

Logan County Commissioners Work Session
April 30, 2024

Present: Mike Brownell, Joe McBride, Jerry Sonnenberg, Alan Samber, Kristan Lange, Debbie Unrein, Marilee Johnson, Rick Cullip, Craig Brownell, Rick Fleharty, Peggy Stoltenberg, Tami Brown, Connie Gassaway, Sara Waite and Jennifer Crow.

Chairman Brownell called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS SESSION – Commissioner Sonnenberg moved to approve the minutes of April 23, 2024 as written. Commissioner McBride seconded, and the motion carried, 3-0.

REVISIONS TO WORK SESSION AGENDA – There were no revisions.

REVIEW AND APPROVE SCHEDULE OF COUNTY BILLS – The Board met with Kristan Lange to review the Logan County schedule of bills dated April 30, 2024. All bills were approved as presented.

MILLIG CERTIFICATE OF SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION – Rick Cullip met with the Board to discuss a Certificate of Substantial Completion on the Millig Phase II project. Millig has also submitted a Section 179D Tax Deduction Form. Logan County, as a tax-exempt property owner, is allowed to allocate certain tax deductions to the designers who are instrumental in implementing energy-saving building improvements. Millig is requesting that this incentive be allocated to them following the terms of the letter and that the Logan County Board of Commissioners identify Millig as the persons responsible for the design.

There is one, three-way valve left to be finished before the project is 100% complete. Commissioner Sonnenberg moved to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion for Millig Design Build and allow the Chair to sign. Commissioner McBride seconded and the motion carried 3-0.

ROOFING REPAIRS FOR FAIRGROUNDS PAVILION – Rick Cullip told the Board that he is soliciting bids for the damage done at the fairgrounds from the recent windstorm. He is still waiting on two more bids. He has one bid from a large company out of Denver. The county will pay the deductible for the repair and CTSI will pay the remainder of the cost.

Commissioner Sonnenberg asked if there were any local companies bidding the job. Cullip said yes there were locals bidding. The company out of Denver could almost guarantee that the project would be done by fair. Cullip is talking with each company, asking how quickly they can get the roof tarped and mitigated. He is asking if the building can continue to be used and when the work will begin and if the work will be completed prior to the fair. It is still three months until the fair. Commissioner Sonnenberg asked if there was pushback on being able to get the roof done in three months, if they are backed up, or if it was supply issues.

Cullip said that they just need to do a little more research on the type of materials to use. There was a fiber board used previously. He needs to determine whether to go back with that fiber board or whether to go with OSB. Whether that should be glued to the steel roofing and then coated and tarred like it was before or whether to go with a different material, what is going to be most cost effective and what is going to be better for longevity. There are still some of those details that are getting worked out.

CHILDREN’S WATER FESTIVAL LOWER SOUTH PLATTE WATER

CONSERVANCY DISTRICT– Craig Brownell and Rick Fleharty of the Lower South Platte Water Conservancy District (**LSPWCD**) met with the Board. Brownell said that this will be the third year for the Children’s Water Festival at the fairgrounds. He thanked the Board for allowing them to utilize the facilities for the last couple of years. The first year that they had it, in 2022 they had just over 400 kids. They are all fifth graders, from schools all over northeast Colorado, Sedgwick, Logan, Morgan and Washington Counties in the river corridor and some from schools that are not necessarily along the river corridor. The reason they teach it to fifth graders is that it matches up with the fifth-grade curriculum for the State standards. Last year they had well over 500 students, and this year they think they will have over 600 students.

They realized that they had never come before the Commissioners to talk about the Children’s Water Festival before. Mr. Brownell emailed two videos that showed some of the demonstrations that were done in previous years. He thanked Rick Cullip for his help last year. They used most of the fairgrounds last year including the main parking lot, the Bingo Pavilion, the area underneath the grandstands, the Exhibit Center and last year they utilized some of the main arena grandstands. They would like to use all of those facilities again. It might not be necessary if the weather cooperates, if it is nice out, not windy and rainy, the festival can be held primarily outside. It is nice to have the ability to utilize the indoor parts of the fairgrounds in case of rain.

Mr. Fleharty stated that there are a lot of great presenters from all parts of northeast Colorado, and from CSU and across the state who come to present demonstrations to the students. The Board thanked Mr. Brownell and Mr. Fleharty for coming to the meeting.

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS FOR MARCH 2024 - Commissioner McBride moved to approve the Commissioners Proceedings for March 2024. Commissioner Sonnenberg seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:18 a.m.