

March 10, 2008

The Board of Linn County Commission met in regular session at 9:00 AM in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Linn County Courthouse Annex, Mound City, Kansas. Those present were Jason Sabine, Chairman; Herb Pemberton, Vice Chairman; Mike Page, Member; David Lamb, County Clerk; and Gary Thompson, County Counselor. Herb Pemberton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Herb Pemberton moved to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting as printed. Mike Page seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Mike Page moved to approve the following add/abate/refund orders: 2007-200 thru 202. Herb Pemberton seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

The Commission reviewed the YTD Park Report for February 2008.

The Clerk informed the Commission that he has sent in the request for the CDBG Grant funds for the 2 new tanker trucks. The money will be deposited in our account and we will write the check to the supplier, so we will need to amend this year's Fire Dept. budget for the amount of the grant.

The Clerk read a letter from Jayhawk Linn thanking Doug Barlet and Dave Striegel for their participation in Career Day.

Doug Barlet stated that all Firefighters have completed their NIMS training. Barlet also reported that a Firefighter was injured on a call yesterday and will be off work for 4 to 6 weeks.

At 9:13 AM the Commission went to the old courtroom to greet the students for County Government Day. At 9:37 AM the Commission returned to the Commission room.

Herb Pemberton moved to approve a permit to bury a 6" gas line requested by KEBO O&G, Inc. located at Botkin Road and 700 Road. Mike Page seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Donna Thomas presented 3 KDHE grant applications for Commission signatures. The requested amount of these grants is \$25,479.00. Thomas also stated that she should receive a total of \$74,981.00 in grant money for the year. Mike Page moved to allow the Chairman to sign the grant applications. Herb Pemberton seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Thomas also asked the Commission to sign an agreement for use of the 4-H Building for emergencies. Jason Sabine moved to sign the agreement for the use of the 4-H Building. Herb Pemberton seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Rick Porter, Lake Region RC&D presented the 2007 Annual Report and the 2008 Work Plan. Porter also discussed a grant program for the Marais des Cygnes River Basin and the objectives for that project.

The Government Day students introduced themselves.

Gary Thompson informed the Commission that Mel Bolling has several Building Permit applications, but she has not been authorized to issue the permits. Jason Sabine moved to authorize Mel Bolling to issue Building Permits for interim period until we have a Zoning Administrator or County Engineer. Herb Pemberton seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

The Clerk informed the Commission that Tom Job from KCAMP presented a memorandum concerning uninsured/underinsured motorist coverage and information on historical property insurance. Job recommends rejecting the increased uninsured/underinsured motorist coverage. Herb Pemberton moved to allow Chairman to sign the rejection of higher limits. Mike Page seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. The historical property insurance would provide additional coverage for buildings that are listed on the State or National Historical Registry. We would have to have properties appraised to see what it would

cost to restore a building to original condition. Mr. Job told the Clerk that it could cost 8 to 10 times as much to insure the Courthouse with this type of coverage. The Commission asked the Clerk to see what it would cost to have the Courthouse appraised and to see if there are other County buildings that would qualify for this type of coverage.

Herb Pemberton moved to approve the following pays/special pays: General, \$198,750.91; Employee Benefit, \$3,197.60; Appraiser, \$1,723.00; Rural Fire, \$8,714.04; Road and Bridge, \$53,276.55; Law Enforcement Trust, \$35.40; 911 Telephone Tax, \$3,356.16; Health Dept., \$1,215.55; Crime Victim Assist., \$192.20; and Elderly, \$3,482.81. Mike Page seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Gary Thompson discussed a budget amendment for Road & Bridge for the power plant dam road. KCPL plans on paying us \$215,000.00 for repairing the road and then we would pay the suppliers. We could include that amendment with the Fire Dept. budget amendment. Jason Sabine also discussed using the FEMA reimbursement for additional road rock for each district.

The Commission reminded the audience that there is a special meeting tonight with Republican Central Committee at 8:00 PM at Bunker Hill. The Clerk informed the Commission that Pleasanton Mayor Tim Staton has requested a special meeting with the Commission on Wednesday at 6:00 PM at Pleasanton City Hall. Jason Sabine moved to schedule a special meeting at 6:00 PM Wednesday at Pleasanton City Hall to discuss the new airstrip. Mike Page seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

At 10:34 AM the Chairman asked for public comment. Fred Kautt commented on the road districts and the amount of roads in each district. Kautt also discussed the 911 system.

The Commission thanked the students for coming today.

At 10:41 AM Jason Sabine moved to take a break until 11:00 AM. Mike Page seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

At 11:03 AM the Commission opened bids for Noxious Weed Chemicals. The Commission wants to discuss the bids with Noxious Weed Director John Maloney next week.

The Commission discussed items needed to finish the La Cygne Fire Station. It will cost approximately \$6,000.00 for the materials for the electrical work. The Commission also discussed heaters for the office and training areas of the station and an exhaust fan for the truck bay area. The Commission agreed to inform Doug Barlet to go ahead with the electrical work at the Fire Station.

Dr. Allen presented plans for the new clinic in Pleasanton. Dr. Allen discussed the usage of the clinic from all areas of the County and surrounding areas. Dr. Allen also discussed the types of procedures they are planning in the new clinic. Dr. Allen stated that he is not here asking for money, but if the County is going to subsidize medical care, we should subsidize all providers in the County.

With nothing further on the agenda Mike Page moved to adjourn until 8:00 PM Monday, March 10, 2008. Herb Pemberton seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Attest:

Commission Chair

County Clerk