

Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County  
Agenda for April 22, 2016

9:00 Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance

9:00 David R. Frisch, PLS, representing GMS, Incorporated, Consulting Engineers, to discuss bid proposals for the sewage collection and sewage lift station project for the Lincoln County Fairgrounds

1. Approve the minutes from the April 18, 2016, meeting
2. Review proposed letter of general support for the building of additional renewable energy generation in Eastern Colorado
3. Review proposed letter to the Denver Post in response to an April 11, 2016, letter to this newspaper purporting to be written by Commissioner Stone
4. Old business
5. New business
6. Upon adjournment, travel to Burlington, Colorado, to do an informational tour of a new building at the Kit Carson County Fairgrounds

The Board of Lincoln County Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. on April 22, 2016. The following attended: Chairman Greg King, Commissioners Doug Stone and Ed Schiffers, County Administrator Gary Ensign, and Clerk to the Board Corinne M. Lengel. Land Use Administrator John DeWitt attended the discussion with Dave Frisch.

Chairman King called the meeting to order and asked Dave Frisch with GMS, Inc., Consulting Engineers, to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Frisch submitted a spreadsheet of bids received for the fairgrounds lift station project, stating that the low bid came in at \$279,727.30 from EMR Enterprises, LLC. While he has not worked specifically with this company, Mr. Frisch said Ward Marshall with Interstate Irrigation is a family member, and he has worked with him on numerous projects over the past thirty years and believes EMR Enterprises will do a good job. He added that it is a fair, competitive bid and recommended the Board consider them.

Mr. Frisch outlined the costs of the project, stating that the preliminary construction cost is \$226,790 and they added in roughly \$34,000 for project contingencies. They discovered they will have to build a fence and that it will cost an additional \$20,000 to get the restrooms under the grandstands and on the south side of the track up to current code. An addendum was added to the bid for that amount, which will bring the construction costs up to approximately \$280,000. Mr. Frisch said there was also a quote within the bid in the amount of \$5,440.50 for gravel surfacing to the lift station site; however, if the county wanted to take care of that in-house they certainly could. Once the base bid is awarded and the company obtains their performance bonds and has their insurance in place, GMS will schedule a start date, issue a notice to proceed, and hold a pre-construction conference. It will take about twenty days to get the project going and they hope to start before Memorial Day. Mr. Frisch said the project should take approximately sixty days from start to finish, adding the lengthy part will be obtaining the pumps and electrical equipment.

Mr. Stone noted there was quite a discrepancy in the bid amounts listed on the spreadsheet and Mr. Frisch agreed, stating that the main reason for that was the control of groundwater and what each company would prefer in regard to the overflow. He said they do give them the latitude to change the size of pipe if they want to.

Mr. King's main concern was the company asking for more money when changes are discovered. Mr. Frisch said that Ward Marshall is well known for just doing the work and if there is not a changed condition there should be no reason for a change order. Obviously, if they run into something that is totally unexpected, a change order may be required. Mr. Ensign asked what that process would involve and was told that the company would let Mr. Frisch know, GMS would discuss it with the county administrator, and then formal action may be required at the next Board meeting. However, the county would be able to approve the change informally in order to keep construction moving.

Mr. Ensign said that Wayne Nestor is no longer employed with the town of Hugo and wondered if it would be a problem that he was listed on the site application as the ORC for the project. Mr. Frisch said it would not be an issue as whoever takes Mr. Nestor's place with the town should be acceptable.

Mr. King wanted to know if they planned to waive the county building permit and fee, and Mr. DeWitt said they could certainly waive the fee but it would be best to issue the permit, simply for documentation purposes. Mr. DeWitt asked Mr. Frisch if they would have a third party inspector for building construction and was told GMS will have one on site, especially when they lay the pipeline. That person will also check the materials as they go in. There will be no above-ground buildings that require inspections.

Mr. Ensign asked when the DOLA grant funds can be used and Mr. Frisch said they can begin using them right away when construction begins. The \$150,000 will be designated for construction and cannot be used for the design portion of the project, which will be all county money. Mr. Schiffers asked how much the total project estimate is and was told it will be roughly \$400,000 without any change orders; \$250,000 of which will be county funds. The county will be responsible for any costs over the grant allotment. Mr. Ensign asked the commissioners if they wanted to have the county perform the gravel portion of the bid, thus saving the \$5,400, and the Board agreed.

Mr. Stone made a motion to accept the bid proposal from EMR Enterprises, LLC, in the amount of \$279,727.30, for the sewage collection and sewage lift station project at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds. Mr. Schiffers seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mr. Stone also made a motion to waive the county building permit fee for the project. Mr. Schiffers seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mr. Frisch informed the Board that his company also puts up metal buildings and provided some pictures of projects they have completed. Mr. Schiffers asked for the cost per square foot but Mr. Frisch said it varies with what is on the interior, so he couldn't say. They use a structural engineer who has actually already been to Hugo and looked at the annex building.

Mr. Ensign asked the commissioners if they would like Mr. Frisch to look at the courthouse parking lot while he was there, as the drainage issues and asphalt replacement need to be addressed sooner or later. The group went out to look at the parking lot. When they returned, Mr. Ensign said that Mr. Frisch will take pictures and put together some figures, adding that he had told him the project would most likely need to be done in phases as the county can budget for it.

Mr. Stone requested changes to the minutes from the meeting held on April 18, 2016: scrapers to belly dumps; and a clarification of the fact that he had not actually spoken with Greg Brophy but had left him messages. Mr. Stone made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting

held on April 18, 2016, as corrected. Mr. Schifferns seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed a proposed letter of general support for the building of additional renewable energy generation in eastern Colorado. Mr. Schifferns made a motion to sign the letter of general support to the Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies Public Utilities Commission for the building of additional renewable energy generation in eastern Colorado. Mr. Stone seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Also reviewed was a proposed letter to the *Denver Post* in response to an April 11, 2016, letter purporting to be written by Commissioner Stone. Mr. Schifferns made a motion to sign the letter to the *Denver Post*, Mr. Stone seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

Mr. King called for old business and Mr. Stone provided the bill for clearing out the cattle guards for Mr. Esch. In relation, Mr. Schifferns commented that Dean Saffer had told him he certainly appreciates that the county helps residents out with gravel at times.

As for new business, Mr. Ensign had received a call from Bob Safranek who leases the property at the landfill. The lease was up for renewal. Mr. Stone made a motion to approve the lease agreement with Robert J. Safranek for the N2: 28-9-55, less a 40-acre tract for the landfill, at \$4 per acre. Mr. Schifferns seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned until 9:00 a.m. on April 28, 2016.

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Corinne M. Lengel, Clerk to the Board

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Greg King, Chairman