

September 19, 2007

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met for a regular session on September 19, 2007, in the Lincoln County Courthouse. Present were Chairman Rita R. Windom, Commissioner John Konzen, Commissioner Marianne B. Roose, Bill Bischoff and Tammy Lauer, Clerk and Recorder.

9:30 AM: The Commissioners had a closed meeting to address **personnel issues**.

11:00 AM: Lincoln County Clerk and Recorder, Tammy Lauer with the **Budget presentation**. Steve Newman was present. The commissioners reviewed the budget and asked the Clerk and Recorder about several of the funds. Commissioner Konzen moved to approve the 07/08 budget. Commissioner Roose seconded and it was so moved.

11:45 AM: **Chas Vincent**: Present was Steve Newman. He wanted to make the commissioners to be aware of the things going on in the state so it doesn't catch them unaware. Chas is now studying and learning about the subject in order to do a new bill with more meat to it. He wants the counties to have more control over the species and how their county handles them.

1:30 PM: **Kathi Hooper, Eureka Animal Control**: Present were Jessica Drake and Steve Newman. Kathi presented printouts pertaining to the animal control costs. The printouts were as a result of requests made to Kathi from Commissioner Roose, Steve Newman and other individuals for information on moving the Eureka animal shelter to the City of Eureka. Jessica had statistics for South and North Lincoln County animal shelters. The Eureka City Council members and members of the Friends of the Shelter plan to address the Commissioners at the next Eureka meeting. Kathi mentioned that the dialog with Eureka is at a stalemate and she is looking for some direction from the Commissioners as to how to proceed. The current proposal is \$10,000 to the Town of Eureka. Currently Eureka pays the county \$3,900 for animal control and Libby pays \$9,000. Friends of the Shelter have a proposal ready to submit to the Commissioners.

2:15 PM: **Kathi Hooper, Budget issues**: The commissioners clarified the solid waste budget with Kathi. The commissioners also spoke with Kathi about the sale of the excavator. Commissioner Windom suggested that the road foremen come together to talk about it.

2:52 PM: **Administrative Issues**:

-A special use permit for **Troy Airport** needed to be signed. Commissioner Roose moved to sign the special use permit. Commissioner Konzen seconded and it was so moved.

-A taxpayer has paid double for two years on his property and the county owes him \$170 in overpaid taxes. Commissioner Roose moved to refund the overpaid taxes. Commissioner Konzen seconded and it was so moved.

-Commissioner Windom mentioned the Hard Rock mining board. She said that a **Montanore** agreement needs to be sent out with a letter. Bill will work on the letter.

-**Union negotiations** for landfill operators were discussed with Bill. Commissioner Roose feels that the 4.2% COLA is what everyone else received and that is the maximum amount we are willing to give the Landfill. Commissioner Konzen agreed.

-Bill presented a Final Plat to sign for **Tamarack Estates**. Commissioner Konzen moved to approve Tamarack Estates. Commissioner Windom seconded and it was so moved.

3:30 PM: **Sami Pearson, Library**: Sami received a Nation Wide Competitive Grant. The Library will be giving 30 free books away at gatherings in each community. Sami is inviting the commissioners to attend each community gathering and gave them each a book. "Their eyes were watching God" by Zora Neale Hurston, is the book that they are giving away for the grant.

3:38 PM: The meeting was adjourned.

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Commissioner Windom R. Windom, Chairman

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tammy Lauer, Clerk of the Board