

Logan County Commissioners Work Session

March 29, 2022

Present: Byron Pelton, Jane Bauder, Joe McBride, Alan Samber, Rhonda Chrisp, Debbie Unrein, Jennifer Crow, Trae Miller, Bobby Jones, Dave Long, Ashley Smith, Marilee Johnson, Lonnie Brungardt, Darlene Carpio, and Jerry Casebolt.

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 March 22, 2022 as written. Commissioner McBride seconded and the motion carried.

REVISIONS TO WORK SESSION AGENDA – Commissioner Bauder added the letter from Patty Bartlett. Commissioner McBride added Darlene Carpio to the agenda and a Wakefield collections assignment. Also added was a review of the Business Meeting Agenda.

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 March 29, 2022. The Board approved all bills as presented.

REVIEW AND APPROVE SCHEDULE OF COUNTY BILLS – Rhonda Chrisp met with the Board to review the Logan County schedule of bills dated March 29, 2022. The Board approved all bills as presented.

REVIEW BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA – The Board reviewed the Business Meeting agenda for March 29, 2022. There is a renewal of a liquor license on behalf of LMR Oil for the Atwood Sinclair. It must be renewed as it is being transferred to a new LMR Oil, LLC. A Temporary License will be approved as well as approving the transfer of ownership application. Dave Long discussed the State of Colorado Human Services Contract. This is the SB137 contract. There are two parts to this, one is the January 2021 through June 2022 \$265,000 grant. New Pathways (counselors) amounts to \$43,750 for 2022. The Bobby Jones Peer Mentorship was paid for by county ARPA funds in 2021 as part of the 50% match. The second part is the New Pathways for 2022-2023 at \$131,250. It was so late starting that they combined two budget years. There has been three versions of this contract and it is not sure what is what. The Board will table this contract to allow Dave Long time to have the contract redone.

COUNTY TREASURER PATTY BARTLETT – Patty has stated that she will not meet with the Board without a lawyer present. She has requested representation but no formal response has been given to her. Alan will get a draft letter to the Board this week concerning her request for an attorney and communicating to her that the County Attorney employed by the county can give her advice and the Board will not authorize her to get outside representation.

BOBBY JONES AND LONNIE BRUNGARDT – Bobby Jones and Lonnie Brungardt met with the Board and presented third quarter data for every school involved in the program. The data is for all schools combined and also for each individual school. Merino now has a full year of data. They have seen kid's anxiety leaving. The self-harm kids are now 3-4 months clean. The goal is to get kids interdependent and able to climb out of challenges they see in their lives every day. 80% of students showed some kind of maintaining where they were at and finally knowing what's going on inside of them. Kids are making connections with their emotions.

Jones read a letter from Mr. Forster of Peetz schools. Mr. Forster feels strongly that the program is making a positive impact on the students. Commissioner Pelton received a phone call from Randy Stahley from the Fleming schools. Stahley called in support of continuing the program again next year.

The meeting recessed at 9:32 a.m. and reconvened at 10:00 a.m.

LETTER FOR DOLA GRANT COST INCREASE – Commissioner Pelton presented a letter requesting a supplemental for the Annex Coworking Expansion Project. The \$15,800 supplemental will cover cost increases due to the supply chain problem and global economy challenges and will also allow the accessibility lift to be put back in the project. The supplemental will be matched with a local cash match. The Board approved the letter to DOLA.

ERRONEOUS MINERALS – The Board received a memo from Treasurer Patty Bartlett concerning erroneous severed mineral liens. Alan will prepare resolution to cancel the erroneous assessments.

DARLENE CARPIO – aid to Congressman Ken Buck met with the Board to give an update on the Congressman's activities in the recent months. Congressman Buck voted in favor of banning Russian energy imports. He did not support the \$1.5 trillion omnibus spending bill. Ken Buck is a constitutionalist and conservative. The bill was received at 1:30 a.m. and was scheduled for the vote the next day. Buck believes that the appropriations bill needs to be a stand-alone bill without all of the earmarks for other things included. The bill was 2,741 pages long, not nearly enough time was given to know what was in the bill.

Buck wrote an OpEd in which was published in many local newspapers which included a letter to the Biden administration concerning its hindering the United States' energy independence. He and 43 other members signed a letter to committee to add chemicals to list to make sure farmers have the tools to do their jobs.

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS – Commissioner McBride moved to approve the Commissioners Proceedings for the month of February, 2022 as written. Commissioner Bauder seconded and the motion carried 3-0.

LOGAN COUNTY AMBULANCE ACCOUNTS ASSIGNED TO COLLECTIONS – Commissioner McBride moved to approve the assignment of the Logan County Ambulance account number ending in 1001 to Wakefield and Associates and allow the Chair to sign. Commissioner Bauder seconded and the motion carried.

TIENA PRICE PROPERTY - Commissioner Joe McBride noted that the next update on the Price property will not be until May.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.