

Logan County Commissioners Work Session

February 8, 2022

Present: Byron Pelton, Jane Bauder, Alan Samber, Rhonda Chrisp, Debbie Unrein, Chance Wright, Faith Blankenship, Diana Korbe, Guy McEndaffer, Dave Appelhans, Matt Chrisp, Dan Nguyen, Ashley Smith, Marilee Johnson, Aaron Tilden .

Chairman Pelton called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS SESSION – Commissioner Bauder moved to approve the minutes from February 1, 2022 as written. Commissioner Pelton seconded and the motion carried.

REVISIONS TO WORK SESSION AGENDA – Commissioner Pelton added Guy McEndaffer- Fair Board Manager, Matt Chrisp- Commissioner Support Letter for Producer Responsibility on recycling, Dave Appelhans – Shooting Sports Complex. Discussion of applications for all the advisory boards.

REVIEW AND APPROVE HUMAN SERVICES SCHEDULE OF BILLS – Ashley Smith met with the Board to review the Logan County Department of Human Services schedule of bills dated February 4th and Friday February 8th, 2022. The Board approved all bills as presented. The Board also approved the Human Services Payroll for the period January 17th 2022 through January 28th 2022 .

REVIEW AND APPROVE SCHEDULE OF COUNTY BILLS – Rhonda Chrisp met with the Board to review the Logan County schedule of bills dated February 1st, 2022. The Board approved all bills as presented.

Millig Update on Phase 1- Aaron Tilden, Dan Nguyen of Millig and Chance Wright and Debbie Unrein joined the meeting. Aaron stated the contract will be complete and ready for approval by next week. There may be a month added to the timeline. Scope wise there is not a whole lot of changes. Added bollards around the light poles at road and bridge to keep trucks from hitting them. They upsized panel to 72 poles to accommodate backup electric heat that was added at Heritage Center. Added patching for an additional access panel in order to make accessing the attic at Heritage Center easier, to be able to do necessary work. Added screens for condensing units at Heritage Center, to keep pests out.

Justice Center will be adding magnetic pre-screening filter for dust and debris to keep the units from getting all caked up. The additional BAS system will be added for remote access. Currently it only does the Sheriff's office of the building the jail side is on a traditional thermostat. Chance Wright will have access to be able to change the thermostat or any issues that arise on his phone without having to be on site. He will be able to trouble shoot the problem from his office. Additional structural design was talked about in the last meeting due to the lack of structural design was done in the initial phase of the work previously.

The final turnkey cost: which means all design, implementation, post construction support, and measurement verification for three years. Standard 1 year workmanship warranty and the equipment has its own warranty. Commissioners asked about an extended warranty in the last meeting. Aaron checked on an extended warranty and the numbers are very reasonable. The warranty includes \$160,000 of parts and labor which would protect the 2.6-million-dollar investment.

Aaron stated the final cost of the project is 3.7 million dollars. Commissioner Pelton stated that Aaron did everything he asked and after the 1.4-million-dollar ARPA funds have been added the additional cost will be

2.3 million dollars which does not include the extended warranty. At the end of next year, we should have 4 million dollars in sales tax fund per Debbie Unrein.

Aaron stated the county should see a savings of \$80,000 to \$100,000 dollars, per year, in direct utility saving. \$50,000 in electricity and \$30,000 to \$40,000 in gas and electric at the Justice Center. Aaron said there will be a tracking system to see how much money we will be saving.

Commissioner Pelton asked if the only rebates the county is eligible for is 20,000, Aaron said at this time they are still investigating all rebates the county could be eligible for. Aaron asked Alan to review the final contract. Chance said the warranty looks good. The warranty would cover 5 years for parts and labor and compressor warranty for 10 years. Commissioner Pelton asked Chance about the refrigerate warranty. Chance stated he did not see the need to have the refrigerate warranty. Commissioners Pelton and Commissioner Bauder decided to waive the refrigerate warranty. Commissioner Pelton and Bauder feel all the other warranties look good.

Aaron will meet with Commissioners again in two weeks. Aaron discussed renovation of the Annex. Will be meeting in May to discuss the Phase 2. Aaron discussed the windows of the courthouse and talking to the historical society. Commissioner Bauder asked about the extra \$600,000, Debbie said the extra \$600,000 will come from sales tax. Commissioner Pelton asked when the lighting project at the fairgrounds would be completed, Aaron said it should be done before August.

Guy McEndaffer Fair Board Manager Update – Commissioner Pelton said they will be bringing in the fair manager every month till July to give an update to the Commissioners on the fair. Guy stated he had good news regarding the Carnival. Sun Valley Rides had stated they could not find workers for the fair offering \$22.00 per hour. The government has approved to allow workers under the H2B-Visa program, which allowed Sun Valley Rides to hire workers. Guy said the contract on the carnival will be able to be signed. Should see the contract come through in the next week.

Guy is concerned about the liability of using Facebook live. He was concerned about what was said in a December meeting. He is concerned how social media is today and things can get out of hand very fast. Anyone can come to the meeting. The meetings are open to the public. In January Guy said the parade marshal nominee name was almost mentioned on face book live. Guy was concerned about sealed bids being accidentally disclosed on face book live. Commissioner Pelton said he would like to discuss this with Commissioner McBride. Guy prefers to have just open public meetings and not have the meetings on face book live. Commissioner Bauder said the reason the Facebook live was started due to the outburst that happened during the meetings and continued in the parking lot. Guy said it will not happen while he is here. Guy feels the composition of the board has changed. Commissioner Pelton said that he hopes of hiring of Guy would help with the conduct of the members. Guy said he felt that a show of hands would be better than a voice vote. The show of hands allows for everyone to be on record. Commissioner Bauder stated that would be a good idea that way you can get a better show of how votes are, yea, nay or abstain. Commissioner Bauder asked Diana Korbe if there was anything else that Guy needs to be aware of. Commissioner Bauder said she felt they would be doing him a favor by keeping Facebook live. Guy stated that he can handle the room and what has happened in the past will not happen with him there.

Commissioner Pelton said Guy may want to discuss the lighting that will be installed at the fairgrounds at the next fair board meeting. It will be controlled by software. It will be lighting like at the stock show. New panels are coming to use for the livestock.

It was Guy's recommendation they do not show rabbits this year due to hemorrhagic disease that is going around. There will be no rabbit show this year.

Dave Appelhans – We have the preliminary contract that is roughed out. A few things will need to be changed. We are changing from an organizational- Northeast Colorado Sportsman Association to an individual-Ron Egbert. He has established an LLC. We need the exact name for the contract.

He has a suggested price list for the facility. Revenue that was collected, was intended for targets, appeared to be used for prizes which included, leather goods, coolers, and challenge coins for each other. There has been no transparency on the spending. If we go with the suggested numbers that are on the list the county should be operating to the good instead of at a loss. In the past it was operating in the red of at least \$5,000.00.

The only reason why there is electricity is for the trap organization. Everything else out at the shooting complex is run by solar.

Dave has cleaned out the storage units. The trap organization would have access to the club house and concession stands when they are using the facility.

Commissioner Bauder asked about the cleaning of the portlets. There are fees associated with cleaning. Dave feels the portlets in use now are sufficient.

Dave did not inventory the boxes of targets in the trap house he says there is a minimal amount. Everything that is at the Shooting Sports Complex has been locked up and belongs to the County.

Commissioner Pelton asked about the time frame that firearms may be shot. The preliminary contract states no firearms are to be shot before 8:00 a.m. and not after 9:00 p.m.

Ron Egbert and Dave Appelhans need to be added to next weeks work session per Commissioner Bauder.

Alan Samber said the contract was pretty much done, just needed the organizations name.

Matt Chrisp – Matt asked for Commissioners to give a letter of support to help pass HB22-XXXX, a Producers Responsibility policy aka (Extended Producers Responsibility, or EPR). EPR works by shifting the costs of recycling from the taxpayers and local governments to consumer brands as part of the cost of doing business. Commissioner Pelton feels it will be placing the responsibility on the consumer. Commissioner Bauder said a lot of things fall on the government that should not have to. Commissioner Bauder is not comfortable telling the producers what materials they can or cannot use for their products. Matt said that the community is not good about recycling. There are different places set up for recycling. Matt said he feels the Commissioners do not understand where he is coming from. Commissioner Bauder explains that it would be better to leave the decision to the consumer for recycling instead of placing the burden on the manufacturer. Commissioner Pelton is afraid that the cost of inflation is so high now that he would not be comfortable implementing this on the local businesses.

Logan County Advisory Board Applications- Diana stated there are two openings for the Advisory Board for the planning commission. John Iven and Dave Whitney will be reappointed. Patrick Stewart will be an alternate. Board of adjustment John Iven will be reappointed. There are three openings for Lodging Tax Board. Dave Greeno will be appointed. Dave Conley and Lana Hahn will be reappointed. The cut off for

applications was January 28th, at 5:00 p.m. There were some late applications but the commissioners would like to accept them. The appointments will be added to the business meeting next week, February 15, 2022.

No unfished business to discuss.

TIENA PRICE TRUST PROPERTY CLEANUP – Still good with the Tiena Price property moving forward per Attorney Alan Samber.

Symmetry Energy Solution LLC – Logan County has a contract with Symmetry Energy for the gas service at the Justice Center. It is supposedly cheaper to have a contracted price. Last year they hit us with a 43,000 bill. They are warning us another bill could be coming this year. Attorney Alan Samber said we cannot get out of the contract till the end of this year. Alan Samber said we can give them notice now, we have to give them notice at least 60 days in advance. Commissioner Bauder feels the extra billing took away any savings from the contract. Commissioners want to get out of the forward contract and the gas service immediately. The Commissioners want to go with Excel for future gas service. Debbie stated that solar is not saving us any money either. Commissioner Bauder wants to know how we let Excel know the county wants to purchase gas service from Excel. Debbie will be checking with Excel to see how service with Excel works.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:33 a.m.