

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met for a work session on **January 4, 2018 at 3:00pm** in the Conference Room at the Public Works office. Those present were Chairman Walker T. Norman; Commissioner Virginia T. Williams, District One; Commissioner Larry Collins, District Two; Commissioner Cooper Cliatt, District Three; Commissioner Lamar Wade, District Four; Mr. Ben Jackson, County Attorney; Ms. Traci Bussey, Finance Director; and, Mr. Roby Seymour, Public Works/Planning & Zoning Director; Mr. Chip McGaughey, EMI; Mrs. Jane Ellyn Aaron, Lincoln Journal and Ms. Sherry McKellar, County Clerk.

1.

Call Meeting to Order

Chairman Norman called the meeting to order.

2.

Invocation

Attorney Ben Jackson gave the invocation.

Chairman Norman began the meeting by letting the Board know that he had received a letter from Mayor Brown informing him that the City had sent a letter to the CSRA RC asking them to change the Service Delivery Strategy map. This was after agreeing to the map at the December SDS meeting. He then handed out a letter of response to the Mayor for the Board to review and give input before sending to the Mayor. Commissioner Collins asked what the ramifications were if we do not have a signed SDS by February and was informed that we would not be a qualified city or county and therefore no longer able to receive any state funding. Chairman Norman agreed to ask the Mayor and City attorney to meet with him and the County attorney within 10 days to discuss this issue.

3.

Courthouse Roof

Chairman Norman informed the Board that we are getting bids to have the courthouse roof repaired. It is currently not leaking but is 25 years old and there are several small structural problems due to old leaks. We have received one quote in the amount of \$150,000.

4.

Discussion on Campgrounds

Chairman Norman informed the Board that he was going to recommend to the Board that we close Clay Hill, Broad River and Hester's Ferry campgrounds as they are not generating enough money to pay for themselves. Cherokee generates good money and he would to put those funds into Cherokee and Eddie Fletcher Park. Commissioner Wade asked that we wait and see what Director Stone can find out about another entity taking over the parks.

5.

Water/Sewer Issues

Director Seymour informed the Board about issues with the City billing the County at a rate higher than the contract stipulates. The Board agreed to only pay by the contract. Director Seymour then reminded the Board that the City is charging the County retail price for water in Saddlebrook and we are losing \$100/month due to this.

6.

Updated Drug & Alcohol Policy

Clerk McKellar informed the Board that the Office of Drug and Alcohol Policy and Compliance has issued an update to the USDOT's drug and alcohol testing regulation that became effective January 1, 2018. Therefore the Lincoln County Transit drug and alcohol policy needs to be updated accordingly.

7.

Senior & Transit Director

Chairman Norman recommended to the Board to hire Nancy Blount for the position of Senior & Transit Director. The Board agreed to have her start Monday, January 8, 2018. Official vote will take place at the board meeting January 11, 2018.

8.

Adjourn

The work session was adjourned at 5:40pm.

Walker T. Norman, Chairman

Sherry E. McKellar, County Clerk