

LINCOLN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting

Monday, May 23, 2022

Present: Rebecca Wood, Chairman; Roy Hubert, Commissioner; Rebecca Richmond, Clerk for Minutes.

9:30 am Chairman Wood called the meeting to order and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Discussion with Tom Moore on Lincoln County Care Center Contract and having Prosecutor, Richard Roats, look over the contract with the same terms and correct names, add an automatic renewal and present a clean copy.

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to pay the CHEMS claims for \$1,605.71 and \$ 666.66 for May 23, 2022. Chairman Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to pay the added claims for Monday, May 23, 2022 accounts payable for \$2,078.20. Chairman Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Chairman Wood made a motion to pay the Monday, May 23, 2022 accounts payable for \$39,757.79. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

10:13 am **Action Items**

Discussion on Conflict Public Defense Contract.

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to accept the Professional Service Contract for Indigent Service for Public Defense as presented. Chairman Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner Huber made a motion to approve all Liquor License applications as presented. Chairman Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

10:22 pm

Discussion on county paying all PERSI benefits for sheriff's office employees and possibly all employees. Also, compare wages at a 5, 6, and 7% rate increase on salaries due to inflation.

Commissioner Hubert made a motion to pay PERSI for all Sheriff staff. No Second, motion fails.

To be re-presented on Monday, June 6, 2022.

Discussion on PILT funds and removing items from budgets to increase salaries.

Discussion on Sheriff's trailer, donation of the unused camp trailer to Mark Southwick of Dietrich QRU, there is already a Declaration of surplus.

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Commissioner Hubert made a motion to donate the 2006 Vortex 244FS trailer, VIN#4XTTN28296C5S4106 to the Dietrich QRU or sell it for \$1 if not a county entity. Chairman Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

11:52 am

Commissioner Hubert made the motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to IC 74-206(1)(b) Personnel. Chairman Wood seconded. Vote Commissioner Hubert, yes; Chairman Wood, yes. Vote unanimous in favor, meeting adjourned to Executive Session.

11:11 am Chairman Wood adjourned Executive Session and reconvened the regular meeting.

No Action at this time.

Chairman Wood adjourned the regular meeting for a break.

11:30 am Chairman Wood reconvened the regular meeting.

Update from Luke Papez, Project Director, Magic Valley Energy, on the Lava Ridge Project. BLM has made progress on the Environmental Impact Statement and is working on an alternative development draft. MVE is working with Highway Districts to create an agreement to ensure that all roads used will be brought back to their previous state after the project is complete. SIRCOMM communication will be needed to discuss the airways with communications for internet and Emergency Services. A plan has been submitted to BLM to maximize the use of grazing.

MVE is working with local communities one way is they have opened up \$1,000 Scholarships for CSI students who are interested in the Wind Technician Program to pursue careers in Renewable energy. Six wells would need to be drilled and 4 would need to remain in use they would like to lease current water rights. Water use would be for civil improvement, dust mitigation, and supporting concrete for the foundations. There are already safeguards in place through Idaho Power to protect the interconnection line.

Discussion with Commissioners and public comment topics: water during construction, wells being drilled and amount used during the project; how it will affect their permits; hunting in the area on BLM land.

12:05 pm Chairman Wood adjourned the regular meeting for Lunch.

1:00 pm Chairman Wood opened a special Ambulance meeting.

1:10 pm Chairman Wood reconvened the regular meeting.

Discussion on ETS phones, new phone system is up and running in all offices. E-fax is the last thing to configure.

1:20 pm

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Chairman Wood made a motion to Canvas the votes from May 17, 2022, as shown on file in the Clerk's office. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

1:33 pm Board Reports

Magistrate Judge's position has been re-opened for 20-days starting Monday, May 16, 2022 next meeting will be held July 22, 2022.

Lincoln County Youth Center is having an End of Year Celebration Thursday, May 27, 2022, from 5-7 pm.

Discussion on possibly getting Big D Construction to present a bid for the Courthouse project on June 6, 2022.

Farmers Market starts June 3rd. On June 10th there will be live music with 13 Vendors and a Food truck rally from 3-7 pm on the Courthouse lawn.

1:50 pm

Ken Robinett, South Central Community Action Partnership provided the Annual Report and a request for funding.

2:25 pm

Catherine Tanner, Shoshone Library Director read a thank you letter and requested support.

2:34 pm Chairman Wood adjourned the meeting.

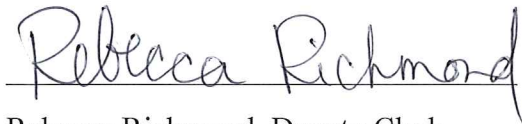
Respectfully,

Rebecca Richmond, Clerk for Minutes



Rebecca Wood, Chairman

Attest:



Rebecca Richmond, Deputy Clerk

