

MINUTES
LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COUNTY-CITY BUILDING, ROOM 112
TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2015
10:30 A.M.

Advance public notice of the Board of Commissioners meeting was posted on the County-City Building bulletin board and the Lancaster County, Nebraska, web site and emailed to the media on June 19, 2015.

Commissioners present: Roma Amundson, Chair; Larry Hudkins, Vice Chair; Bill Avery, Deb Schorr and Todd Wiltgen

Others present: Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer; Brittany Behrens, Deputy County Attorney; Dan Nolte, County Clerk; Cori Beattie, Deputy County Clerk; and Kelly Lundgren, County Clerk's Office

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m., the pledge of allegiance was recited and the location of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was announced.

Commissioner Hudkins introduced his grandchildren: Grant Olander, Lucas Christsen and Anna Grace Christsen.

1) MINUTES: Approval of the minutes of the Board of Commissioners meeting held on Tuesday, June 16, 2015.

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Avery seconded approval of the minutes. Avery, Hudkins, Schorr, Wiltgen and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

2) CLAIMS: Approval of all claims process through June 23, 2015.

MOTION: Schorr moved and Wiltgen seconded approval of the claims. Hudkins, Schorr, Wiltgen, Avery and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

3) SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

A. Recognition of Josiah Johnson for receiving a 2015 NACO (Nebraska Association of County Officials) college scholarship – Larry Dix, NACO Executive Director; Rob Ogden, Chief Deputy Lancaster County Assessor/Register of Deeds

Larry Dix, NACO Executive Director, informed the Board NACO offers twelve scholarships a year to children of elected county officials and county employees. He noted three of the last four recipients have been from Lancaster County.

Rob Ogden, Chief Deputy Assessor/Register of Deeds, introduced Josiah's family. Josiah's father is Jeff Johnson, a property appraiser for the Lancaster County Assessor/Register of Deeds office.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION CONTINUED:

Josiah Johnson thanked NACO for awarding him with the scholarship. He told the Board he would be attending the University of Nebraska at Lincoln pursuing a degree in Biological Systems Engineering specifically focusing on the environment.

B. Recognition of Jim Cada, Lancaster County Veterans Service Committee member – Gary Chalupa, Veterans Service Officer (See correlating item 4A)

Jim Cada, Lancaster County Veterans Service Committee Member, told the Board he has served on the Governors Advisory Commission and Chairman of the Nebraska Veterans Home Board. He has also worked with the Veterans Diversion Program. Cada has asked for the Board's support in developing a Veterans Court system. He said that funding continues to be the major issue. Cada thanked the Board for allowing him to serve on the Veterans Service Committee.

Hudkins thanked Cada for his service and asked that a resolution be prepared for the Board's consideration in support of the Veterans Court.

Amundson also thanked Cada for serving his Country as well as his continued commitment to help area veterans.

C. Lancaster County Juvenile Services Comprehensive Plan (July 1, 2015-June 30, 2018) – Sara Hoyle, Human Services Director (See correlating item 4B)

Sara Hoyle, Human Services Director, informed the Board the Juvenile Services Comprehensive Plan is due every three years. She said the planning committee looked at various data in determining the areas of priority. Hoyle said the team is working on a new initiative for an arrest based diversion program, which is one of the few programs of this nature in the country. Hoyle noted restorative justice principals will be incorporated into all their practices. Hoyle said the community plan is best practice as well as a requirement to receive community aid funding.

Schorr asked how the success of the key areas will be evaluated. Hoyle told the Board the University of Nebraska at Omaha Juvenile Justice Institute will be evaluating data and programs to ensure the "best practices" are being followed.

Avery congratulated Hoyle and her team on the excellent work on the comprehensive plan.

4) NEW BUSINESS:

A. Reappointment of Jim Cada to the Lancaster County Veterans Service Committee for a five-year term, commencing July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2020.

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Avery seconded approval of the reappointment. Wiltgen, Avery, Hudkins, Schorr and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:

- B. Adoption of Lancaster County Juvenile Services Comprehensive Plan for the period covering July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2018.**

MOTION: Wiltgen moved and Schorr seconded approval of the comprehensive plan. Wiltgen, Schorr, Hudkins, Avery and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- C. Recommendations from the Juvenile Justice Prevention Fund Advisory Committee for the award of grants from the Juvenile Justice Prevention Fund totaling \$400,000 for the 2015-2016 budget year.**

Sara Hoyle, Human Services Director, told the Board there are members from a variety of juvenile justice areas. This has helped determine gaps in services. She noted new agencies were added to the juvenile justice programming.

MOTION: Schorr moved and Wiltgen seconded approval of the recommendation. Schorr, Hudkins, Avery, Wiltgen and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- D. Agreement with Holiday Inn, 141 North 9th Street, Lincoln, for catering services during a Lincoln Police Department Gang Training to be held June 24, 25, and 26, 2015. Funding is from the Office of Violence Prevention Grant. (C-15-0307)**

MOTION: Schorr moved and Wiltgen seconded approval of the agreement. Hudkins, Avery, Wiltgen, Schorr and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- E. Amusement license renewal application from Raymond United Methodist Church to hold an event on August 22, 2015, at 14750 North 3rd Street, Raymond.**

Ken Schroeder, County Surveyor, stated the address noted on the agenda was the residence of the applicant, not the location of the event. The event will be held at 11505 North 14th Street in Raymond.

Janice M. Houser informed the Board this is the sixth year for the event. Houser assured the Board there is no parking allowed on 14th Street as there is plenty of parking available on the property.

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Avery seconded approval of the amusement license renewal. Avery, Wiltgen, Schorr, Hudkins and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- F. Resolution in the matter of adopting the Lancaster County, Nebraska Title VI Plan for the Lancaster County Public Rural Transit Program. (R-15-0028)**

MOTION: Avery moved and Hudkins seconded approval of the resolution. Wiltgen, Hudkins, Avery, Schorr and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:

- G. Recommendation from the Purchasing Department and the County Engineer to award a contract for culvert pipe maintenance to H.R. Bookstrom Construction (Bid No. 15-119). The total amount of the contract is \$596,965.00. (B-15-0028)**

Pam Dingman, County Engineer, told the Board this bid is for the annual contracted culverts.

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Wiltgen seconded approval of the recommendation. Avery, Schorr, Hudkins, Wiltgen and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- H. Grant contract with International Institute of Restorative Practices in the amount of \$10,356 to provide funding for a professional development training titled: Introduction to Restorative Practices & Using Circles Effectively. Term of the contract is March 10, 2015 to June 30, 2015. (C-15-0295)**

MOTION: Schorr moved and Avery seconded approval of the grant contract. Hudkins, Wiltgen, Schorr, Avery and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- I. Agreement with the Administrative Office of the Nebraska Supreme Court for administration of the Adult Drug Court for the District Court of Lancaster County. The Administrative Office of the Courts will pay the County \$246,839 for the services. Term of the agreement is July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016. (C-15-0296)**

MOTION: Wiltgen moved and Hudkins seconded approval of the agreement. Schorr, Avery, Wiltgen, Hudkins and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- J. Utility Permit No. 1297 with Windstream Nebraska, Inc., for replacement of underground cable along South 112th Street approximately midway between "O" Street and "A" Street. There is no cost to the County. (C-15-0297)**

MOTION: Avery moved and Wiltgen seconded approval of the utility permit. Avery, Hudkins, Schorr, Wiltgen and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- K. Agreement with the University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Center on Children, Families and the Law for the Service Point Management Information System, which allows participating community service agencies to share client information. Term of the agreement is twelve months from the date of signature by both parties. The cost to the County is \$1,250 and is included in the Joint Budget Committee's budget. (C-15-0298)**

Schorr informed the Board that clients scan a card at every point where services are provided. She added it is a valuable tool in tracking utilization and areas of increased need.

MOTION: Wiltgen moved and Hudkins seconded approval of the agreement. Hudkins, Schorr, Wiltgen, Avery and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:

- L. Agreement with Malcolm School District 148 for the provision of a school resource officer by the Lancaster County Sheriff's Office. The school agrees to pay the County \$14,730.48 for the first year of the contract with a 2.5% increase each contract year thereafter. Term of the agreement is August 1, 2015, to July 31, 2016, with optional one-year renewals. (C-15-0299)**

Terry Wagner, Lancaster County Sheriff, told the Board agreements have been in place with the four Lancaster County schools for a number of years to provide a resource officer. He stated that the officer's time is split between the schools. Wagner said the difference in the cost is dependent on how much time is spent at the schools.

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Wiltgen seconded approval of the agreement. Schorr, Wiltgen, Avery, Hudkins and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- M. Agreement with Norris School District 160 for the provision of a school resource officer by the Lancaster County Sheriff's Office. The school agrees to pay the County \$14,730.48 for the first year of the contract with a 2.5% increase each contract year thereafter. Term of the agreement is August 1, 2015, to July 31, 2016, with optional one-year renewals. (C-15-0300)**

MOTION: Wiltgen moved and Schorr seconded approval of the agreement. Wiltgen, Avery, Hudkins, Schorr and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- N. Agreement with Raymond Central Public School District 161 for the provision of a school resource officer by the Lancaster County Sheriff's Office. The school agrees to pay the County \$11,784.36 for the first year of the contract with a 2.5% increase each contract year thereafter. Term of the agreement is August 1, 2015, to July 31, 2016, with optional one-year renewals. (C-15-0301)**

MOTION: Schorr moved and Wiltgen seconded approval of the agreement. Avery, Hudkins, Schorr, Wiltgen and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- O. Agreement with Waverly School District 145 for the provision of a school resource officer by the Lancaster County Sheriff's Office. The school agrees to pay the County \$17,676.60 for the first year of the contract with a 2.5% increase each contract year thereafter. Term of the agreement is August 1, 2015, to July 31, 2016, with optional one-year renewals. (C-15-0302)**

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Avery seconded approval of the agreement. Hudkins, Schorr, Wiltgen, Avery and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:

- P. Contract with Beatrice Lawn Care, Inc. for the annual requirements of weed abatement-mowing. Term of the agreement is one year from the date of execution. (C-15-0303)**

MOTION: Avery moved and Schorr seconded approval of the contract. Schorr, Wiltgen, Avery, Hudkins and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- Q. Contract with Gary's Lawn & Landscape for the annual requirements of weed abatement-mowing. Term of the agreement is one year from the date of execution. (C-15-0304)**

MOTION: Avery moved and Hudkins seconded approval of the contract. Wiltgen, Avery, Hudkins, Schorr and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- R. Contract with Lee's Lawn Maintenance for the annual requirements of weed abatement-mowing. Term of the agreement is one year from the date of execution. (C-15-0305)**

MOTION: Avery moved and Wiltgen seconded approval of the contract. Wiltgen, Schorr, Hudkins, Avery and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- S. Contract with Mr. Yards & More, LLC for the annual requirements of weed abatement-mowing. Term of the agreement is one year from the date of execution. (C-15-0306)**

MOTION: Avery moved and Wiltgen seconded approval of the contract. Schorr, Hudkins, Avery, Wiltgen and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- T. Amendment to County Contract C-14-0359 with ImageScapes, Inc. for the annual requirements of sod and sod replacement and installation. The amendment renews the agreement for an additional one year term from July 15, 2015 to July 14, 2016. (C-15-0308)**

MOTION: Schorr moved and Hudkins seconded approval of the amendment. Hudkins, Avery, Wiltgen, Schorr and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- U. Amendment to a contract between Lanoha Nurseries, the City of Lincoln, Lancaster County and the Lincoln-Lancaster County Public Building Commission for miscellaneous landscape installation and maintenance service. The amendment renews the agreement for an additional one-year term from May 1, 2015 to April 30, 2016. (C-15-0309)**

MOTION: Schorr moved and Avery seconded approval of the amendment. Avery, Wiltgen, Schorr, Hudkins and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:

- V. Request for an exceptional circumstances award under Personnel Rule 17.9(b) for Minette Genuchi, Administrative Secretary to the County Board, in the amount of \$500.**

Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer, told the Board that Minette Genuchi had volunteered to cover duties in Human Services while a staff member was on leave. He said because of this it was not necessary to hire a temporary employee and saved the County money.

Sara Hoyle, Human Services Director, said the department ran efficiently with Genuchi's assistance.

Genuchi thanked everyone for the acknowledgment and the opportunity to work with the Human Services Department.

MOTION: Schorr moved and Wiltgen seconded approval of the award. Wiltgen, Hudkins, Avery, Schorr and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- W. Appointment of Mike Thew to the Lancaster County Personnel Policy Board for a term commencing on June 30, 2015 and ending June 30, 2020, replacing Randy Goyette.**

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Avery seconded approval of the appointment. Avery, Schorr, Hudkins, Wiltgen and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- 5) 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. Setting of public hearing on Tuesday, June 30, 2015 at 10:30 a.m., in Room 112 of the County-City Building (555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln) regarding amusement license application for Matt Kleinschmit on behalf of Home Builders Association of Lincoln to hold a grill out/Lincoln Family Fest on August 7-8, 2015 at 11401 Van Dorn, Walton, Nebraska.**

- B. Receive and place on file the Lancaster County Sheriff's report for May, 2015.**

MOTION: Wiltgen moved and Hudkins seconded approval of the consent items. Hudkins, Wiltgen, Schorr, Avery and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

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

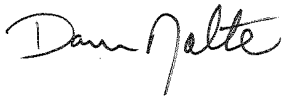
Gary Aldridge, 7112 S. 45th Street, Lincoln, NE 68516 appeared and commented on the Nebraska Budget Act. Aldridge voiced concerns on the County budget and spending practices.

7) **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- A. The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold a staff meeting on Thursday, June 25, 2015 at 8:30 a.m. in the Bill Luxford Studio (Room 113) of the County-City Building (555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln).
- B. The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold their next regular meeting on Tuesday, June 30, 2015, at 10:30 a.m., in Room 112 of the County-City Building (555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln) with the Board of Equalization immediately following.
- C. The County Commissioners can be reached at 402-441-7447 or commish@lancaster.ne.gov.
- D. The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners meeting is broadcast live. It is rebroadcast on Tuesday and Saturday on 5 City-TV, Cable Channel 5. In addition, the meeting may be viewed on the internet at lancaster.ne.gov under 5 City-TV, Video on Demand or 5 City-TV on YouTube.

8) **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: Wiltgen moved and Hudkins seconded to adjourn the Lancaster County Board of Commissioners meeting at 11:20 a.m. Schorr, Avery, Wiltgen, Hudkins and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.



Dan Nolte, County Clerk



MINUTES
LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
COUNTY-CITY BUILDING, ROOM 112
TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2015
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE LANCASTER COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Advance public notice of the Board of Equalization meeting was posted on the County-City Building bulletin board and the Lancaster County, Nebraska, web site and emailed to the media on June 19, 2015.

Commissioners present: Roma Amundson, Chair; Larry Hudkins, Vice Chair; Bill Avery, Deb Schorr and Todd Wiltgen

Others present: Scott Gaines, Deputy Assessor/Register of Deeds; Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer; Brittany Behrens, Deputy County Attorney; Dan Nolte, County Clerk; Cori Beattie, Deputy County Clerk; and Kelly Lundgren, County Clerk's Office

The Chair called the meeting to order at 11:20 a.m., and the location of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was announced.

1) MINUTES: Approval of the minutes of the Board of Equalization meeting held on Tuesday, June 16, 2015.

MOTION: Schorr moved and Hudkins seconded approval of the minutes. Avery, Hudkins, Schorr, Wiltgen and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

2) ADDITIONS AND DEDUCTIONS TO THE TAX ASSESSMENT ROLLS: (See attached additions and deductions.)

MOTION: Schorr moved and Wiltgen seconded approval of the additions and deductions. Hudkins, Schorr, Wiltgen, Avery and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

3) PUBLIC HEARING:

A. Motor Vehicle Tax Exemption Applications

**Christian Retirement Homes, Inc. d/b/a Eastmont Towers
Epona Horse Rescue
First Slavic Baptist Church
St. John's Church**

The Chair opened the public hearing.

No one appeared to testify in support, opposition or in a neutral position.

The Chair closed the public hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING CONTINUED:

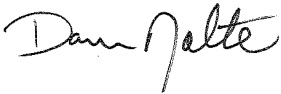
MOTION: Wiltgen moved and Hudkins seconded approval of the exemptions. Schorr, Wiltgen, Avery, Hudkins and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

4) PUBLIC COMMENT: Those wishing to speak on items relating to County Board of Equalization business not on the agenda may do so at this time.

No one appeared for public comment.

5) ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Schorr moved and Wiltgen seconded to adjourn the Lancaster County Board of Equalization meeting at 11:25 a.m. Wiltgen, Avery, Hudkins, Schorr and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.



Dan Nolte, County Clerk

