

June 24, 2024
North Platte, Nebraska

Meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners. Present were Commissioners Joe Hewgley, Kent Weems, Micaela Wuehler, Chris Bruns, Jerry Woodruff and County Clerk, Rebecca Rossell. Weems offered prayer. Hewgley called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

Chairman Hewgley announced the Open Meeting Act with amendments is posted for public review and the county board will comply with the open meeting requirements.

Motion by Wuehler, seconded by Woodruff to approve the minutes regarding the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners meeting held on June 17, 2024. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none. Bruns abstained.

Motion by Woodruff, seconded by Wuehler to receive and order filed the treasurer's receipts. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

Motion by Bruns, seconded by Woodruff to receive and order filed the fee report submitted by the County Sheriff for \$1432.50. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

Motion by Woodruff, seconded by Wuehler to authorize the Chairman to sign the interlocal agreement with the City of North Platte for fuel services. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners recessed at 9:15 A.M. and the Lincoln County Board of Equalization convened.

Chairman Hewgley announced the Open Meeting Act with amendments is posted for public review and the county board will comply with the open meeting requirements.

County Assessor, Julie Stenger appeared.

Motion by Weems, seconded by Woodruff to approve the minutes regarding the Lincoln County Board of Equalization meeting held on June 17, 2024. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none. Bruns abstained.

No certificates of correction or refund submitted by the County Assessor.

Motion by Wuehler, seconded by Woodruff to approve offers to confess judgment on the following case numbers with the Nebraska Tax Equalization and Review Commission: 23R-68; 23R-71; 23R-73; 23R-74; 23R-78; 23R-79; and 23R-80. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

The Lincoln County Board of Equalization adjourned at 9:19 A.M. and the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners reconvened.

Motion by Bruns, seconded by Woodruff to forward the tort claim for damage to her vehicle as submitted by Denisa Davis to the county insurance carrier. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

Motion by Bruns, seconded by Weems to approve the updated contribution agreement of \$474,805 total with Dormie Network for the asphalt overlay on North Maxwell Road which will be a 50/50 split with Lincoln County. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

Motion by Wuehler, seconded by Bruns to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the 2-year contract with Trinity Food Services for the Lincoln County Detention Center as presented with annual renewals. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

Update on Comprehensive Plan for Lincoln County by Judy Clark, North Platte/Lincoln County Planning Director.

Commissioner Hewgley explained the difference between a standing committee and an ad hoc committee. A standing committee is long term. An ad hoc committee is a temporary committee that addresses a specific issue or project. He suggested forming a standing Rules Committee that would initially be tasked with drafting a set of rules for the County Board to consider.

Commissioner Woodruff asked if a transportation committee would be the same as the roads committee.

Commissioner Bruns said this committee is more about a possible infrastructure project rather than transportation. An ad hoc committee was formed for that with Commissioners Bruns and Weems.

Commissioner Wuehler asked for clarification on the committee types and past history of County Board committees.

Commissioner Hewgley replied that typically in the past they have been appointed by the County Board chairman.

Commissioner Bruns reported that we already have a Rules Committee that Commissioners Hewgley and Woodruff serve on.

Commissioner Wuehler asked about other committees that you are asked to serve on such as through NACO.

Commissioner Hewgley responded that he feels it is separate from the county and is a personal commitment.

Deputy County Attorney, Tyler Volkmer, commented that you can be on a committee as an individual, but you should clarify that you are not representing the county.

Commissioner Bruns suggested referring to some of these appointments as liaisons and not board members. A liaison reports back and forth but is not a voting member.

Various current committee appointments were discussed.

The Rules Committee will meet and determine the next steps.

Discussion then moved on to the prior agenda item concerning the Nebraska International Port of the Plains.

Commissioner Hewgley stated that he had asked for a motion to form a committee at the May 24, 2021, board meeting but does not believe any official action was taken. Hewgley understands that there is definitely a relationship between the port and the county, but does not feel the county board should manage, micro-manage or participate on the port authority board.

Commissioner Bruns believes that an ad hoc committee was stood up at that time but feels the ad hoc committee has served its purpose. The port authority board is doing well but does feel a standing liaison should be appointed by the County Board to work with the Nebraska International Port of the Plains.

Commissioner Woodruff questioned if there would only be one liaison to the port.

Commissioner Wuehler commented that she felt due to the magnitude of the county financial investment in the port and rail park, she feels that we should have two committee members.

Commissioner Woodruff asked her if she meant committee members or liaisons.

Commissioner Wuehler responded that she sees it more as a committee.

Commissioner Bruns shared that he sees it as literally a liaison position.

Commissioner Weems reported that Pat Keenan had called him. Mr. Keenan does not feel that two committee members should be involved with the port authority.

Volkmer stated that these positions are not statutory, this would be internal board structure.

Commissioner Hewgley interjected that two people can be at the meeting listening so there is communication back and forth.

Commissioner Bruns stated there is an adopted resolution that states the role of the county. County liaison (s) would serve a communication role. There is no need for clarification.

Commissioner Wuehler commented that in her opinion that Commissioner Bruns involvement has been a benefit to the county board. She feels the committee should have two active county board members.

Deputy County Attorney, Tyler Volkmer, stated one person is sufficient. The port authority meetings are a briefing. If there are more than two board members present, in his opinion, that is a county board meeting.

Commissioner Wuehler interjected that the port ad hoc committee has served its purpose. She suggests that Commissioner Bruns be the first member and the County Board Chairman be the second member.

Commissioner Hewgley stated the rules committee would meet and then asked for an agenda item at next week's board meeting to discuss and consider appointing a committee to the Nebraska International Port of the Plains.

Hear concerns from Elected Officials, Department Heads, or their representative.

Lincoln County Commissioners Committee Reports.

Approved the following claims as presented for payment. Motion carried.

GEN- ERAL	NAME		TOTAL
	AT & T MOBILITY	se	2955.14
	ACME PRINTING COMPANY	se	89.46
	AGRI COMPUTER SALES	se	9441.66
	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	su	659.25
	ANGELA FRANZ	mi	78.6
	BECKY HOAGLUND	reimb	49.4
	BERNTSEN INTERNATIONAL INC	su	2391.06
	BOB BARKER COMPANY	su	1952.62
	BRANDON MYERS	reimb	106.4
	BRITE COMPUTERS	grant	52327
	BROTHERS LAZER SERVICES	su	60.61
	BROUILLETTE DUGAN & TROSHYNSKI	se	350
	BTS INC	se	120
	CAPITAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	cont	233.59

CAPITAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS INC	cont	203.91
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING	se	656
CHARM TEX	su	599.4
COAST TO COAST COMPUTER PRODUCTS	su	796
COLFER,WOOD,LYONS & WOOD LAWYERS	se	537.57
COMFORT INN	lodg	119.95
CONDONS SIGNS	se	2200
CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT CO	se	254.95
CON10GENCY CONSULTING	su	1163.12
CRISIS CANINES OF THE MIDWEST	se	2700
DAS CENTRAL FINANCE	cont	813.06
DELL MARKETING LP	eq	6023
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	eq	4246.24
ECCA	se	137.5
FIRST BANK CARD	su	495.21
FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS GROUP LLC	fees	3543.64
FLOCK SAFETY	su	15500
FRONT STREET AUTO GLASS	se	406.74
FYR-TEK,INC	su	592
GALLS AN ARAMARK COMPANY	su	497.35
GOOD LIFE ON THE BRICKS	se	1511.16
GR-EMERGENCY VEHICLE OUTFITTERS	su	2849
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATION INC	se	283.12
HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES/FIN RE- SPONS	fees	279
HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICES	su	370.33
HUB INTERNATIONAL	ins	83374
ICS JAIL SUPPLIES INC	su	1135.98
IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY	se	238.07
INFODYNAMICS	se	2078
JANSSEN CHRYSLER JEEP DODGE	eq	40000
JUDY CLARK	mi	160.8
KNAPP ELECTRIC INC	su	871.96
KOHLER TRAILER SALES & SERVICE	su	960
LINCOLN COUNTY CSE/PETTY CASH	reimb	50
LUND INDUSTRIES	su	725.14
MALCOM, NELSEN & WINDRUM	se	112.5
MAXWELLS KAWASAKI	se	1003.28
MELISSA SPADING	mi	69.68
MENARDS	su	95.13
MENTZER OIL CO	fuel	3309.35
MUNICIPAL LIGHT & WATER	se	346.23
NEBRASKA WEED CONTROL ASSOCIATION	reg	150

	NE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT	fees	3424
	NEBRASKA HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	fees	465
	NORTH PLATTE HARDWARE LLC	su	27.99
	NORTHWESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE	se	91.05
	NPERS	fees	120.67
	OFFICE SERVICES, INC	su	277.21
	PAIGE NEIGHBORS	se	555
	PDQ.COM	cont	1920
	PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATION	su	1029.1
	PRODIGY SOLUTIONS INC	se	12703.14
	REGION II HUMAN SERVICES	cont	12257.61
	RIVERSIDE PAINTING	se	1800
	SEEVERS AUTO CARE INC	se	70.41
	SEILER INSTRUMENT AND MANUFACTURING	su	1199
	SHELLBACK TRACTICAL	su	3443.34
	SHRAKE BODY SHOP INC	re	2854.5
	SOFTWARE UNLIMITED	cont	1148.4
	STAPLES BUSINESS CREDIT	su	265.78
	STREICHER'S	su	2410.11
	SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE	cont	5091.72
	THOMAS GANN	mi	69.68
	TKE ELEVATOR CORP.	se	296.18
	TROYER ENTERPRISES	su	60.44
	U S BANK	su	8143.56
	VERIZON	su	196.77
	LINDEMEIER LAW OFFICE	se	4162.5
ROADS	BOMGAARS	su	54.98
	CAR QUEST OF NORTH PLATTE	re	177.66
	CROELL	su	162481
	MILLER REPAIR LLC	su	377.85
	MURPHY TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT	re	796.47
	NE TRUCK CENTER INC	re	1760.98
	NMC EXCHANGE LLC	re	2064.6
	NSG LOGISTICS LLC	su	4074.68
	PAULS PORTA POTTY	se	305
	PAULSENS INC	su	6437.65
	RS HYDRAULIC SOLUTIONS	re	160.81
	SHELCO CONSTRUCTION	su	46522.35
	WESTERN ENGINEERING CO INC	su	2457919
P & M	U S BANK	su	1934.97

The meeting was adjourned at 11:33 A.M.

Advance notice and the agenda for the June 24, 2024, board meetings were sent to the county board and all others requesting the same. Advance public notice (includes agenda) of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners meeting and the Lincoln County Board of Equalization meeting was posted at the Lincoln County Courthouse, City Hall, and the Lincoln County website on June 21, 2024; and was also emailed to the media on June 21, 2024.

The agenda for the meetings to be held on Monday, July 1, 2024, will be kept continually current and open for inspection at the office of the Lincoln County Clerk. The regular meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will be at the Lincoln County Courthouse in the Commissioners Room at 9:00 A.M. The regular meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Equalization will be at the Lincoln County Courthouse in the Commissioners Room at 9:15 A.M.

Rebecca J. Rossell
Lincoln County Clerk