

**MINUTES**  
**LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**ZOOM MEETING**  
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**COUNTY-CITY BUILDING, ROOM 112**  
**THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2020**  
**8:30 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 May 8, 2020.*

**Commissioners present:** Sean Flowerday, Chair; Rick Vest, Vice Chair; Roma Amundson; Deb Schorr; and Christa Yoakum

**Others present:** Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer; Ann Ames, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer; Jenifer Holloway, Deputy County Attorney; Dan Nolte, County Clerk, and Monét McCullen, County Clerk's Office

The meeting was called to order at 8:33 a.m., the Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the location of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was announced.

**1) MINUTES:**

- A. Approval of the minutes of the Board of Commissioners meeting held on Tuesday, May 5, 2020.**

**MOTION:** Vest moved and Amundson seconded approval of the minutes. Schorr, Amundson, Yoakum, Vest and Flowerday voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

**2) CLAIMS:**

- A. Approval of all claims processed through May 14, 2020.**

**MOTION:** Yoakum moved and Vest seconded approval of the claims. Vest, Schorr, Amundson, Yoakum and Flowerday voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- 3) 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 Permits with no cost to the County for the following:**

- 1. No. 1968 allowing Northern Natural Gas to do maintenance work on Gage Road approximately 1000 feet west of South 134<sup>th</sup> Street and on Stagecoach Road approximately 1300 feet west of South 190<sup>th</sup> Street. (C-20-0230)**

2. No. 1981 allowing Black Hills Energy to install a 6-inch gas main along the westerly right-of-way line of South 98<sup>th</sup> Street from "A" Street going south to Calvert Street to connect to an existing gas line. (C-20-0231)
  3. No. 1972 allowing Lancaster County Rural Water District #1 to install new water lines under South 84<sup>th</sup> Street, 130 feet north of Saltillo Road and under South 82<sup>nd</sup> Street, 1,961 feet south of Bennet Road. Water line construction due to the South Beltway Project. (C-20-0249)
- B. Right-of-way contracts at North 176<sup>th</sup> Street and Alvo Road with the following:
1. Dale H. and Helen K. Maahs, Co-Trustees, in the amount of \$703. (C-20-0234)
  2. Nancy Jane Mcroft and David H. Paulson Trustees of the Mcroft/Paulson Joint Revocable Trust, in the total amount of \$2,342. (2 contracts) (C-20-0235, C-20-0236)
- C. Right-of-way contracts with the following:
1. Sheila R. and Todd A. Neel, North 14<sup>th</sup> Street and Arbor Road, in the total amount of \$10,145. (2 contracts) (C-20-0237, C-20-0245)
  2. Tracy and Cheri Truax, 2100 Branched Oak Road, in the amount of \$409. (C-20-0238)
- D. Change Order #1 to County Contract C-20-0001 (Project 19-22, Northwest 84<sup>th</sup> Street Paving - O Street to I-80) with Bauer Underground, Inc., for the construction of a headwall on County pipes and a plan discrepancy for a net increase of \$42,937.71. (C-20-0239)
- E. Third Amendment to County Contract C-19-0709 (Project 20-09) with JEO for additional services. The services shall not exceed \$5,701.50. (The revised contract total is estimated at \$53,135.75.) (C-20-0240)
- F. Amendment to County Contract C-16-0090 with Jones Automotive for Supply and Installation of Emergency Equipment for Law Enforcement Vehicles. (Bid No. 16-021. The amendment extends the contract completion date to October 31, 2020. There is no increase in the original contract total.) (C-20-0246)
- G. Received and placed on file the following:
1. 2019 Tax Increment Financing Report for the City of Lincoln.
  2. Assessor/Register of Deeds report for April, 2020.
  3. Records and Information Management report for April, 2020.

**MOTION:** Schorr moved and Yoakum seconded approval of the consent items. Yoakum, Vest, Schorr, Amundson and Flowerday voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

4) **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Proclamation in the matter of declaring May 10-17, 2020 as Police Week in Lancaster County and May 15, 2020 as Peace Officers Memorial Day. (R-20-0022)

The Clerk read the proclamation into the record.

**MOTION:** Vest moved and Yoakum seconded approval of the proclamation.

Flowerday thanked the Department for their service.

**ROLL CALL:** Amundson, Yoakum, Vest, Schorr and Flowerday voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- B. Agreement with IDEMIA Identity and Security USA, LLC for LiveScan fingerprint technology for the Department of Corrections. The term of the agreement is for five years. The cost to the County is \$3,257 per year, with the first year free. (C-20-0241)**

**MOTION:** Amundson moved and Yoakum seconded approval of the agreement. Schorr, Amundson, Yoakum, Vest and Flowerday voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- C. Letter of understanding with Nebraska State Patrol (NSP) for NSP to cover the cost of the first year of service with IDEMIA.**

**MOTION:** Amundson moved and Yoakum seconded approval of the letter of understanding. Vest, Schorr, Amundson, Yoakum and Flowerday voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- D. Work and Financial Plan pursuant to the cooperative service agreement (previously approved by C-18-0263) with the United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service Wildlife Services for the Wildlife Damage Management Program. The program is from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021. The cost to the County is not to exceed \$7,500. (C-20-0242)**

**MOTION:** Schorr moved and Yoakum seconded approval of the work and financial plan. Yoakum, Vest, Schorr, Amundson and Flowerday voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- E. Agreement with the Lancaster County Events Center to use the event center as a polling place for the May 12, 2020 election. There is no cost to the County. (C-20-0248)**

**MOTION:** Amundson moved and Vest seconded approval of the agreement. Amundson, Yoakum, Vest, Schorr and Flowerday voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- F. Nebraska Crime Commission grant award for Community Aid grant funding for the period of June 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 in the amount of \$997,354. (C-20-0243)**

Sara Hoyle, Human Services Director, said this funding is received every year in addition to a little over \$100,000 in competitive dollars. Most of this funding goes to the non-profit entities to support the advocacy and work they perform with juvenile clients.

**MOTION:** Amundson moved and Schorr seconded approval of the grant award. Schorr, Amundson, Yoakum, Vest and Flowerday voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

#### **RETURNING TO ITEM 4A.**

Terry Wagner, Lancaster County Sheriff, said this week honors the officers for the sacrifices they make. He noted on Friday, May 15, 2020, there would be a short service in the lower level of the Justice and Law Enforcement Center to honor the Sheriff Deputies and Lincoln Police Officers who have died in the line of duty.

- G. Interlocal agreement with the Village of Raymond to provide for pavement resurfacing on Raymond Road from Northwest 48<sup>th</sup> Street to Northwest 40<sup>th</sup> Street (Project 19-029, Bid No. 17-03). The Village shall pay the County the estimated cost of \$18,522.45 on or before May 15, 2020. (C-20-0244)**

**MOTION:** Amundson moved and Vest seconded approval of the interlocal agreement. Vest, Schorr, Amundson, Yoakum and Flowerday voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- H. Contract with Uretex USA, Inc., for Unit Price – Soil Stabilization for Lancaster County Engineering. (Bid No. 20-087.) The contract is for two-years with the option to renew for two additional two-year terms. The cost to the County is not to exceed \$200,000. (C-20-0232)**

Pam Dingman, Lancaster County Engineer, said this contract is for foam injections behind bridge abutments in order to stabilize them.

**MOTION:** Vest moved and Schorr seconded approval of the contract. Yoakum, Vest, Schorr, Amundson and Flowerday voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- I. Recommendation from the Purchasing Agent and County Engineer to award and execute a Purchase Order to Metal Culverts, Inc., for Culvert Pipe (Bid No. 20-103). The total amount of the order is \$70,179.85. (C-20-0233)**

Dingman said this contract is for the annual supply of pipes that are installed by the County. This cost does not include labor.

**MOTION:** Vest moved and Yoakum seconded approval of the recommendation. Amundson, Yoakum, Vest, Schorr and Flowerday voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- J. Interlocal agreement with Saline County to participate in a cooperative bidding to improve and maintain concrete box culverts for a 2020 County Bridge Match Program. (C-20-0247)**

Dingman said the reason for the interlocal agreement is when two adjacent counties partner in the Bridge Match Program there is additional funding available.

**MOTION:** Amundson moved and Vest seconded approval of the interlocal agreement.

Flowerday asked why there were more funds available when partnered with another county. Dingman said the Transportation Innovation Act under the County Bridge Match Program was written for the 90 counties that do not have engineers.

**ROLL CALL:** Schorr, Amundson, Yoakum, Vest and Flowerday voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- K. Recommendations from the Purchasing Agent and County Engineering to award a contract to for Culvert Pipe (Bid No. 20-103) to the following.**
  - 1. Metal Culverts, Inc., in the total amount of \$92,145.34. (B-20-0103)**
  - 2. CONTECH Engineered Solutions LLC, in the total amount of \$45,859.23. (B-20-0103)**

Dingman said these recommendations are for purchasing pipes that were not included in the base pipe contract for emergency projects.

**MOTION:** Vest moved and Amundson seconded approval of the recommendations. Vest, Schorr, Amundson, Yoakum and Flowerday voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- L. **Recommendation from the Purchasing Agent and County Engineering to award a contract to Bauer Underground for the Replacement of County Bridge S-179 (Project No. 20-15, Bid No. 20-081). The total cost is \$497,763. (B-20-0081)**

Dingman said this contract is a replacement of a bridge to box culvert project located east of the intersection of Roca Road and 98<sup>th</sup> Street. This bridge is a highly traveled bridge with over 1,000 cars per day.

**MOTION:** Vest moved and Schorr seconded approval of the recommendation.

Schorr noted she hears about this bridge more than any other bridge in the County. Dingman added there is some difficulty getting the Army Corps of Engineers permit for the bridge because they would like to visit the site first. They are currently not returning to work until after June 30, 2020.

**ROLL CALL:** Yoakum, Vest, Schorr, Amundson and Flowerday voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

**5) UPDATE ON COVID-19 AND LANCASTER COUNTY RESPONSE:**

**A. Crisis Center Reimbursement under CARES Act.**

Scott Etherton, Crisis Center Director, said this was a payment of \$1,682 that was received automatically for the Crisis Center due to legislation that was passed for the CARES Act. As part of that, they are requesting an attestation that the money should be received by the Crisis Center.

**B. Authorizing Scott Etherton, Mental Health Crisis Center Director, to sign the attestation confirming receipt of the reimbursement and agreeing to the terms and conditions through the DHHS website.**

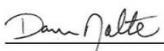
**MOTION:** Amundson moved and Yoakum seconded approval of the attestation. Schorr, Amundson, Yoakum, Vest and Flowerday voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

**6) ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- A. **The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold a staff meeting, including department budget hearings via Zoom on Thursday, May 14, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. (County-City Building, Room 113)**
- B. **The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold its next regular meeting, including department budget hearings on Tuesday, May 19, 2020 at 9:00 a.m., via Zoom with the Board of Equalization immediately following (County-City Building, Room 112)**
- C. **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 on LNKTVCity. For the rebroadcast schedule visit [lincoln.ne.gov](http://lincoln.ne.gov) (keyword: LNKTVCity). Meetings are also streamed live on LNKTVCity and can be viewed on YouTube (LNKTVCity).**

**7) ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Schorr moved and Vest seconded to adjourn the Lancaster County Board of Commissioners meeting at 9:05 a.m. Vest, Schorr, Amundson, Yoakum and Flowerday voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

  
Dan Nolte  
Lancaster County Clerk

