

BOARD OF EDUCATION
LINCOLN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 298
LINCOLN, KANSAS

SPECIAL MEETING

MINUTES

BOARD OF EDUCATION OFFICE
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2018
6:00 P.M.

Attendance:

Board Members:

David Bell
Jeana Eckhart
TJ Jonsson
Patti Winters
Rhonda Wright
Debora Zachgo

Others:

Kathy Robertson, Supt.
Norma Kobbeman, Deputy Clerk
Stephen Koch, LES Principal
Christi Walter, LJSHS Principal
Brenda White Fred Malicoat
Ben Trout Susan Wollesen
Kris Heinze David Mulvey

1. The Special Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President, TJ Jonsson. Monty Breneman joined the meeting via teleconference.
2. Motion by Jeana Eckhart, seconded by David Bell, to adopt the agenda. Aye-7
No-0
3. Kathy Robertson stated our district was awarded a grant for the FEMA Storm Shelter. The grant amounts to \$820,000 with \$613,830 coming from Hazard Mitigation. There is a required local match. She reported that Monty Breneman and Christi Walter joined her to present to the City Council meeting on Monday evening. There is only one other storm shelter in the city. The City Council will have a special meeting on September 24, 2018, to meet and decide what they will commit towards the FEMA Storm Shelter project. Kathy shared that she also presented to the Lincoln County Economic Development. She has received an email that they are interested in helping. The City will start their new fiscal year January 1, 2019, and asked if the amount they commit could come from that new money. Kathy proposed a couple ways to pay for the required match. We could use \$100,000 from capital outlay. We could do a lease purchase for \$106,000 or take that amount from contingency. There have been a lot of positives from the community towards this project. US Tower will also be contacted as they currently have to go to the hospital basement for a storm shelter. President TJ Jonsson thanked Kathy for her work on the FEMA grant, stating that the district's priority is the safety of our students. Kathy also thanked Norma Kobbeman for her assistance during the grant process. TJ stated that there would be action later in the meeting regarding action to accept or deny the grant.

4. TJ Jonsson opened the two bids for the upcoming Lincoln Jr./Sr. High School HVAC project. Two bids were received. R&R Street, Plumbing, Heating and Electrical presented a bid amounting to \$148,000. Callabresi Heating and Cooling presented a bid in the amount of \$154,627. Copies of the two bids were made and distributed to board members. TJ questioned Fred Malicoat as to why the bids were higher than the figure of \$70,805 that was given to the board and wondered if that was without the structural steel and platform amounting to \$70,000-\$80,000. Mr. Malicoat said that the structural steel and platform could be broken out from the bid. The platform will be for safety and will be a permanent part of the roof. Fred spoke on steel tariffs and how that will affect the cost of the project. TJ said that we had a price in mind and would like time to go over individual bids and make comparisons. Monty Breneman questioned why the board was not notified earlier of any potential increase. Mr. Malicoat said he just failed to notify the district. Kathy gave him copies of the bids received and he stated that he would get a spreadsheet to her tomorrow. TJ Jonsson stated we need to look at options for financing. Monty suggested that the action be tabled until the October board of education meeting.
5. Motion by Jeana Eckhart, seconded by Rhonda Wright, that U.S.D. #298 Board of Education agree to come up with funding for the required \$206,170 match for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program to move forward with the \$820,000 community FEMA storm shelter to be placed at the Lincoln Jr./Sr. High School. Aye – 7 No – 0
6. Monty Breneman moved to table action on the Lincoln Jr./Sr. High School HVAC bids until the October 1, 2018, Board of Education meeting. David Bell seconded. Aye – 7 No – 0
7. Motion by Jeana Eckhart, seconded by Rhonda Wright that the meeting be adjourned. Aye – 7 No – 0

Time: 6:33 p.m.

Norma Kobbeman, Deputy Clerk

Approved:

TJ Jonsson, President