

MINUTES
LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2022 AT 9:00 AM
COUNTY-CITY BUILDING, ROOM 112

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

Advance public notice of the Board of Commissioners meeting was posted on the County-City Building bulletin board and the Lancaster County Nebraska website, emailed to the media and published in the Lincoln Journal Star print and digital editions on March 11, 2022.

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

Commissioners absent: Rick Vest

Others present: Kristy Bauer, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer; Candace Berens and John Ward, Deputy County Attorneys; Dan Nolte, County Clerk; Leslie Brestel and Meggan Reppert-Funke, County Clerk's Office

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m., 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, March 8, 2022

MOTION: Yoakum moved and Amundson seconded approval of the minutes. Amundson, Yoakum, Flowerday and Schorr voted yes. Vest was absent. Motion carried 4-0.

2) CLAIMS:

A. Approval of all claims processed through March 15, 2022

The Clerk noted there was an amendment to the claims for the payroll ending on March 9, 2022. (Exhibit 1)

MOTION: Amundson moved and Yoakum seconded approval of the claims as amended. Flowerday, Amundson, Yoakum, and Schorr voted yes. Vest was absent. Motion carried 4-0.

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 approved of:

A. Amendments to County contract C-21-0234 with WatchGuard Video, Inc., assigning rights and obligations to Motorola Solutions, Inc., for public safety video equipment (using the NASPO ValuePoint Contract No. OK-MA-145-010 / MOU095. The amendment extends the contract from February 1, 2022 through April 30, 2022. There is no cost to the County.) (C-22-0188)

B. Right-of-way contracts with the following:

1. Ronald W. and Lynda E. McGill, North 176th Street and Davey Road, in the amount of \$1,279. (Project 22-23 / A-242) (C-22-0182)
2. Dennis L. and Regina R. Francke, South 120th Street and A Street, in the amount of \$1,695. (Project 22-20 / J-256) (C-22-0189)

C. Received and placed on file the report from Records and Information for February 2022.

MOTION: Yoakum moved and Amundson seconded approval of the consent items. Yoakum, Flowerday, Amundson and Schorr voted yes. Vest was absent. Motion carried 4-0.

4) **NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Proclaiming March 25, 2022, as 4-H Achievement Day.

Karen Wobig, Extension Unit Leader, thanked the Board for its support in proclaiming March 25, 2022 as 4-H Achievement Day.

Tracy Anderson, Extension Educator and 4-H Coordinator, also thanked the Board for its support and noted that 19,000 youth were introduced to the Embryology program in 2021. This included all 3rd graders in Lancaster County.

The Clerk read the proclamation into the record.

Amundson stated the Extension Embryology and Egg Cam 4-H School Enrichment program reaches people worldwide. Anderson said the Egg Cam is very educational and the Extension Office has received comments about it from different countries.

The Board thanked the entire Extension staff, community leaders and volunteers who make all the Extension programs possible.

MOTION: Amundson moved and Flowerday seconded approval of the proclamation. Amundson, Yoakum, Flowerday and Schorr voted yes. Vest was absent. Motion carried 4-0.

B. Resolution in the matter of recognizing March 21-25, 2022, as Severe Weather Awareness Week and April 16, 2022, as Storm Spotter Appreciation Day. (R-22-0019)

Jim Davidsaver, Lincoln-Lancaster County Emergency Management Director, provided a brief overview of Severe Weather Awareness Week and noted that a statewide tornado drill will occur next Wednesday. He also noted that Emergency Management can host in-person Storm Spotter certification training.

Amundson thanked all the volunteer efforts.

MOTION: Flowerday moved and Amundson seconded approval of the resolution.

The Clerk read the resolution into the record.

ROLL CALL: Amundson, Yoakum, Flowerday and Schorr voted yes. Vest was absent. Motion carried 4-0.

C. Acceptance of grant funds from the Lincoln Community Foundation to Lancaster County Emergency Management in the amount of \$6,800 to support weather radios and the purchase of public outreach and education materials for emergency preparedness. (C-22-0183)

Daidsaver stated Michelle Paulk, Vice President of the Lincoln Community Foundation, contacted Lincoln-Lancaster County Emergency Management to donate grant funds for emergency preparations as some of the non-profit organizations they helped in the past are no longer in operation. Daidsaver stated the funds will provide 100 weather radios for families in need and public outreach and education materials.

Yoakum asked if the public outreach material will be provided in different languages. Daidsaver stated the radios are available in different languages. Other materials will also be provided in different languages.

MOTION: Amundson moved and Yoakum seconded approval of the grant funds. Flowerday, Amundson, Yoakum and Schorr voted yes. Vest was absent. Motion carried 4-0.

- D. Agreement with Jackson Lewis P.C. to provide professional legal services for the benefit of Lancaster County. (C-22-0184)

MOTION: Flowerday moved and Amundson seconded approval of the agreement. Yoakum, Flowerday, Amundson and Schorr voted yes. Vest was absent. Motion carried 4-0.

- E. Agreement with Indian Center, Inc. for the County to help fund a housing needs assessment, phased community action plan and community self-service portal. (The County grants the Indian Center \$30,000 from ARPA funds.) (C-22-0185)

Kim Etherton, Community Corrections Director, stated the agreement complements the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) project at the Indian Center for transitional housing.

MOTION: Yoakum moved and Flowerday seconded approval of the agreement. Amundson, Yoakum, Flowerday and Schorr voted yes. Vest was absent. Motion carried 4-0.

- F. Contracts with the following to provide the annual supply of turf fertilizer and chemicals (Bid No. 22-018. The contracts shall be effective March 5, 2022, through March 4, 2023.):
 - 1. SiteOne Landscape Supply (The cost to the County is not to exceed \$24,000.) (C-22-0186)
 - 2. Van Diest Supply Company (The cost to the County is not to exceed \$60,000.) (C-22-0187)

Pam Dingman, County Engineer, stated there is a 300% increase over the previous contract for the annual supply of fertilizer and chemicals.

MOTION: Amundson moved and Flowerday seconded approval of the contracts. Amundson, Yoakum, Flowerday and Schorr voted yes. Vest was absent. Motion carried 4-0.

- G. Recommendation from the Purchasing Agent and County Engineer to award a bid to JJK Construction LLC for repair of County Bridge M-147. The estimated cost to the County is \$159,590.62. (Project No. 21-52. Bid No. 22-067.) (B-22-0067)

Dingman presented a map with the location of County Bridge M-147 location (Exhibit 2).

MOTION: Yoakum moved and Flowerday seconded approval of the recommendation. Flowerday, Amundson, Yoakum and Schorr voted yes. Vest was absent. Motion carried 4-0.

- H. Recommendation from the Purchasing Agent and County Engineering to award and execute a purchase order to Triad Metals for Sheet Steel Piling Bridge Steel (Bid 22-062). The total amount of the order is \$77,662.50. (C-22-0191)

Dingman stated that steel is used to stabilize bridge abutments and there is a 50% increase in price from last fall.

MOTION: Amundson moved and Yoakum seconded approval of the recommendation. Yoakum, Flowerday, Amundson and Schorr voted yes. Vest was absent. Motion carried 4-0.

5) LEGISLATIVE UPDATE:

No update was given.

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

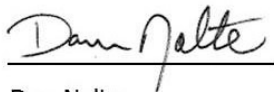
No one appeared for public comment.

7) ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold a staff meeting on Thursday, March 17, 2022, at 8:30 a.m., in Room 112 of the County-City Building (555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln).
- B. The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold its next regular meeting on Tuesday, March 22, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. in Room 112 of the County-City Building (555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln).
- C. The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, March 22, 2022, regarding Text Amendment 21011, amend Article 2-Definitions: Article 4-AG Agricultural; Article 5-AGR Agricultural Residential; Article 6-Residential; Article 7-Business; Article 13-Special Permits and Article 17-Additional Height and Area Regulations of the Lancaster County Zoning Regulations by restructuring Article 13 and reformatting the zoning code.
- D. County Commissioners can be reached at 402-441-7447 or commish@lancaster.ne.gov.
- E. The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners meeting is broadcast live on LNKTV City. For the rebroadcast schedule visit lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: LNKTV). Meetings are also streamed live on LNKTV, YouTube, Roku and Apple TV.

8) ADJOURNMENT

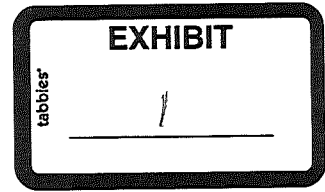
MOTION: Flowerday moved and Yoakum seconded to adjourn at 9:24 a.m. Amundson, Yoakum, Flowerday and Schorr voted yes. Vest was absent. Motion carried 4-0.



Dan Nolte
Lancaster County Clerk



LANCASTER COUNTY PAYROLL DISBURSEMENTS
For the Pay Period February 24, 2022 thru March 9, 2022
Pay Date: March 17, 2022



Gross Pay	\$	<u>2,303,063.03</u>
Employer FICA	\$	<u>167,668.64</u>
Pension Contribution	\$	<u>162,009.94</u>
PEHP Contribution	\$	<u>13,000.00</u>
PEHP Payout	\$	<u>81,757.18</u>
Workers Compensation	\$	<u>2,028.06</u>
Group Insurance	\$	<u>554,333.32</u>

Lancaster County, Nebraska

Project No. 21-52

