

LINCOLN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, September 6, 2022

Present: Rebecca Wood, Chairman; Joann Rutler, Commissioner; Cindi Sievers, Clerk of the District Court; Jennifer Hohnhorst, Clerk for Minutes.

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

Chairman Wood opened the Ambulance District Meeting.

Commissioner Rutler motioned to approve minutes from Board of Commissioners Budget Hearing for Ambulance District on Monday, August 29, 2022. Chairman Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Chairman Wood acknowledged that Commissioner Hubert is not present today.

Ambulance District Resolution 2022-01 to Adopt Fiscal Year 2023 Budget- Commissioner Rutler read the resolution into the record.

Commissioner Rutler motioned to adopt the Ambulance District Resolution 2022-01 as presented. Chairman Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Discussion on the letter to DL Evans Bank granting permission to Kristina Bastian (Ambulance) to use a County Credit Card.

Commissioner Rutler motioned to approve the letter to DL Evans Bank granting permission to Kristina Bastian to use a County credit card. Chairman Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

9:38am Chairman Wood adjourned Ambulance District meeting; convened regular meeting.

Commissioner Rutler motioned to accept the minutes for the Board of Commissioners Budget Hearing on Monday, August 29, 2022. Chairman Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner Rutler motioned to approve Lincoln County Resolution 2022-05 to Adopt Fiscal Year 2023 Lincoln County Budget; read the resolution into the record. Chairman Wood seconded motion with a correction (comma needs to be added to budgeted amount); accepted with minor correction. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

9:43am Claims/minutes

Chairman Wood continued discussion on Historical Agreement; ICRMP suggested \$500k as standard amount for liability insurance.

Discussion on termination of Cable One account; Clerk Sievers informed that we are waiting to be cut into the fiber line.

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Discussion on removing Chairman Wood from the County phone plan; Sheriff's department has point of contact with Verizon and will assist.

Discussion on Masonic Hall Idaho Power Bill.

Commissioner Rutler motioned to approve Monday, August 15, 2022, regular meeting minutes with a correction (capitalize "resolution"; back page #2 needs to include Lava Ridge Resolution number). Chairman Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner Rutler motioned to approve Monday, August 22, 2022, regular meeting minutes with one addition (discussion on Emergency Services meeting to include Commissioner Rutler's name). Chairman Wood seconded with that correction. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Discussion on \$1257.00 bill for Magistrate Lunches paid for by Twin Falls County; Lincoln County to reimburse Twin Falls County because it is our Judge; as explained by Clerk Sievers.

Discussion on Magic Valley Electric bill for the Care Center. Chairman Wood clarified that the bill is not for a new heating/air conditioning unit, but for the repair of four existing units that will need to be replaced soon.

Discussion on broken heater/air conditioner unit at Lincoln County Youth Center. Grant available to replace system but engineer has not yet created a bid package. Chairman Wood will follow up with engineer.

Commissioner Rutler motioned to accept and pay September 6, 2022 accounts payable in the amount of \$43,913.91. Chairman Wood seconded motion. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner Rutler motioned to amend the agenda for Tuesday, September 6, 2022, to move 10am and 10:15am items down to 10:30am for the Good Faith reason that Commissioner Rutler had to attend a meeting at 10am; move those 4 agenda items to after lunch. Chairman Wood seconded motion. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

10:03am Chairman Wood adjourned Regular Meeting until 10:30am.

10:35am Chairman Wood reconvened Regular Meeting.

Chairman Wood gave background on Connie Brass, Planning and Zoning Commissioner from the Area of Impact for the City of Shoshone, reappointment.

Commissioner Rutler motioned to reappoint Connie Brass to Planning and Zoning Commissioner from the Area of Impact for the City of Shoshone. Chairman Wood seconded motion. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

10:38am Commissioner Rutler made a motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to IC 74-206(1)(f)(b) Legal Counsel/Personnel. Chairman Wood seconded; Vote Commissioner

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Rutler, yes; Chairman Wood, yes; Vote unanimous in favor, meeting adjourned to Executive Session.

10:50am Chairman Wood adjourned Executive Session and reconvened the regular meeting.

No action needed at this time.

Chairman Wood read the letter from the Jerome County Commissioners into the record. By mutual agreement between all 3 counties, Lincoln and Gooding counties will remove themselves from the Tri County Guardians, and Jerome County will endeavor on their own. Lincoln County will be working on building its own program in the future.

Chairman Wood motioned to approve and accept the letter dissolving the Tri County Guardians. Commissioner Rutler seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Discussion on University of Idaho Extension program at the Lincoln County Youth Center Preschool.

Discussion on new administrator at the Care Center- make sure Board of Commissioners is on her calendar to go to lunch on September 19, 2022; Clerk Sievers will follow up.

South Central Community Action Partnership meeting on September 15, 2022; Commissioner Rutler is looking into the self-help housing program.

Discussion with Dena Mabbutt from the City of Shoshone- City of Shoshone would like to transfer Idaho Power and Intermountain Gas bills for the POP Station into Lincoln County's name to eliminate the need for Lincoln County to reimburse the city. Clerk Sievers states that the bill should be put into the County's name and the County will then turn the bill over to ETS.

Opioid Settlement Discussion- Clerk Sievers presented projections for Lincoln County through 2039; \$86,682.23 is the total; for future discussion: how will the County spend these monies?

Discussion regarding the Capital Crimes Defense Fund; Lincoln County will vote for Bob Kunai of Cassia County for Capital Crimes Defense Fund Board At-Large Position.

Commissioner Rutler motioned to vote for Bob Kunai, Cassia County Commissioner, for Capital Crimes Defense Fund Board At-Large Position. Chairman Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Discussion with Sheriff King regarding the water damage to the Sheriff's building. Repairs have been made, but carpet needs to be replaced. Bid has been received; Clerk's office will be sending the bid to ICRMP.

11:15am Commissioner Rutler made a motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to IC 74-206(1)(a) Personnel. Chairman Wood seconded. Vote Commissioner Rutler, yes; Chairman Wood, yes. Vote unanimous in favor, meeting adjourned to Executive Session.

11:35am Chairman Wood adjourned Executive Session; No action taken.

12:00pm Chairman Wood adjourned for lunch.

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1:00pm Chairman Wood reconvened the Regular Meeting.

Discussion regarding Historical Agreement/ICRMP; Chairman Wood suggested to change language and give it back to Historical Society for review. ICRMP suggests that if any entity is using the building for their own program, those entities should have their own liability coverage. Change language to \$500,000 coverage from \$1,000,000 as currently stated.

Discussion with Clerk Sievers regarding upgrading the county webpage builder; \$39.50 for first year and \$79 annually after the first year.

Commissioner Rutler motioned to approve the upgrade of the County's webpage builder to basic package. Chairman Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Discussion on Idaho Power bill for car charging station; was addressed incorrectly which explains why it is so old. Bill is for design and layout, which was an approved expense.

Chairman Wood motioned to pay the Idaho Power Bill in the amount of \$1,014.00. Commissioner Rutler seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Discussion with Clerk Sievers on the County Code Enforcer needing a county credit card in order to cover necessary expenses related to the job. Commissioners suggested the Code Enforcer carry ST-101(sales tax exemption) forms to ensure that purchases are tax exempt when possible.

Commissioner Rutler motioned to allow the Code Enforcer to have a county credit card, not to exceed \$250 in limit; Chairman Wood seconded; Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Chairman Wood and Commissioner Rutler signed two new employee forms.

Chairman Wood reminded there will be no commissioner meeting on September 26, 2022 due to IAC Conference that the Commissioners will be attending.

Discussion on Brandy (Region IV) speaking with commerce about the Care Center Project; willing to fund two semi-private bathrooms if that will help get a contractor to bid; future discussion regarding getting new bids for the project.

Discussion on Communication Save the Date from Farm Bureau for Fall Legislative Tour and Dinner on September 17, 2022 at Lincoln County Fairgrounds; Bus tour of farms and ranches affected by Lava Ridge Wind Project, recharging site, and corn dryer; more information to come.

Discussion regarding Commissioner Rutler attending Idaho Office of Emergency Management's Annual Preparedness in Cybersecurity conference October 11, 2022 through October 13, 2022.

Discussion regarding the unfilled ditch on Lincoln County property; Commissioner Rutler would like to turn the project over to South Central Community Action Partnership.

Discussion with Karma Fitzgerald regarding an update on the Lincoln County Transportation Commission grant. Currently running off of a United Way grant. Meeting later this month with Link for a potential partnership. Nation Center for Mobility Management has offered a \$25,000

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grant and LCTC would like the Commissioners' permission to accept the grant. It is a reimbursement grant, so the county would need to front the money and the bulk of the money goes to payroll and stipends. LCTC would submit invoice to Lincoln County, Lincoln County would submit invoice to NCMM; 30-45 day turn around for reimbursement.

Discussion regarding how LCTC would like to use the commission to bring passenger rail back to Lincoln County. They feel there is significant need in our community for more transportation options.

Chairman Wood motioned to allow Lincoln County Transportation Commission to accept the Community Mobility Design Challenge Planning grant. Commissioner Rutler seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

1:48pm Commissioner Rutler made a motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to IC 74-206(1)(d) Exempt Records. Chairman Wood seconded. Vote Commissioner Rutler, yes; Chairman Wood, yes. Vote unanimous in favor, meeting adjourned to Executive Session.

1:50pm Chairman Wood adjourned Executive Session and reconvened the regular meeting.

Commissioner Rutler motioned to accept Lincoln County employee sick time donation form: 25% of 4 hours and 32 minutes into the sick bank. Chairman Wood seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

1:51pm Chairman Wood adjourned the meeting.

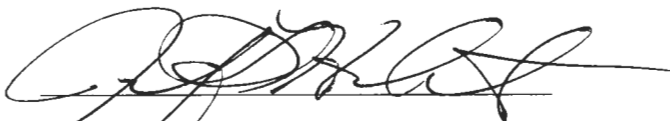
Respectfully,

Jennifer Hohnhorst, Clerk for Minutes



Rebecca Wood, Chairman

Attest:



Jennifer Hohnhorst, Deputy Clerk