

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met for a work session on February 1, 2018 at 3:00pm in the Commissioners Conference Room. Those present were Chairman Walker T. Norman; Commissioner Virginia T. Williams, District One; Commissioner Larry Collins, District Two; Commissioner Cooper Cliatt, District Three; Commissioner Lamar Wade, District Four; Mr. Ben Jackson, County Attorney; Ms. Traci Bussey, Finance Director; Mr. Roby Seymour, Public Works/Planning & Zoning Director; Colleen LeRoy and Mike Reese; Midway VFD, Kay Story Toto and Jane Ellyn Aaron; Lincoln Journal and Ms. Sherry McKellar, County Clerk.

1.

**Call Meeting to Order**

Chairman Norman called the meeting to order.

2.

**Invocation**

Commissioner Cliatt gave the invocation.

Chairman Norman added two items to the agenda, Mr. Welcome Mason and Mr. Herbert Moxley.

3.

**Contract with VFD for Services**

Director Broom informed the Board that the law requires a contract for services for organizations receiving county funds. He then presented an Agreement for Fire Protection Services for the Commissioners to review. Contracts would be for four (4) years and would need to be a signed contract for each Volunteer Fire Department.

4.

**Create Fire Services Advisory Board**

Attorney Jackson read the proposed new Ordinance that would create the Lincoln County Fire Services Advisory Board. The OES Director will service as Chairman, the Chief and one of the Board of Trustees of each Fire District will also service on this Board. Each district will have two (2) people represented on the Board but will only have one (1) vote. Meetings will be held the first Thursday of every other month starting with January.

Mike Reese and Coleen LeRoy told the Board that they applauded the Chairman and the Board for putting this together and hoped it will be the solution to some problems faced by the Volunteer Fire Departments.

5.

**2018 LMIG List**

Director Seymour asked the Board to select which roads they want to resurface from the previously approved 2018 LMIG List. The LMIG funds must be spent by July 2018. The Commissioners determined to work on Ashmore-Barden Road and Rowland-York Road. Director Seymour will send out an RFP next week.

6.

**Land Development Code Text Change**

Director Seymour asked the Board to consider a text change to the current Land-Use Ordinance Sec. 34-33 (9) to allow the Planning and Zoning Director to review and approve *divisions* of existing parcels not to include major subdivisions.

Chairman Norman at this time informed the Board that he wants to reverse a decision made in 2016 that allowed the Board to adopt any ordinance with only one (1) reading as long as it was a unanimous vote by the Board. The Chairman feels that for the Public's benefit, we should read a county ordinance one month and a second reading the next month before it is voted on. Text changes to an ordinance would only require one reading.

7.

**Recreation Advisory Board Terms Text Change**

Chairman Norman informed the Board that the Parks and Recreation Ordinance states that the Recreation Board is a five (5) year staggered term and he is asking this to be changed to a four (4) year staggered term. The Chairman then told them that since we had just appointed members to that Board, he had staggered the terms for his appointment and Commissioner Williams's appointment. They will each serve a two (2) year term.

8.

**Records Retention**

Chairman Norman asked Commissioner Collins where we stand on the record retention project and was informed that we are waiting on IT to receive and install the switches needed for the equipment.

9.

**Board Appointments**

**A. Board of Elections**

Chairman Norman asked the Board to consider appointing James Allen to the Board of Elections. Mr. Allen resides in District Four, is a retired Full-Bird Colonel and has already been working with Poll Workers in his district for several years.

**B. CSRA Unified Development Authority**

Chairman Norman asked the Board to consider appointing Kevin Wade to the CSRA Unified Development Authority. He is a business owner who is already involved in Columbia and Richmond County organizations and wants to support and grow Lincoln County.

10.

**Gift of Granite Bench**

Chairman Norman informed the Board that the County cannot receive a gift without first the Board voting to accept it. He then told them that Childs Monument would like to donate to the County a marble bench in honor of Bruce Beggs and his service to Lincoln County as the Sheriff and Clerk of Court. This bench would be placed in front of the Courthouse. The unveiling will take place Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 4pm.

11.

**Mr. Welcome Mason**

Chairman Norman informed the Board that Pioneer Educators will be honoring Mr. Welcome Mason this Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, at the Lincoln Center from 12pm – 2pm. He reminded the Commissioners that Mr. Mason was a County Commissioner for eight (8) years, and asked them to join him there to honor Mr. Mason. Cost is \$25 each and the County will reserve a table of eight (8).

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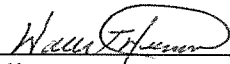
**Mr. Herbert Moxley**

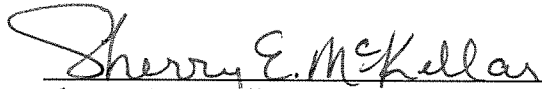
Chairman Norman informed the Board that Mr. Herbert Moxley has resigned from the Planning and Zoning Board. Mr. Moxley was a founding member of that Board and he would like to make him an Emeritus Member of that Board. Director Seymour will also honor him at the board meeting next week.

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**Adjourn**

The work session was adjourned at 5:05pm.

  
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Walker T. Norman, Chairman

  
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Sherry E. McKellar, County Clerk