# Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County Agenda for November 8, 2019

- 9:00 Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance
- 9:30 Tom Nestor, Lincoln County Sheriff, to discuss protocol regarding closing the Courthouse during inclement weather
- 10:00 Troy McCue, Lincoln County Economic Development Corporation Executive Director, to present the LCEDC monthly report
- 10:30 Dan Hendricks to discuss replacing carpet in the Lincoln County Courthouse
  - 1. Approve the minutes from the October 31, 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, and Public Health Director Jobeth Mills
  - 3. Distribute for consideration the current list of annual Board Appointments
  - 4. County Commissioner reports
  - 5. County Attorney's report
  - 6. County Administrator's report
  - 7. Old Business
  - 8. New Business
  - 9. Approve expense vouchers

The Board of Lincoln County Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. on November 8, 2019. The following attended: Chairman Ed E. Schifferns, Commissioners Steve Burgess and Doug Stone, County Administrator Jacob Piper, and Clerk to the Board Corinne M. Lengel. County Attorney Stan Kimble was absent and excused.

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

The commissioners approved the remaining expense vouchers for November.

#### **COUNTY GENERAL**

Wade Adams, Road Deputy Salary \$3,612.50

Justin Allen, Correctional Officer III Salary \$3,484.00

Nathaniel Allen, Correctional Officer I Salary \$3,063.00

Marlin Baranyk, Correctional Officer III Salary \$3,541.60

LaRay Becker-Patton, Chief Deputy Salary \$3,958.00

William Breneman, Metal Detector Salary \$680.00

Coley Britton, Corporal III Salary \$3,640.00

Steve Burgess, Commissioner Salary \$4,745.00

Jason Case, Road Sergeant Salary \$3,782.00

Joseph Colpitts, Road Deputy Salary \$3,823.50

James Covington, Treasurer Salary \$5,037.42

Marshall Cox, Correctional Officer I Salary \$3,446.16

Dustin Cunningham, Road Deputy Salary, \$3,758.40

James Day, Metal Detector Salary \$816.00

Roxana Devers, Part Time Roundhouse Preservation Salary \$498.75

Mindy Dutro, Chief Deputy Salary \$3,598.00

Ashley Erwin, Clerk I Salary \$3,008.00

Ryan Erwin, Road Deputy Salary \$3,460.00

William Garlow, Clerk I Salary \$3,183.00

Andrea Hendricks, Deputy I Salary \$3,400.00

Jeremiah Higgins, Assessor Salary \$5,037.42

Timothy Hilferty, Driver Examiner Salary \$3,255.00

Christine Hollenbaugh, Deputy I Salary \$3,108.00

Michael Hutton, Correctional Officer III Salary \$3,400.00

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 \$333.50

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 \$3,257.65 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 \$3,375.00 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 \$929.63 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 \$3,311.51 Cynthia Yowell, Admin Assist Salary \$3,940.00 LeRoy Yowell, Metal Detector Salary \$1,496.00 Michael Yowell, Captain Salary \$3,838.00 Tyler Yowell, Road Deputy Salary \$4,035.95

#### **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 \$2,640.00
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 \$1,572.80 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 \$3,543.00 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 \$1,300.00 Mickey Jaques, Manager Salary \$3,958.00

#### LIBRARY

Kevin Pickerill, Bookmobile Salary \$708.23 Katie Zipperer, Bookmobile Salary \$1,087.32

### **PUBLIC HEALTH**

Lindsey Blackwelder, Part Time Tobacco Educator Salary \$523.88
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 \$4,373.00

Mia Tucker, Part Time Intern Salary \$336.00

Samantha Winterberg, Case Aide II Salary \$2,963.00

Shonda Yowell, Caseworker II Salary \$3,871.00

#### LINCOLN COUNTY PAYABLES

40302 21st Century Equipment, Parts \$1,282.08

40303 John V Abounader, Dues \$110.00

40304 A&E Tires, Tires \$10,213.93

40305 Alsco, Parts \$81.11

40306 ARSL, Conference \$49.00

40307 ACCA, Conference \$25.00

40308 Auto Chlor, Supplies \$795.35

40309 Axon Enterprises, Supplies \$152.00

40310 Black Hills Energy, Utilities \$66.74

40311 Blue Tarp, Supplies \$79.71

40312 Bob Barker, Supplies \$1,073.94

40313 Boulder Community Health, Testing \$34.00

40314 Steve Burgess, Travel & Mileage \$1,418.31

40315 Burlington Ford, Parts \$284.62

40316 John Carver MD, Autopsy \$1,300.00

40317 Cash Wa, Supplies \$32.05

40318 CDPHE, Certificates \$282.00

40319 CDPHE, 3rd Qtr Fees \$1,490.19

40320 Center for Education & Employment Law, Subscription \$159.00

40321 CenturyLink, Phone \$261.43

40322 Colorado Chassis Services, Repairs \$2,945.30

40323 Complete Wireless Technologies, Services \$120.00

40324 CCFS, Contract \$7,026.26

40325 Corporate Billing, Parts \$239.21

40326 Danielle Dascalos, Marketing \$1,275.00

40327 CDRMS, Conversion \$2,696.00

40328 DJ Petroleum, Fuel \$5,049.15

40329 DocuTek, Renewal \$650.00

40330 Express Toll, Travel \$38.15

40331 ECCOG, 4th Qtr Dues \$3,000.00

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40332 Ryan Erwin, Coroner Assist $75.00
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40333 Evergreen Systems, IT Service \$332.70

40334 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$282.25

40335 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$42.53

40336 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$110.00

40337 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$1,353.13

40338 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$1,096.64

40339 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$639.48

40340 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$99.99

40341 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$126.38

40342 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$205.34

40343 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$28.85

40344 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$116.55

40345 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$33.28

40346 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$674.95

40347 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$148.24

40348 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$384.35

40349 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$106.16

40350 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$3,303.24

40351 Flagler Coop, Fuel \$15,190.00

40352 Fleet Charge, Parts \$77.06

40353 Front Range Windshield Pros, Repairs \$296.00

40354 Galls, Supplies \$47.94

40355 GlaxoSmithKline, Vaccines \$1,384.94

40356 Green Horizons, Services \$306.49

40357 Tracy Grimes, Rent \$530.00

40358 Henry Schein, Supplies \$523.81

40359 Hugo Roping Club, Promotion \$600.00

40360 Town of Hugo, Water \$2,914.34

40361 InfoRad, Renewal \$59.00

40362 IVS, Ballot Printing & Postage \$3,607.52

40363 Interstate Batteries, Parts \$244.93

40364 J Chad Professional Training, Education \$500.00

40365 Jenny's Mexican Food, Catering \$270.46

40366 JJ Keller, Parts \$246.60

40367 Justice Benefits, SCAAP \$987.80

40368 KAPCO, Parts \$243.64

40369 Karval Water Users, Water \$172.54

40370 KCCDPHE, 3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr NFP \$559.40

40371 KCCDPHE, 3rd Qtr Fee \$1,825.98

40372 Limon Leader, Ads \$407.76

40373 Town of Limon, Sign & Promotion \$12,590.85

40374 LCH, Testing \$75.00

40375 LCH, Promotion \$1,667.00

- 40376 LC Clerk, Plates \$9.09
- 40377 LC Extension Fund, Meal \$30.00
- 40378 LC Road & Bridge, Fuel \$124.92
- 40379 Kelly Linnebur, Reimbursement \$124.98
- 40380 Sonia Machuca, Interpreting \$41.25
- 40381 Martin Marietta, Road Oil \$25,206.00
- 40382 Pat McHone, Cleaning \$175.88
- 40383 MVEA, Utilities \$63.13
- 40384 Muzzle Unlimited, Printing \$2,680.06
- 40385 National Sheriffs' Association, Dues \$65.00
- 40386 Sean Nielson, Coroner Assist \$290.00
- 40387 Lisa Nielson, Coroner Assist \$40.00
- 40388 OJ Watson, Parts \$208.82
- 40389 Osborne's, Supplies \$173.61
- 40390 PayFlex, Fee \$100.00
- 40391 Prairie Mountain Media, Printing \$439.01
- 40392 Premium Services, Repairs \$12,374.42
- 40393 Productivity Plus, Parts \$1,242.44
- 40394 Pro-Vision, Camera \$349.00
- 40395 Quill, Supplies \$753.02
- 40396 Radiology Imaging, X-ray \$35.00
- 40397 Dale Rostron, Coroner Assist \$320.00
- 40398 Sanofi Pasteur, Vaccinations \$2,277.81
- 40399 Ed Schifferns, Mileage \$150.30
- 40400 April Schutte, Supplies \$150.00
- 40401 SE & EC Recycling, Fees \$1,297.95
- 40402 Smart Apple Media, Books \$598.45
- 40403 Southern Health Partners, Contract \$13,190.00
- 40404 Stamp Fulfillment Services, Supplies \$331.25
- 40405 Doug Stone, Mileage \$130.95
- 40406 Try-Me Spraying, Chemical \$3,307.06
- 40407 Utility Trailer Sales, Parts \$904.53
- 40408 Verizon Wireless, Phone \$53.32
- 40409 Viaero Wireless, Phone \$43.03
- 40410 Volvo of Denver, Parts \$164.20
- 40411 Wagner Equipment, Parts \$5,195.89
- 40412 Waxie Sanitary, Supplies \$696.47
- 40413 Xerox, Contract \$118.29
- 40414 Xerox Financial, Contract \$176.22
- 40415 XESI, Contract \$391.59
- 40416 AFLAC, Premiums \$4,429.22
- 40417 CHP, Insurance \$145,067.74
- 40418 Great West Life & Annuity, Deferred Comp \$7,095.00
- 40419 PayFlex, Cafeteria Plan \$1,455.00

40420 SEI Private Trust Company, Retirement \$20,343.81 40421 Wakefield & Associates, Garnishment \$128.69

40422 21st Century, Parts \$606.69

40423 Black Hills Energy, Utilities \$1,631.74

40424 Linda Blevins, Election Supply Judge \$210.00

40425 Blue Tarp, Supplies \$76.76

40426 Sherri Carr, Fair Royalty \$2,023.21

40427 CenturyLink, Phone \$245.84

40428 Dawn B Holmes, Autopsy \$1,250.00

40429 DirecTV, TV \$271.18

40430 DJ Petroleum, Fuel \$367.17

40431 ESRTA, Phone \$2,987.59

40432 EMSAR Intermountain, Services \$305.00

40433 Evergreen Systems, IT Service \$133.51

40434 Farm Gas, Fuel \$163.50

40435 FNBH, Fees \$42.00

40436 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$2,228.53

40437 Flagler Coop, Fuel \$18,507.51

40438 Town of Flagler, Water \$80.00

40439 Town of Genoa, Water \$121.50

40440 Grainer, Parts \$370.00

40441 Jane Hubbard, Election Judge \$200.00

40442 Hugo Lumber, Supplies \$555.74

40443 Karval Water Users, Water \$110.00

40444 KC Electric, Utilities \$5,076.24

40445 KCCHHS, 4<sup>th</sup> Qtr Agreement \$2,270.50

40446 Language Line, Interpreting \$12.39

40447 Law Enforcement Systems, Supplies \$185.00

40448 Lawson Products, Supplies \$81.53

40449 Leo's Electrical, Maglock Installation \$12,200.00

40450 Limon Leader, Ads \$295.55

40451 LC Road & Bridge, Fuel \$4,272.76

40452 MHC Kenworth, Parts \$1,031.22

40453 MVEA, Utilities \$336.78

40454 Sharon Newsom, Election Judge \$200.00

40455 Osborne's, Supplies \$187.69

40456 Prairie Mountain Media, Supplies \$156.40

40457 Quill, Supplies \$302.37

40458 Ryders Public Safety, Vest \$806.08

40459 Christine Schinzel, Travel \$24.78

40460 Southern Health Partners, Contract \$14,089.41

40461 Spectrum General Contractors, Roundhouse Preservation \$24,452.61

40462 Spectrum General Contractors, Roundhouse Preservation \$6,113.15

40463 State of Colorado, Postage \$204.12

40464 Stone Oil Co, Fuel \$1,309.86

40465 Strasburg Family Dental, Inmate Dental \$1,000.00

40466 John Thelen, Election Judge \$200.00

40467 Patsy Tompkins, Catering \$204.00

40468 Transwest, Parts \$79.95

40469 Viaero Wireless, Phone \$775.18

40470 Jerilynn Vick, Election Minority Judge \$210.00

40471 Wex Bank, Charges \$125.75

40472 Billie Williams, Signature Verification Judge \$62.50

40473 Witt Boys, Parts \$2,489.76

40474 Xerox, Contract \$88.79

40475 Xerox Financial Services, Contract \$187.40

40476 Xerox Financial Services, Contract \$187.00

#### LINCOLN COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES PAYABLES

68769 ESRTA, Phone \$781.70

68770 Evergreen Systems, IT Service \$46.75

68771 Farm Gas, Fuel \$60.82

68772 FNBH, Fee \$6.00

68773 LC DHS, Reimbursement \$866.80

68774 LC Road & Bridge, Fuel \$291.69

68775 Scranton Specht & Associates, Legal \$8,724.17

68776 Client, Refund \$807.00

68777 Witt Boys, Parts \$7.40

68778 Xerox, Contract \$175.00

68779 CenturyLink, Phone \$129.49

68780 CKLECC, Contract \$346.24

68781 Evergreen Systems, IT Service \$96.88

68782 Fast & Friendly, Client \$152.18

68783 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$272.50

68784 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$164.99

68785 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$12.99

68786 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$960.55

68787 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$389.05

68788 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$167.99

68789 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$64.73

68790 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$24.00

68791 FNB of Omaha, Charges \$232.63

68792 Tracy Grimes, Rent \$400.00

68793 IEBT, Subscription \$65.00

68794 LC DHS, Reimbursement \$2,330.15

68795 LC Treasurer, Rent \$1,882.00

68796 Morgan County Sheriff, Services \$17.50

68797 Office Depot, Supplies \$234.67

68798 Osborne's, Supplies \$19.25

68799 Rose Padilla, Contract \$95.00

68800 Client, Refund \$807.00

68801 Mary Solze, Contract \$744.58

68802 Tressle, CMP Funding \$69,565.00

68803 Verizon Wireless, Phone \$647.94

68804 Viaero Wireless, Phone \$48.08

68805 XESI, Lease \$190.11

68806 LC Treasurer, Withholdings \$13,295.45

68807 CHP, Insurance \$23,315.08

68808 SEI Private Trust, Retirement \$3,836.18

68809 Great West Life & Annuity, Deferred Comp \$1,770.00

68810 PayFlex, Cafeteria Plan \$200.00

68811 AFLAC, Premiums \$794.69

At 9:30 a.m., Sheriff Tom Nestor and Emergency Manager Ken Stroud met with the Board to discuss protocol regarding closing the courthouse during inclement weather. Assessor's office employee Amy Vice attended a portion of the discussion as well. The sheriff asked for a decision by 5:30 a.m. as to whether or not the county offices would close or operate on a late start. His department could then send out a mass text to elected officials and department heads who would, in turn, contact their employees. The court system usually decides to close by 5:00 a.m., but if they are open, the courthouse also has to be open, and the sheriff has to provide security. Sheriff Nestor said they always watch road closures through CDOT and track the storm via the National Weather Service. They've held conference calls with the NWS, and he's invited department heads to listen in on those calls a couple of times. To better streamline the process, the sheriff said they would gather that information and then make a recommendation to Mr. Piper, who could call the commissioners. Mr. Stone suggested that Mr. Piper contact the chairman since the weather is often very different in his area of the county. Mr. Burgess agreed but commented that he didn't want to see the courthouse closed every time there were a few snowflakes. On the other hand, it was better to err on the side of caution rather than risk employees being out in dangerous conditions.

Mr. Burgess asked if there were a way to put closures and late starts on the TV news channels, and Mr. Stroud and Mr. Piper agreed to check into it. Sheriff Nestor said he'd asked department heads to provide a secondary contact name in case the department head is unavailable.

Sheriff Nestor left, but Mr. Stroud wanted to inform the commissioners that he got approval for the second portable message board. He said that FEMA hadn't released the money yet, which meant they wouldn't have the new board this year.

Mr. Stone made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on October 31, 2019, as submitted. Mr. Burgess seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed the employee timesheets for the administrator, land use administrator, landfill manager, emergency manager, and public health director. They also looked over the list of annual appointments. Mr. Burgess said that Gary Beedy would no longer like to be a member of the COG board. He suggested Gillian Laycock as a replacement, and the others agreed she would be a good choice. Mr. Burgess said he'd ask her.

At 10:00 a.m., Lincoln Community Hospital CEO Kevin Stansbury stopped in to discuss the Peak Health Alliance. Mr. Burgess said he'd asked Mr. Stansbury to come in since Mr. McCue would be there, and the discussion involved economic development. Troy McCue arrived shortly after Mr. Stansbury. Mr. Stansbury said he was frustrated with insurance companies delaying patient care. Summit County had similar problems and created the Peak Health Alliance, which is a non-profit health insurance purchasing collaboration governed by the local community. They negotiate directly with providers and pass the savings onto the residents. Mr. Stansbury sited three goals: to lower the cost of healthcare, protect local providers, and glean participation. He added that eastern Colorado's insurance rates are the highest in the state, and he's starting to question why and seek alternatives. Mr. Stansbury felt that a meeting with the Peak Health Alliance would be a good starting point and asked the Board to lobby their peers before the first of the year to see if they would agree. He wanted Mr. McCue to do the same with other economic development directors across the eastern plains. Mr. Stansbury finished by saying that Summit County made the Peak Health Alliance work by gathering employers, providers, consumers, and payers together and establishing new rates on which the insurance companies could bid. Mr. Burgess said they could bring it up at their Eastern Region meeting during their winter conference. Mr. Piper noted that he'd had a call from Greg Etl with DOLA, who told him the match on healthcare and childcare grants would drop from 50% to 25% for a limited time. Mr. Stansbury said that might be helpful in this situation as there would be a cost involved. He added that he didn't want the hospital to lead the effort because it would look like they were doing it for their own benefit. Mr. Stansbury thanked the Board and left.

Mr. McCue provided his monthly report but said he wanted to take more time to discuss the Foreign Trade Zone. The grace period will run out on June 15, 2020, and the county will lose its status if it doesn't have a business in the FTZ by that time. If the county does get a business, the condition will become permanent. Mr. McCue felt that Kaiser Premier, located in the Fort Morgan Industrial Park, might be a worthy candidate. He said he'd been meeting with Joe Kiely, and they'd like to fast-track the qualification if possible. They've asked DOLA for a feasibility study, and for Ryan, LLC, from Dallas-Fort Worth to complete an assessment to determine if Kaiser meets the criteria. Unfortunately, the cost for Ryan, LLC, to perform that task would be about \$5,000. Mr. McCue said the company would do it on a contingency basis, but they'd discussed seeing if the five counties in the FTZ would agree to put in \$1,000 each. Mr. McCue reached out to Elbert and Arapahoe counties and said Morgan County would contact Adams County. He felt that Elbert County might not be amenable to the idea and said the counties might have to agree to \$1,200 if that were the case.

Mr. Burgess commented that he couldn't remember how much Lincoln County donated initially, but he thought it was a sizable amount. He made a motion to contribute up to \$1,200 toward a feasibility study to pull Kaiser Premier into the Foreign Trade Zone. Mr. Stone seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

At 10:30 a.m., Dan Hendricks met with the Board to discuss replacing the carpet in the courthouse. He said he'd measured 8,233 square feet, which was much more than anticipated, so he would need a four-to-six-man crew to help him. Mr. Hendricks asked for some specifics, such as when the work would need to be done, whether or not the commissioners wanted him to obtain the carpet samples or have a rep bring some out, and what grade carpet they were considering. Mr. Hendricks said he'd measured the hallways, courtrooms, jury deliberation room, court clerk's office, and the probation office but hadn't done the judges' chambers. Mr. Stone said they'd agreed that the latter didn't need replacing. Mr. Burgess asked if he'd measured the hallways on the north side of the building where the county offices are, but he hadn't. The carpet in the entryway of the county clerk's office needs replacing as well, and Mrs. Lengel asked that they use tile in that area. Mr. Stone asked Mr. Hendricks to bring samples and a cost estimate for the materials and his time. Mr. Piper said they would probably need to hold off until the first of the year to be able to use funds from the 2020 budget.

CSU Extension Agent Robin Halley met with the Board at 11:00 a.m. to provide updates and a sales comparison on livestock sales. He commented that they are trying to keep participation up and help kids with the state MQA requirements. They've created new, simplified record books and will start accepting FFA books as 4-H books since the programs are the same. He said they would be the first in the state to do that, so they will see how it goes. They've also made some changes to the Fair book and hog weights. Mr. Burgess asked why the hog show is in the afternoon instead of in the morning when the weather is cooler, and Mr. Halley said he's learning that there are some things that people don't want to change when it comes to the fair. Mr. Stone commented that it might be difficult for the kids to get the hogs washed if they had to show them in the morning because some of them have two or three.

Mr. Halley added that there would be no dogs allowed in the livestock barn next year, and they plan to make sure everything is up-to-date on their Facebook page. Lastly, Mr. Halley asked the Board to allow his son to join a 4-H Club in Lincoln County and participate in the Lincoln County Fair since they live in Morgan County, and the two fairs run consecutively. After a brief discussion, Mr. Burgess made a motion to allow Robin Halley's son to join a 4-H Club in Lincoln County and participate in the Lincoln County Fair. Mr. Stone seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

After Mr. Halley left, Mr. Schifferns called for commissioner reports. Mr. Stone reported checking roads south of Karval on November 2. He talked to Rick Ashcraft about a new road grader on November 4 and went with him on the afternoon of the Sixth to check roads and the bridges southwest of Karval. He signed the papers for the new grader and said they would

trade one in and put a \$50,000 down-payment on the new one. They've also been blading roads and repairing bridges in District 3.

Mr. Schifferns reported checking roads on the morning of November 5. He had a call on the Sixth about the length of the merging lane on I-70 again. The caller asked him to contact CDOT. Mr. Schifferns also talked with Chris Monks about putting dirt in the roundhouse. Mr. Burgess said he sent a couple of employees to help with the project.

Mr. Burgess reported getting a call from Chris Monks on October 31. They found more damage on the Mack truck, including the fuel tank, while it was in the paint shop. Mr. Burgess told Chris to make sure and keep track of all the costs so they could bill the insurance company. They ordered a new truck with delivery sometime in March. Mr. Burgess got a call about blowing snow on County Roads 35 and 3X on November 1. On November 4, Mr. Burgess came to Hugo to show Chris Monks what they'd talked about regarding the roundhouse. He got a bid on a new Case IHC tractor and asked Mike Vaughn to place the order. Mr. Burgess talked with Ralph Bell about road millings next year and agreed to meet with him later to discuss it further. Dan Hendricks called Mr. Burgess on November 5 to ask about the courthouse carpet project, and Mr. Burgess asked him to call Mr. Piper to set up a time to meet with the Board. Mr. Burgess took a call regarding the trench around the Rocky Mountain Crane site in Genoa that he spoke with Land Use Administrator Fred Lundy about the following day. The adjacent landowner had concerns about the trench they dug around his property. Mr. Burgess attended the Council of Governments meeting in Stratton on November 6 as well, where he learned that Gary Beedy no longer wanted to be on the board. On November 7, Mr. Burgess attended the Baby Bear Hugs meeting. He also talked with landfill personnel about a short in the Gator and went to Hugo to meet with Kevin Stansbury. Lastly, Mr. Burgess called Mr. Piper to discuss a former employee's pension plan.

Mr. Piper reported that it appeared the new phone system for the county would be much cheaper than he originally budgeted. He explained some of the features and said it should be a much better system. He also spoke with the janitor about cleaning the annex. She didn't think it would take enough time to move her to a forty-hour week, but she might have to add a couple of hours. Mr. Piper said he'd informed the party currently doing the cleaning there.

The Clerk's office received information from the accounting vendor that the county would likely have to upgrade the new software if the commissioners wanted to add the loan option on the 457 plan. Mr. Piper said that the department heads asked him to put together some training regarding county benefits sometime next year. He also felt the commissioners might want to add the ROTH option onto the 457 plan but felt that the accounting system should be able to handle another deduction.

There was no old business to discuss, but Mr. Stone asked if the others received an email from Representative Kimmi Lewis. There is a meeting at the depot on November 13 regarding the reintroduction of wolves into Colorado that she would like the commissioners to attend.

11:58 a.m. The next meeting will be at 1:00 p.m. on N	,
Corinne M. Lengel, Clerk to the Board	Ed E. Schifferns, Chairman

### Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County Agenda for November 18, 2019

- 1:00 Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance
- 1:30 Kevin Stansbury, Lincoln Community Hospital CEO, to present the preliminary Hospital 2020 Budget
- 2:30 Wayne Shade, Lincoln County Weed Control Coordinator, to discuss weed control matters
  - 1. Approve the minutes from the November 8, 2019 meeting
  - 2. Review October, 2019, reports from the County Assessor, County Clerk & Recorder, County Sheriff, and County Treasurer
  - 3. Review the October, 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
  - 4. Review the October, 2019, reports from the Colorado Counties Casualty and Property Pool and the County Workers' Compensation Pool
  - 5. Review a request from the 18<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Juvenile Services Planning Committee regarding the Lincoln County Commissioners' recommendation for the 2020 Committee Members
  - 6. Discuss a potential resolution regarding banning the introduction of wolves into Lincoln County
  - 7. Review the preliminary 2020 Lincoln County Budget
  - 8. County Commissioner reports
  - 9. County Attorney's report
  - 10. County Administrator's report
  - 11. Old Business
  - 12. New Business

The Board of Lincoln County Commissioners met at 1:00 p.m. on November 18, 2019. The following attended: Chairman Ed E. Schifferns, Commissioner Steve Burgess, County Administrator Jacob Piper, County Attorney Stan Kimble, and Clerk to the Board Corinne M. Lengel. Commissioner Doug Stone was absent and excused, and Juliet Lundy with the Eastern Colorado Plainsman/Limon Leader attended until approximately 3:00 p.m.

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

Mr. Burgess made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on November 8, 2018, as submitted. Mr. Schifferns seconded the motion, which carried.

The Board reviewed the October 2019 reports from the Assessor, Clerk and Recorder, Sheriff, and Treasurer. Also reviewed were the October 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.

At 1:30 p.m., Lincoln Community Hospital CEO Kevin Stansbury, and CFO Angela Kobel, met with the Board to present the preliminary 2020 hospital budget. Hospital board members Gary Ensign, Jack Cross, and Greg King, as well as LCH Chief Operating Officer and Nursing Home Administrator Erika Saffer, attended the discussion as well. Although the operating budget might change slightly, Mr. Stansbury said that what the commissioners had before them should be very close to the final budget. They plan to raise prices by five percent and expect a two percent increase overall in contractual adjustments. Mr. Burgess asked if they intended to offer a salary increase to employees, and Mr. Stansbury responded that their hope was to give an additional five percent. With that in mind, Mr. Stansbury asked if the commissioners would consider raising the hospital's allotted mill levy from 2.5 to 3 mills. Mr. Burgess said the way he understood state statute, the county could give up to three mills without a vote of the people, but anything higher would require an election. Mr. Kimble asked about the loan repayment since it was supposed to equate to half a mill. Mr. Burgess said the hospital would still make the loan payment with the extra half a mill.

Mr. Stansbury went on to say that priorities for 2020 included fixing the Electronic Health Record, developing a Strategic Financial Plan, and growth.

Lastly, Mr. Stansbury referred to a letter regarding a request to meet with the Department of Human Services concerning paperwork completion.

After the group left, the Board reviewed the October 2019 reports from the Colorado Counties Casualty and Property Pool and the County Workers' Compensation Pool. Mr. Piper said he'd submitted the remaining claims for the sheriff's office vehicle, but in the meantime, one of the DHS employees hit a deer. Mr. Burgess said they'd still need to send in the claims for the truck in District 2 also.

The Board reviewed a request from the 18<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Juvenile Services Planning Committee regarding the commissioners' recommendation for the 2020 committee members. Mr. Burgess made a motion to appoint Andrew Lorensen to the committee. Mr. Schifferns seconded the motion, which carried.

Mr. Burgess asked if they needed to wait for Mr. Stone to discuss the potential resolution to ban the introduction of wolves into Lincoln County since he'd gone to that meeting. Mr. Piper asked if any other county had drafted a resolution yet that they could mirror. Mr. Kimble said he'd check into it.

The Board reviewed the preliminary 2020 Lincoln County budget until 2:30 p.m. when Weed Coordinator Wayne Shade arrived for his appointment. Mr. Shade informed the group he planned to retire and had enough leave time to get him through March. He said that his replacement, if not already a qualified supervisor, should at least be a qualified operator. Mr. Burgess asked if he'd be willing to help train his replacement, and Mr. Shade said he planned to leave right after Thanksgiving but would be back in Colorado by the first of April. Since they would need bids for chemicals before the first of the year, Mr. Burgess told Mr. Shade he'd get with him to see what they needed.

The discussion returned to the 2020 budget after Mr. Shade left. When Mr. Burgess said they'd have to find half a mill for the hospital, Mr. Piper suggested it would make the most sense to take it from the General Fund.

Mr. Schifferns called for commissioner reports and said he'd checked roads on November 9. On the Eleventh, he visited with Chris Monks about the dirt work at the roundhouse. He spoke with Mr. Monks again on November 15 about delivering some dirt and about road signs. Earlier this morning, Mr. Schifferns attended the Eastern TPR meeting in Limon.

Mr. Burgess reported going by the landfill on November 8 to look at the enclosed work area. John Mohan was also there to get some ideas on how to proceed. On November 11, Mr. Burgess participated in a Baby Bear Hugs conference call. They discussed the budget for the coming year. Mr. Burgess took the pickup that Wayne Shade had back to Genoa on November 12. He also met with Land Use Administrator Fred Lundy and District 2 road foreman Bruce Walters about gravel pits. He and the three road foremen met with Colorado Barricade at the county shop to discuss new road signs. He also got a call from the Ford dealer in Greeley that their new pickup was in even though he didn't think they'd even ordered it yet. On November 13, Mr. Burgess attended the economic development meeting at Mountain View Electric and the wolf introduction meeting at the fairgrounds. Bruce Walters took the Mack truck to Denver so they could perform the warranty work on the clutch and later called Mr. Burgess to inform him that the old Mack truck shelled out the turbo. Mr. Burgess met with Weed Coordinator Wayne Shade that afternoon. He also let Gini Pingenot with CTSI know about the health care and wolf introduction issues. Mr. Burgess attended the Centennial Mental Health meeting in Fort Morgan on November 14. He also went to the hospital board meeting that night, where he asked Gary Ensign and Linda Orrell if they would stay on the board.

Both Steve Beedy and Linda Orrell also agreed to remain on the tourism board. On November 15, Mr. Burgess talked to John Palmer about getting orange fencing for the roundhouse the weekend the Big Boy locomotive comes through town. Mr. Palmer said he'd lay out three rolls for them. Mr. Burgess also contacted the company that is seeding and mulching the Flagler project. On November 16, Mr. Burgess picked up a contract for proposed transmission lines, checked roads north of Arriba and Genoa, and went to Denver to pick up parts for the Mack truck. Earlier this morning, Mr. Burgess attended the Eastern TPR meeting in Limon. He also talked to John Mohan, who will help prepare the roundhouse for this weekend's event. Lastly, Mr. Burgess said that the net profit of the hospital Diamonds and Denim event was \$38,710.

Mr. Kimble reported that he'd nothing new on the road agreement discussed at the last meeting he'd attended, but something was supposed to happen this week. He planned to attend the county attorney conference on Thursday and Friday and said he hoped to meet with the hospital and oil and gas attorneys. Land Use Administrator Fred Lundy forwarded a Mission Change White Paper from the Oil and Gas Commission to Mr. Kimble, who said he'd look it over. He said he was also interested in discussions about jail medical liability at his upcoming conference.

Mr. Piper reported that the backflow repair for the sprinklers didn't work, so the company said they wouldn't charge for it. John Mohan thought it would hold until next year, but Mr. Burgess asked Mr. Piper to make sure of that. He said it could end up costing a lot more than the estimated \$6,000 to fix it if something else happened.

There was no old or new business to discuss, so Mr. Schifferns adjourned the meeting at 3:36 p.m. The next meeting will be at 9:00 a.m. on November 27, 2019.

Corinne M. Lengel. Clerk to the Board	Ed E. Schifferns, Chairman

### Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County Agenda for November 27, 2019

- 9:00 Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance
- 9:30 Ronny Farmer LLC, to review the 2018 Lincoln County Audited Financial Statements
- 10:00 Patricia Phillips, Human Services Director, to present the Department of Human Services monthly report
- 10:30 Jobeth Mills, Public Health Director, to present the October 2019 Public Health Agency's monthly report
- 11:00 Robin Halley, CSU Extension Director, to discuss personnel matters
  - 1. Approve the minutes from the November 18, 2019 meeting
  - 2. Approve payroll and expense vouchers
  - 3. Review the monthly management report from the First National Bank of Omaha
  - 4. Review and act upon Resolution Number 998, a resolution concerning wolf management in Colorado
  - 5. Discuss meeting dates for 2020
  - 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 November 27, 2019. The following attended: Chairman Ed E. Schifferns (until 1:53 p.m.), Commissioners Steve Burgess and Doug Stone, County Administrator Jacob Piper, County Attorney Stan Kimble, and Clerk to the Board Corinne M. Lengel.

Vice-chairman Burgess called the meeting to order and asked County Auditor Ronny Farmer to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Board approved the November payroll until Mr. Schifferns arrived at 9:10 a.m.

Mr. Farmer reviewed the 2018 Lincoln County Audited Financial Statements, stating that Mr. Piper submitted the paperwork to the State Auditor by the September 30 deadline. He commented that if the county were to miss that deadline, the commissioners wouldn't be able to request a two-month extension from the state auditor's office the following year. Mr. Farmer hoped that the hospital would be timelier with its submissions in the future, which would alleviate cutting it so closely.

Mr. Farmer briefly discussed the county's retirement plan and Net Pension Liability, informing the Board that the latter was not a legal requirement for the audit. Reflecting the liability in the financial statements basically puts the county "upside-down" by \$3.3 million. He added that the actuary didn't cover the deferred cash-in flow or deferred cash-out flow, so the county's answer to a question by the state auditor if asked, would be that the actuary didn't include the information in the audit. Mr. Farmer also said that the fund balance should be one-third of the expenditures, and the county is in excellent financial condition. The General Fund has enough cash to operate for eighteen months. The Road & Bridge Fund could function for eight months, with no income. In his years performing audits for Lincoln County, Mr. Farmer said the county has always done a good job with budgeting.

Mr. Piper asked if the fund balance were still too high in the Public Health Fund. Mr. Farmer responded that the county would be better off to lower the mill levy as much as possible or do away with it altogether. He stated that they didn't have to have a mill levy to support the fund, as they could transfer money from the General Fund to prop it up if necessary.

Mr. Kimble asked about the GASB concerns Mr. Farmer had when he'd met with the Board previously, but Mr. Farmer said they were no longer issues.

All leases will have to be capitalized in 2021, so Mr. Farmer suggested that small equipment leases such as copiers or the postage machine were immaterial and better left undisclosed at that point. Since the county doesn't lease heavy equipment, capitalizing shouldn't be a problem.

Before leaving, Mr. Farmer said he had no other concerns with the 2018 audit. He left a letter of responsibilities and an engagement letter for future services.

Mr. Stone made a motion to approve an engagement letter with rfarmer, LLC, to perform audits for the next three years. Mr. Burgess seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mr. Burgess made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on November 18, 2019, as submitted. Mr. Schifferns seconded the motion, which carried.

The Board reviewed the monthly management report from the First National Bank of Omaha.

At 10:00 a.m., Human Services Director Patricia Phillips met with the Board to give her monthly report. The commissioners reviewed the financials, employee timesheets, and the Income Maintenance, Child Welfare, and director's reports. Mrs. Phillips said it was also time to sign the annual Merit System Certification.

Mr. Burgess made a motion to approve the CDHS Certification of Compliance – Year 2020 County Personnel and Merit System. Mr. Stone seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

At 10:30 a.m., Public Health Director Jobeth Mills met with the Board to give her monthly report. She asked if anyone knew about the Mobile Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) unit, and then explained that it was a state-funded mobile behavioral health project. Since there hadn't been much information about it, Mrs. Mills said he wanted to hold a stakeholder meeting sometime in January.

After Mrs. Mills left, Mr. Burgess made a motion to adopt a resolution concerning wolf management in Colorado. 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 November 27, 2019, there were present:

Ed Schifferns, 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 #998** It was moved by Commissioner Burgess and seconded by Commissioner Stone to adopt the following resolution:

## A RESOLUTION CONCERNING WOLF MANAGEMENT IN COLORADO

WHEREAS, Lincoln County residents and visitors enjoy abundant outdoor recreational opportunities, especially viewing, photographing and hunting Colorado's big game; and

**WHEREAS**, these outdoor recreational activities and livestock production are two of the primary components of the Colorado economy, and are a major contributor to the economic and social wellbeing of Lincoln County; and

**WHEREAS**, predation by wolves of wildlife and domestic livestock is a serious problem that Colorado shouldn't invite, encourage or accept; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to the negative economic and social impacts of wolf reintroduction, wolves pose a danger to the physical health of household pets and people due to predation and the transmission of diseases; and

WHEREAS, ongoing private efforts to reintroduce wolves into Colorado are unnecessary based upon the scientific input from the federal and state agencies tasked with managing wildlife populations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission passed Resolution 16-01 opposing the intentional release of any wolves into Colorado

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County:

- **A.** The Board opposes any efforts to introduce or expand the populations of wolves into Colorado; and
- **B.** The Board supports the position taken by the Colorado Parks and Wildlife in its Resolution 16-01; and
- C. The Board supports delisting of all wolf species under the Endangered Species Act to allow management of wolves at the state and local levels; and
- **D.** The Board requests that any federal or state wolf management plans include funding to offset the negative impacts of wolves on livestock, wildlife management, hunting and other adversely affected sectors of local economies; and
- **E.** The Board supports efforts to include a requirement that any publicly funded or sponsored wolf education programs include comprehensive and balanced discussions about the impacts of wolves on local economies, and include the perspective of livestock producers, hunters, and public health officials.

Upon roll call the vote was:

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

The Chairman declared the motion carried and so ordered.

	of Lincoln County
ATTEST:	
Clerk of the Board	

CSU Extension Director Robin Halley met with the Board at 11:00 a.m. He stated that Bill Noble wanted him to change the Program Assistant to a CSU position, but Mr. Halley felt he could restructure the office enough to alleviate some of the excessive comp time. It would mean splitting duties and responsibilities more, which he didn't think would be a problem. The commissioners told him to see what he could do and to let them know if it didn't work out.

The group discussed meeting dates for 2020, and then Mr. Burgess gave his commissioner report. He attended the Resources Unlimited meeting on November 19 and also spoke with Mary Andersen about the Big Boy train crew. John Mohan put up a temporary fence at the roundhouse. Mr. Burgess had a conversation with Land Use Administrator Fred Lundy about setback requirements for transmission lines and spoke with Bruce Walters about an employee who might have to go on FMLA. Due to their support of the county fair, the Limon Leader/Eastern Colorado Plainsman would like the opportunity to print the fair books in the future. Mr. Stone said the fair board already voted to use the Ranchland News again next year.

On November 20, Mr. Burgess talked with Bruce Walters about the employee not qualifying for FMLA, since he hadn't worked for the county for a year. Chris Monks called him about the 2W project. Mr. Burgess attended the PDC meeting; they've approved a loan for the new bakery in Limon. Elbert County has a new business between Matheson and Simla, where they are making medical supplies. Their goal is to hire 200 employees by their second year of operation.

Mr. Burgess came to the courthouse on November 21 and met with John Mohan, Dan Hendricks, Melody from Hugo Lumber, and the representative from the carpet company. Mr. Burgess and Mr. Piper participated in a conference call regarding the District Attorney's budget on November 22. The increase for Lincoln County would be approximately \$6,000. On November 23, Mr. Burgess picked up the Outback bus. He transported people from Limon to Hugo to the roundhouse on November 24. Mr. Burgess returned the bus on November 25 and also met with other representatives regarding the carpet replacement in the courthouse. He and Mr. Piper listened to the NWS conference call regarding the winter storm coming into the county on Tuesday and discussed putting the facility on a two-hour delay. Mr. Burgess and Bruce Walters also went to Denver to pick up the Mack truck. On November 26, Mr. Burgess worked on the bid specifications for chemicals for the weed department.

Mr. Stone reported checking roads east of Karval on November 11. On the Twelfth, he attended the fair board meeting. There will be changes in weight classes, they set the weigh-in dates, and they've introduced new record books for the 4-H contestants. Two rodeo contractors would like to bid on the 2020 rodeo. Mr. Stone attended a "Stop the Wolf Coalition" meeting on November 13. They asked for the commissioners to support them by signing a letter or adopting a resolution. On November 14, Mr. Stone went with Rick Ashcraft to check the roads where they wanted to put down some millings. A resident called him about extending Leland Street in Karval. He later met with the party but said the county wouldn't do the work. Mr. Stone spoke with Rick Ashcraft on November 19 and stopped by the shop on the Twentieth. On November 22, Mr. Stone checked roads west of State Road 71, and he talked with Mr. Ashcraft again on November 25. They started hauling the millings from Arriba and were preparing for the storm.

Mr. Schifferns reported speaking with a resident about eminent domain on November 20. He talked to Mr. Burgess about the courthouse carpet on November 21, and checked roads on the Twenty-third. Mr. Schifferns went to see the Big Boy train on November 24 and spoke with Chris Monks and Mr. Piper about the impending storm on November 25.

Mr. Kimble reported that the attorneys' conference he attended in Fort Collins was worthwhile. They discussed the Red Flag law going into effect in January, and Mr. Kimble said he would need to work with the sheriff on how to enforce it. The new Oil & Gas Commissioner attended the conference, and Mr. Kimble said he was a former county attorney who wants to give locals more authority. Mr. Kimble felt that the county should still work on adopting oil and gas regulations. Mr. Stone mentioned that there were several concerns with abandonment, and Mr. Kimble agreed, stating that it was difficult to locate some of the old wells.

Mr. Kimble said he spoke with the Sedgwick and Moffat County hospital attorneys. Sedgwick County passed a sales tax, and Moffat County was attempting to get a \$30 million loan. Both hospitals got rid of their CEOs.

Lastly, Mr. Kimble discussed the transmission lines for the NEREO wind farm project, reminding the commissioners that if the company applies, the commissioners' role is quasi-judicial. Mr. Burgess commented that there are no regulations for setbacks in the transmission line regulations, but everyone thought there were. Land Use Administrator Fred Lundy was called in but said the resolution he found did not include setbacks. Mr. Kimble suggested adopting a resolution imposing a moratorium on any applications received concerning Article 3 in the zoning resolution. He stated it would give them time to do further research and allow the Land Use Board to meet if necessary. Mr. Kimble said he would go back to his office and put something together for the commissioners to adopt later in the afternoon.

Mr. Piper gave the administrator's report, stating that he'd researched the hospital mill levy and learned that it dropped from 3 mills to 2.5 in 2004. He asked the Board if they wanted to move it back to 3 mills, which the commissioners agreed to do. After speaking with Ronny Farmer earlier, the Board decided to drop the Public Health budget to a quarter of a mill. Mr.

Piper asked what he should do with the remainder, and the commissioners agreed it should go back to the General Fund.

Mr. Piper asked what the commissioners decided about the Emergency Manager/EPR Coordinator position since Ken Stroud asked them to make the EM position full-time. After some discussion, the Board agreed to leave the job as is: half EPR, half EM.

Mr. Schifferns called for old business, and Mr. Burgess asked what they planned to do for a vehicle. Mr. Stone said after further consideration, he believed they could make do with the van, and the group agreed to table the discussion.

As for new business, Mr. Stone said that someone was putting up a new oil well two miles west of Karval.

The commissioners approved the rest of the November payroll and expenditures and then went to look at the carpet that needed replacing.

At 2:45 p.m., Land Use Administrator Fred Lundy joined the meeting. Mr. Burgess took over as chair, and Mr. Stone made a motion to adopt a resolution imposing a three-month moratorium on the acceptance of applications concerning Article 3 of the Lincoln County Zoning Resolution. Mr. Burgess seconded the motion, which carried.

At a regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County, Colorado held in Hugo, Colorado on November 27, 2019, there were present:

Ed Schifferns, Chairman

Steve Burgess, Vice Chairman

Douglas D. Stone, Commissioner

Stan Kimble, County Attorney

Corinne Lengel, Clerk of the Board

Jacob Piper, County Administrator

Absent & Excused

Present

Present

Present

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

**RESOLUTION #999** It was moved by Commissioner Stone and seconded by Commissioner Burgess to adopt the following resolution:

A RESOLUTION TO IMPOSE A THREE MONTH MORATORIUM ON THE ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATIONS CONCERNING THE LINCOLN COUNTY ZONING RESOLUTION ARTICLE 3, USE BY SPECIAL REVIEW PROCEDURES, DIVISION 2, APPROVAL STANDARDS AND CRITERIA FOR USES BY SPECIAL REVIEW, SECTION 3-220, ADDITIONAL STANDARDS, H., STANDARDS FOR REGULATION OF THE CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION LINES

- **WHEREAS**, on or about November 8, 2017, the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners did adopt Resolution Number 948, adopting standards for the regulation of the construction and operation of electric transmission lines; and
- **WHEREAS**, Section H,4., <u>Design Standards for Transmission Lines</u>, addressed setbacks applicable as to any new construction of a transmission line; and
- **WHEREAS**, due to concerns raised by local electric utility companies, no setbacks were established as to how far the proposed transmission lines would be from a residence; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners wishes to explore regulations, or amended regulations, which would protect both the applicant, landowner, and electric utilities;
- **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County:
- Section 1. Implementation of Temporary Moratorium on the acceptance and consideration of applications for permits seeking permission to construct an electric transmission line.

Upon the adoption of this resolution, a moratorium shall be enforced for three (3) months from the date of this Resolution, unless sooner rescinded or extended by the Board. The moratorium shall be imposed upon applications submitted under Article 3, Use by Special Review Procedures, Division 2, approval standards and criteria for uses by special review, Section 3-220, additional standards, H. standards for regulation of the construction and operation of electric transmission lines.

- **Section 2**. **Effective dates of the moratorium.** The moratorium imposed herein shall continue up to and through three (3) months, unless sooner rescinded or unless extended.
- Section 3. Staff to Investigate and Prepare Proposed Regulations. Before the expiration of the moratorium, the County staff and relevant Board committees shall carefully review the possibility of imposing reasonable setbacks concerning the distance between the proposed transmission line and county residences, while also considering the impact such setbacks may have on electric utility companies and the applicant. Such investigations shall be completed promptly and with due diligence. If directed to do so by the Board, the County Attorney and County Staff shall prepare appropriate new regulations with respect to such uses for consideration by the County Land Board and / or the Board of Commissioners.
- **Section 4. Police Power Finding.** The Board of Commissioners hereby finds, determines, and declares that an emergency exists and that this resolution is immediately necessary and proper to provide for the safety, preserve the health,

promote the prosperity, and improve the order, comfort, and convenience of the inhabitants of unincorporated Lincoln County.

**Section 5. Authority.** The Board of Commissioners hereby finds, determines, and declares that it has the power to adopt this Resolution and temporary moratorium pursuant to: (1) the Local Government Land Use Control Enabling Act, §29-20-101 C.R.S., et seq, and other relevant statutes.

**Section 6. Severability.** If any section, subsection, or clause of this Resolution shall be deemed to be unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, the validity of the remaining sections, subsections, and clauses shall not be affected thereby.

Upon roll call the vote was:

Commissioner Burgess, Yes; Commissioner Stone, Yes.

The Chairman declared the motion carried and so ordered.

Corinne M. Lengel, Clerk to the Board

	Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County	
ATTEST:		
Corinne M. Lengel, Clerk to the Board		
With no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Burgess adjourned the meeting at 2:55 p.m. The next meeting will be at 9:00 a.m. on December 5, 2019.		

Ed E. Schifferns, Chairman