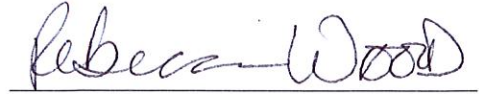
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Chairman Wood made a motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to IC 74-206(1)(f) Legal. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote Commissioner Hubert, aye; Commissioner Ellis, aye; Chairman Wood, aye. Vote unanimous in favor, meeting adjourned to Executive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

2:55pm Chairman Wood adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully,

Cindi Sievers, Clerk for Minutes



Rebecca Wood, Chairman

Attest:



Cindi Sievers, Deputy Clerk