

THE JULY TERM HELD ON THE 14TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2015

The County Commission convened at 9:05 a.m., pursuant to adjournment on September 8, 2015. Present: Dan Colbert-Presiding Commissioner, Eugene Galloway- Associate Commissioner District 1, Matt Bass-Associate Commissioner District 2, and Brenda O'Brien, Deputy County Clerk, the following proceedings were held:

Invocation given by Commissioner Bass.

Highway Department: Bruce Wallace & Don Lilley

- General maintenance issues were discussed.
- Training provided by LTAP has been scheduled for Thursday, October 1st at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds.
- Discussed the need for a big roller to replace the current unit.

Maintenance Staff: Sam Clary, Randy Siebert, and Bryan Clary

- General maintenance issues and work orders were discussed.

Unfinished/New Business

- Betty Cox inquired if the final decision had been made on the Emergency Management Director position. Mrs. Cox stated that her son, Dane Colbert, is a highly qualified candidate. Commissioner Colbert informed Mrs. Cox that the position has not yet been filled.

911 Director, Margie Harrell

- Harrell presented the Commission a report of call volume and warrants per entity for 2015.
- RHSOC Grants were scored and funding was decided last week. Lincoln County Fire received \$48,000 for the mobile command trailer and the Lincoln County Health Department received \$7,500.00 for the sustainment of the salamander badging system.
- Nixle will be tested with the new google voice phone number on September 23rd.
- Harrell will contact Chief Mike Cherry regarding possible discussion of the siren warning system at the next Chief's meeting.

Joel Eisenstein

- Commissioner Bass made a motion to go into closed session to discuss legal and personnel matters. Commissioner Galloway second. A roll call vote was taken, all ayes to enter closed session. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Bass made a motion to leave closed session. Commissioner Galloway second. A roll call vote was taken, all ayes to leave closed session. Motion carried. While in closed session, the following votes were had: Commissioner Bass made a motion to hire Emma Epplin-Birdsell as the Emergency Management Director with an annual salary of \$52,000.00. Commissioner Colbert second. A roll call vote was taken, the ayes carried two to zero. Commissioner Galloway abstained from the vote. Commissioner Galloway made a motion to promote Kim Biondo to Flood Plain Manager and increase her salary to \$35,000. Biondo will continue to report to the Emergency Management Director. Commissioner Bass second. A roll call vote was taken, the ayes carried three to zero.

Unfinished/New Business

- The Commission signed a proclamation declaring the week of October 4-10, 2015 as National 4-H Week in Lincoln County.

There being no other business before County Commission at this time, the meeting thereupon was adjourned until Tuesday, September 15, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

Crystal M. Hall
County Clerk

Daniel H. Colbert
Presiding Commissioner

EuGene Galloway
Associate Commissioner District I

Matt Bass
Associate Commissioner District II