

Lincoln County Study Commission Approved Minutes September 8, 2016

Due to technical difficulties, the meeting was called to order at 5:36 PM by Chairman Steve Curtiss. Those present by video conferencing were Study Commission members Steve Curtiss, Bobbie Stoken, Bonnie Larson, and visitor Robert Mast. Study Commission members Josh Letcher and Rita Windom called in due to recent surgeries.

The minutes of the August 18th meeting were read and upon motion by Bonnie, seconded by Rita, it was unanimous the minutes should be accepted as written.

Steve then asked Bonnie about any communication from legal counsel. She reported one source as saying, "He is surprised that our County Commissions need any document from the Study Commission instead of just correcting the wrong themselves".

Discussion then followed concerning what process we wish to use to move forward. Bobbie presented what she had organized in terms of sequence of emails and actions done by the County Commissioners, MA CO, and the election side of the Clerk and Recorder's office in 2009. It was suggested that a packet of this information be given to each of the current County Commissioners prior to being on the agenda for a meeting where we present our resolution. It was agreed that only two members should present the resolution to avoid having a quorum present.

Discussion followed on the writing of the resolution, including how, when, and by whom it should be written. Rita said she believes we should include "A Finding of Fact" which would list the following:

1. Lincoln County is under the Elected Official Form of county government
2. We must have partisan elections under this form of government
3. Packet with copies of the correspondence that led to the error in 2009