

MINUTES
MEETING OF PUBLIC GROUP (COUNTY ATTORNEY, COUNTY CLERK AND COUNTY
TREASURER) TO FILL THE LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT #2 VACANCY
FRIDAY, JUNE 14, 2019
2:00 P.M.
COUNTY-CITY BUILDING
555 S. 10th STREET, ROOM 303

Advance public notice of the Public Group meeting was posted on the County-City Building bulletin board and the Lancaster County, Nebraska, web site and emailed to the media on June 5, 2019.

Group Members present: Dan Nolte, Lancaster County Clerk; Rachel Garver, Lancaster County Treasurer; Pat Condon, Lancaster County Attorney

Others present: Kristen Anderson, Chief Deputy Treasurer; Cori Beattie, Deputy County Clerk; David Derbin, Deputy County Attorney; Deb Schorr, County Commissioner; and Leslie Brestel, County Clerk's office

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m., and the location of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was announced.

1) Approval of June 10, 2019 Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Condon moved and Garver seconded to approve the June 10, 2019 meeting minutes. Condon, Garver and Nolte voted yes. Motion carried 3-0.

Finalist Interviews – Jim Ballard, Shane Jensen, Cristy Joy, Tami Soper and Christa Yoakum

Prior to the interviews, the candidates drew numbers determining seating order as follows: 1) Christa Yoakum, 2) Christy Joy, 3) Shane Jensen, 4) Tami Soper and 5) Jim Ballard.

Nolte stated each candidate has up to 5 minutes to answer each of 5 questions in a round robin format. At the end of the questioning, each candidate will have 2 minutes for a final statement.

Condon read the following questions for candidate response:

- 1) What do you see as the biggest problem facing the County and what ideas do you have for solving that problem?
- 2) Lancaster County and the City of Lincoln have many jointly funded agencies. How will you assure that the County's needs are equally and adequately served?
- 3) Provide three (3) examples of how you would balance potentially controversial economic development opportunities in rural areas with the rights and expectations of surrounding property owners.

Break

The meeting was recessed at 2:44 p.m. and reconvened at 2:52 p.m.

Condon read the following questions for candidate response:

- 4) How do you handle controversy in a group on an issue you feel very passionate about?
- 5) What is your priority issue for the County and how do you plan on addressing that priority?

Each candidate gave closing statements. Joy provided a copy of her statements (Exhibit A).

Break

The meeting was recessed at 3:29 p.m. and resumed at 3:38 p.m.

Other Business

Nolte noted letters of support from the following were received: Spencer Kunze and Dick Campbell in support of Cristy Joy; Barb Haith in support of Greg Osborn; Carolyn Eberly in support of Christa Yoakum; and Rick DeBoer in support of Christa Yoakum and Shane Jensen (Exhibits B-G).

Discussion on Selection Process

Nolte suggested at the next meeting each group member submit their first-choice candidate in writing. He added if each person has a different candidate pick, consideration could be given to all five finalists.

MOTION: Nolte moved for each group member to submit in writing their name along with their first-choice candidate for final consideration.

Condon clarified each ballot would have the group member's name and there would be a motion to appoint the candidate to the Board with a discussion period and vote following.

Regarding the question what happens if each group member chooses a different candidate, Nolte stated he felt comfortable making a motion in support of a candidate and seeing if there is a second to the motion.

Condon asked if the group is to vote consensus or majority but no decision was made on that matter.

Garver seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Garver, Condon and Nolte voted yes. Motion carried 3-0.

Next Meeting Date

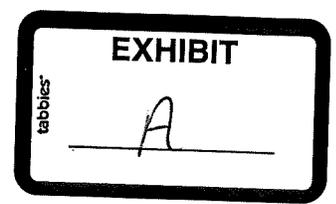
MOTION: Nolte moved and Condon seconded for the next meeting to be Tuesday, June 18 at 8:00 a.m. in Room 112 for final candidate selection. Garver, Condon and Nolte voted yes. Motion carried 3-0.

Adjournment

MOTION: Nolte moved and Garver seconded to adjourn the meeting at 3:49 p.m. Garver, Condon and Nolte voted yes. Motion carried 3-0.

Submitted by,

Leslie Brestel, County Clerk's Office



**County Board District 2
Appointment Final Interview**

Closing Statement

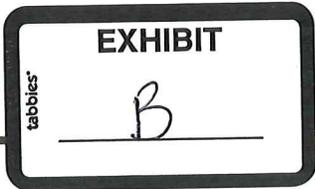
Cristy K. Joy, AIA LEED AP NCARB
801 W Rock Creek Rd. Raymond, NE 68428
402-429-7150
cjoy@archi-etc.com

I will use the skills I have learned in my 32-year business career to listen to the concerns of my constituents, plan strategically to create growth, and create a fiscally responsible budget.

My experiences allow me to hit the ground running and focus on the priorities that are important to all of us. For the remainder of the term, I plan to promote public safety, find a proactive plan to fund infrastructure needs, including roads and bridges, and make government more efficient to cut costs to the taxpayers.

I look forward to working with the people in District 2 and all of Lancaster County to create a better place to live, work, and raise a family for everyone.

Thank you!



Dan F. Nolte

From: Spencer Kunze <skunze@tablerockbank.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 11, 2019 3:47 PM
To: Dan F. Nolte
Subject: Appointment Recommendation

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LANCASTER COUNTY
CLERK

Dear County Clerk, Dan Nolte:

I am writing to you today to highly recommend Cristy Joy for the appointment to the Lancaster County Board of Commissioners for District 2.

My names is Spencer Kunze, and I am a third generation banker, and Vice President & Branch Manager of the State Bank of Table Rock here in Roca, Nebraska. I am also a director and shareholder of our holding company.

I have known Cristy Joy for many years and have the utmost respect for her. I became acquainted with her through business contacts and have admired her work ethic as an Architect and as the Managing Partner of Archi + Etc, LLC. We had her design an addition to one of our branches with a drive-up window. It turned out fabulous. She is so easy to work with and is a very good listener. She does what she says and delivers on her commitments. She was organized in her plans and bids, and fiscally responsible with the financial end of things.

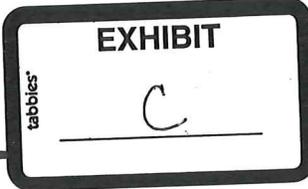
Thank you for reading my recommendation letter, and I do believe that Cristy would be an Asset to your County Board.

Respectfully Submitted,

Spencer H Kunze
Vice President
State Bank of Table Rock
Cell (402) 450-4267
Work (402) 484-5444

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Dan F. Nolte



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From: Dick Campbell <rbc@campbellsnursery.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 11, 2019 4:10 PM
To: Patrick Condon; Rachel M. Garver; Dan F. Nolte
Subject: Cristy Joy

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LANCASTER COUNTY
CLERK

Elected officials, I am writing this email today to support the candidacy of Christy Joy to fill the District #2 County Board of Commissioner's seat. I have worked with Christy Joy on both the Planning Commission board and also the Lincoln Public Schools Facility Task force and Christy has brought not only good information to the discussions in each case but a knowledge of the issues before us having done her homework and coming to each of the meetings well prepared. She asks very good questions that lead to each of the above (board and task force) being able to make good decisions on issues brought before us. Having my wife, Kathy, serve 16 years on the County Board, I feel I have good knowledge of what makes a good commissioner and Christy Joy fits that bill to a tee. Please consider appointing Cristy Joy for the open Commissioner position. Dick Campbell

Dan F. Nolte

From: afscme2468@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, June 12, 2019 9:28 AM
To: Dan F. Nolte

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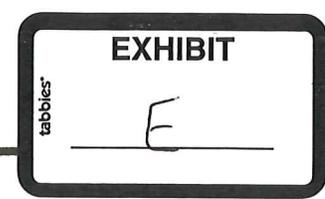
Dear selection committee,
Thank you for looking at these final five candidates to fill the vacancy on the County Board. As you interview the candidates, we would encourage you to choose a candidate that is not only well qualified, but labor friendly as well.

It is important that Lancaster County Commissioners, and their employees have a good working relationship. Even though there is not a lot of daily interaction between the two, employees need to know that they are valued as County employees. When an employees feels valued, the morale is higher, and when morale is higher, productivity and efficiency go up.

We know that at least two of these five candidates would meet these qualifications. That would be Christa Yoakum, and Shane Jensen, and would ask you to consider them to fill the vacancy. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Rick DeBoer
AFSCME 2468
Union President

Dan F. Nolte



From: Barb Haith <barbhaith@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 12, 2019 8:43 AM
To: Dan F. Nolte
Subject: Osborn for County Board

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LANCASTER COUNTY
CLERK

Mr. Dan Nolte:

I am sending my full support for Greg Osborn to be on the County Board.

Greg is a dedicated, conscientious and honorable man. In the 15+ years I have known him, he has always been respectful and a wonderful listener. An important skill before coming to possible solutions. Greg always shows up, does his homework and is a creative thinker. His service on multiple boards and established business in Lincoln represents his commitment to Lancaster County.

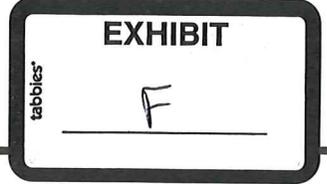
Greg has the best attributes for the vacancy on the County Board.

Thank you.
Respectfully,

Barbara Haith
Retired Business Owner

Sent from my iPhone

Dan F. Nolte



From: Carolyn Eberly <susie19423@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 12, 2019 11:42 AM
To: Dan F. Nolte
Subject: CHRISTA YOAKUM FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER

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LANCASTER COUNTY
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Dan:

I am writing to request your support of Christa Yoakum for County Commissioner to replace Jennifer Brinkman.

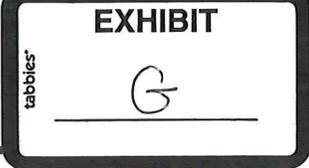
Christa will represent the district in which I live and I believe she will be the best person to represent me on the Commission. She is attuned to what are commonly referred to Kitchen Table Issues and has demonstrated over the years her commitment to work with people in many different capacities. I have no doubt she will continue to do this and take into consideration the needs of the county in all aspects while continuing to evaluate the needs and wants of her constituents.

I have no doubt she is the best person to fill this current vacancy and respectfully request your support of her appointment.

Respectfully,

Carolyn Eberly
3165 North Hill Rd
#101
Lincoln, NE 68504

NOTE: I had started an email previously and in attempting to delete it inadvertently forwarded it to you. Please delete the previous email and refer to this one. Thank you.



Dan F. Nolte

From: Carolyn Eberly <susie19423@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 12, 2019 11:33 AM
To: Dan F. Nolte
Subject: CHRISTA YOAKUM FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER

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LANCASTER COUNTY
CLERK

Dan:

I am writing to request your support of Christa Yoakum for County Commissioner to replace Jennifer Brinkman. Christa would represent the district in which I live. It is important to me to have a Commissioner