

MINUTES
LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COUNTY-CITY BUILDING, ROOM 112
TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 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 28, 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; Cori Beattie, Deputy 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 25, 2017.**

MOTION: Brinkman moved and Avery seconded approval of the minutes. Avery, Brinkman and Wiltgen voted yes. Schorr and Amundson abstained. Motion carried 3-0 with two abstentions.

2) CLAIMS:

- A. Approval of all claims processed through August 1, 2017.**

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

3) SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

- A. Lancaster County Visitors Improvement Fund Grant to the Lincoln Community Foundation for the Public Art Engagement Project – Lori Thomas, Director, Lincoln Partners for Public Art Development. (See correlating item 6A)**

Lori Thomas, Director, Lincoln Partners for Public Art Development, thanked the County Board for accepting the grant application. She noted the funds will be used to create a public art "app" covering 50 pieces of art in the City. This effort is intended to provide greater outreach with regard to local public art. The app will be unveiled in April and will be rolled out with a family event (art race or treasure hunt) through the Parks and Recreation Department. Thomas confirmed that various statistics will also be compiled through the app.

The Board took action on item 6A.

4) PUBLIC HEARING:

- A. Public hearing regarding an amusement license application from the Karen Cultural Committee of Lincoln to hold the 3rd Annual Karen National Don Dance Competition on August 12-13, 2017 at 5600 West Adams Street, Lincoln, Nebraska. (See correlating item 6B)**

The Chair opened the public hearing.

Kham Nang and Kit Thit were administered the oath and appeared in support of the application. Nang explained that she was the applicant and Thit was the event organizer. Thit said dance competitions and wrist tying events are a part of the Karen culture. He stated they have had smaller events in the past but this year approximately six to eight hundred people will be attending.

Nang said the location is approximately 2.9 acres with a large area for parking. She noted there is an area designated for overflow at Arnold Elementary School and a shuttle will be available.

No one appeared in opposition or in a neutral position.

The Chair closed the public hearing.

The Board took action on item 6B.

5) UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. Software sharing agreement between the Nebraska State Patrol and Lancaster County at the request of the Lancaster County Sheriff's Office for use of MACH software. The cost to the County is \$24 per user per year. Term of the agreement is one year from the date of execution. (C-17-0562)**

Dave Derbin, Deputy County Attorney, explained that due to a security issue related to a Microsoft Outlook update, the full document was not available for the Board's review last week.

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

- B. Agreement with Joseph Higgins, Ph.D., for the provision of up to 320 hours per year of specialized psychological services for the Mental Health Crisis Center at the rate of \$75 per hour. (C-17-0479)**

Scott Etherton, Mental Health Crisis Center Director, stated Dr. Higgins would provide back up coverage for specialized psychological services.

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

6) NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Lancaster County Visitors Improvement Fund Grant contract with the Lincoln Community Foundation in the amount of \$10,000 for the Public Art Engagement Project. The term of the grant contract is June 1, 2017 through April 30, 2018. (C-17-0592)**

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

- B. Amusement license application from the Karen Cultural Committee of Lincoln to hold the 3rd Annual Karen National Don Dance Competition on August 12-13, 2017 at 5600 West Adams Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.**

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

- C. Special designated license applications from Ken's Liquor, Inc. for the following events:**

- 1. Reception at Roca Ridge, 5265 Prairie Sage Drive, Roca, on September 9, 2017.**
- 2. Reception at Prairie Creek Inn, 2400 S 148th Street, Walton, on September 9, 2017.**

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

- D. Resolution in the matter of the 2017-2018 annual cost of living wage adjustments for unrepresented classified employees, Attorney I's and II's and Deputy Sheriff Captains. All wage adjustments are to be effective August 17, 2017. (R-17-0056)**

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

- E. Agreement between the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Forces (OCDETF) Program and Lancaster County at the request of the Lancaster County Sheriff to assist OCDETF in the Interdiction Initiative. The County shall be reimbursed up to \$5,000 in overtime costs for work between July 1, 2017 through September 30, 2017. (C-17-0593)**

Captain Tom Brookhouser, Lancaster County Sheriff's Office, said the agreement is with Homeland Security who will reimburse the County up to \$5,000 for overtime pay to continue large scale human trafficking and drug investigations.

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

- F. Memorandum of understanding between the Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge #32 and the County of Lancaster, Nebraska to implement a six month pilot program governing the granting and denial of vacation leave, compensatory time and holiday leave. (C-17-0594)**

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

- G. Agreement with the University of Nebraska Board of Regents and the Lincoln Housing Authority for operation of the Nutrition Education Program to address the nutritional needs of certain limited income persons living in urban housing in Lancaster County. The County will pay up to \$19,941 for the services provided by the University. The Housing Authority will pay \$10,519 for services, combined with \$10,825 from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program. Term of the agreement is September 1, 2017 through August 31, 2018. (C-17-0595)**

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

- H. Recommendation from the Purchasing Department, Corrections and Youth Services to award a contract for the annual supply of correctional facility clothing and supplies to Bob Barker Company, Inc. and Uniforms Manufacturing, Inc. (UMI) (Bid No. 17-157). The estimated amount is \$75,000 per year. (B-17-0157)**

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

- I. Amendments to the following contracts for the annual supply of tires, tubes and tire repair services (Bid No. 13-175). The amendment extends the contracts for an additional ninety-day term beginning August 1, 2017 through October 31, 2017.**
- 1. County Contract C-13-0378 with Bauer Built Tire & Service, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000. (C-17-0578)**
 - 2. County Contract C-17-0379 with Cross-Dillon Tire, in an amount not to exceed \$20,000. (C-17-0579)**

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

- J. Amendment to County Contract C-15-0520 with Vigilnet American, LLC (using Johnson County, Kansas RFP 2014-118) for electronic monitoring equipment and services. The amendment renews the contract from April 1, 2017 through March 31, 2018. The estimated cost to the County is not to exceed \$18,000. (C-17-0583)**

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

- K. Amendments to the following contracts for the annual requirements of equipment and accessory rental (Bid No. 14-137). The amendment renews the contracts for a three-year term from August 5, 2017 through August 4, 2020. The combined cost for all contracts is not to exceed \$60,000 during this term.**
- 1. County Contract C-14-0380 with Hamilton Equipment, Co. (C-17-0585)**
 - 2. County Contract C-14-0379 with NMC, Inc. (C-17-0586)**
 - 3. County Contract C-14-0378 with Sunbelt Rentals. (C-17-0587)**

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

- L. Amendment to County Contract C-15-0368 with Whelen Engineering Company (using WSCA-NASPO Master Agreement No. 81297) for LED emergency light bars, siren warning accessories and other related accessories. The amendment renews the contract from August 1, 2017 through July 31, 2018. The cost to the County is not to exceed \$2,000. (C-17-0589)**

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

- M. Amendment to County Contract C-13-0495 with Datashield Corporation (using State of Nebraska Contract No. 56939 04) for on-site secure document shredding. The amendment renews the contract from July 15, 2017 through July 14, 2018. The combined cost to the County and Lincoln-Lancaster County Public Building Commission shall not exceed \$5,000. (C-17-0591)**

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

- N. Authorize Pam Dingman, Lancaster County Engineer, to sign the Annual Certification form for Lancaster County for the period of time from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017, in accordance with Section 5 and 6 of the Federal-Aid Transportation Fund Purchase-Sale Agreement between the State of Nebraska Department of Roads and Lancaster County.**

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

- O. Resolution authorizing the Chair of the Board to sign an agreement with the Nebraska Department of Roads for consultant inspection and load re-rating on County fracture critical bridges (Project No. STP-NBIS (110)). The cost to the County under the agreement is estimated to be \$10,263.96. (R-17-0057)**

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

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

Crossroads Physical Therapy, PC (C-17-0596)	Nebraska Foot and Ankle, PC (C-17-0604)
Husker Rehab and Wellness Center, PC (C-17-0597)	Nebraska Neurosurgery Group (C-17-0605)
Lincoln OB GYN, PC (C-17-0598)	Pathology Medical Service (C-17-0606)
Lincoln Orthopedic Physical Therapy (C-17-0599)	Plastic Surgical Arts (C-17-0607)
Lincoln P.T. & Sports Rehab (C-17-0600)	David Samani, M.D. (C-17-0608)
Lincoln Pulmonary & Critical Care (C-17-0601)	South Lincoln Dermatology (C-17-0609)
Lisa Mansur, M.D. (C-17-0602)	Arthritis Center of Nebraska (C-17-0610)
Fredrick Mausolf, M.D. (C-17-0603)	

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

- Q. Grant contract with CenterPointe in the amount of \$323,930 for the following programs: Community Support (\$147,930), Outpatient Counseling (\$82,500), Medical Management (\$52,250) and Day Rehabilitation (\$41,250). The contract is funded by the Joint Budget Committee for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. (C-17-0532)**

Topher Hansen, CenterPointe Executive Director, provided an overview of the services provided by the grant.

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

- R. Grant contract with CenterPointe in the amount of \$10,000 for the Youth Crisis Line program. The contract is funded by the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Juvenile Services Aid State Grant #16-EB-607. The term of the grant contract is June 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017. (C-17-0590)**

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

- S. Grant contract with OMNI Behavioral Health in the amount of \$26,297 for the In-Home Family Therapy program. The contract is funded by the Joint Budget Committee for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. (C-17-0580)**

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

- T. Grant contract with Bright Lights in the amount of \$7,500 for the Summer Learning Adventures program. The contract is funded by Juvenile Justice Prevention Funds for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. (C-17-0581)**

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

- U. Grant contract with Peoples City Mission in the amount of \$35,000 for the Family Shelter program. The contract is funded by Joint Budget Committee for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. (C-17-0582)**

Pastor Thomas Barber, Peoples City Mission Executive Director, provided an overview of the services provided by the grant.

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

- V. Grant contract with The Bay in the amount of \$45,000 for general operations of The Bay. The contract is funded by Juvenile Justice Prevention Funds for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. (C-17-0588)**

Quinn Small, The Bay Director of Development, provided an overview of the services provided by the grant.

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

- 7) 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. Utility Permit No. 1571 allowing Windstream Nebraska, Inc., to relocate existing facilities in conflict with County Bridge Replacement Project 17-09 (G-144). There is no cost to the County. (C-17-0584)**

B. Right-of-way contracts between Lancaster County and the following:

- 1. Lower Platte South Natural Resources District (LPSNRD), North 1st Street and Raymond Road, in the amount of \$1,903.50. (C-17-0611)**
- 2. Douglas W. Althouse, North 148th Street and Alvo Road, in the amount of \$1,135. (C-17-0612)**

C. Receive and place on file the County Treasurer's mid-term report of 2015 distress warrants.

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

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

David Tweedie, 3806 Northwest 51st Street, Lincoln, appeared and discussed the inconsistency of assessed land values in the Arnold Heights area. He stated he had filed a property valuation protest and did not feel that his concerns were addressed.

Amundson exited the meeting at 9:48 a.m.

Karen Wobig, Extension Educator, Unit Leader, Lancaster County Extension Office, introduced Emily Gratopp, Extension Educator, Nutrition Education Program, who will be involved with the University of Nebraska Board of Regents and the Lincoln Housing Authority Nutrition Education Program.

Amundson returned to the meeting at 9:51 a.m.

Gary Christman, 7100 Stone Ridge Road, Lincoln, appeared and stated that he filed a property valuation protest with supporting documentation but the referee decision was "no change". He said he was unclear as to what other information he could provide.

Wiltgen stated the Board of Equalization would meet on Tuesday, August 8, 2017 for final action on all property valuation protests. He recommended that both Tweedie and Christman submit any additional information to the County Clerk's Office prior to August 4th and attend the meeting on the 8th to voice their concerns at that time.

9) ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold a staff meeting Thursday, August 3, 2017 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, August 8, 2017 at 9:00 a.m., in Room 112 of the County-City Building (555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln).**

- C. The County Commissioners can be reached at 402-441-7447 or commish@lanaster.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 lanaster.ne.gov under 5 City-TV, Video on Demand or 5 City-TV on YouTube.

10) ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Schorr moved and Avery seconded to adjourn the Lancaster County Board of Commissioners meeting at 10:03 a.m. Schorr, Avery, Amundson, Brinkman and Wiltgen voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Dan Nolte
Lancaster County Clerk