

MINUTES
LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2007
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HEARING ROOM, ROOM 112
FIRST FLOOR, COUNTY-CITY BUILDING
9:30 A.M.

Commissioners Present: Bob Workman, Chair
Bernie Heier, Vice Chair
Larry Hudkins
Deb Schorr
Ray Stevens

Others Present: Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer
Gwen Thorpe, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Dan Nolte, County Clerk
Cori Beattie, Deputy County Clerk
Tom Fox, Deputy County Attorney

The location announcement of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was given and the meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m.

1) **MINUTES: Approval of the minutes of the Board of Commissioners meeting held on Tuesday, October 2, 2007.**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Schorr seconded approval of the minutes of the Board of Commissioners meeting held on October 2, 2007. Hudkins, Stevens, Schorr, Heier and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

2) **CLAIMS: Approval of all claims processed through Tuesday, October 9, 2007.**

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Heier seconded approval of all claims processed through October 9, 2007. Schorr, Hudkins, Heier, Stevens and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

3) **SPECIAL PRESENTATION:**

A. Kit Boesch, Human Services Director, introduced Phil Tegeler, Cornhusker Place Director, to the Board of Commissioners.

3) **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS CONTINUED:**

B. The Commissioners Award of Excellence was presented to Veronica Schippert, an employee in the Lancaster County Engineering Department, for September, 2007.

4) **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

A. Issuance of Revenue Bonds by Hospital Authority No. 1 of Lancaster County, Nebraska (Houses of Hope of Nebraska, Inc. Project) Series 2007 in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000. (See New Business Item 6A for correlating documentation.)

The Chair opened the public hearing.

Lauren Wismer, bond counsel, and Jay Conrad, Houses of Hope of Nebraska Executive Director, appeared.

Wismer gave a brief explanation of the revenue bonds noting that the approval is for purposes of the Internal Revenue Code since the proceeds will be used by a non-governmental entity.

Conrad explained the proceeds would be used to renovate an existing building purchased at Cotner Boulevard and Orchard Street. He added they would initially be constructing three halfway houses on the north half of the block, with the possibility of another house being constructed at some point in the future.

In response to a question asked by Workman, Wismer stated there would be no financial liability to the County.

The Chair asked if anyone else wished to provide testimony.

No one appeared and the hearing was closed.

4) **PUBLIC HEARINGS CONTINUED:**

B. An application for an amusement license from Joy Citta, on behalf of the Cornhusker Council Boy Scouts, to hold a carnival on Friday, October 26th; Saturday, October 27th and Sunday, October 28th, 2007 at the Cornhusker Council Outdoor Education Center, located at 600 South 120th Street, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska. Hours of operation will be from 7 p.m. to Midnight on October 26th and October 27th and from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. on October 28th, 2007. (See New Business Item 6B for application for a Special Events Permit relating to the amusement license application.)

The Chair opened the public hearing.

The oath was administered to Joy Citta, Board President of the Cornhusker Council Boy Scouts, and Mike Hale, Executive Director of the Cornhusker Council Boy Scouts.

Citta gave an overview of the application for amusement license stating they would have a hayrack ride, haunted hike and a small carnival.

Schorr inquired about the cost to attend.

Citta responded the charge for the haunted hike, along with 13 scare stations, would be eight dollars, the hayrack ride will be six dollars and any food and carnival games would be a separate fee. She added they would also be showing movies on those evenings.

The Chair asked if anyone else wished to provide testimony.

No one appeared and the hearing was closed.

(See New Business Item 6B for action regarding the amusement license.)

C. A new application for a Class CK (Beer, Wine & Distilled Spirits On and Off Sale/Catering) liquor license for Sesostris Temple Holding Corp d/b/a Sesostris Temple and an application for Corporate Manager for Charles R. Heinke in connection with said license. The Sesostris Temple Holding Corp d/b/a Sesostris Temple is located at 1050 Saltillo Road, Roca, Lancaster County, Nebraska.

The Chair opened the public hearing.

4) **PUBLIC HEARINGS CONTINUED:**

The oath was administered to Charles Heinke, applicant for Corporate Manager, and Robert Kinsey, attorney for Sesostris Temple Holding Corp..

Heinke stated the building on Yolande Avenue was sold and that the Sesostris Temple would be relocating to 1050 Saltillo Road. He stated they have a liquor license for their current location on Yolande and would like one for their new location.

In response to a statement made by Schorr regarding security, Heinke stated they do occasionally issue identification bracelets when they hold a dinner or a wedding reception.

Hudkins asked if non-members can rent the facility.

Heinke responded they have held five to six wedding receptions for the current year.

Hudkins asked what the fee is for renting the facility.

Heinke stated they charge \$800 for the use of the hall.

Hudkins asked why the Sesostris Temple was abandoning their current location.

Heinke stated a company approached them regarding the purchase of the building for their business and the nobility membership voted to proceed with the sale of the property.

Kinsey stated everyone was given notice and the vote was 80 percent in favor of the sale.

The Chair asked if anyone else wished to testify.

No one appeared and the hearing was recessed for one week.

5) **OLD BUSINESS:**

A. A resolution in the matter of County Special Permit No. 07033 requested by Mark Hunzeker, on behalf of Greg Sanford, for authority to do mining and extraction of soil on property generally located on the east side of North 56th Street/Highway 77, between Branched Oak Road and Davey Road, Lancaster County, Nebraska. (R-07-0089)

Mark Hunzeker, attorney representing Greg Sanford, appeared and submitted a copy of an excavation and grading agreement with LeGrande Excavating, Inc. into the record (Exhibit 1).

John Baumgartner, 6030 Davey Road, Lincoln, Nebraska appeared and stated he lives approximately one-half mile north of the proposed site. He stated he is opposed to nighttime excavation due to lighting, noise and safety issues. Baumgartner said he felt the request should go through the Planning Department/Planning Commission again because Sanford was asking for a change to the special permit and that the neighbors should have been notified of the proposed change.

Tom Keep, 8601 Davey Road, Lincoln, Nebraska appeared expressing opposition to the change in hours of operation and suggested a change requiring traffic control such as a portable warning signs and traffic cones.

Karen Kurbis, 17500 North 84 Street, Lincoln, Nebraska expressed opposition to the change and requested traffic control. She also expressed safety concerns regarding wet soil on the highway and designation of a key agency to address complaints.

Marvin Krout, Planning Director, stated Building and Safety would be the key contact agency because the issue is a zoning matter.

Schorr asked if the County has the ability to place cones on a state highway.

Terry Wagner, County Sheriff, indicated his office can close lanes on a state highway due to a traffic accident, however, Department of Roads would have to authorize any type of warning/advisory signage.

5) **OLD BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

Tom Fox, Deputy County Attorney, referred to Condition 2.4 in Resolution 07-0089 which addresses signage and states the following, "*Applicant will request permission from the State of Nebraska, Department of Roads to place warning signs on Highway 77, pertaining to truck traffic entering and exiting the site. The applicant will place such signs upon Highway 77 upon approval by the State of Nebraska, Department of Roads.*".

MOTION: Heier moved and Schorr seconded approval of Resolution 07-0089 in the matter of County Special Permit No. 07033 requested by Mark Hunzeker, on behalf of Greg Sanford, for authority to do mining and extraction of soil on property generally located on the east side of North 56th Street/Highway 77, between Branched Oak Road and Davey Road, Lancaster County, Nebraska. Heier, Stevens, Schorr and Workman voted aye. Stevens voted no. Motion carried.

6) **NEW BUSINESS:**

A. A resolution in the matter of approving the issuance, sale and delivery by Hospital Authority No. 1 of Lancaster County, Nebraska not to exceed \$2,000,000 total principal amount revenue bonds (Houses of Hope of Nebraska, Inc. Project), Series 2007 solely for purposes of Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended; and related matters. (R-07-0093)

MOTION: Heier moved and Stevens seconded approval of Resolution 07-0093 in the matter of approving the issuance, sale and delivery by Hospital Authority No. 1 of Lancaster County, Nebraska not to exceed \$2,000,000 total principal amount revenue bonds (Houses of Hope of Nebraska, Inc. Project), Series 2007 solely for purposes of Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended; and related matters. Heier, Schorr, Hudkins, Stevens and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

B. An application for a Special Events Permit from the Cornhusker Council Boy Scouts to operate a haunted woods on Friday, October 26th; Saturday, October 27th and Sunday, October 28th, 2007 at the Cornhusker Council Outdoor Education Center, located at 600 South 120th Street. The haunted woods will operate from 7 p.m. to Midnight on Friday and Saturday, and from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Sunday.

6) **NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

MOTION: Heier moved and Schorr seconded approval of an application for a Special Events Permit from the Cornhusker Council Boy Scouts to operate a haunted woods on Friday, October 26th; Saturday, October 27th and Sunday, October 28th, 2007 at the Cornhusker Council Outdoor Education Center, located at 600 South 120th Street. Schorr, Hudkins, Stevens, Heier and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

MOTION: Stevens moved and Hudkins seconded approval of an application for an amusement license from Joy Citta, on behalf of the Cornhusker Council Boy Scouts, to hold a carnival on Friday, October 26th; Saturday, October 27th and Sunday, October 28th, 2007 at the Cornhusker Council Outdoor Education Center, located at 600 South 120th Street, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska. Schorr, Hudkins, Stevens, Heier and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

C. A resolution in the matter of witness fees paid by Lancaster County which have remained unclaimed for six months or more. (R-07-0091)

MOTION: Schorr moved and Stevens seconded approval of Resolution 07-0091 in the matter of witness fees paid by Lancaster County which have remained unclaimed for six months or more. Hudkins, Stevens, Schorr, Heier and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

D. A program resolution with the State of Nebraska, Department of Roads (NDOR) for a programming project through the NDOR for Federal funding of road improvements on South 68th Street from Roca Road to one-half mile south of Martell Road. The total project cost is estimated to be \$830,000 of which 80 percent will be Federal funding and 20 percent will be County funding. The project was originally programmed in April of 2006, however, the City of Hickman has annexed additional portions of South 68th Street. The limit of the project at the south end has changed and is reflected in the new resolution. (R-07-0092)

MOTION: Schorr moved and Stevens seconded approval of a program resolution with the State of Nebraska, Department of Roads (NDOR) for a programming project through the NDOR for Federal funding of road improvements on South 68th Street from Roca Road to one-half mile south of Martell Road. Hudkins, Stevens, Schorr, Heier and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

6) **NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

E. An application for a Special Designated License from Ken's Liquor Inc. to provide liquor beverage service for the Alpha Tao Omega Halloween party to be held on Friday, October 26th, 2007 from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Country Pines, located at 6305 West Adams Street, Lancaster County, Nebraska.

MOTION: Heier moved and Stevens seconded approval of an application for a Special Designated License from Ken's Liquor Inc. to provide liquor beverage service for the Alpha Tao Omega Halloween party to be held on Friday, October 26th, 2007 from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Country Pines. Schorr, Hudkins, Heier, Stevens and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

F. A grant contract with the Lincoln Council on Alcoholism and Drugs, Inc. for funding for the Substance Abuse Prevention Program, in the amount of \$36,445. Term of the grant contract is from July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008. (C-07-0405)

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Heier seconded approval of a grant contract with the Lincoln Council on Alcoholism and Drugs, Inc. for funding for the Substance Abuse Prevention Program, in the amount of \$36,445. Heier, Schorr, Stevens, Hudkins and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

G. An interlocal agreement between Lancaster County and York County, Nebraska to house inmates who are held under Lancaster County's lawful authority at the York County Detention Facility. Lancaster County will pay York County \$45 per inmate for each day the inmate is housed by York County. The agreement is effective upon execution of both parties and will be for a one year period. (C-07-0406)

MOTION: Heier moved and Stevens seconded approval of an interlocal agreement between Lancaster County and York County, Nebraska to house inmates who are held under Lancaster County's lawful authority at the York County Detention Facility. Schorr, Stevens, Hudkins, Heier and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

6) **NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

H. An agreement with the Lancaster County Medical Society (LCMS) to enroll qualified Lancaster County General Assistance clients in national pharmaceutical discount programs and to provide related services, including medical record development, and the training of General Assistance caseworkers. Term of the agreement is July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008. The County will reimburse LCMS based upon the established rates for each discount program and \$2,100 per month for related services. (C-07-0407)

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Heier seconded approval of an agreement with the Lancaster County Medical Society (LCMS) to enroll qualified Lancaster County General Assistance clients in national pharmaceutical discount programs and to provide related services, including medical record development, and the training of General Assistance caseworkers. Stevens, Heier, Schorr, Hudkins and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

I. An agreement and acceptance of proposal with the Lincoln League of Women Voters to assist with voter registration sites in Lancaster County. The County will pay up to \$1,100 for the services. Term of the agreement is September 1, 2007 to August 31, 2008. (C-07-0408)

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Stevens seconded approval of an agreement and acceptance of proposal with the Lincoln League of Women Voters to assist with voter registration sites in Lancaster County.

Dave Shively, Election Commissioner, stated the agreement assists his office with voter registration efforts. He explained the agreement will be for the Primary Election in 2008 and the 2008 Presidential Election.

ROLL CALL: Heier, Schorr, Hudkins, Stevens and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

6) **NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

J. A contract in which Lancaster County and the City of Lincoln are contracting with Moore Medical for the purchase of medical equipment and related supplies on an as needed basis by the Lancaster County Corrections Department, Youth Services Center, Lancaster Manor, the Community Mental Health Center and the City-County Health Department. Term of the contract is one year from the date of execution of the contract, with an option to renew for two additional one year periods. The price of the medical equipment and related supplies is according to the accepted proposal of the company which is attached to the contract. (C-07-0409)

MOTION: Stevens moved and Heier seconded approval of a contract in which Lancaster County and the City of Lincoln are contracting with Moore Medical for the purchase of medical equipment and related supplies on an as needed basis by the Lancaster County Corrections Department, Youth Services Center, Lancaster Manor, the Community Mental Health Center and the City-County Health Department. Schorr, Hudkins, Stevens, Heier and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

K. A contract in which Lancaster County and the City of Lincoln are contracting with Midland Medical for the purchase of medical equipment and related supplies on an as needed basis by the Lancaster County Corrections Department, Youth Services Center, Lancaster Manor, the Community Mental Health Center and the City-County Health Department. Term of the contract is one year from the date of execution, with an option to renew for two additional one year periods. The price of the medical equipment and related supplies is according to the accepted proposal of the company which is attached to the contract. (C-07-0410)

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Stevens seconded approval of a contract in which Lancaster County and the City of Lincoln are contracting with Midland Medical for the purchase of medical equipment and related supplies on an as needed basis by the Lancaster County Corrections Department, Youth Services Center, Lancaster Manor, the Community Mental Health Center and the City-County Health Department. Hudkins, Stevens, Schorr, Heier and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

6) **NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

L. Change Order Number 4 to a contract between Lancaster County and Pyramid Roofing for roof replacement at Lancaster Manor. The change order is for the manufacturer's restocking charges for DCI Smartvent, which was excluded from the contract, and for the cost of screws and plates for the replacement of the decking. This will be an increase in the amount of \$583. The total contract price will be \$137,711. (C-07-0411)

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Stevens seconded approval of Change Order Number 4 to a contract between Lancaster County and Pyramid Roofing for roof replacement at Lancaster Manor. The change order is for the manufacturer's restocking charges for DCI Smartvent, which was excluded from the contract, and for the cost of screws and plates for the replacement of the decking. Hudkins, Stevens, Schorr, Heier and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

M. A grant contract with the Malone Community Center for management of the Where Do I Belong Disproportionate Minority Contract (DMC) project, in the amount of \$23,000. Term of the grant contract is July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008. (C-07-0422)

MOTION: Heier moved and Stevens seconded approval of a grant contract with the Malone Community Center for management of the Where Do I Belong Disproportionate Minority Contract (DMC) project, in the amount of \$23,000. Schorr, Hudkins, Heier, Stevens and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

N. An agreement with Cindi Card and Ken Ostermeier, independent agents representing American Family Life Assurance Company of Columbus (AFLAC), to provide County employees with access to supplemental insurance products for employees to purchase at their own cost. Term of the agreement is from November 1, 2007 through October 31, 2010 and includes a 30-day termination provision. (C-07-0423)

6) **NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

MOTION: Heier moved and Stevens seconded approval of an agreement with Cindi Card and Ken Ostermeier, independent agents representing American Family Life Assurance Company of Columbus (AFLAC), to provide County employees with access to supplemental insurance products for employees to purchase at their own cost. Heier, Schorr, Stevens, Hudkins and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

O. A grant contract with Heartland Big Brothers Big Sisters for management of the Building Our Assets Together (BOAT) project, in the amount of \$25,000. The Heartland Big Brothers Big Sisters will contribute \$78,066 in matching funds. Term of the grant contract is July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008. (C-07-0417)

MOTION: Stevens moved and Hudkins seconded approval of a grant contract with Heartland Big Brothers Big Sisters for management of the Building Our Assets Together (BOAT) project, in the amount of \$25,000. Schorr, Stevens, Hudkins, Heier and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

P. A grant contract with The HUB Inc. for management of the HUB Project, a transitional services network for disconnected youth/young adults, ages 16-21, in the amount of \$46,433. The HUB Inc. will contribute \$56,200 in matching funds. Term of the grant contract is July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008. (C-07-0418)

MOTION: Stevens moved and Heier seconded approval of a grant contract with The HUB Inc. for management of the HUB Project, a transitional services network for disconnected youth/young adults, ages 16-21, in the amount of \$46,433. Stevens, Heier, Schorr, Hudkins and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

Q. A grant contract with The HUB Inc. for support for the HUB Project, a transitional services network for disconnected youth/young adults, ages 16-21, as part of Lancaster County's Graduated Sanctions programming, in the amount of \$35,000. Term of the grant contract is July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008. (C-07-0419)

6) **NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Hudkins seconded approval of a grant contract with The HUB Inc. for support for the HUB Project, a transitional services network for disconnected youth/young adults, ages 16-21, as part of Lancaster County's Graduated Sanctions programming, in the amount of \$35,000. Heier, Schorr, Hudkins, Stevens and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

R. A grant contract with The Hub Inc. to assist in providing Project H.I.R.E., a sixteen week program designed for young people who are in need of employment skills, in the amount of \$34,711. Term of the grant contract is July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008. (C-07-0420)

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Stevens seconded approval of a grant contract with The Hub Inc. to assist in providing Project H.I.R.E., a sixteen week program designed for young people who are in need of employment skills, in the amount of \$34,711. Schorr, Hudkins, Stevens, Heier and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

S. A grant contract with The HUB Inc. for management of the Here to Overcome (H2O) project, in the amount of \$30,000. The HUB Inc. will contribute \$19,795 in matching funds. Term of the grant contract is July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008. (C-07-0421)

MOTION: Stevens moved and Heier seconded approval of a grant contract with The HUB Inc. for management of the Here to Overcome (H2O) project, in the amount of \$30,000. The HUB Inc. will contribute \$19,795 in matching funds. Hudkins, Stevens, Schorr, Heier and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

T. A political subdivision tort claim filed against the Lancaster County Corrections Department by Kenneth L. Nesbitt, in the amount of \$23.98, for lost property.

MOTION: Heier moved and Hudkins seconded to deny the political subdivision tort claim filed against the Lancaster County Corrections Department by Kenneth L. Nesbitt, in the amount of \$23.98, for lost property based on the Director's recommendation. Hudkins, Stevens, Schorr, Heier and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

6) **NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

U. A political subdivision tort claim filed against the Lancaster County Corrections Department by Jimmy Vinson, in the amount of \$750, for damaged property.

MOTION: Heier moved and Stevens seconded approval of a political subdivision tort claim filed against the Lancaster County Corrections Department by Jimmy Vinson, in the amount of \$19, for damaged property in conjunction with the County's depreciation schedule. Schorr, Hudkins, Heier, Stevens and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

7) **CONSENT ITEMS:** *These are items of business that are routine which are expected to be adopted without dissent. Any individual item may be removed for special discussion and consideration by a Commissioner or by any member of the public without prior notice. Unless there is an exception, these items will be approved as one with a single vote of the Board of Commissioners. These items are approval of:*

A. Receive and Place on File:

- 1. Clerk of the District Court's Monthly Report for September, 2007.**
- 2. County Assessor/Register of Deeds' Monthly Report for September, 2007.**
- 3. County Clerk's Monthly Report for September, 2007.**
- 4. Records & Information Management's Monthly Report for September, 2007.**

B. Setting of a public hearing for Tuesday, October 23, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners Hearing Room, Room 112, on the first floor of the County-City Building regarding County Special Permit No. 07042, requested by Pendel, Inc., for authority to develop Fox Trail Estates Community Unit Plan for five single family acreage lots, including build-through lots, together with waivers of the Zoning and Land Subdivision Resolutions in order to allow block length to exceed 1,320 feet and to adjust the front yard, side yard and rear yard setbacks, on property generally located at S.W. 56th Street and W. Old Cheney Road, Lancaster County, Nebraska.

C. Request from Yeretter Thomas, an employee with Lancaster Manor, to voluntarily participate in the Lancaster County Retirement Plan having met the requirements.

7) **CONSENT ITEMS CONTINUED:**

D. Right-of-way contracts relating to road improvements between the Lancaster County Engineering Department and the following:

- ▶ **Deborah and Gary Hoke, in the amount of \$190, at S.W. 15th Street and W. Stockwell Road; Project CP-O-139. (C-07-0412)**
- ▶ **James and Mary Jo Fosnaugh, in the amount of \$673.80, at South 112th Street and Pine Lake Road; Project C55-Q-409(1). (C-07-0413)**
- ▶ **Loyd and Lorene Terpsma, in the total amount of \$35,575, on South 98th Street from Old Cheney Road to "A" Street; Project C55-KP-412(1). (3 contracts) (C-07-0414 through C-07-0416)**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Hudkins seconded approval of the Consent Items. Schorr, Hudkins, Stevens, Heier and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

8) **ADJOURNMENT:**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Heier seconded adjournment of the Board of Commissioners meeting at 10:51 a.m.. Schorr, Hudkins, Stevens, Heier and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

Dan Nolte
County Clerk

**MINUTES
LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2007
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HEARING ROOM, ROOM 112
FIRST FLOOR, COUNTY-CITY BUILDING
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE REGULAR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING**

Commissioners Present: Bob Workman, Chair
Bernie Heier, Vice Chair
Larry Hudkins
Deb Schorr
Ray Stevens

Others Present: Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer
Gwen Thorpe, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Dan Nolte, County Clerk
Cori Beattie, Deputy County Clerk
Tom Fox, Deputy County Attorney
Scott Gaines, Deputy County Assessor/Register of Deeds

The location announcement of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was given and the meeting was called to order at 10:51 a.m.

1) **MINUTES: Approval of the minutes of the Board of Equalization meeting held on Tuesday, October 2, 2007.**

MOTION: Heier moved and Hudkins seconded approval of the minutes of the Board of Equalization meeting held on October 2, 2007. Hudkins, Stevens, Schorr, Heier and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

2) **ADDITIONS AND DEDUCTIONS:**

Approval of 15 additions and deductions to the tax assessment rolls per Attachments "A".

MOTION: Stevens moved and Schorr seconded approval of the additions and deductions to the tax assessment rolls. Hudkins, Stevens, Schorr, Heier and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

3) **MOTOR VEHICLE TAX EXEMPTIONS:**

**Faith Lutheran Church and School
Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital
St. Thomas Aquinas Church**

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Heier seconded approval of the motor vehicle tax exemptions. Heier, Schorr, Stevens, Hudkins and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

4) **CERTIFICATION OF TAX LEVIES:**

Certification of 2007-2008 tax levies for Lancaster County, Nebraska

Submitted into the record was documentation regarding the 2007-2008 tax levies for Lancaster County, Nebraska (Exhibit 1).

MOTION: Heier moved and Hudkins seconded to approve certification of the 2007-2008 tax levies for Lancaster County, Nebraska. Schorr, Hudkins, Heier, Stevens and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

5) **NOTICE OF ASSESSED VALUATION CHANGE FOR PROPERTY TAXATION PURPOSES FOR:**

Debra L Wendelin

Scott Gaines, Deputy County Assessor/Register of Deeds, gave a brief overview of the notice.

MOTION: Schorr moved and Hudkins seconded to send notice of assessed valuation change for property taxation purposes for Debra L Wendelin. Heier, Stevens, Schorr, Hudkins and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

6) **ADJOURNMENT:**

MOTION: Schorr moved and Heier seconded adjournment of the Board of Equalization meeting at 10:55 a.m.. Heier, Schorr, Hudkins and Workman voted aye. Stevens was absent from voting. Motion carried.

Dan Nolte
County Clerk