

March 23, 2011

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met for a regular session on March 23, 2011, in the Lincoln County Courthouse. Present are Commissioner Tony Berget, Commissioner Ron Downey, Executive Assistant Bill Bischoff and Clerk and Recorder Tammy Lauer. Commissioner Marianne Roose is on vacation.

10:00 AM: Commissioner Berget **opened the meeting** with the Pledge of Allegiance.

10:00 AM: **Mel Parker:** Mel is dealing with the EPA on property by his. He is concerned about power poles that have recently been installed. He understood they were going to be buried. Mel wants the Commissioners to come to the site and see what he is talking about. Commissioner Berget and Commissioner Downey agreed to drive to the site tomorrow.

10:38 AM: The commissioners read the **minutes of the March 16, 2011, meeting**. Commissioner Downey moved to approve the minutes as written and it carried.

1:30 PM: **Nancy Trotter Higgins, County Treasurer:** Nancy has information for the Commissioners about taxes collected in years 09/10 and 10/11. She also has information on the investment and interest income for the years 09/10 and 10/11. The interest income is at half of what it was last year. Nancy talked about Mobile Homes that owe taxes but the Mobiles are gone. She is asking that the commissioners approve deleting these taxes because they are not collectable. Commissioner Downey moved to approve the deletion of the taxes on non-existing mobile homes and it carried. Nancy has a list of Real Property taxes that are 10 years or more delinquent. Nine of the properties on this list are for Glen Lake Irrigation. Nancy spoke to GLID and they stated that they have tried to collect these taxes for years and cannot collect and would like to see them deleted. Commissioner Downey moved to delete the GLID assessments on 8 properties and it carried. The ninth property will be voted on next week as Commissioner Berget had to excuse himself from the vote due to being related to the individual. Nancy gave a presentation on software from Black Mountain which allows taxes to appear on the website. She feels it would be a valuable asset to her department. Commissioner Downey moved to approve the purchase of the software and budgeting for it for the next fiscal year and it carried. Nancy also spoke to the commissioners about taking credit card payments for services in the courthouse. There have been many requests and she has spoken to other counties and it is working well for them. Commissioner Downey moved to allow Nancy to go forward with her study of this, chose the best program and come back with her recommendation. The motion carried. Nancy wanted to talk about a previous discussion of remodeling to move motor vehicle into her office. Commissioner Downey moved to go forward with the plan and work with Ken Boyd to get an estimate of the work to be done. The remodel will come from Building 1 and be budgeted for in the next fiscal year. The motion carried.

2:20 PM: Commissioner Downey moved to approve the **Resolution #852** which is the resolution designating Tammy Lauer, Lincoln County Clerk and Recorder as the Environmental Certifying Official to produce an Environmental Review Record for the new CDBG grant. The motion carried.

2:26 PM: **Resolution #853** is a resolution that Lincoln County Commissioners appropriates the sum of \$370,000 and directs the County Clerk and Recorder to allocate said amount. Commissioner Downey moved to approve the resolution and it carried.

2:40 PM: The Commissioners signed a **Finding of Exemption for all Project activities** addressed to Nancy Faroni Guccione at the Department of Commerce concerning the CDBG grant for the Revett Reload Facility.

2:50 PM: The Commissioners signed a **letter of Designation of Environmental Certifying Official** to Nancy Faroni Guccione at the Department of Commerce.

3:15 PM: The Commissioners went to a closed session to discuss **personnel issues**.

3:25 PM: The **meeting was adjourned**.

LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Tony Berget, Acting Chair

ATTEST: _____
Tammy D. Lauer, Clerk of the Board