

**MINUTES  
LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
COUNTY-CITY BUILDING, ROOM 112  
TUESDAY, JULY 18, 2017  
9:00 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 July 14, 2017.*

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

Others present: Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer; Ann Ames, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer; David Derbin, Deputy County Attorney; Dan Nolte, County Clerk; and Kelly Lundgren, County Clerk's Office

*The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., the Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the location of the Nebraska Open Meeting Act was announced.*

**1) MINUTES:**

- A. Approval of the minutes of the Board of Commissioners meeting held on Tuesday, July 11, 2017.**

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

**2) CLAIMS:**

- A. Approval of all claims processed through July 18, 2017.**

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

**3) SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:**

- A. Recognition of the County-City Building art exhibit – Jay Gerber**

Gerber thanked the Board for the opportunity to exhibit his art work. He said he began doing abstract paintings when he retired and has found it to be very therapeutic.

- B. Commissioners' Award of Excellence – June Winner – Mike Holle, County Engineering, in the category of Productivity.**

The Clerk read the nomination for the record. Amundson presented Holle with a plaque and thanked him for his service to the County. Pam Dingman, County Engineer, noted that Holle comes from a civil engineer and surveying family. She stated she appreciated the extra hours that Holle worked on the box culvert projects. Holle thanked the Board and his coworkers for the award.

**C. Recognition of Mitch Sump for being named the Nebraska Association of Transportation Providers Rookie of the Year for 2016 – Sandy Lutz, Aging Partners Administrator for the Community Activities & Services Division.**

Sandy Lutz, Aging Partners Administrator, explained the award is presented to managers who have served five years or less. She stated that Sump has worked with Aging Partners for two and half years. Lutz said Sump has gone above and beyond in addressing the transportation needs throughout the community.

Sump said this award belongs to all the members of his team and expressed his appreciation for the award.

**4) NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Special designated license applications from Meier's Wine, Inc. for the following events:**

- 1. Reception at Prairie Creek Inn, 2400 South 148<sup>th</sup> Street, Walton, on August 12, 2017.**
- 2. Reception at Kleinschmidt Residence, 11401 Van Dorn, Walton, on August 11, 2017.**

**MOTION:** Avery moved and Brinkman seconded approval of the special designated licenses. Schorr, Amundson, Avery, Brinkman and Wiltgen voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

**B. Special designated license application from Blue Stem Tree Farm, 5895 West Sprague Road, Crete, for a country music concert (Frog Fest) to be held on August, 19, 2017.**

Brooke Schultz, NRG Media, said this is the fifth year for Frog Fest with no major changes in the event other than increased security and working with the County Sheriff's Office on their concerns.

**MOTION:** Avery moved and Brinkman seconded approval of the special designated license. Amundson, Schorr, Brinkman, Avery and Wiltgen voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

**C. Mini-grant contract application and award with the Nebraska Office of Highway Safety to pay overtime in the amount of \$5,174 for the "You Drink & Drive. You Lose." Crackdown. (C-17-0506)**

**MOTION:** Brinkman moved and Amundson seconded approval of the application and award. Schorr, Brinkman, Avery, Amundson and Wiltgen voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

**D. Medicare enrollment application for clinics and group practices for revalidation of the Lancaster County Community Mental Health Crisis Center's enrollment information. (C-17-0507)**

Scott Etherton, Mental Health Crisis Center Director, said every five years Medicare requires revalidation.

**MOTION:** Amundson moved and Avery seconded approval of the application. Brinkman, Avery,

Amundson, Schorr and Wiltgen voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- E. Interlocal agreements with the following counties for the safekeeping, care and sustenance of preadjudicated juveniles at the Youth Services Center. Lancaster County will be reimbursed at the rate of \$276 per juvenile per day.**

- 1. Dawson County (C-17-0508)**
- 2. Gage County (C-17-0509)**
- 3. Jefferson County (C-17-0510)**
- 4. Merrick County (C-17-0511)**
- 5. Phelps County (C-17-0512)**
- 6. Thayer County (C-17-0513)**
- 7. York County (C-17-0514)**

**MOTION:** Brinkman moved and Amundson seconded approval of the interlocal agreements. Avery, Amundson, Schorr and Brinkman voted yes. Wiltgen voted no. Motion carried 4-1.

- F. Amendment to County Contract C-13-0335 with Inmate Calling Solutions, LLC for inmate phone services for the Adult Detention Center (Bid No. 12-273). The amendment extends the contract for an additional two-month term beginning July 23, 2017 through September 22, 2017. (C-17-0496)**

Ken Prey, Jail Administrator, stated this four-year contract has been in place since July of 2013 for inmate phone services. He said this amendment extends the contract for two months while negotiating to include video conferencing in the new contract.

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

- G. Amendment to County Contract C-14-0626 with Cardiac Science Corporation using the Purchasing Solutions Alliance (PSA) Contract No. 14-100 for automated external defibrillators (AED), related products and services. The parties hereby amend the contract to add LifeGuard MD, Inc., as a distributor. (C-17-0498)**

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

- H. Amendment to County Contract C-15-0464 with Sapp Bros, Inc., for the annual supply of lubricants (Bid No. 15-133). The amendment is for a price increase for the remainder of the contract term per Attachment A. (C-17-0499)**

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

- I. **Amendment to County Contract C-09-0137 with Legacy Inmate Communications for inmate phone services for County Correctional facilities (Bid No. 09-016). The amendment extends the contract for a term beginning July 23, 2017 to July 22, 2018. (C-17-0500)**

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

- J. **Contracts with the following medical providers for specialized medical care of General Assistance clients. Providers will be reimbursed at the Medicaid rate.**

1. **Nebraska Pulmonary Specialties, LLC (C-17-0515)**
2. **Lincoln Surgical Hospital (C-17-0516)**
3. **Lincoln Surgery Center – Endoscopy (C-17-0517)**
4. **Frontier Home Medical (C-17-0518)**
5. **General Surgery Associates (C-17-0519)**
6. **Lincoln Nephrology and Hypertension (C-17-0520)**

Sara Hoyle, Human Services Director, said General Assistance has a contract with People's Health Center to provide primary care. She added the contracts provide for specialized care that General Assistance clients occasionally require.

**MOTION:** Amundson moved and Brinkman seconded approval of the contracts.

Schorr inquired how the contract will affect Health 360. Hoyle said the process will not change. The referrals will come from People's Health Center physicians instead of the Lincoln-Lancaster County Department of Health.

**ROLL CALL:** Avery, Brinkman, Schorr, Amundson and Wiltgen voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- K. **Acceptance of the Lancaster County Back on Track, State Grant Award 17-JS-0424, from the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice in the amount of \$18,100. (C-17-0522)**

**MOTION:** Brinkman moved and Schorr seconded approval of the grant award. Brinkman, Schorr, Amundson, Avery and Wiltgen voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- L. **Grant contract with Matt Talbot Kitchen and Outreach in the amount of \$10,000 for the Hunger Relief and Nutrition program. The contract is funded by the Joint Budget Committee for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. (C-17-0476)**

Susanne Blue, Matt Talbot Kitchen and Outreach Executive Director, provided an overview of the services provided by the grant.

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

- M. Grant contract with Cedars Youth Services in the amount of \$27,345 for the Emergency Shelter/Crisis Stabilization program. The contract is funded by Juvenile Justice Prevention funds for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. (C-17-0495)**

Jim Blue, Cedars Youth Services Executive Director, provided an overview of the services provided by the grant.

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

- N. Grant contract with Heartland Big Brothers Big Sisters in the amount of \$26,385 for the Mentoring High Risk Youth program through the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Juvenile Services Aid Grant (#17-CB-529). The term of the grant contract is July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. (C-17-0497)**

Kiersten Hill, Heartland Big Brothers Big Sisters Executive Director, provided an overview of the services provided by the grant.

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

- O. Grant contract with HUB-Central Access Point for Young Adults in the amount of \$18,100 for the Back on Track program through the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Juvenile Services Grant (#17-JS-0424). The term of the grant contract is July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. (C-17-0502)**

Nola Derby-Bennett, HUB-Central Access Point Executive Director, provided an overview of the services provided by the grant.

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

- P. Grant contract with The Mediation Center in the amount of \$40,000 for the Restorative Justice Program. The grant is funded by Juvenile Justice Prevention Funds for a term of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. (C-17-0521)**

Casey Karges, The Mediation Center Executive Director, provided an overview of the services provided by the grant.

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

- Q. Grant contract with The Mediation Center in the amount of \$46,000 for the Restorative Justice Practices program through the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Juvenile Services Aid State Grant (#17-CB-529). The term of the grant contract is July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. (C-17-0504)**

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

- R. Political Subdivision Tort Claim filed against Lancaster County by Charlie R. Johnson.**

**MOTION:** Schorr moved and Amundson seconded to deny the tort claim based on the County Attorney's recommendation.

Avery requested clarification on this item.

Dave Derbin, Deputy County Attorney, stated for the purpose of protecting the public interest the Board should move into Executive Session.

**MOTION:** Avery moved and Amundson seconded to enter Executive Session at 9:50 a.m. for the purpose of protecting the public interest with regards to potential litigation.

The Chair said it has been moved and seconded that the Board enter into Executive Session.

**ROLL CALL:** Avery, Amundson, Schorr, Brinkman and Wiltgen voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

**MOTION:** Schorr moved and Avery seconded to exit Executive Session at 9:54 a.m. Amundson, Brinkman, Avery, Schorr and Wiltgen voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

**ROLL CALL ON THE ORIGINAL MOTION:** Amundson, Schorr, Brinkman, Avery and Wiltgen voted yes. 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. Receive and place on file the following reports from June, 2017:**

**1. Records and Information Management**

- B. Utility Permit No. 1565 allowing Windstream Nebraska, Inc. to install 400 linear feet of underground cable adjacent to North 84<sup>th</sup> Street from the intersection with Waverly Road. There is no cost to the County. (C-17-0494)**

- C. **Utility Permit No. 1568 allowing Lincoln Electric System to install new phone poles north of Prairie Home for approximately 2 to 3 blocks. There is no cost to the County. (C-17-0503)**
- D. **Setting a public hearing on Tuesday, July 25, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 112 of the County-City Building (555 S 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln) regarding a petition from ten percent of the property owners within the relevant portions of Hidden Valley Acres and Hidden Valley Acres First Addition in Lancaster County, Nebraska and formation of the Hidden Valley Acres Road Improvement District for the paving of Prairie Rim Road, Deer Valley Lane, Wind River Trail, South 107<sup>th</sup> Street, Ellenridge Road and South 109<sup>th</sup> Street; at which time proponents and opponents will be heard.**

**MOTION:** Brinkman moved and Amundson seconded approval of the consent items. Schorr, Brinkman, Avery, Amundson and Wiltgen voted yes. 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.

Coby Mach, President and Chief Executive Officer, Lincoln Independent Business Association (LIBA), appeared on behalf of the LIBA Board of Directors. He expressed concern with the upcoming budget, pay raises and staff benefits. Mach encouraged the Board to consider property tax relief for Lancaster County.

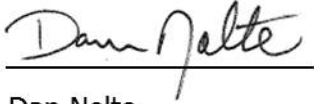
Pam Dingman, County Engineer, thanked Bevans Family Farms who donated right-of-way along 148<sup>th</sup> Street to Lancaster County for a bridge to box culvert project.

## 7) **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- A. **The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold staff meetings on Tuesday, July 18, 2017 immediately following the Board of Equalization meeting and Thursday, July 20, 2017 at 8:30 a.m., in the Bill Luxford Studio (Room 113) of the County-City Building (555 S 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln).**
- B. **The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold their next regular meeting on Tuesday, July 25, 2017 at 9:00 a.m., in Room 112 of the County-City Building (555 S. 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln).**
- C. **The County Commissioners can be reached at 402-441-7447 or [commish@lancaster.ne.gov](mailto:commish@lancaster.ne.gov).**
- D. **The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners meeting is broadcast live. It is rebroadcast on Tuesdays (1:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.), Wednesdays (12:00 a.m. midnight) and Saturdays (3:30 p.m.) on 5 City-TV, Cable Channel 5. In addition, the meeting may be viewed on the internet at [lancaster.ne.gov](http://lancaster.ne.gov) under 5 City-TV, Video on Demand or 5 City-TV on YouTube.**

**8) ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Schorr moved and Brinkman seconded to adjourn the Lancaster County Board of Commissioners meeting at 10:04 a.m. Brinkman, Avery, Amundson, Schorr and Wiltgen voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.



Dan Nolte  
Lancaster County Clerk

