

Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County
Agenda for June 29, 2015

9:00 Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance

9:00 Wayne Shade, Lincoln County Weed Coordinator, to discuss upgraded chemical injection spray equipment

1. Approve the minutes from the June 18, 2015, meeting
2. Review May, 2015, report from the County Sheriff
3. Appoint Tom Rush to replace Balyn Brent on the Arriba Cemetery Board
4. Old business
5. New business
6. Approve payroll and expense vouchers

The Board of Lincoln County Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. on June 29, 2015. The following attended: Chairman Greg King, Commissioners Doug Stone and Ed Schifferns, County Administrator Roxie Devers, Gary Ensign, and Clerk to the Board Corinne M. Lengel.

Chairman King called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance, and then Weed Coordinator Wayne Shade met with the Board to discuss upgraded chemical injection spray equipment. Mr. Shade provided a quote from Norstar Industries, Inc. and stated that they would give the county \$5,000 for trade in of the current 500 gallon injection skid, which would bring the price for a new unit to roughly \$35,000. He will obtain an exact quote once the commissioners decide if they want to pursue the purchase. Mr. King said he believed they should, the others agreed, and Mr. Shade will contact Norstar to begin the process. Mr. Shade commented that he is behind with spraying this season, due to the excessive moisture the county has received, but he hopes to catch up in the fall after the frost.

Mr. Stone made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on June 18, 2015, as submitted. Mr. Schifferns seconded the motion, which carried. Mr. King abstained since he was absent from that meeting.

The Board reviewed the May 2015 report from the County Sheriff, and then Mr. Schifferns made a motion to appoint Tom Rush to replace Balyn Brent on the Arriba Cemetery Board. Mr. Stone seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mr. King called for old business and Mr. Stone wanted to let him know that Monty Mattson had resigned. Mr. King asked if anyone had been hired but Mr. Stone said they would advertise for the position and the ad will come out in the papers this week.

Mr. Schifferns asked how the others felt about requiring that Human Services Director Colette Barksdale pay restitution to the county for the times she took a county vehicle to Glenwood Springs. Mr. King said he felt they should, and the others agreed. Since nothing could be found in the minutes from when Ms. Barksdale said past commissioners told her she could take a county vehicle to Glenwood Springs, Mr. King said he would like for those commissioners to sign a letter stating they hadn't given her permission. Ms. Devers said she would work on completing the cost analysis.

Mr. King said he'd read in the June 18 minutes that the group had discussed emergency lights and siren on the coroner vehicle and wondered if Coroner Andy Lorensen had made the purchase. Ms. Devers said she'd heard back from CTSI but would prefer to wait and discuss it when Mr. Kimble is present. Further discussion was tabled until the following day.

Ms. Devers said that Mr. Lorensen would like to have a new cell phone as he has been having problems with his and he doesn't believe he is getting all of his phone calls because he keeps getting strange messages. Mr. King said he'd been having issues with his phone also, and Ms. Devers and Mr. Schifferns agreed that they had as well. Mr. Schifferns said he believed it was a service problem, not a problem with the phone itself. The coroner's phone was purchased

approximately three years ago. Mr. Schifferns asked what kind it is or what Mr. Lorensen wants, and Ms. Devers said that he had asked for a “no frills” smart phone.

Victim Advocate Amy Seymour has also lost her department cell phone.

Mr. King called for new business and Mr. Stone said he would be handling paperwork and other things at the county shop each morning until someone is hired to replace Mr. Mattson. He will also be driving Monty’s pickup during the interim since he will be checking roads and would like to save the mileage on his personal vehicle.

There was time for commissioner reports, so Mr. Stone reported attending the county picnic on June 19 and that road crews had chip sealed three and a half miles of road on June 22. On June 23, he was informed that a culvert was eroding under a county road, so he called a member of the road crew to check on it. He also received a phone call from Jeff Newland from a neighboring county who was concerned with the shape of the roads the oil truck traffic has been on since harvest is coming up. Mr. Stone told him they are working on them. On the Twenty-fourth, Mr. Stone stopped by the shop and changed around some of his road crew and the areas they work in order to keep up with those roads better.

Mr. Schifferns reported checking roads on June 20. He noticed a car had gone off the road on County Road 63 and reported it to Chris Monks. They also discussed making sure the roads are taken care of before harvest and not during harvest, and running the mowers before grading. They were patching and sealing on June 22. Mr. Schifferns said he missed the hospital board meeting but talked with Chris earlier this morning and they are working on the hospital grounds now.

Mr. King reported attending the COG meeting on June 3 and the Centennial Mental Health meeting via conference call on June 11. They are considering changing the name of the organization to Centennial Health Partners. CMH is seeking more community involvement. Mr. King reported the emergency response time has improved significantly over the past year and passed around a report. They hope to break ground on the new Fort Morgan facility in July. On June 15, Mr. King attended the Lincoln County Economic Development meeting, stating that there has been no activity regarding the wind farm north of Arriba. The Lincoln County Tourism Board requested a \$500 contribution from LCEDC but LCEDC did not give the funds. Mr. King produced a guidebook for the Foreign Trade Zone and said Joe Kiely would undoubtedly go over things in detail the following day. They intend to set up a consulting board with one representative from the county, one from the town of Limon, and one from Lincoln County Economic Development. That board will be the intermediary between the FTZ and the land use board and will also be responsible for reviewing applications for the Foreign Trade Zone. On June 16, Mr. King attended the Resources Unlimited meeting. Becky Carter with Colorado East Community Action Agency said that Limon plans to put in a bid for the 2016 Rural Philanthropy Days. Melody Bolton reported that Job Services currently has twenty-two jobs listed, mostly in the wind energy field, and Julie Witt reported that Early Childhood Council received an \$11,000 grant from Temple-Buell. Elon Calkum reported they are re-purposing a couple of the rooms in

the care center at the hospital for showers, and that they are still considering leasing the weather station. Juliet Lundy reported on the Open House Art Gala in Limon on August 21, and Angela Berry with Kit Carson County Public Health discussed some of their programs. District Two has finished chip sealing County Road 63. On June 25, Mr. King met with Will Bublitz and Patsy Smith concerning the VFW presentation of the *U.S.S. Arizona* artifact this coming December. Mr. King and Ms. Smith will be the neighbors of the week in next week's Eastern Colorado Plainsman.

Mr. Ensign informed Mr. King that the hospital board was given information that the weather station has sold, so they will not be able to lease it.

Mr. Stone asked what day road crews could take off for the July 4 holiday and Ms. Devers said it was up to the commissioner in the district; they could take either Thursday or Monday since they don't work on Fridays, but other county employees will have July 3 off.

Mr. King asked to change the July 16 meeting as he has personal obligations that day, and the meeting was changed to July 14. Mr. Stone said he would not be attending the meeting on July 31.

Ms. Devers reported that Dave Wittman found in the plan specs that the windows at the roundhouse must be covered. She emailed Graham Johnson and Chris Cella with Spectrum General Contractors to let them know what Mr. Wittman had found out, but Mr. Cella said the agreement was that they would put up the fence around the building in lieu of replacing the window coverings. Ms. Devers checked the billings and found that the first bill included the electrical and the fence which was put up to keep people out and to protect their tools and equipment; Spectrum's choice, not the county's. She sent an email and told Spectrum they would have to come up with a way to cover the windows without damaging the brickwork, but she has not heard back from anyone. She also has not heard anything further regarding amending the warranty, but Merrill Wilson told her she would agree to a one-year warranty on the rehabilitated windows and a two-year warranty on the new ones.

The Board approved the June 2015 payroll and expense vouchers for the month and then, with no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned until 9:00 a.m. on June 30, 2015.

Corinne M. Lengel, Clerk to the Board

Greg King, Chairman