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Don't ignore what your body is saying to you

By Jamie Rathbun
Post Rock District Family and Community Wellness Agent

Speak up when you're having a healthcare appointment or procedure. Make sure to follow instructions you and your doctor discuss during visits. This could include taking medicine, preparing for a follow-up test, or scheduling an appointment with a specialist. If you're confused or if you've forgotten some information, it's okay to contact your provider's office to get more details. Also contact their office if:

You have questions after the appointment. Ask to leave a message with the doctor or speak with a nurse. Collect the names of the people you interact with because you may need to contact them again.

If you start to feel worse or have problems with your medicine or treatment.

If you had tests and haven't gotten the results or don't understand the test results.

If you're sensitive about a particular condition or are worried about being stigmatized by a condition, lack of health insurance, or are uncomfortable with the care you are getting, consider going to a clinic that specializes in the condition or serves people you know and trust.

Above all, don't avoid medical care because you are uncomfortable asking questions or seeking healthcare services. Express your concerns to your provider and follow through. Your body will be grateful.

COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

November 18, 2024

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met in the courthouse commission meeting room on Monday, November 18, 2024. Chairman Dennis Ray called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with Vice-Chairman Debora Smith and Member Ryley Hembry present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance as recording secretary.

Others present for portions of the meeting: John Paul Ellis, Shawn Esterl, Brandon Cochran, Felicia Strahm, Truette McQueen, Dustin Florence, Gene Kramer, Dale Hlad, Brett Wilkinson, and Forrest Rhodes.

Correspondence: A letter from Champlin Tire Recycling; bills for Lincoln Park Manor; a resolution; a letter of support; midmonth accounts payable; and WEB fund recommendations.

Dennis Ray moved to approve Resolution 2024-27, rescinding the burn ban, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. Debora Smith moved to approve four WEB fund grants to Colorado Township \$6,000; Lincoln County Health Department \$2,700; Lincoln Area Chamber of Commerce \$13,500; and Vesper Community Club Inc. \$1,956.73, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. Dennis Ray moved to approve a letter of support on behalf of Twin Valley to the BEAD grant application, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. Debora Smith moved to approve midmonth accounts payable in the amount of \$38,476.40, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried.

Saline County Sanitarian Shawn Esterl notified the board that the state plans to do another round of grants that can be used to repair or replace failing on-site wastewater systems and conduct private water well testing. Esterl inquired if the board would like to apply for the grant as the application deadline is approaching. The board approved to apply for \$30,000 to repair or replace failing on-site wastewater systems. The current grant can fund an additional two systems. Residents

with failing systems who need financial assistance should contact Esterl or County Clerk Harlow for more information.

Courthouse Custodian/Maintenance John Paul Ellis requested approval to use PTO time in 2025.

The board approved the request.

Ambulance Service Director Brandon Cochran reported that Dale Detmer and Damon Vonada are retiring. Cochran updated the board on department activities. The board approved removing Cochran from probation and the weekly meeting requirement.

Dennis Ray moved to approve ten minutes for the purpose of discussing employee benefits in the appraiser's office, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(2) (b)(1) to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel, with the commission, County Appraiser Truette McQueen, and County Clerk Dawn Harlow seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. Time in: 9:28 a.m. Time out: 9:38 a.m.

The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 9:38 a.m. with no action taken.

Sheriff Dustin Florence provided a draft copy of a request for proposals for professional Architectural and Engineering Services to design a new sheriff's department and jail for the board to review. Florence will make the required changes and return to the meeting for final approval. Florence discussed department activities and provided pricing to upgrade the copier.

Debora Smith moved to approve the November 4 and November 13 minutes, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried.

Human Resource Officer Felicia Strahm discussed the status of filling open positions in the highway department. Strahm related that the starting wage approved for a new hire did not match the starting wage listed in the offer letter and requested that the board correct the motion. Debora Smith moved to correct the starting waging for Mark Eckhart to Grade 14, Step 16, effective at the date of hire, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. The group identified deadlines for completing

evaluations and discussed changes that might need to be made with third-party benefits providers. The board approved providing Chamber Bucks to active county employees for Christmas. Strahm requested an executive session. Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes for the purpose of discussing FMLA, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(2) (b)(1) to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel, to reconvene in the courthouse commission meeting room, with the commission, HR Felicia Strahm, and County Clerk Dawn Harlow, seconded by Debora Smith. Motion carried. Time in: 10:28 a.m. Time out: 10:43 a.m.

The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 10:43 a.m. with no action taken. Debora Smith moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes for the purpose of discussing FMLA, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(2)(b)(1) to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel, to reconvene in the courthouse commission meeting room, with the commission, HR Felicia Strahm, and County Clerk Dawn Harlow, seconded by Dennis Ray. Motion carried. Time in: 10:54 a.m. Time out: 11:04 a.m.

The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 11:04 a.m. Debora Smith moved to approve the shared leave application, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried.

Gene Kramer presented a painting of the courthouse to the board, which was painted by his sister, using his chosen picture taken during the application process for a 1993 Heritage Trust Fund Grant.

Sheriff Florence provided the updated RFP for the board's approval. The board approved signing the request for proposal (RFP).

Public Works Director Dale Hlad provided an update on department activities. The group discussed the requirements for receiving funding from the State of Kansas for the illegal dump. Hlad will provide the sample resolution received to the

county attorney for assistance. Commissioner Hembry forwarded a road maintenance request. Brett Wilkinson, Kirkham Michael related that the county would receive an award for the N 60th Rd pavement project at the annual KAC meeting on December 4. Hlad will attend the award presentation. Wilkinson provided cost estimates for designing two additional construction/demolition cells at the landfill and presented an agreement to design and prepare permitting documents for the cells. Dennis Ray moved to enter into an agreement with Kirkham Michael for engineering services for two new CD cells, with the fees to be drawn from the WEB fund, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried.


Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes for the purpose of discussing FMLA, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(2)(b)(1) to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel, to reconvene in the courthouse commission meeting room, with the commission, HR Felicia Strahm, County Clerk Dawn Harlow, and Attorney Forrest Rhodes via telephone, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. Time in: 11:34 a.m. Time out: 11:49 a.m.

The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 11:49 a.m. with no action taken. Dennis Ray moved to recess into executive session for ten minutes for the purpose of discussing FMLA, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(2) (b)(1) to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel, to reconvene in the courthouse commission meeting room, with the commission, HR Felicia Strahm, County Clerk Dawn Harlow, and Attorney Forrest Rhodes via telephone, seconded by Ryley Hembry. Motion carried. Time in: 11:49 a.m. Time out: 11:59 a.m.

The chairman reconvened the meeting to regular session at 11:59 a.m. with no action taken.

The chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:12 p.m. The next meeting will be in the courthouse commission meeting room at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, November 25, 2024.

OBITUARY



Reva (Webb) Ellis
Sept. 3, 1941 - Nov. 23, 2024

Reva (Webb) Ellis, 83, of Burlington, passed away Saturday, November 23, 2024.

A Funeral Ceremony will be 1:00 pm., Friday, November 29, 2024 at the Penwell Gabel Funeral Home, 1321 SW 10th Ave., Topeka, KS. Her family will greet friends and relatives one hour prior to the service. She will be laid to rest at Memorial Park Cemetery, in Topeka. To read her full obituary, please visit www.penwellgabeltopeka.com.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

BARNARD UNITED METHODIST
Pastors Kaye & Jeff Metzler
Adult Sunday School @ 10:00 am
Morning Worship @ 11:00 am

BETHANY CHURCH
Eight miles north, six miles west and one mile north of Lincoln
Sunday School @ 9:45 am
Worship Service @ 11:00 am
Evening Service @ 7:00 pm

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH LC-MS
Pastor Christopher Craig
Sylvan Grove, Kansas
Sunday School following Worship
Sunday Worship @ 10:00 am

BEVERLY COMMUNITY CHURCH
www.beverlycommunitychurch.org
Pastor Toby Flaming
Sunday School @ 9:30 am
Morning Worship @ 10:45 am

BEVERLY UNITED METHODIST
Pastors Kaye & Jeff Metzler
Church Service @ 9:00 am

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Pastor, Chris Hall
Sunday School @ 9:30 am
Worship Service @ 10:30 am
Nursery available during service
Light Keepers Wed. @6:30 grades 6-12

CULVER METHODIST CHURCH
Pastor Demele Eckart
401 Main Street, Culver, Ks
Sunday Worship @ 9:30 am
Saturday Coffee @ 8-10 am

DENMARK EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN COMMUNITY CHURCH. ELCA
Worship Service @ 10:30 am

FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor Jonathan Schale
Lincoln Park Manor @ 9:30 am
Bible Study @10:30 am
Worship Hour @ 11:00 am
Afternoon Worship @ 2:00 pm
Wed. Bible Study @ 7:00 pm

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor Carolyn Allen, Barnard
Morning Worship @11:00 pm

GRACE CHAPEL-HUNTER
Pastors Kaye & Jeff Metzler
Worship Service @ 9:00 am

LINCOLN COMMUNITY CHURCH
www.lincolncommunitychurch.org
Pastor Steven Rohn
Sunday School @ 9:30 am
Worship Service @ 10:30 am
Ladies Prayer Group./Wed. @ 5 pm
To rent the cube call Michael Pickering 785-488-7049.
Children's Wednesday evening program to be announced soon

LINCOLN PARK MANOR CHAPEL
Morning Worship @ 9:30 am
Afternoon Worship @ 2:30 pm

LINCOLN UNITED METHODIST
Pastors Kaye & Jeff Metzler
Worship Service @ 10:30 am

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Sylvan Grove, Kansas
Sunday School @ 10:00 am
Church @ 11:00 am

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH
Pastor Don Haselhuhn
Lincoln, Kansas
Two and one-half miles south of Lincoln on Highway 14
Sunday/Bible School..9:30 am
Worship Service.....10:30 am


ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
Father Mark Wesely, Lincoln
Rectory phone: 785-524-4823
Email: stpat327@gmail.com
Sunday Mass @ 11:00 am
Sunday CCD Classes @ 9:45 am
Weekday Mass: Mondays - 3:30 pm

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH LCMS
Pastor Don Haselhuhn
Six and one-half miles south and 4 miles east of Lincoln
Worship Service @ 9:00 am

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH. ELCA
Pastor Rod Thompson, Tescott
Worship Service @ 9:00 am

TESCOTT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Pastor Demele Eckart
Sunday School @ 10:00 am
Worship @ 11:00 am


TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH. HUNTER
Pastor Matthew Schneider
Hunter, Kansas
Sunday School @ 9:00 am
Worship Service @10:00 am
Midweek/Confirmation
Wednesdays @ 4:30 to 5:45




Two and 1/2 miles south of Lincoln on Highway 14
Pastor Don Haselhuhn.

Service Times:
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.


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