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Subject: FW: request for use of County parcel

From: Kerin L. Peterson
Sent: Wednesday, December 20, 2017 2:13 PM
To: Kerry P. Egan <KEagan@lancaster.ne.gov>
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Kerry,

A representative from Associated Builders & Contractors (a non-profit) would like to use our parcel of land at 831 Westgate Blvd. to demonstrate a piece of heavy equipment to a class of students/interns during a job fair they are hosting the first week in June. Their offices are across the road from our parcel.

This seems like a reasonable request as long as Doug is satisfied that we could be protected. Does this need Co. Board approval? How would you suggest I proceed?

Thanks,

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Greetings,

My name is Ryan Petersen, Workforce Development Coordinator with Associated Builders & Contractors. ABC is a national trade association adopting the “merit shop” philosophy. We here at the Cornhusker Chapter work with junior employees in an assortment of trades to help meet their training needs in various areas of the construction industry, including plumbing, HVAC, and electrical. Essentially we are educators. In addition to our current training operations, ABC is currently developing an outreach program to educate, and to make our industry more accessible to a younger demographic. In summer of 2018, tentatively in June, we are hosting events for two separate age groups, for what would best be described as a “construction fair.”

This event will feature hands on instruction in a variety of skilled trades for participants.

ABC has reached out to Lancaster County in the hopes we may utilize open land at the parcel of **831 Westgate Blvd.** for one, potentially two dates in June (exact event dates to be determined) as it is **across the street** from our Lincoln training center. One point of focus during our camp will feature a “heavy machinery” day. It is our wish to utilize the aforementioned grounds as a space where we can demonstrate the operation of construction related equipment. Operation of equipment would be limited to licensed operators, and there would be no forms of excavation taking place. Mostly we foresee the use of boom lifts and scissor lifts. We simply do not have feasible space to demonstrate these equipment on our lot. It should be noted that no other portion of this event would take place on the county grounds.

We currently enjoy a working relationship with the City of Lincoln, as Building and Safety utilizes our facility for license testing in various trades.

Please feel free to contact me with any concerns or questions you may have.
Thank you for your consideration and support.

For the Merit Shop...

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From construction and industry-related firms. Founded on the merit shop philosophy.*

*ABC and its 70 chapters help members win work and deliver that work safely, ethically and profitably
for the betterment of the communities in which they work.*