

**MINUTES**  
**LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2014**  
**COUNTY-CITY BUILDING, ROOM 112**  
**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 February 14, 2014.*

Commissioners present: Larry Hudkins, Chair  
Brent Smoyer, Vice Chair  
Roma Amundson  
Jane Raybould

Commissioners absent: Deb Schorr

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 10:30 a.m.

1) **MINUTES: Approval of the minutes of the Board of Commissioners meeting held on Tuesday, February 11, 2014.**

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

2) **CLAIMS: Approval of all claims processed through Tuesday, February 18, 2014.**

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

3) **SPECIAL PRESENTATION:**

A. **Commissioners' Award of Excellence for January 2014 to Richard Busch, County/City Property Management.**

The Clerk read the nomination for the record. Amundson presented a plaque to Richard Busch who expressed his appreciation. Don Killeen, County Property Manager, and Liz Shea, Director of the County/City exhibition space, commended Busch for his work.

4) **PUBLIC HEARING:**

- A. **Class Y liquor license application for Country Pines Vineyard, 6305 West Adams Street, Lancaster County, Nebraska.**

The Chair opened the public hearing.

Ben Sand, Country Pine Vineyards, was administered the oath. He discussed the history of the property and the plans to start a tasting room with possibility of expansion. In response to Hudkins' question, Sand said the tasting area would be on the same property as the reception hall, but the two areas would be kept separate by fencing. In response to Amundson's question, Sand said Edelweiss, Lacrosse, De Chaunac and St. Croix grapes were being grown.

The Chair announced the public hearing would be held open one week.

5) **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. **Special events permit for the UNL Cycling Club Tour de Husker Bike Race on March 22, 2014.**

**MOTION:** Raybould moved and Smoyer seconded approval of the special events permit. Raybould, Amundson, Smoyer and Hudkins voted aye. Schorr was absent. Motion carried 4-0.

- B. **Reappointment of Jeff Frack to the Lancaster County Board of Zoning Appeals for a five-year term commencing April 1, 2014.**

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

- C. **Appointment of Craig Strong to the Lincoln-Lancaster County Board of Health to complete the unexpired term of Marcia White, ending April 14, 2015.**

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

- D. **Resolution in the matter of dissolution of the Countrylane Estates Road Improvement District. (R-14-0009)**

**MOTION:** Smoyer moved and Raybould seconded approval of the resolution based on the proper paperwork being filed and the recommendation of the County Attorney. Smoyer, Raybould, Amundson and Hudkins voted aye. Schorr was absent. Motion carried 4-0.

- E. **Recommendation from the County Engineer to award a bid to Theisen Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$103,201 for repair of County Bridge G-222. (B-14-0009)**

Pam Dingman, County Engineer, discussed the work to be done on County Bridge G-222 on 98<sup>th</sup> Street (Exhibit A) and the need to work on other County bridges.

**NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

Hudkins asked if pre-stressed concrete columns would be used rather than steel. Dingman said it was considered but the estimate to update materials would be over \$1,000,000.

Raybould questioned the type of traffic on the bridge. Dingman said 98<sup>th</sup> Street has a lot of agricultural traffic, but it is becoming a more popular road for regular traffic also.

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

- F. Contract between Midlands Recycling, LLC, Lancaster County, the City of Lincoln, and the Lincoln-Lancaster County Public Building Commission for recyclable collection services. (C-14-0081)**

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

- G. Contract between D&K Products, Lancaster County, the City of Lincoln and the Lincoln-Lancaster County Public Building Commission for the annual supply of fertilizer and chemicals. Term of the agreement is one year from the date of execution by all parties. (C-14-0082)**

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

- H. Contract between Floratine Central Turf Products, Lancaster County, the City of Lincoln and the Lincoln-Lancaster County Public Building Commission for the annual supply of fertilizer and chemicals. Term of the agreement is one year from the date of execution by all parties. (C-14-0083)**

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

- I. Contract between Agrium Advanced Technologies, Inc., Lancaster County, the City of Lincoln and the Lincoln-Lancaster County Public Building Commission for the annual supply of fertilizer and chemicals. Term of the agreement is one year from the date of execution by all parties. (C-14-0084)**

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

- J. Contract between Van Diest Supply Company, Lancaster County, the City of Lincoln and the Lincoln-Lancaster County Public Building Commission for the annual supply of fertilizer and chemicals. Term of the agreement is one year from the date of execution by all parties. (C-14-0085)**

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

**NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

- K. Contract between Turf Supply Company, Lancaster County, the City of Lincoln and the Lincoln-Lancaster County Public Building Commission for the annual supply of fertilizer and chemicals. Term of the agreement is one year from the date of execution by all parties. (C-14-0086)**

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

- L. Contract between Zimco Supply Company, Lancaster County, the City of Lincoln and the Lincoln-Lancaster County Public Building Commission for the annual supply of fertilizer and chemicals. Term of the agreement is one year from the date of execution by all parties. (C-14-0087)**

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

- M. Contract between John Deere Landscapes, Lancaster County, the City of Lincoln and the Lincoln-Lancaster County Public Building Commission for the annual supply of fertilizer and chemicals. Term of the agreement is one year from the date of execution by all parties. (C-14-0088)**

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

- N. Amendment to County Contract C-11-0422 with Commonwealth Electric Company of the Midwest for traffic signal construction. The amendment removes the Public Building Commission from the agreement and revises the City of Lincoln's estimated expenditures. (C-14-0089)**

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

- O. Amendment to County Contract C-11-0423 with ABC Electric Company for traffic signal construction. The amendment removes the Public Building Commission from the agreement and revises the City of Lincoln's estimated expenditures. (C-14-0090)**

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

- P. Amendment to County Contract C-11-0424 with Watts Electric Company of the Midwest for traffic signal construction. The amendment removes the Public Building Commission from the agreement and revises the City of Lincoln's estimated expenditures. (C-14-0091)**

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

**NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

- Q. Amendment to County Contract C-13-0577 with Manpower Group US, Inc., for staffing and professional employment related services. The amendment renews the agreement for an additional one-year term from March 19, 2014, to March 18, 2015. (C-14-0092)**

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

- R. Grant contract with HUB-Central Access Point in the amount of \$167,649 for the implementation of an evidence-based juvenile offender reentry program. HUB will document \$27,882 in matching non-federal funds. Term of the grant contract is January 1, 2014, to December 31, 2014. (C-14-0093)**

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

- S. Grant contract with Heartland Big Brothers Big Sisters, Inc., in the amount of \$50,000 for the implementation of an evidence-based juvenile offender reentry program. Heartland will document \$112,202 in matching non-federal funds. Term of the grant contract is January 1, 2014, to December 31, 2014. (C-14-0094)**

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

- T. Grant contract with Cedars Youth Services, Inc., in the amount of \$9,648 for an Aggression Replacement Training program for youth leaving the Youth Rehabilitation and Treatment Centers and returning to Lancaster County. Term of the grant contract is January 1, 2014, to December 31, 2014. (C-14-0095)**

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

- U. Agreement with Miles Ahead Consulting, LLC, for development of a long range plan for operation of the Lancaster County Public Defender's Office. The County will pay \$2,500 for consulting services. Term of the agreement is February 1, 2014, to December 31, 2014. (C-14-0096)**

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

- V. Letter of agreement with Seim Johnson for consulting services related to Medicare enrollment and licensure issues at the Community Mental Health Center. (C-14-0097)**

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

**NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

- W. **Agreement with Segal Rogerscasey for consulting services for a review of the investment and administrative services provided by Prudential for the Lancaster County 401(a) retirement plan and 457 deferred compensation program. Lancaster County will pay \$28,500 for the services. The contract period will run from March 1, 2014, through and including December 31, 2014. (C-14-0080)**

Smoyer noted no tax dollars are being used to fund the services.

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

- X. **Political subdivision tort claim filed against Lancaster County Corrections by Adrian Casares for lost property in the amount of \$15.99.**

**MOTION:** Smoyer moved and Raybould seconded denial of the tort claim based on the Corrections Director's recommendation. Smoyer, Raybould, Amundson and Hudkins voted aye. Schorr was absent. Motion carried 4-0.

- Y. **Political subdivision tort claim filed against Lancaster County Corrections by Sasha Dorwart for lost property in the amount of \$80.**

**MOTION:** Smoyer moved and Raybould seconded denial of the tort claim based on the Corrections Director's recommendation. Raybould, Amundson, Smoyer and Hudkins voted aye. Schorr was absent. Motion carried 4-0.

- 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. **Right-of-way contract between the County Engineer and Lawrence and Janet Bausch, S. 96<sup>th</sup> Street and Wagon Train Road, in the amount of \$865. (C-14-0098)**
- B. **Setting of a public hearing on Tuesday, February 25, 2014, at 10:30 a.m., in Room 112 of the County-City Building (555 S. 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln) regarding automatic renewal of retail liquor licenses issued in Lancaster County and outside the corporate limits of any city, for which the County Clerk has received no protests.**

**MOTION:** Raybould moved and Smoyer seconded approval of the consent items. Raybould, Amundson, Smoyer and Hudkins voted aye. Schorr was absent. Motion carried 4-0.

- 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, February 20, 2014, at 8:30 a.m., in the Bill Luxford Studio 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, February 25, 2014, at 10:30 a.m., in Room 112 of the County-City Building (555 S. 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln) with the Board of Equalization immediately following.
- C. The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners has indefinitely postponed the public hearing on the sale of the following County properties: Community Mental Health Center at 2201 S. 17<sup>th</sup> Street, Midtown Center at 2966 O Street, Trabert Hall at 2202 S. 11<sup>th</sup> Street and the former Attention Center for Youth Building at 2220 S. 10<sup>th</sup> Street, previously scheduled for Tuesday, February 25, 2014, at 10:30 a.m.
- D. The County Commissioners can be reached at 402-441-7447 or [commish@lancaster.ne.gov](mailto:commish@lancaster.ne.gov).
- E. 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](http://lancaster.ne.gov) under 5 City-TV, Video on Demand or 5 City-TV on YouTube.

9) **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Raybould moved and Smoyer seconded to adjourn the Board of Commissioners meeting at 11:05 a.m. Amundson, Smoyer, Raybould and Hudkins voted aye. Schorr was absent. Motion carried 4-0.

  
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Dan Nolte  
Lancaster County Clerk



**MINUTES**  
**LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION**  
**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2014**  
**COUNTY-CITY BUILDING, ROOM 112**  
**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 February 14, 2014.*

Commissioners present: Larry Hudkins, Chair  
Brent Smoyer, Vice Chair  
Roma Amundson  
Jane Raybould

Commissioners absent: Deb Schorr

Others present: Rob Ogden, Deputy 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 11:05 a.m.

1) **MINUTES: Approval of the minutes of the Board of Equalization meeting held on Tuesday, February 11, 2014.**

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

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

**MOTION:** Amundson moved and Raybould seconded approval of the additions and deductions. Raybould, Amundson, Smoyer and Hudkins voted aye. Schorr was absent. Motion carried 4-0.

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

**Lux Center for the Arts**  
**Nebraska Conference-United Church of Christ**  
**Vital Services**

**MOTOR VEHICLE TAX EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS CONTINUED:**

**MOTION:** Raybould moved and Amundson seconded approval of the motor vehicle tax exemption applications. Amundson, Smoyer, Raybould and Hudkins voted aye. Schorr was absent. Motion carried 4-0.

4) **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Raybould moved and Smoyer seconded to adjourn the Board of Equalization meeting at 11:06 a.m. Smoyer, Raybould, Amundson and Hudkins voted aye. Schorr was absent. Motion carried 4-0.

*Dan Nolte*

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





