

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met for a work session on August 2, 2018 at 3:00pm in the Commissioners Conference Room. Those present were Chairman Walker T. Norman; Commissioner Virginia T. Williams, District One; Commissioner Cooper Cliatt, District Three; Commissioner Lamar Wade, District Four; Mr. Roby Seymour, Public Works Director; Captain Leighton Taylor, Sheriff Office; Ms. Wanda Duncan, OES Administrative Assistant; Rev. Daravious Cullars, Family Connection Director; Mr. Joe Willis, Family Connection Board Chairman; Mr. John Stone, Development Authority Director; Mr. Ben Jackson, County Attorney; Kay Toto, The Lincoln Journal and Ms. Sherry McKellar, County Clerk. Absent: Commissioner Larry Collins, District Two.

1.

#### **Call Meeting to Order**

Chairman Norman called the meeting to order.

2.

#### **Invocation**

Reverend Cullars gave the invocation.

Chairman Norman at this time amended the agenda to add the Agreement with Department of Natural Resources for Hotel/Motel Tax.

3.

#### **Appliances for Jail Kitchen**

Captain Taylor informed the Board that the refrigerator and dishwasher in the jail kitchen have broken down and need to be repaired and/or replaced. The refrigerator was purchased over 20 years ago and the dishwasher originally came from the old middle school, so he is not sure how old it is. Director Seymour received quotes for repair and replacement for each. The quote for repairing the refrigerator came in at \$1,250.00 from B & J Appliance. Replacement quotes for a new refrigerator came in at \$2,165.00 from ACityDiscount.com and \$3,899.00 from B & J Appliance. The quote for repairing the dishwasher is \$3,575.00 from B & J Appliance. The quote to replace the dishwasher is \$10,439.66 from the Webstaurant Store. This is a high temperature dishwasher; low temperature dishwashers are available and would cost less but would require chemicals to properly sanitize the dishes. Captain Taylor stated that they could get the chemicals thru the service the jail already uses. Chairman Norman instructed Director Seymour and Captain Taylor to research the cost effectiveness between the two machines and bring their recommendations to the Board at the Board meeting Thursday.

4.

#### **E-Billing Rate Adjustments**

Ms. Duncan, OES Administrative Assistant, shared with the Board the rate adjustments the OES Department would like to implement. These adjustments meet the Medicare guidelines and would have an increase around \$4,356 the first year and would make us comparable with surrounding county fees. Chairman Norman asked that we wait till the September meeting to vote on this some there can be more discussion with Director Broom, who is currently out of town.

5.

#### **Family Connection**

Mr. Willis, Family Connection Board Chairman, reminded the Board that the County has been the fiscal agent for Family Connections since its conception years ago. At that time the grant funds to run the program were \$40,000.00 but over the years the grants increased to \$200,000 - \$300,000 a year, at which time the County started charging an Administrative Fee

of \$820.00. He then informed the Board that they have lost the DHS and 21<sup>st</sup> Century Grants on will only receive \$50,000 for this fiscal year. He is asking for a moratorium on the admin fees for this year. They will reapply for the grants for next fiscal year. He went on to explain that the Board of Education, whose building they currently occupy, has gone up on their rent from \$2,000 to \$3,000 a month. With the loss of the grants they cannot afford to stay in those buildings and are asking to use the former Recreation Department office building for Family Connection this year. The Board will consider his requests and vote at the Board meeting next Thursday.

6.

**Lincolnton-Lincoln County Chamber of Commerce Christmas Parade**

Director Stone of the Development Authority informed the Board that the LCDA had voted to give the Chamber \$5,000 earlier this year to promote HIOLT. At that time the Chamber was not a 501c(6) so they only gave them \$2,500 with the balance to be paid once they were a 501c(6). Since that time the County has removed the Hotel/Motel funds from the Development Authority so he was asking the board to provide payment for the \$2,500 balance now that the Chamber is a qualified non-profit. The Board will vote on this at the Board meeting next Thursday.

7.

**CSRA RC 5-yr Multi-Hazard Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan**

Director Seymour explained that the CSRA RC will provide technical services to update the 5-yr Multi-Hazard Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan. The grant will pay for this service and our match will be in-kind services.

8.

**Courthouse Roof**

Chairman Norman informed the Board that the courthouse roof needs to be replaced. He has received two estimates; Thomson Roofing @ \$127,000 and Bone Dry Roofing at \$125,000 to \$200,000 depending on what they find once they get up there.

Chairman Norman at this time told the Board that the heating/cooling system in the courtroom needs to be replaced. He asked the Board to consider using SPLOST infrastructure funds to get new units.

9.

**Paving Portion of Firetower Road**

Chairman Norman informed the Board that this had already been placed on the LMIG list so no action is necessary.

10.

**Board Appointments:**

**A. Board of Tax Assessors**

Commissioner Williams informed the Board that she is working with two people to get someone on this Board.

**B. Library Board**

Commissioner Cliatt is looking for someone for this Board.

11.

**Hotel/Motel Agreement with Department of Natural Resources**

Chairman Norman asked the Board to review the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Department of Natural Resources and be prepared to authorize him to sign on the Board meeting next Thursday.

12.

**Commissioner's Comments**

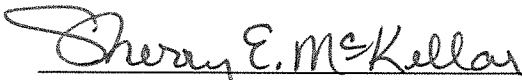
There were no comments from the Commissioners.

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**Adjourn**

There being no further business to discuss, the work session was adjourned at 5:22pm.

  
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Walker T. Norman, Chairman

  
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Sherry E. McKellar, County Clerk