

**MINUTES**  
**LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**TUESDAY, JULY 12, 2011**  
**COMMISSIONERS HEARING ROOM, ROOM 112**  
**FIRST FLOOR, COUNTY-CITY BUILDING**  
**9:30 A.M.**

**COMMISSIONERS: Deb Schorr, Chair; Bernie Heier, Vice Chair;**  
**Larry Hudkins; Jane Raybould; and Brent Smoyer**

Commissioners present: Deb Schorr, Chair  
Bernie Heier, Vice Chair  
Larry Hudkins  
Jane Raybould  
Brent Smoyer

Others present: Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer  
Gwen Thorpe, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer  
Brittany Behrens, Deputy County Attorney  
Dan Nolte, County Clerk  
Cori Beattie, Deputy County Clerk  
Angela Zocholl, County Clerk's Office

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, July 5, 2011.**

**MOTION:** Heier moved and Hudkins seconded approval of the minutes. Hudkins, Heier, Smoyer and Schorr voted aye. Raybould was absent from vote. Motion carried 4-0.

2) **CLAIMS: Approval of all claims processed through Tuesday, July 12, 2011.**

**MOTION:** Hudkins moved and Smoyer seconded approval of the claims. Heier, Smoyer, Hudkins and Schorr voted aye. Raybould was absent from vote. Motion carried 4-0.

3) **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:**

A. **Annual Campaign Against Hunger, July 11-22, 2011 – John Mabry, Food Bank Development Director.**

John Mabry thanked the City and County for their support. He said last year around \$19,000 was raised and over 8,000 lb of food was donated.

Raybould entered the meeting.

Schorr recognized and thanked the City-County campaign coordinators present.

5) **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. **A resolution proclaiming the period of July 11-22, 2011, as the Annual "Campaign Against Hunger". (R-11-0046)**

The Clerk read the resolution for the record.

**MOTION:** Hudkins moved and Smoyer seconded approval of the resolution. Hudkins, Raybould, Heier, Smoyer and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

3) **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:**

- B. **Introduction of Mark Hosking, Emergency Management Deputy Director – Doug Ahlberg, Emergency Management Director. (See 5B for correlating item.)**

Doug Ahlberg, Emergency Management Director, introduced Mark Hosking who gave an overview of his background.

Schorr noted the position did not impact the Emergency Management budget in this fiscal year or the next. Ahlberg explained his budget is shared by the City and the County. Last year the County's contribution was \$197,713, and this year it is \$192,118. Ahlberg said he filled out next year's EMPG (Emergency Management Performance Grant) application for \$100,000.

Raybould praised Ahlberg for his work, but she expressed concern over creating a new position. She did not feel it was the right time to add a full time employee.

Smoyer agreed it was a tough financial time, but he praised Ahlberg for his ability to control the budget and create money for the extra position. He added that hiring a deputy would eliminate the need for a contracted Coordinator position.

Heier discussed the importance of public safety in creating the Deputy Director position.

5) **NEW BUSINESS:**

- B. **Appointment of Mark Hosking as the Emergency Management Deputy Director at an annual salary of \$45,000, effective July 14, 2011.**

**MOTION:** Hudkins moved and Smoyer seconded approval of the appointment. Heier, Smoyer, Hudkins and Schorr voted aye. Raybould voted nay. Motion carried 4-1.

4) **OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. **An amendment to County Contract C-10-0372 with L.A. Young, Inc., for the services of a nurse practitioner at the Community Mental Health Center. The amendment renews the agreement for an additional one-year term from July 1, 2011, to June 30, 2012, and increases Ms. Young's compensation from \$65 per hour to \$68 per hour. (C-11-0379)**

4) **OLD BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

Brittany Behrens, Deputy County Attorney, said the item was held last week and further discussed with Dean Settle, Community Mental Health Center Executive Director, at the last staff meeting. The Board asked her office to redraft the amendment for Items 4A and 4B, approving 3% increases. Item 4A would change to \$66.95 and Item 4B would change to \$103.

Raybould asked when the last increase was in either contract. Behrens said one of the contracts had an increase in 2006.

**MOTION:** Heier moved and Smoyer seconded approval of the amendment for \$66.95. Heier, Smoyer, Hudkins, Raybould and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- B. **An amendment to County Contract C-10-0464 with Dr. Patricia Bohart, MD, for the services of a psychiatrist at the Community Mental Health Center. The amendment renews the agreement for an additional one-year term from July 1, 2011, to June 30, 2012, and increases Dr. Bohart's compensation from \$100 per hour to \$103 per hour. (C-11-0395)**

**MOTION:** Heier moved and Raybould seconded approval of the amendment. Smoyer, Hudkins, Raybould, Heier and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

5) **NEW BUSINESS:**

Items 5A and 5B were moved forward on the agenda.

- C. **Acceptance of a bid for the sale of County surplus property generally located south of SW 98<sup>th</sup> Street and W. O Street, Lancaster County, Nebraska, legally described as that portion of W. Waggoner Drive which abuts Lots 1, 2 and 3, Block 1 of Waggoner Subdivision, located in the NW Quarter of Section 27, Township 10 N, Range 5 E of the 6<sup>th</sup> Principal Meridian, in the amount of \$500, and a quitclaim deed for said property from Lancaster County as grantor to Roger and Patty Vollstedt, husband and wife, as grantees.**

Raybould questioned accepting a bid of \$500 when the appraised value is \$8,000. She noted it would become a taxable property. Heier agreed but stated it was a piece of land that no one else wanted so the County was fortunate to receive \$500. Hudkins explained the property was not originally purchased by the County; it was put in for a subdivision that was never built.

**MOTION:** Smoyer moved and Hudkins seconded approval of the bid and quitclaim deed. Heier, Smoyer, Hudkins and Schorr voted aye. Raybould voted nay. Motion carried 4-1.

- D. **A grant contract in the amount of \$10,000 from the Lancaster County Visitors Improvement Fund from Lancaster County, grantor, to the Airport Authority of the City of Lincoln, grantee, for the improvement of space which the grantee leases as a visitor attraction. (C-11-0399)**

**MOTION:** Raybould moved and Hudkins seconded approval of the grant contract. Smoyer, Hudkins, Raybould, Heier and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

5) **NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

- E. **Change order supplemental agreement No. 6 to County Contract C-10-0371 with Hawkins Construction Company for an increase of \$4,500 on the Hickman Viaduct; Project No. C55-S-401(6). (C-11-0400)**

**MOTION:** Hudkins moved and Raybould seconded approval of the supplemental agreement. Hudkins, Raybould, Heier, Smoyer and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- F. **An amendment to County Contract C-09-0372 between Jacobsen Fire Equipment Company, Lancaster County, the City of Lincoln and the Lincoln-Lancaster County Public Building Commission for fire extinguisher service and replacement to all Lancaster County, City of Lincoln and Public Building Commission facilities. The amendment renews the contract for an additional term from July 1, 2011, to June 30, 2012. (C-11-0401)**

**MOTION:** Raybould moved and Hudkins seconded approval of the amendment. Raybould, Heier, Smoyer, Hudkins and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- G. **An amendment to County Contract C-08-0462 between Capitol Heating and Air Conditioning, Lancaster County, the City of Lincoln and the Lincoln-Lancaster County Public Building Commission for miscellaneous mechanical (HVAC) services under \$25,000. The amendment renews the contract for an additional term from July 1, 2011, to June 30, 2012. (C-11-0402)**

**MOTION:** Raybould moved and Hudkins seconded approval of the amendment. Heier, Smoyer, Hudkins, Raybould and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- H. **An amendment to County Contract C-08-0463 between John Henry's Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning, Lancaster County, the City of Lincoln and the Lincoln-Lancaster County Public Building Commission for miscellaneous mechanical (HVAC) services under \$25,000. The amendment renews the contract for an additional term from July 1, 2011, to June 30, 2012. (C-11-0403)**

**MOTION:** Hudkins moved and Raybould seconded approval of the amendment. Smoyer, Hudkins, Raybould, Heier and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- I. **An amendment to County Contract C-08-0482 between Johnson Controls, Inc., Lancaster County, the City of Lincoln and the Lincoln-Lancaster County Public Building Commission for miscellaneous mechanical (HVAC) services under \$25,000. The amendment renews the contract for an additional term from July 1, 2011, to June 30, 2012. (C-11-0404)**

**MOTION:** Heier moved and Hudkins seconded approval of the amendment. Hudkins, Raybould, Heier, Smoyer and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

6) **CONSENT ITEMS:** *These are routine business items that 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 the following reports for June 2011:**

1. **County Records & Information Management.**
2. **County Assessor/Register of Deeds.**
3. **Clerk of the District Court.**

B. **Setting of a public hearing for Tuesday, July 26, 2011, at 9:30 a.m., in Room 112 on the first floor of the County-City Building, regarding an amusement license application from the Capital City Horse and Pony Club for a fundraiser event at 12900 N. 14th Street, Raymond, Nebraska, on Saturday, August 27, 2011.**

**MOTION:** Heier moved and Smoyer seconded approval of the consent items. Raybould, Heier, Smoyer, Hudkins and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

7) **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Those wishing to speak on items relating to County business not on the agenda may do so at this time.

No one appeared for public comment.

8) **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

A. **The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold a staff meeting on Thursday, July 14, 2011, at 8:30 a.m., in Room 113 on the first floor of the County-City Building.**

B. **The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold their next regular meeting on Tuesday, July 19, 2011, at 9:30 a.m., in Room 112 on the first floor of the County-City Building, with the Board of Equalization meeting immediately following.**

C. **Public hearings will be held on Tuesday, July 26, 2011, at 9:30 a.m. in room 112 on the first floor of the County-City Building regarding the following:**

1. **Establishment of an access road for Dorothy K. Maher, located in the Southeast Quarter of Section 8, Township 12, Range 8, East of the 6<sup>th</sup> Principal Meridian, Lancaster County, Nebraska.**
2. **Amendment of the Lancaster County General Assistance Guidelines.**

D. **The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners meeting is broadcast live. It is rebroadcast on Tuesday at 1:30 and 6:00 p.m. and on Saturday afternoon on 5 City-TV, Cable Channel 5. In addition, the meeting may be viewed on Nebraska On Demand Time Warner Channel 411 and on the internet at [www.lancaster.ne.gov](http://www.lancaster.ne.gov). Click on 5 City-TV Video on Demand.**

E. **The County Commissioners can be reached at 402-441-7447 or [commish@lancaster.ne.gov](mailto:commish@lancaster.ne.gov).**

9) **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Heier moved and Raybould seconded to adjourn the Board of Commissioners meeting at 9:55 a.m. Heier, Smoyer, Hudkins, Raybould and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

*Dan Nolte*

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**Dan Nolte**  
**Lancaster County Clerk**



**MINUTES**  
**LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION**  
**TUESDAY, JULY 12, 2011**  
**COMMISSIONERS HEARING ROOM, ROOM 112**  
**FIRST FLOOR, COUNTY-CITY BUILDING**  
**IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE LANCASTER COUNTY**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING**

Commissioners present: Deb Schorr, Chair  
Bernie Heier, Vice Chair  
Larry Hudkins  
Jane Raybould  
Brent Smoyer

Others present: Norm Agena, County Assessor/Register of Deeds  
Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer  
Gwen Thorpe, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer  
Brittany Behrens, Deputy County Attorney  
Dan Nolte, County Clerk  
Cori Beattie, Deputy County Clerk  
Angela Zocholl, County Clerk's Office

The location announcement of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was given and the meeting was called to order at 9:55 a.m.

1) **MINUTES: Approval of the minutes of the Board of Equalization meeting held on Tuesday, July 5, 2011.**

**MOTION:** Smoyer moved and Raybould seconded approval of the minutes. Hudkins, Raybould, Heier, Smoyer and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

2) **ADDITIONS AND DEDUCTIONS: Approval of nine additions and deductions to the tax assessment rolls per Attachments "A" and "B".**

**MOTION:** Hudkins moved and Heier seconded approval of the additions and deductions. Raybould, Heier, Smoyer, Hudkins and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

3) **MOTOR VEHICLE TAX EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS:**

**The American Legion**  
**Indian Hills Community Church**  
**Lincoln Christian School**

**MOTION:** Heier moved and Smoyer seconded approval of the motor vehicle tax exemption applications. Heier, Smoyer, Hudkins, Raybould and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

4) **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Heier moved and Smoyer seconded to adjourn the Board of Equalization meeting at 9:57 a.m. Smoyer, Hudkins, Raybould, Heier and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

*Dan Nolte*

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**Dan Nolte**  
**Lancaster County Clerk**

