

Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County  
Agenda for December 5, 2019

9:00 Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance

9:30 Phone call with Mark McMullen, project manager with American Environmental Consulting, LLC regarding updates for the Lincoln County Landfill

1. Approve the minutes from the November 27, 2019 meeting
2. Review and act upon Proposed Resolution Number 1000, a request for the renewal of the ambulance service license for the Limon Area Fire Protection District
3. Old Business
4. New Business
5. Approve expense vouchers

The Board of Lincoln County Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. on December 5, 2019. The following attended: Chairman Ed E. Schifferns, Commissioners Steve Burgess and Doug Stone, County Administrator Jacob Piper, and Acting Clerk to the Board Mindy Dutro. Clerk to the Board Corinne M. Lengel and County Attorney Stan Kimble were absent and excused. Gary Lewman also attended the meeting.

Chairman Schifferns called the meeting to order and asked Mr. Piper to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Burgess made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on November 27, 2019, as submitted. Mr. Stone seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

At 9:05 a.m., John Mohan joined the meeting to present the proposal from Automatic Access, Inc., to remove, re-hand, and reinstall the handicap door operator for a total of \$935.00. The plan is to move the handicap accessible outside pull-to-open door on the west side of the courthouse to an inside push-to-open door for the Treasurer's office. The commissioners all agreed that it had to be done. Mr. Burgess made a motion to approve the expense proposal as submitted. Mr. Stone seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mr. Lewman addressed the Board with his concern of the county's election system being hacked with ransomware as it had happened to several counties in Texas. Mr. Piper told him that he, County Clerk Corinne Lengel, and members of her staff planned to attend training in January that addresses his concern. It will help them prepare for such attacks and hopefully prevent them.

Mr. Lewman also expressed his concern that someone told him one of Lincoln County's elected officials had posted partisan political posts on Facebook. He stated that he is not on Facebook, so he didn't see it himself. The commissioners thanked him for his concern, and he left the meeting.

Mr. Stone made a motion to adopt a resolution to renew the annual license for the Limon Area Fire Protection District Ambulance Service. Mr. Burgess seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

At a regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County, Colorado held in Hugo, Colorado on December 5, 2019 there were present:

Ed Schifferns, Chairman  
Steve Burgess, Vice Chairman

Present  
Present

Doug Stone, Commissioner  
Stan Kimble, County Attorney  
Corinne Lengel, Clerk of the Board  
Jacob Piper, County Administrator

Present  
Absent & Excused  
Absent & Excused  
Present

when the following proceedings, among others, were had and done, to-wit:

**RESOLUTION #1000** It was moved by Commissioner Stone and seconded by Commissioner Burgess to adopt the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Colorado Emergency Medical Services Act, Section 25-315.101, et seq., C.R.S., the Board of County Commissioners has the authority to establish requirements for the inspection, licensure, and operation of ambulance services, ambulance personnel, and ambulance vehicles operating in the county; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lincoln County Commissioners adopted Resolution #651 and thereby established rules and regulations governing the licensure of ambulance services operating within Lincoln County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Limon Area Fire Protection District Ambulance Service has presented the Board of County Commissioners with an application to license the ambulance service and to permit their ambulances as basic life support vehicles; and

**WHEREAS**, upon review the Board of County Commissioners determined that the documentation presented met the rules and regulations established under Resolution #651;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County that the Limon Area Fire Protection District Ambulance is hereby authorized to provide ambulance service in Lincoln County with basic life support ambulances.

Upon roll call the vote was:

Commissioner Stone, Yes; Commissioner Schiffers, Yes; Commissioner Burgess, Yes;

The Chairman declared the motion carried and so ordered.

Board of County Commissioners  
of Lincoln County

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ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Board

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Mr. Schifferns called for old business, and Mr. Burgess handed out corrected chemical bid spec sheets for 2020. He said that he would get them to the local chemical businesses so that they could submit their bids.

At 9:30 a.m., the commissioners called Mark McMullen, project manager with American Environmental Consulting, LLC, to discuss the updates with the county landfill. Mr. McMullen told the Board that he had Brenda Howe update the waste disposal forms. Mr. Burgess asked Mr. McMullen if weighing all the waste was helping with the volume of the landfill. Mr. McMullen said that it is hard to tell because not everything goes into the landfill that is weighed. To get a more accurate accounting, he asked Ms. Howe to write on the ticket whether or not the materials were disposed of in the landfill. Mr. Schifferns asked if there were a place to dispose of lithium batteries from electric cars. Mr. McMullen was unaware of any place yet but said he would call the state and find out for them.

After they got off the phone with Mr. McMullen, Mr. Piper said that Court Clerk Kim Graham called about the Board's decision regarding the carpet replacement. The commissioners agreed that they would have the court clerk's office, hallways, and probation office carpets replaced.

Mr. Schifferns asked if they'd made plans for fixing the courthouse parking lot. Mr. Burgess stated that it was in the budget for next year.

There was no new business to discuss, so the commissioners approved the remaining expense vouchers for November.

#### COUNTY GENERAL

Wade Adams, Road Deputy Salary \$3,400.00  
Justin Allen, Correctional Officer III Salary \$3,340.00  
Nathaniel Allen, Correctional Officer I Salary \$3,379.80  
Jason Bandy, Clerk I Salary \$3,063.00  
Marlin Baranyk, Correctional Officer III Salary \$3,340.00  
LaRay Becker-Patton, Chief Deputy Salary \$3,958.00  
William Breneman, Metal Detector Salary \$1,224.00  
Coley Britton, Corporal III Salary \$3,640.00  
Steve Burgess, Commissioner Salary \$4,745.00  
Jason Case, Road Sergeant Salary \$3,660.00  
Joseph Colpitts, Road Deputy Salary \$4,129.55  
James Covington, Treasurer Salary \$5,037.42  
Marshall Cox, Correctional Officer I Salary \$3,446.16  
Dustin Cunningham, Road Deputy Salary, \$3,460.00

Mindy Dutro, Chief Deputy Salary \$3,598.00  
Ashley Erwin, Clerk I Salary \$3,008.00  
Ryan Erwin, Road Deputy Salary \$3,460.00  
LaTanya Feasel, Correctional Officer I Salary \$3,003.00  
William Garlow, Clerk I Salary \$3,183.00  
Andrea Hendricks, Deputy I Salary \$3,400.00  
Jeremiah Higgins, Assessor Salary \$5,037.42  
Tanner Hilferty, Correctional Officer I Salary \$1,501.50  
Timothy Hilferty, Driver Examiner Salary \$3,255.00  
Christine Hollenbaugh, Deputy I Salary \$3,108.00  
Michael Hutton, Correctional Officer III Salary \$3,634.48  
Abigail Johnson, Correctional Officer I Salary, \$3,003.00  
Stan Kimble, Attorney Salary \$2,150.00  
Corinne Lengel, Clerk Salary \$5,037.42  
Carlos Leonard, Part-Time Fairgrounds Salary \$232.00  
Andrew Lorensen, Coroner Salary \$1,138.58  
Casey Love, Clerk I Salary \$2,616.00  
Teena Ludwig, Janitor Salary \$2,566.00  
Fred Lundy, Land Use Administrator Salary \$3,478.00  
Crystal Mariano, Correctional Officer I Salary \$3,446.16  
Derik Mattson, Correctional Officer I Salary \$3,183.00  
John Mohan, Maintenance Salary \$3,423.00  
Gordon Nall, Undersheriff Salary \$4,078.00  
Tom Nestor, Sheriff Salary \$5,647.00  
Parker Newbanks Jr, VA Service Officer Salary \$525.00  
Jesus Ortiz-Marrufo, Corporal Salary \$3,724.20  
John Palmer, Fairgrounds Manager Salary \$2,000.00  
Jacob Piper, Administrator Salary \$4,590.00  
Wendy Pottorff, Clerk I Salary \$3,183.00  
Dale Rostron, Corporal Salary \$3,495.00  
Kaylee Rostron, Janitor Salary \$917.06  
Ed Schifferns, Commissioner Salary \$5,037.42  
Christine Schinzel, 4-H Program Assistant Salary \$3,647.00  
Wayne Shade, Weed Coordinator Salary \$3,812.00  
Amy Solomon, Office Manager II Salary \$3,426.00  
Doug Stone, Commissioner Salary \$4,745.00  
Ken Stroud, OEM Salary \$1,769.00  
Ken Stroud Jr., Correctional Officer I Salary \$3,123.00  
Matthew Thelen, Correctional Officer I Salary \$3,379.80  
Renita Thelen, Chief Deputy Salary \$3,326.00  
Amy Vice, Appraisal Clerk Salary \$2,981.00  
Jessica Wargo, Victim Assistant Salary \$3,423.00  
Keith Westfall, Surveyor Salary \$126.50  
Bryson Winterberg, Correctional Officer I Salary \$3,123.00

Cynthia Yowell, Admin Assist Salary \$3,940.00  
LeRoy Yowell, Metal Detector Salary \$1,088.00  
Michael Yowell, Captain Salary \$3,838.00  
Tyler Yowell, Road Deputy Salary \$3,793.15

#### ROAD AND BRIDGE

Carey Ashcraft, Road Crew Salary \$3,303.00  
Rick Ashcraft, Road Foreman Salary \$3,958.00  
Theron Brent, Road Crew Salary \$3,303.00  
Mark Bronson, Road Crew Salary \$3,063.00  
Ryan Bush, Mechanic Salary \$3,752.00  
Duane Daniel, Road Crew Salary \$3,483.00  
Jason Eager, Road Crew Salary \$3,483.00  
Kevin Harris, Road Crew Salary \$3,243.00  
Jerrid Hielscher, Road Crew Salary \$3,063.00  
Casey Huelskamp, Road Crew Salary \$3,243.00  
Jeffrey Huntoon, Road Crew Salary \$3,483.00  
Judd Kravig, Road Crew Salary \$3,303.00  
Joshua Leithead, Road Crew Salary \$3,063.00  
Zane Leonard, Road Crew Salary \$3,303.00  
Monty Mattson, Part Time Road Crew Salary \$1,769.40  
Adrian McDaugale, Road Crew Salary \$3,123.00  
Ord Miller, Road Crew Salary \$3,183.00  
Clay Monks, Road Foreman Salary \$4,418.00  
David Orcutt, Road Crew Salary \$3,303.00  
Rick Porter, Road Crew Salary \$3,363.00  
David Schaeffer, Road Crew Salary \$3,063.00  
David Seymour, Road Crew Salary \$3,663.00  
Kirsten Smith, Shop Secretary Salary \$3,603.00  
Ty Stogsdill, Road Crew Salary \$3,183.00  
Caleb Waite, Road Crew Salary \$3,003.00  
Bruce Walters, Road Foreman Salary \$3,838.00  
Hunter Wells, Road Crew Salary \$3,063.00  
Wayne Wolf, Road Crew Salary \$3,123.00

#### LANDFILL

Allen Chubbuck, Operator Salary \$3,363.00  
Brenda Howe, Part Time Clerk Salary \$900.00  
Mickey Jaques, Manager Salary \$3,958.00

## LIBRARY

Kevin Pickerill, Bookmobile Salary \$640.78  
Katie Zipperer, Bookmobile Salary \$1,071.33

## PUBLIC HEALTH

Lindsey Blackwelder, Part Time Tobacco Educator Salary \$682.63  
John Fox, Doctor Salary \$100.00  
Darcy Janssen, Regional EPR Coordinator Salary \$4,250.00  
Kelly Linnebur, Office Manager Salary \$3,135.00  
Patricia McHone, WIC Educator Salary \$3,375.00  
Jobeth Mills, Director Salary \$3,678.00  
Ken Stroud, EPR Salary \$1,769.00

## HUMAN SERVICES

Tricia Borns, Child Support Legal Admin Salary \$3,525.00  
Melissa Gossett, Caseworker III Salary \$4,214.00  
Sherri Hansen, Financial Administrator Salary \$3,415.00  
Debra Klapperich, Lead IMT V Salary \$3,447.00  
Robert Kraxberger, Assistance Pmts Supervisor Salary \$3,910.00  
Andrew Lorensen, Child Welfare Supervisor Salary \$5,052.00  
Larissa Lukins, Caseworker III Salary \$4,039.00  
Bailey Mares, Admin Assistance III Salary \$3,018.00  
Patricia Phillips, Director Salary \$5,877.00  
Kim Quintana, IMT II Salary \$3,018.00  
Amy Seymour, Caseworker IV Salary \$4,313.00  
Samantha Winterberg, Case Aide II Salary \$2,963.00  
Shonda Yowell, Caseworker II Salary \$3,901.00

## LINCOLN COUNTY PAYABLES

40477 4imprint, Supplies \$109.19  
40478 Air Bounce Colorado, Deposit \$50.00  
40479 AlSCO, Parts \$81.11  
40480 Auto Chlor, Supplies \$157.85  
40481 Patricia Bandy, Canvass Board \$127.00  
40482 LaRay Patton, Mileage \$15.30  
40483 Black Hills Energy, Utilities \$298.98  
40484 Charles Brewer, Gravel \$549.00  
40485 Cole Britton, Uniform \$98.00  
40486 Jill Bull, Canvass Board \$127.00  
40487 John Carver MD, Autopsies \$2,600.00

40488 CCTA Eastern Division, Dues \$100.00  
40489 CenturyLink, Phone \$66.56  
40490 Clinton Clark, Mileage \$27.00  
40491 Colorado Asphalt Services, Road Oil \$875.00  
40492 CAA, Conference \$400.00  
40493 Colorado Brake Supply, Parts \$380.37  
40494 CCTA, Dues \$600.00  
40495 CDOA, License Renewal \$50.00  
40496 Colorado DA Council, Statute Manuals \$504.00  
40497 CSU Extension, Formula Expenses \$4,360.86  
40498 CCFS, Contract \$7,129.64  
40499 Corporate Billing, Parts \$3,322.01  
40500 County Sheriffs of Colorado, Conference \$175.00  
40501 County Wide Diesel, Inspections \$2,730.00  
40502 Jim Covington, Travel \$273.88  
40503 Danielle Dascalos, Marketing \$1,500.00  
40504 Dawn B Holmes, Autopsy \$1,300.00  
40505 Express Toll, Travel \$13.40  
40506 Eastern Colorado Bank, Fee \$600.00  
40507 ESRTA, Phone \$265.55  
40508 Eaton Sales & Service, Parts \$246.70  
40509 Embassy Suites, Travel \$540.00  
40510 Evergreen Systems, IT Service \$626.00  
40511 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$817.24  
40512 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$722.91  
40513 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$97.93  
40514 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$113.64  
40515 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$92.29  
40516 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$7.35  
40517 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$2,006.27  
40518 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$339.32  
40519 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$170.00  
40520 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$152.34  
40521 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$384.94  
40522 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$611.68  
40523 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$1,147.44  
40524 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$195.20  
40525 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$7.85  
40526 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$160.00  
40527 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$320.74  
40528 Fleet Charge, Parts \$188.86  
40529 Galls, Supplies \$165.92  
40530 GlaxoSmithKline, Vaccines \$2,133.56  
40531 Tracy Grimes, Rent \$530.00



40532 Jonathan Hart, Mileage \$19.80  
40533 Haulin Hass Recycling, Tire Recycling \$1,346.50  
40534 Amber Hobson, VA Assist \$50.00  
40535 HIP, Fall Fest \$1,000.00  
40536 Hugo Lumber, Supplies \$1,052.25  
40537 Town of Hugo, Paint \$1,000.00  
40538 Interstate Batteries, Parts \$239.90  
40539 Darcy Janssen, Mileage \$775.50  
40540 Jefferson County, Services \$1,000.00  
40541 LAWS, Repairs \$315.50  
40542 Limon Leader, Ads \$2,138.96  
40543 LCH, Promotion \$1,667.00  
40544 LC Road & Bridge, Fuel \$77.07  
40545 MacDonald Equipment, Parts \$1,689.86  
40546 Martin Marietta, Road Oil \$2,512.50  
40547 MarTech Systems, IT Support \$318.00  
40548 MVEA, Utilities \$59.22  
40549 Nebraska Safety & Fire, Service Call \$399.40  
40550 Lisa Nielson, Coroner Assist \$100.00  
40551 Ninja Nation, Deposit \$500.00  
40552 NMS Labs, Labs \$896.00  
40553 DA 18<sup>th</sup> Judicial District, 4<sup>th</sup> Qtr Payment \$33,111.00  
40554 PayFlex, Fee \$100.00  
40555 Power Motive, Parts \$153.07  
40556 Pro Ag Solutions, Chemical \$5,366.75  
40557 Productivity Plus, Parts \$255.99  
40558 Pronghorn Country Ace, Limon Beautification \$1,129.87  
40559 Psychological Resources, Testing \$135.00  
40560 Quill, Supplies \$543.02  
40561 Dale Rostron, Coroner Assist \$395.00  
40562 Sanofi Pasteur, Vaccinations \$1,858.12  
40563 Spradley Barr, Vehicle \$29,721.00  
40564 State of Colorado, Postage \$203.14  
40565 Doug Stone, Gravel \$123.50  
40566 Strasburg Family Dental, Inmate Dental \$1,051.00  
40567 Tyler Technologies, Support \$125.00  
40568 Verizon Wireless, Phone \$53.32  
40569 Viaero Wireless, Phone \$43.03  
40570 Amy Vice, Reimbursement \$183.26  
40571 Waxie Sanitary, Supplies \$1,924.12  
40572 Bryson Winterberg, Coroner Assist \$200.00  
40573 World Data Corporation, Manuals \$355.00  
40574 Xerox, Contract \$190.41  
40575 Xerox Financial, Contract \$352.44

40576 Xerox Financial, Contract \$141.26  
40577 XESI, Contract \$395.54  
40578 AFLAC, Premiums \$5,108.56  
40579 CHP, Insurance \$146,253.56  
40580 Great-West Life & Annuity, Deferred Comp \$7,095.00  
40581 PayFlex, Cafeteria Plan \$1,455.00  
40582 SEI Private Trust, Retirement \$20,058.36

40583 21<sup>st</sup> Century, Parts \$702.76  
40584 Zeb Baylie, Reissue \$300.00  
40585 Blue Tarp, Supplies \$105.52  
40586 Brodart, Books \$1,440.00  
40587 Steve Burgess, Reimbursement \$473.30  
40588 Cash Wa, Supplies \$129.20  
40589 CCTA Western Division, Dues \$50.00  
40590 CDPHE, Certificates \$197.50  
40591 CenturyLink, E911 Support \$17,327.33  
40592 CenturyLink, Phone \$442.57  
40593 Corporate Billing, Parts \$1,267.80  
40594 DirecTV, TV \$245.98  
40595 DJ Petroleum, Fuel \$2,571.21  
40596 ESRTA, Phone \$3,198.20  
40597 FNBH, Fee \$42.40  
40598 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$456.03  
40599 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$298.64  
40600 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$57.93  
40601 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$101.25  
40602 Flagler Alumni Association, Mailer \$150.00  
40603 Flagler Cooperative, Fuel \$17,634.96  
40604 Fleet Charge, Parts \$439.20  
40605 Goodyear Tire, Tires \$5,103.52  
40606 Robin Halley, Travel \$197.78  
40607 Hoffman Drug, Supplies \$36.48  
40608 Charles Hoffman Estate, Gravel \$747.00  
40609 Hugo Lumber, Supplies \$923.62  
40610 Hugo FPD, Equipment \$9,000.00  
40611 InfoRad, Equipment \$3,300.00  
40612 KC Electric, Utilities \$4,888.01  
40613 Limon Area FPD, Training \$4,558.00  
40614 Limon Leader, Ad \$175.50  
40615 LCH, Equipment \$6,589.92  
40616 LCH, Training \$1,520.00  
40617 LC Clerk, Plates \$28.11  
40618 LC Road & Bridge, Fuel \$3,344.30

40619 Marshall & Swift, Handbook \$371.95  
40620 Pat McHone, Cleaning \$113.06  
40621 Midwest Radar, Parts \$400.00  
40622 Mile Saver Shopper, Ad \$30.75  
40623 MVEA, Utilities \$514.08  
40624 Osborne's, Supplies \$218.77  
40625 Penworthy, Books \$105.87  
40626 Quill, Supplies \$683.43  
40627 Emily Rudder, Reissue \$300.00  
40628 Robert Safranek, Gravel \$382.50  
40629 Rosann Safranek, Gravel \$382.50  
40630 Sanofi Pasteur, Vaccines \$306.60  
40631 Southern Health Partners, Contract \$365.28  
40632 Doug Stone, Mileage \$168.30  
40633 Vance Brothers, Equipment \$18,500.00  
40634 Wagner, Parts \$2,714.86  
40635 Wex Bank, Fuel \$169.56  
40636 Brian White, Gravel \$1,476.00  
40637 Witt Boys, Parts \$2,610.92  
40638 Xerox, Contract \$146.85  
40639 Xerox, Contract \$187.40  
40640 Xerox, Contract \$187.40

#### LINCOLN COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES PAYABLES

68812 Country Living Learning Center, Client \$312.00  
68813 ESRTA, Phone \$794.19  
68814 FNBH, Fee \$6.00  
68815 Lexis Nexis, Subscriptions \$150.00  
68816 LC DHS, Reimbursement \$1,202.06  
68817 LC Road & Bridge, Fuel \$318.01  
68818 Andrew Lorensen, Travel \$83.70  
68819 Office Depot, Supplies \$53.91  
68820 Witt Boys, Parts \$90.77  
68821 Xerox, Contract \$175.00  
68822 CKLECC, Contract \$711.35  
68823 Country Living Learning Center, Client \$726.44  
68824 CenturyLink, Phone \$119.28  
68825 Evergreen Systems, IT Service \$169.00  
68826 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$280.54  
68827 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$164.99  
68828 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$26.98  
68829 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$281.66  
68830 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$47.27

68831 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$47.99  
68832 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$209.97  
68833 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$40.56  
68834 Tracy Grimes, Rent \$400.00  
68835 LC DHS, Reimbursement \$647.18  
68836 LC Treasurer, Rent \$1,882.00  
68837 Office Depot, Supplies \$260.99  
68838 Osborne's, Supplies \$12.55  
68839 Rose Padilla, Contract \$132.50  
68840 Scranton Specht & Associates, Legal \$4,569.00  
68841 Verizon Wireless, Phone \$647.94  
68842 XESI, Lease \$198.43  
68843 LC Treasurer, Withholdings \$13,234.63  
68844 CHP, Insurance \$23,315.08  
68845 SEI Private Trust, Retirement \$3,836.18  
68846 Great West Life & Annuity, Deferred Comp \$1,770.00  
68847 PayFlex, Cafeteria Plan \$200.00  
68848 AFLAC, Premiums \$794.69  
68849 Mary Solze, Contract \$929.44

With no other business to come before the Board, Mr. Schiffers adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m. The next meeting will be at 9:00 a.m. on December 12, 2019.

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Mindy Dutro, Acting Clerk to Board

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Ed E. Schiffers, Chairman

Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County  
Agenda for December 12, 2019

- 9:00 Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance
- 9:30 Dusty Johnson, Northeast Area Representative for Congressman Ken Buck, to provide legislative updates
- 10:00 Public Hearing on proposed 2020 Lincoln County Budget
- 1) Proposed Resolution Number 1001; A Resolution to Adopt the 2020 Budget
  - 2) Proposed Resolution Number 1002; A resolution to Appropriate Funds for the 2020 Budget Year
  - 3) Proposed Resolution Number 1003; A Resolution to Certify the Tax Levies for the 2020 Budget Year
- 10:30 Public hearing on Lincoln County Public Trustee 2020 Budget
- 11:00 The Lincoln County E911 board to meet with the Board of County Commissioners as well as a representative from the 911 Resource Center regarding E911 matters
- 12:00 Jeff Belveal with the Department of Wildlife concerning closing a county road
1. Approve the minutes from the December 5, 2019 meeting
  2. Review the employee time sheets for County Administrator Jacob Piper, Land Use Administrator Fred Lundy, Landfill Manager Mickey Jaques, Office of Emergency Management Director Ken Stroud, Public Health Director Jobeth Mills and Weed Coordinator Wayne Shade
  3. Review the November, 2019, reports from the County Assessor, County Clerk & Recorder, County Sheriff and County Treasurer
  4. Review the November, 2019, reports from the Colorado Counties Casualty and Property Pool and the County Workers' Compensation Pool
  5. Review and act upon the 2020 pay scales
  6. County Commissioner reports
  7. County Attorney's report
  8. County Administrator's report
  9. Old Business
  10. New Business

The Board of Lincoln County Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. on December 12, 2019. The following attended: Chairman Ed E. Schifferns, Commissioner Doug Stone, County Administrator Jacob Piper, County Attorney Stan Kimble, and Clerk to the Board Corinne M. Lengel. Commissioner Steve Burgess was absent and excused.

Chairman Schifferns called the meeting to order and asked Mrs. Lengel to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Since Mr. Burgess intended to call into the meeting at 10:00 a.m. for the budget adoption hearing, the group discussed the legalities of a commissioner voting via conference call. Mr. Kimble said that nothing in statute prevented it, but it would seem that the Board might want to adopt a resolution allowing such practices beforehand, solely for public perception. Mr. Piper commented that it was a rare issue. Still, if the topic were contentious, the commissioners might decide to table the discussion until they could all attend a meeting together.

Mr. Stone made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on December 5, 2019, as submitted. Mr. Schifferns seconded the motion, which carried.

The Board reviewed the employee timesheets for the administrator, land use administrator, landfill manager, emergency manager, public health director, and weed coordinator.

At 9:30 a.m., Dusty Johnson, Northeast Area Representative for Congressman Ken Buck, met with the Board to provide legislative updates. She commented that the congressman would probably vote against the President's impeachment if it came to that but felt that it would most likely die in the Senate. Congressman Buck's opinion was that the voters should decide who their President should be next November.

A proposed bill to allow automatic citizenship to children born overseas if one or both parents are in the military will be introduced in next year's legislative session. Currently, the law requires those parties to establish citizenship, so the passage of the bill would close the loophole and guarantee that politics don't play a part in the issue.

Ms. Johnson informed the group that President Trump and Nancy Pelosi reached an agreement to replace NAFTA. Lastly, when asked about broadband, she commented that they are still working on it.

County Treasurer Jim Covington joined the meeting at 9:45 a.m., and Commissioner Steve Burgess called in shortly thereafter.

With Mr. Burgess on the phone, the Board discussed the 2020 pay scales. Mr. Piper explained the changes he'd made, such as adding the Victim Advocate and Finance Director positions. He'd also spoken with the janitor, Teena Ludwig, and asked if she wanted to move to a 40-hour

week since she'd be cleaning the annex full-time. She had agreed to think about it, so Mr. Piper added the janitor to both the 35-hour and 40-hour pay scales.

Mr. Burgess made a motion to approve the 2020 pay scales, which prompted Mr. Piper to explain the discussion about adopting a resolution allowing commissioners voting privileges during phone conferences. Mr. Burgess said he understood and withdrew his motion. Mr. Stone made a motion to approve the 2020 pay scales as presented. Mr. Schiffers seconded the motion, which carried.

At 10:00 a.m., the Board conducted a public hearing regarding the proposed 2020 Lincoln County budget. No members of the public attended, other than County Treasurer Jim Covington, and Commissioner Steve Burgess attended via conference call.

Mr. Burgess had a few questions, such as how Mr. Piper determined the decrease in sales tax. Mr. Piper said he looked at the 2018 budget and the figures at six and ten months and then calculated the average the county received each month. The 2020 budget line item actually increased from the 2019 budget. Mr. Piper added that the number was probably low, but he'd erred on the side of caution.

Mr. Burgess also stated that the Road & Bridge fund didn't have any capital leases for 2020, and the commissioners agreed to remove the amount and add it to the Equipment line item. Mr. Piper said it was an easy correction since it wouldn't affect the overall budget amounts. Mr. Piper adjusted the mill levy amounts to the General Fund and Public Health budgets, as previously discussed. A quarter of a mill from each would go to the hospital.

Lastly, Mr. Piper said the budgeted 2020 expenditures are less than the 2019 budgeted numbers because of the new fair building and the fact that the hospital decreased their expenditures by a quarter million.

Mr. Covington asked to comment, stating he was speaking as both the treasurer and a concerned taxpayer. He felt the decision to increase the hospital's mill levy by another half mill made it look like the county was giving the entity more money so it could make its loan payment. He said the commissioners should have extended the loan if they agreed that the hospital employees needed raises. Mr. Covington added that the hospital should have cut costs in other areas if they were determined to give pay increases, and the commissioners might as well just write off the entire loan. Mr. Schiffers said they would reassess the situation the following year, but the Board felt they did what they had to at the time.

Mr. Burgess said he'd learned at the last hospital board meeting that they'd shown a profit of \$98,000 the previous month, which was the first they'd seen in a while.

Mr. Covington asked if they'd looked into forming a hospital district, which was part of the agreement the commissioners made when they agreed to loan the million dollars. He supported spreading the burden of the cost around to other members of the district rather

than making Lincoln County taxpayers carry it all. Mr. Stone asked if he felt the burden to the taxpayers outweighed the benefits of having a hospital. Mr. Covington said he felt there was a need for the hospital, but since it serves far more than just Lincoln County taxpayers, it would be helpful to have others help pay for it. Mr. Kimble commented that the hospital attorney said forming a special district wasn't feasible.

Mr. Burgess said he approved of the budget since Mr. Piper clarified the questions he'd had, so Mr. Stone made a motion to adopt a resolution approving the spending limits for 2020. Mr. Schiffers seconded the motion, which carried.

At a regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County, Colorado, held in Hugo, Colorado, on December 12, 2019, there were present:

Ed Schiffers, Chairman	Present
Steve Burgess, Vice Chairman	Absent & Excused
Douglas D. Stone, Commissioner	Present
Stan Kimble, County Attorney	Present
Corinne Lengel, Clerk of the Board	Present
Jacob Piper, County Administrator	Present

when the following proceedings, among others, were had and done, to-wit:

**RESOLUTION #1001** It was moved by Commissioner Stone and seconded by Commissioner Schiffers to adopt the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County, Colorado, has the authority and responsibility pursuant to C.R.S. 29-1-103 to adopt a budget for Lincoln County for the 2020 calendar year; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to the above referenced statute, the Board of County Commissioners also recognizes the passage of Amendment 1 to the laws of the State of Colorado on November 3, 1992, and has incorporated its interpretation of such Amendment into the 2019 budget; and

**WHEREAS**, upon due and proper notice, published in accordance with the law, said proposed budget was open for inspection by the public at a designated place, and a public hearing was held on December 12, 2019, at which time objections of the electors of Lincoln County were considered; and

**WHEREAS**, whatever increases may have been made in the expenditures, like increases were added to the revenues so that the budget remains in balance as required by law;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the following spending limits are adopted for calendar year 2020:

General Fund	\$ 7,211,393
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Road & Bridge Fund	6,463,211
Human Services Fund	2,877,715
Library Fund	52,989
Contingent Fund	170,666
Conservation Trust Fund	26,000
E911 Fund	119,000
Capital Projects Fund	1,421,000
Landfill Fund	371,086
Lodging Tax Fund	180,000
Public Health Agency Fund	425,436
Hospital Fund	18,449,389
Total	<u>\$37,767,885</u>

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the mill levies established for the following funds are:

General Fund	22.50 mills
General Fund – Mills for hospital	4.00 mills
Road & Bridge Fund	10.50 mills
Human Services Fund	2.00 mills
Library Fund	.25 mill
Capital Projects Fund	4.00 mills
Landfill Fund	1.00 mill
Public Health Agency Fund	.25 mill
Hospital Fund	3.00 mills
Total	<u>47.50 mills</u>
Less Temporary Property Tax Credit	
General Fund	-12.75 mills
Total	<u>34.75 mills</u>

Upon roll call the vote was:

Commissioner Schifferns, Yes; Commissioner Stone, Yes.

The Chairman declared the motion carried and so ordered.

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Mr. Stone made a motion to adopt a resolution appropriating funds for the 2020 Lincoln County budget. Mr. Schifferns seconded the motion, which carried.

At a regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County, Colorado, held in Hugo, Colorado, on December 12, 2019, there were present:

Ed Schifferns, Chairman	Present
Steve Burgess, Vice Chairman	Absent & Excused
Douglas D. Stone, Commissioner	Present
Stan Kimble, County Attorney	Present
Corinne Lengel, Clerk of the Board	Present
Jacob Piper, County Administrator	Present

when the following proceedings, among others, were had and done, to-wit:

**RESOLUTION #1002** It was moved by Commissioner Stone and seconded by Commissioner Schifferns to adopt the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County adopted the annual budget in accordance with the local government budget law and the provisions of Amendment 1 on December 12, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County has made provision therein for revenues in an amount equal to the total proposed expenditures as set forth in said budget; and

**WHEREAS**, it is not only required by law, but also necessary, to appropriate the revenues provided in the budget to and for the purposes described below, thereby establishing a limitation on expenditures for the operations of Lincoln County;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County, Colorado, that the following sums are hereby appropriated for 2020 from the revenue of each fund to each fund:

General Fund	\$ 7,211,393
Road & Bridge Fund	6,463,211
Human Services Fund	2,877,715
Library Fund	52,989
Contingent Fund	170,666

Conservation Trust Fund	26,000
E911 Fund	119,000
Capital Projects Fund	1,421,000
Landfill Fund	371,086
Lodging Tax Fund	180,000
Public Health Agency Fund	425,436
Hospital Fund	18,449,389
Total	<u>\$37,767,885</u>

Upon roll call the vote was:

Commissioner Schifferns, Yes; Commissioner Stone, Yes.

The Chairman declared the motion carried and so ordered.

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Mr. Stone made a motion to adopt a resolution certifying the mill levies for the 2020 Lincoln County budget. Mr. Schifferns seconded the motion, which carried.

At a regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County, Colorado, held in Hugo, Colorado, on December 12, 2019, there were present:

Ed Schifferns, Chairman	Present
Steve Burgess, Vice Chairman	Absent & Excused
Douglas D. Stone, Commissioner	Present
Stan Kimble, County Attorney	Present
Corinne Lengel, Clerk of the Board	Present
Jacob Piper, County Administrator	Present

when the following proceedings, among others, were had and done, to-wit:

**RESOLUTION #1003** It was moved by Commissioner Stone and seconded by Commissioner Schifferns to adopt the following resolution:

CERTIFICATION OF TAX LEVIES

This is to certify that the tax levy to be assessed upon all property within the limits of Lincoln County, State of Colorado, based on a total assessed valuation of \$170,332,511 for the budget year 2020 as determined and fixed by the Board of County Commissioners, is:

General Operating Expenses:

General Fund	22.50
General Fund – Mills to the hospital	4.00
Road & Bridge Fund	10.50
Human Services Fund	2.00
Library Fund	.25
Contingent Fund	0
Conservation Trust Fund	0
E911 Fund	0
Capital Projects Fund	4.00
Landfill Fund	1.00
Lodging Tax Fund	0
Public Health Agency Fund	.25
Hospital Fund	3.00
Total	<hr/> 47.50 mills
Less Temporary Property Tax Credit – General Fund	- 12.75 mills
Total	<hr/> 34.75 mills

Upon roll call the vote was:

Commissioner Schiffers, Yes; Commissioner Stone, Yes.

The Chairman declared the motion carried and so ordered.

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At 10:30 a.m., the Board conducted a public hearing for the Lincoln County Public Trustee's 2020 budget. No members of the public attended, except that Emergency Manager Ken Stroud arrived at 10:40 a.m. for the meeting at 11:00.

At 11:00 a.m., Lincoln County E911 board members Jack Cross, Patrick Leonard, Mark McHone, and Diane Kimble met with the Board to discuss E911 matters. Monica Million, co-director with the Colorado 911 Resource Center, Lincoln County Emergency Manager Ken Stroud, and County Sheriff Tom Nestor, also attended the discussion.

Ms. Million explained that the technical uplift for 911 services drove the change in the tariff rate. Nine 911 boards participated in the eighteen-month-long negotiation period with CenturyLink. Moving from the old copper wiring to an emergency services IP network will enable more resiliency. Nationwide, the system needs a \$12 billion influx for improvements. In the past, it took \$2.3 million to sustain the old system, but upgrades across the fifty-eight 911 authorities statewide will increase that to \$5.9 million. Ms. Million said that the new network should seamlessly allow transfer calls and data (such as pictures) to other 911 agencies.

Mr. Stone asked for a timetable on the project, and Ms. Million told him the FCC hopes for a total upgrade by 2023. CenturyLink began working with the public safety answer points across the state, and the first will go live in January of 2020. It will take about a year to complete and will include Text-to-911, which is currently available in more populated areas. Although it isn't mandated, Ms. Million said that public perception is that it should be accessible everywhere. She added that the hearing impaired and deaf communities are almost exclusively denied access to safety services without Text-to-911. Mr. Stroud explained that dispatch is working on the option for Lincoln County. They've found a vendor—CommTech—and hope to have it available next fall.

Sheriff Nestor said that there shouldn't be a cost to the county if they raise the surcharge to \$2.00. Mr. Stroud added that where it was currently \$245 a month, it would go up to \$3,700 per month. Ms. Million clarified that the tariff was CenturyLink, but the Text-to-911 was what they wanted to add to the network once the individual agencies had it in place.

The E911 Board plans to move forward with an application to raise the \$.70 surcharge to \$2.00 per line, which will do no more than allow them to cover costs and basically break even. Ms. Million said that every 911 authority is turning in an application simply because they can't sustain the prices anymore. Title 29 established the fiscal model thirty years ago, which also created the \$.70 surcharge. Draft legislation for Title 29, which governs 911, is in the works for 2020. The laws and rules under the PUC dictate that authorities must continue the \$.70 surcharge unless they file an application and get approval for an increase.

Mr. Schiffers expressed concerns with the longevity and reliability of the new network, and Ms. Million commented that the current system lasted thirty years. The new technology will remove the old switch boxes and provide some wireless functionality, as well as a greater ability to work when something goes down.

Mr. Piper asked if the \$2.00 per line increase would come from the E911 board or the county commissioners. Ms. Million responded that authority boards get their power through legislation, making it the E911 board's responsibility. They do not require the county's permission or blessing for anything.

Mr. Stroud explained that the state procured a transition grant process. The agency would contribute forty percent up-front and receive full reimbursement. Ms. Million put in that Colorado awarded \$2.5 million to the project, and the PUC set aside another million so that local authorities wouldn't have to pay anything.

Mr. Kimble wanted to know if increasing the surcharge to \$2.00 per line would help them reach the required \$3,700 per month. Mr. Stroud told him that not only would it allow the expenditure, but it would also help to upgrade infrastructure.

Ms. Million stated that they were also asking for a statewide surcharge of \$.20 per line, in addition to the \$2.00 increase, to help with training costs for 911 telecommunications and grants for rural communities. She went on to say that the state will begin sending out information in January. The application process takes approximately six months, which includes a two-month public comment period. Another requirement is that the authority board publishes the proposed increase in local newspapers.

Jack Cross asked if the 911 Resource Center would forward their information to the local papers or if they could send it to the Authority Board if not. Patrick Leonard asked to whom people would voice their opinions, and Ms. Million said people should address complaints or comments to the PUC.

Sheriff Nestor commented that it's a state mandate, so it's going to happen no matter what. He added that because of the county's unique location, dispatch has five different lines coming into the call center. If the legislation doesn't pass, local governments would have to backfill, or they might have to drop to three lines instead of five.

Ms. Million put in that Title 29 needs a complete overhaul as points of failure are becoming more prevalent. They've had correspondence with legislators for the past three years and explained that it would be a costly project, which is why they asked CenturyLink to submit a new tariff. Now they've run into the issue of not being able to find parts or technicians to fix the old systems when they go down.

Patrick Leonard said the E911 board has not taken it lightly and has discussed increasing the surcharge for quite some time now. Diane Kimble added that the increase would maintain the stability of the system and still meet their requirements.

At noon, Jeff Belveal and Logan Wilkins with Colorado Parks and Wildlife met with the Board to discuss closing a county road. Road Foreman Chris Monks also attended the discussion, as did Sheriff Tom Nestor. Mr. Belveal said the road in question, County Road 34.2, runs through the

state wildlife area, and they would like the commissioners' approval to close a portion of it seasonally. They would like to replace the two cattle guards and post new signs, as well as enforce CPW rules during that timeframe. Mr. Belveal said the road would stay open for the majority of the year.

Mr. Wilkins said they'd prefer to close the portion of the road indefinitely and showed the commissioners the area he was referring to on a map. He added that it's difficult for them to increase the habitat and work on other improvements because of the constant public traffic. They would keep the road open to Parks and Wildlife, the sheriff, and any landowners with grazing rights. People could still access the north and south entry points but wouldn't be able to go through the middle unless they did so on foot. Mr. Wilkins said it was about 7/10 of a mile of road.

Mr. Belveal explained that they'd like to split the property into three sections by fencing them off to help the grazing rotation.

Sheriff Nestor wanted to know if the public would still be able to access the ponds during the summertime, and the wildlife officers confirmed that the ponds would remain accessible. The sheriff then asked if they were requesting that the county abandon the road. Mr. Stone commented that the county doesn't maintain the road, and he even thought that Parks and Wildlife owned it. Mr. Monks added that it's an unmaintained county road on the official road map. Because closing the road wouldn't leave any property owners landlocked, the sheriff didn't have a problem with it.

Mr. Kimble said that the county doesn't abandon roads as a practice, but the commissioners will vacate a road if they feel there is a necessity. If the public uses a thoroughfare for twenty consecutive years, however, they can try and dispute the closure. He added that if they vacated the middle portion only, there would still be a county road on both ends and asked if they could close it altogether.

Mr. Wilkins noted that they would put together community outreach, publish the information in the local papers, and phase it in over time. Mr. Belveal said they'd like an answer as soon as possible since their commission revisits property regulations each December. If not done this year, they'd have to wait until next December. Also, it would probably take anywhere from three-to-five years before they would be able to do anything from a law enforcement perspective.

Mr. Schifferns wanted to know if it would be helpful to get public comments first, and Mr. Wilkins said they could send out a survey to landowners, hunters, and any other known users of the road.

Mr. Kimble asked if Colorado Parks and Wildlife regulations would take over if the county vacated the road. Mr. Belveal stated they would. The earliest they would have funding would

be July of 2020 since they operate on a fiscal year. Mr. Wilkins added that habitat for wildlife and recreational opportunity are the two criteria for wildlife properties.

Mr. Monks felt the best option would be to close the entire road from County Road 2G to the other corner so that there weren't odd pieces that still belonged to the county.

Mr. Stone asked if the state would have the authority to close the road since the property on either side of it belongs to Colorado Parks and Wildlife. Mr. Belveal said he had a contact at the state Attorney General's office, and he would check with them. He and Mr. Wilkins thanked the Board for their time and said they would be in touch.

Mr. Kimble asked Mr. Monks and Mr. Schifferns if they still wanted to meet the following day regarding the Rush Creek wind farm. The group agreed it was still a good idea. Mr. Monks said he'd informed Heather Brickey that the county would grade the road for \$120 per hour, and the following day Xcel had someone out blading it. Mr. Kimble said he would have the original contract with him to remind them of what they agreed to.

Mr. Monks informed the Board that they'd started putting up the new road signs and discovered that several of the old posts don't have the proper brackets. New posts are twelve-to-thirteen dollars each.

Mr. Monks left, and the Board reviewed the November 2019 reports from the Colorado Counties Casualty and Property and Workers' Compensation Pools.

Mr. Stone reported that he'd called Cindy Leonard about the late fees on the Karval water bills for the county shop and the park on December 6. Because the billing cycle is so short, the county's check never reaches them before it's considered a late payment. Mr. Stone asked if they could pay for all twelve months at the first of the year to alleviate the problem. Mr. Piper said he didn't know why they couldn't. Mr. Stone checked roads on December 9 and attended the Colorado East Community Action Agency meeting in Limon on December 10. On December 11, he talked to Rick Ashcraft; they are still hauling millings from Arriba.

Mr. Schifferns reported that while he was checking roads on December 4, he noticed that there was quite a bit of dust on the I-70 frontage road from the work that CDOT was doing. He called Travis Miller and asked him to put some water on it. On December 10, Mr. Schifferns spoke with one of the District 1 employees about truck driving classes and also looked at the new road signs they were putting up.

Mr. Kimble reported that Land Use Administrator Fred Lundy contacted Mountain View Electric, K.C. Electric, and Tri-State about transmission line setbacks. Those companies prefer none, but if required, they would ask that the landowner could get a waiver or that the setbacks wouldn't apply to existing lines. They also suggested 500-foot setbacks. Mr. Lundy said he'd prefer 750 feet, and they will meet with the Land Use Board next week. Mr. Lundy joined the meeting and said that the county has an interest in landowner or property right protection; whereas, the



utility companies do not. He added that representatives from Tri-State planned to attend the Land Use Board meeting.

Mr. Kimble also reported that he'd send a copy of the moratorium resolution to the attorney with the NEREO project.

Mr. Piper reported that the department heads had a security meeting regarding an upcoming trial and explained the outcome to the commissioners.

Mr. Schiffers called for old or new business, and Mr. Stone said they needed to replace the chairs in the commissioner room as soon as possible.

With no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Schiffers adjourned the meeting at 1:25 p.m.

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Corinne M. Lengel, Clerk to the Board

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Ed. E. Schiffers, Chairman

Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County  
Agenda for December 30, 2019

- 9:00 Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance
- 9:30 Fred Lundy, Land Use Administrator, to present the report from the December 19, 2019 Land Use Board meeting
- 10:00 Patricia Phillips, Human Services Director, to present the Department of Human Services monthly report
- 10:30 Open and review sealed bids for chemicals for the Lincoln County Weed Control Department
1. Approve the minutes from the December 12, 2019 meeting
  2. Review the November, 2019, Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for County General, Public Health, Capital Projects, Conservation Trust, E911, Landfill, Library, Lodging/Tourism, Road and Bridge and Individual Road Districts
  3. Review the monthly management report from the First National Bank of Omaha
  4. Review and act upon Resolution Number 1004, a resolution adopting revisions to the Lincoln County Pension Plan Document
  5. Review the appointments for 2020
  6. County Commissioner reports
  7. County Attorney's report
  8. County Administrator's report
  9. Old Business
  10. New Business
  11. Approve payroll and expense vouchers

The Board of Lincoln County Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. on December 30, 2019. The following attended: Chairman Ed E. Schifferns, Commissioners Steve Burgess and Doug Stone, County Administrator Jacob Piper, County Attorney Stan Kimble, and Clerk to the Board Corinne M. Lengel.

Chairman Schifferns called the meeting to order and asked Mr. Burgess to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Stone made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on December 12, 2019, as submitted. Mr. Schifferns seconded the motion, which carried.

The Board reviewed the November 2019 Statements of Revenues and Expenditures for the General, Public Health, Capital Projects, Conservation Trust, E911, Landfill, Library, Lodging/Tourism, and Road & Bridge funds, as well as for the individual road districts. The commissioners also reviewed the monthly management report from the First National Bank of Omaha.

At 9:30 a.m., Land Use Administrator Fred Lundy met with the Board to present the report from the December 19, 2019, Land Use Board meeting. The land board decided to table the discussion regarding setbacks for transmission lines until January 9, 2020, because they wanted more time to review the information. Most of the members agreed that there should be setbacks; they just weren't sure what they should be. However, they felt they should be less than 1,500 feet.

Mr. Lundy introduced Taylor Henderson with Outshine Energy. Mr. Henderson said he was a representative of the Arriba wind farm but wasn't new to Lincoln County, as he was the project developer for the Cedar Point Wind Farm. To Mr. Burgess's comment regarding eminent domain, Mr. Henderson said that a private company shouldn't even have the right to have that conversation with landowners. He added that he wanted to be a resource for the setback discussion and provide feedback as opportunities present themselves. Mr. Lundy put in that others in the industry believe that eminent domain isn't even an option for developers, only for public utility companies. Safety has always been a concern with setbacks, and Mr. Lundy said the Land Use Board would keep that in mind.

Mr. Kimble wanted the minutes to reflect that the commissioners and Mr. Henderson discussed transmission lines and setbacks in general, so there was no quasi-judicial concern regarding a specific project.

The Cedar Point Wind project wants to replace all of the nacelles in their 139 wind turbines, not all of which are in Lincoln County. They are increasing the size from 1.8 to 2.2, and since the question hadn't come up before, Mr. Lundy wanted to know if they should each require a permit. The total height of the towers would be 443 feet, which would still fall within the setback range. He felt that since they were changing the size and structure, he would issue each one a separate building permit and collect the county's required two percent use tax on all

materials. Mr. Kimble agreed with his thinking, and Mr. Lundy said that Elbert County felt the same way.

Mr. Lundy produced the Master Road Use Agreement between Lincoln County and A & S Construction Co. for the State Road 71 project. District Three Road Foreman Rick Ashcraft approved the haul route map for his district, and Chris Monks approved the mile portion of County Road 2K they would use in District One. Mr. Lundy also provided the \$150,000 Performance Bond, which he gave to Mr. Kimble. He commented that it is still the same road use agreement; the only changes were to the names of the parties and the performance bond amount.

Mr. Stone made a motion to approve the Master Road Use Agreement between Lincoln County and A & S Construction Co. for the State Road 71 project. Mr. Burgess seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mr. Lundy left, but Mr. Henderson remained to observe more of the meeting.

Mr. Piper presented Resolution #1004, adopting revisions to the Lincoln County Pension Plan document. He reiterated the discussion topics: including reducing the age limit to eighteen; using a five-year average to calculate the payout for employees joining the plan in 2020; increasing the employee contribution to 4.5% (beginning with the January payroll); allowing employees to join the plan as long as they worked 1,820 hours annually.

Mr. Burgess made a motion to adopt a resolution approving the revised Lincoln County Employees' Pension Plan document. Mr. Stone seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

At a regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County, Colorado held in Hugo, Colorado on December 30, 2019, there were present:

Ed Schiffers, Chairman	Present
Steve Burgess, Vice Chairman	Present
Douglas D. Stone, Commissioner	Present
Stan Kimble, County Attorney	Present
Corinne Lengel, Clerk of the Board	Present
Jacob Piper, County Administrator	Present

when the following proceedings, among others, were had and done, to-wit:

**RESOLUTION #1004** It was moved by Commissioner Burgess and seconded by Commissioner Stone to adopt the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County determined that the Lincoln County, Colorado Employee’s Pension Plan and Trust required revision to establish viability and maintain longevity for the County Retirement Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County has retained the services of Stephen P. Rickles, Attorney with Spencer Fane LLP, to assist with compliance and revisions to the Pension Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, Stephen P. Rickles, Attorney with Spencer Fane LLP, prepared an amendment per instructions from the Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County for the Lincoln County, Colorado Employee’s Pension Plan and Trust;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County that the attached revised plan document to the Lincoln County, Colorado Employee’s Pension Plan and Trust be adopted.

Upon roll call the vote was:

Commissioner Stone, Yes; Commissioner Schifferns, Yes; Commissioner Burgess, Yes.

The Chairman declared the motion carried and so ordered.

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Mr. Piper commented that he’d discovered an amendment to the previous plan, which made it appear that the commissioners could update it at any time if they felt it necessary.

The Board reviewed the appointments and holidays for 2020, and Mrs. Lengel asked if the commissioners would consider giving the employees Christmas Eve as a holiday as well. Mr. Burgess asked if the offices were busy this year on Christmas Eve, and Mrs. Lengel said there weren’t many people in the courthouse at all. Mr. Schifferns said he thought it was a good idea, and Mr. Stone agreed as well. Mr. Burgess said they also needed to address the landfill hours because Mick Jaques stayed until the town of Limon dropped off its trash at 2:00 p.m. Then, he still had to cover everything afterward. If the county closes for the holiday, it should affect all employees, not just those in the courthouse.

Mr. Schifferns called for commissioner reports, and Mr. Burgess began with the end of November since he'd missed the previous meeting. He'd heard that some of the roads in his district were impassable due to the wind and snow on November 28, Thanksgiving Day. He called Bruce Walters, who had four road grader operators and one truck driver report for work on November 29. They had a total of seven men work eight hours that day, which was a county holiday. Mr. Burgess took an employee to Denver to pick up the repaired Mack truck on November 29, as well.

Mr. Burgess attended the CCI winter conference in Colorado Springs from December 2 through December 4. At the hospital board meeting on December 5, Mr. Burgess learned that they showed a profit of \$98,000 last month. They also have 196 full-time employees. Mr. Burgess had a call from a landowner on December 6, who reported a problem with County Road 4C. Bruce Walters and the road crew took care of the issue on December 7. Mr. Walters also went to Greeley for the new pickup on the Sixth. Mr. Burgess reported receiving some calls, one about how the probation department handles phone calls and several others about setbacks on transmission lines. He contacted Sheriff Nestor about the former, and the sheriff proposed a possible remedy. On December 18, Mr. Burgess attended the Economic Development meeting in the morning and the county employee Christmas party in Hugo in the afternoon. He also talked with Mr. Walters about planning a party for the road crew on December 23. Mr. Burgess reported that on December 19, a resident requested that the county put up signs when they closed the landfill due to high winds. He also spoke with the sheriff about a hospital bill. They had the Christmas party for the road crew on December 23, and on the Twenty-fourth, Mr. Burgess went by the landfill. That was when Mick Jaques told him he'd waited until approximately 2:30 for the town of Limon to bring its trash, after which he still had to cover it. Mr. Burgess felt they needed to address the issue in 2020. The road crew got their equipment ready for the pending snowstorm on December 27, and Mr. Burgess talked with Mick Jaques about the weather on December 28. Road crews were out checking roads and plowing snow where necessary on December 29.

Mr. Stone reported going by the Karval shop on December 13. On December 16, he checked roads west of Road 71 for snow and said they had between two-and-three inches. He also received a call asking if the county would sell the roto mill from the I-70 project. Mr. Stone attended the county Christmas party on December 18 and took a complaint about a road east of Karval on the Nineteenth. He and Rick Ashcraft checked on it the following day. He also went to Limon to meet Scott Wills, candidate for House District 64 Representative. On December 23, Mr. Stone went by the shop. The road crew was busy patching holes on the oiled roads and putting up the new road signs. They had a Christmas dinner for their employees at the shop on December 24, and Mr. Stone said he checked roads south of Karval on December 27.

Before Mr. Schifferns could give his report, Human Services Director Patricia Phillips arrived for her 10:00 a.m. appointment. Mr. Piper went to check his office and the mail for other sealed bids for weed chemicals.

The Board reviewed the DHS financials, employee timesheets, and Income Maintenance, Child Welfare, and director's reports for the month, and then Mrs. Phillips asked for a signature on the ECCOG Grandparenting Grant. She explained that the region—Cheyenne, Elbert, Kit Carson, and Lincoln counties—share the funds of \$6,500. There is a \$500 limit per applicant.

Mr. Burgess made a motion to approve the annual contract for the ECCOG Grandparenting Grant. Mr. Stone seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

At 10:30 a.m., Mr. Schifferns opened the one sealed bid the county received for Weed Department chemicals for 2020. Mr. Piper said he'd gotten nothing else before the cutoff date. Mr. Burgess noted that he'd hand-delivered the bid request to both Try-Me Spraying, LLC, and Pro Ag, so they were aware that the deadline was 10:30 this morning. Mr. Kimble said the Board could accept parts of the bid, all of it, or none of it as they saw fit since the state statute doesn't require the county to obtain them at all.

Mr. Burgess made a motion to accept the bid for Weed Department chemicals from Try-Me Spraying, LLC, for 2020. Mr. Stone seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Jeff Sheen, with Percheron, LLC, stopped in and introduced himself and then sat with Mr. Henderson for the remainder of the meeting.

Mr. Schifferns reported checking roads on December 13. He attempted to attend the employee Christmas party on December 18 but then didn't feel well. Mr. Schifferns checked out the new road signs on December 20 and commented that some of the posts wouldn't fit, so they would have to order new ones. They got the new blade for the tractor on December 23 and took the old one to the fairgrounds. He attended the road district Christmas party that day also. Mr. Schifferns talked to Chris Monks about the upcoming storm on December 27.

Mr. Kimble reported that the judge denied the motion to declare the disputed area up north a public road but that it didn't do much to clarify the county's position. They've set the trial for mid-March, but there is still a chance the parties will settle beforehand. He felt that the county could take a proactive stance and re-examine the road policy, but Mr. Burgess said he didn't like the way that would look if they changed it before the courts settled the matter. Mr. Schifferns agreed, saying they should address it immediately afterward. Mr. Kimble noted that if the judge declared the 1897 Rule valid, making every section line a public road, they would have to.

Mr. Kimble also reported that he, Mr. Schifferns, and Chris Monks met with Heather Brickey regarding the Shortgrass project. They will inspect it on January 7 to determine what spots of County Road 2W need fixing, and Mr. Monks will mark the areas. They should have the repairs made in two-to-five weeks, hopefully by the end of January. Mr. Kimble said that Mr. Monks requested five inches of aggregate soil, a minimum three percent crown on a twenty-eight-foot wide road, and a three-to-one slope, or grade, on the edges. The company planned to bring

dirt from El Paso County, and Mr. Burgess cautioned that they make sure to use the proper haul routes.

Lastly, Mr. Kimble said he'd re-read the statute regarding surveyors and determined that the Board could appoint someone again after the next General Election unless they had reason to terminate the current surveyor. If so, they would need to fill his vacancy.

Mr. Kimble also said he'd attend the Land Use Board meeting on January 9 at the request of Fred Lundy.

Mr. Piper reported that the judge continued the trial Sheriff Nestor had concerns about until May. He also stated that County Coroner Andy Lorensen asked that the Board issue a county credit card to Deputy Coroner Dale Rostron. The commissioners agreed they were not in favor of that practice since no other part-time employees could have county credit cards. Mr. Burgess added that if Mr. Rostron had expenses, he could submit them for the commissioners' review and payment.

Mr. Piper also asked if the deputy coroners should receive certificates and longevity pins like other full-time employees. The Board again agreed that part-time employees did not qualify for those items.

Courthouse and annex janitor Teena Ludwig had asked Mr. Piper if the county could purchase a carpet cleaner next year. The Board told him to have her get some quotes for what she wanted and bring them in.

As for old business, Mr. Stone said he felt they should start replacing carpet on the courts' side of the building as soon after the first of the year as possible.

Mr. Schifferns also asked if Mr. Piper had any further information about finishing the maglock project. He responded that John Mohan had the equipment, but they hadn't heard anything from Leo Hurtado.

Mr. Burgess called Chris Monks regarding diesel fuel bids for 2020. Mr. Monks said he'd been watching the prices for about three weeks, and they hover around \$2.20 per gallon. He felt that requesting bids would lock the county into a rate that might be too high and suggested allowing him to continue fuel shopping. Mr. Monks added that they already have three loads contracted for 2020 at \$2.39 a gallon. Mr. Stone commented that the smaller dealers don't usually use tankers, and the Board agreed to have Mr. Monks keep an eye on the prices. Mr. Piper spoke up to say that Dave Stone, with Stone Oil, sent him a CORA request for the most recent fuel bid. Mr. Piper explained that the county didn't use a bidding process but contracted diesel fuel based on recommendations from Chris Monks.

Mr. Schifferns asked Mr. Piper to bring several options for new chairs to the commissioner meeting on January 7.



The Board approved the December 2019 payroll and expenditures, and then, since there was no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Schiffers adjourned the meeting at 12:35 p.m. The next meeting will be at 9:00 a.m. on January 7, 2020.

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Corinne M. Lengel, Clerk to the Board

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Ed E. Schiffers, Chairman