

LINCOLN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting

Monday, August 15, 2022

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

9:45 am Chairman Wood called the meeting to order and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Claims and Minutes

Commissioner Rutler made a motion to accept the minutes for the special meeting on August 11, 2022, as presented. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner Rutler made a motion to pay the Monday, August 15, 2022 accounts payable for \$115,985.48. Commissioner Hubert seconded with a discussion that \$92,000.00 was to fund the Ambulance District. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner Rutler made a motion to pay the Monday, August 15, 2022, accounts payable for Jury Court claims for \$314.00. Commissioner Hubert seconded with a discussion that this is for Jury time and mileage. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner Rutler made a motion to pay the Monday, August 15, 2022 accounts payable for Indigent for \$5,213.27. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner Rutler read the proposed Lava Ridge resolution into the record.

Discussion on adding a final line that clearly states that the Lincoln County Commissioners are opposed to the Lava Ridge project and other corrections.

Commissioner Rutler made a motion to approve a resolution concerning the Lava Ridge Project on public lands. Chairman Wood seconded. Discussion, that a cleaned copy along with a resolution number will be signed later in the day. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Discussion on Fund cash reserves, Resolution 2022-03.

Commissioner Rutler made a motion to approve Lincoln County resolution 2022-03 for a transfer of funds from PILT in the amount of \$1,728,784.00 for Cash Reserve funds. Commissioner Hubert seconded, with a discussion that we just received PILT funds, using last year's funds. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Discussion on the Historical Society agreement from 2011, Chairman Wood read the agreement, and updates will be made and put on a next week's agenda as an action item.

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Discussion with Curtis, ETS, on utility bills for the POP station and splitting bill in half. ETS will just send a check when bills are forwarded to them.

Discussion on raising the Solid Waste fees by 20%, from \$95.00 to \$115.00 for residential, \$200.00 to \$ 240.00 small commercial, \$300.00 to \$360.00 for medium commercial, \$500.00 to \$600.00 for large commercial, and \$1,500.00 to \$1,800.00 for Mega Dairy's.

Discussion on Courthouse project; design approval for next week.

Correspondence and Old business

Youth Center has pre-school signup and open house, Tuesday, August 16th, from 4-8 p.m.

Ken Robinette, South Central Community Action Partnership director, expressed interest in some of our available lots for self-help and low-income housing in Lincoln County.

Friday, September 9th is the ceremony for our New Magistrate Judge Brendan Ash at 3:00 p.m. at the Courthouse.

Funding opportunities may be available for fiber to the cities; this is part of broadband phase two.

11:52 pm Chairman Wood adjourned the meeting for Lunch.

1:00 pm Chairman Wood reconvened the meeting.

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

1:15 pm Chairman Wood adjourned the executive meeting; no action was needed.

Commissioner Rutler read the updated Resolution 2022-04 for Lava Ridge into the record.

1:22 pm Chairman Wood adjourned the regular meeting and opened the Ambulance meeting.

1:37 p.m. Chairman Wood reconvened the regular meeting.

Commissioner Rutler was invited and will attend the Office Emergency Management, Annual Preparedness, and Cyber Security conference on October 11th -13th in Boise, ID.

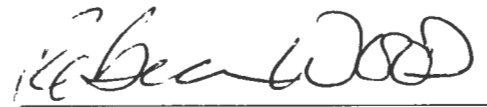
Commissioner Hubert received a letter from Gabriela Hoffman, a national reporter, requesting an interview about the Lava Ridge project.

1:37 p.m. Chairman Wood adjourned the regular meeting for a break.

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Respectfully,

Rebecca Richmond, Clerk for Minutes

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Rebecca Wood, Chairman

Attest:

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Rebecca Richmond, Deputy Clerk