

Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County  
Agenda for April 28, 2017

9:00 Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance

9:00 LaRay Becker-Patton to discuss fees for the use of the county fairgrounds for the upcoming Colorado Championship Ranch Rodeo

10:00 Patricia Phillips, Human Services Director, to present the Department of Human Services monthly report

1. Approve the minutes from the April 27, 2017, meeting
2. Review and act upon a renewal application for Industrial Stormwater General Permit #COR900421 for stormwater discharges associated with non-extractive industrial activities at the Lincoln County Landfill
3. Review the Quarterly Financial and Performance Status Report for the period 01/01/2017 to 03/31/2017 for Community Development Block Grant #14-591
4. County Commissioner reports
5. County Attorney's report
6. County Administrator's report
7. Old business
8. New business
9. Approve additional expense vouchers if necessary

The Board of Lincoln County Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. on April 28, 2017. The following attended: Chairman Doug Stone, Commissioners Steve Burgess and Ed Schifferns, County Administrator Gary Ensign, County Attorney Stan Kimble, and Acting Clerk to the Board Wendy Pottorff. Clerk to the Board Corinne M. Lengel was absent and excused.

Chairman Stone called the meeting to order and asked Ms. Pottorff to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Stone acknowledged LaRay Becker-Patton who was there to request a reduced fee for using the fairgrounds for the upcoming Ranch Rodeo. In the past, the commissioners have allowed them to pay \$700.00 for the weekend, with a \$1,000 deposit. Ms. Becker-Patton stated that they would be using the facilities for the same amount of time as last year; Friday, Saturday and half of Sunday. Mr. Burgess made a motion to approve the reduced fee of \$700.00 and \$1,000.00 for the deposit. Mr. Schifferns seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mr. Burgess made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on April 27, 2017, as submitted. Mr. Schifferns seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed the renewal application for Industrial Stormwater General Permit #COR900421 for stormwater discharges associated with non-extractive industrial activities at the Lincoln County Landfill. The current permit goes through June 2017. There needs to be a plan in place before a new permit will be issued. The county's current plan is old and outdated. The Board decided to sign the application and send in the current plan as is. Mr. Schifferns moved to send in the application as is with the current plan. Mr. Burgess seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

The Quarterly Financial and Performance Status Report for the Community Development Block Grant #14-591 was reviewed by the Board. This is taken care of by Prairie Development and passed through the county. The Board thought it looked good.

Wayne Shade from the Weed Control department stopped in to discuss the trash, oil barrel, and debris from a neighbor's feedlot that were pushed off into the creek that runs by the airport. It can be seen from the road, but Google Earth pictures would show it better. Mr. Kimble will check into it.

Mr. Schifferns gave his report that he checked roads on April 24. He was at the interviews for the new Land Use Administrator candidate on April 25. On April 26, he got a call about the roads.

Mr. Stone gave his report that on April 24 he checked roads west of Hwy 71. On April 25, he attended the interviews for the Land Use Administrator. On that same day, he received a call from a resident at Karval to put up solar panels at the Karval School. He was concerned about setbacks. They are also discussing the possibility of a greenhouse at Karval with solar panels. On April 26, a bus got stuck and he and Rick Ashcraft went to check on the road. On April 27,

he got a call from Rose and Wade Mosher, who would like the county to help them make a driveway to their house. With all the rain it is hard to get the school bus in and out. Chris Monks brought in gravel to put on the trail they use for their driveway. After discussion, the Board decided that when the road crew had equipment close to Moshers, they would get it done for them.

Mr. Burgess reported that on April 20 he met with Bruce about the speed limit signs and how to change the speed limit from 55 to 45. He talked to CCI steering committee about House Bill 1275. He attended the interviews for the applicants on April 25, as well as the planning commission meeting in Limon. They discussed zoning for a duplex to be built close to the downtown area of Limon just north of Vern's. On April 27, he was looking at weeds along the roads and noticed that there is bindweed. He got an email from County Attorney Stan Kimble on April 28 about the speed limits. Also, they discussed purchasing a roller machine, but they will have to get more information regarding the price.

County Attorney Stan Kimble gave his report about the law suit filed by the inmate against the county. He thinks that the suit will move forward, and the plaintiff has hired an attorney. He also discussed that the hospital may be able to obtain bonds for the project they are working on, which would not be detrimental to the county. He is still looking into the Deed of Trust made in 2011 for 99 years. Mr. Kimble also talked to CenturyLink about the Viper contract, and then reported that he spoke with representatives from Xcel Energy, and they need an invoice from the county. Mr. Ensign will take care of it. Lastly, Mr. Kimble stated that representatives from Alamosa County would meet with the Board at 10:00 a.m. on May 18 to discuss solar energy farms.

Mr. Burgess wanted to talk about the Bookmobile before the County Administrator's report. He stated that Chris Monks had fixed the generator on it, but that there are still some issues with the front end. Ms. Zipperer wanted to finish out the school year with it, so Chris will get it back in the shop between July and September sometime to make additional repairs. Mr. Burgess felt that they should be looking for grants to purchase a new bookmobile and said that he believes Transwest Trucks builds them. Also, the Summer Reading program is going to be called Growing Readers.

Mr. Ensign reported that Black Hill Energy is doing a free energy audit and will pay for some but not all improvements; there is still a local buy-in. The courthouse is too big to be included; however, the annex and the Victims Assistance building can be. The program is for furnaces and does not include windows. They bring in their own contractors.

Mr. Stone called for old business, and Mr. Burgess wanted to discuss the landfill. He is still concerned that they need to be closing early so that employees can leave at the proper time. They want to advertise so that the municipalities and customers know to bring their trash earlier in order to give the county landfill employees time to cover it. Mr. Ensign will ask Mick Jaques to come to the meeting on May 8. The free day at the landfill is scheduled for May 13.

As for new business, OEM Director Richard Johnson has some proposed job descriptions for his position and will meet with the Board on May 8 to discuss them.

Mr. Ensign reported that he had distributed the new resolution regarding pets in the workplace to the department heads.

At 10:00 a.m., Human Services Director Patricia Phillips met with the Board to give her monthly report. Caseloads are about the same, and Adult Protection has their meetings every other month on the last Monday of the month. She stated that she had signed up for training but had a family emergency and couldn't make it. They are sending her all the paperwork and will give her credit for a different training.

Ms. Phillips stated that she wants to hire two interns for the summer. She had three applicants, but one dropped out. Both of the remaining applicants will be nineteen by summer. One of the applicants is her daughter, but she would not be her supervisor. Two other Human Services employees would be her daughter's immediate supervisors, however, Ms. Phillips would still be the supervisor of those employees.

Mr. Burgess made a motion to allow Human Services Director Patricia Phillips to hire two interns for the summer, including her daughter. However, if any issues should arise, Ms. Phillips will be removed from any decisions and the commissioners will be the supervisors behind Andy Lorensen and Lauren Lyons. Mr. Schiffers seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

The 4-E Waiver for the Family Engagement and Kinship programs will not be funded any longer.

The Board called Gini Pingnot with CTSI to discuss the state statute regarding speed limits not being lowered without a CDOT Study. They also would like this topic to be put on the Eastern District conference agenda, so they can see who else has encountered the problem.

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned until 9:00 a.m. on May 8, 2017.

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Wendy Pottorff, Acting Clerk to the Board

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Doug Stone, Chairman