

MINUTES
LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, MAY 17, 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 May 13, 2022.

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

Commissioners absent: Roma Amundson

Others present: Dave Derbin, Chief Administrative Officer; Kristy Bauer, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer; John Ward, Deputy County Attorney; Dan Nolte, County Clerk; Cori Beattie, Deputy County Clerk; Leslie Brestel and Meggan Reppert-Funke, County Clerk's Office

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 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, May 10, 2022

MOTION: Yoakum moved and Vest seconded approval of the minutes. Vest, Yoakum, and Schorr voted yes. Flowerday abstained. Amundson was absent. Motion carried 3-0 with one abstention.

2) CLAIMS:

A. Approval of all claims processed through May 17, 2022

MOTION: Vest moved and Yoakum seconded approval of the claims. Flowerday, Vest, Yoakum and Schorr voted yes. Amundson 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 the following County contracts:

1. C C-19-0436 with Holmes Murphy and Associates for the provision of employee benefit consulting services related to Lancaster County's employee benefits programs. (The amendment renews the contract for the period from June 1, 2022, through May 31, 2023. The cost to the County is not to exceed \$24,000.) (C-22-0350)
2. C-19-0442 with Lee's Lawn Maintenance (Hauser Inc.) for weed abatement and mowing for the County Weed Authority. (Bid No. 19-123. The amendment renews the contract from June 11, 2022, through June 10, 2023. The cost to the County for all contracts is not to exceed \$40,000.) (C-22-0354)

3. C-19-0441 with Beatrice Lawn Care Inc., for weed abatement and mowing for the County Weed Authority. (Bid No. 19-123. The amendment renews the contract from June 11, 2022, through June 10, 2023. The cost to the County for all contracts is not to exceed \$40,000.) (C-22-0355)
4. C-19-0443 with Mr. Yards and More LLC for weed abatement and mowing for the County Weed Authority. (Bid No. 19-123. The amendment renews the contract from June 11, 2022, through June 10, 2023. The cost to the County for all contracts is not to exceed \$40,000.) (C-22-0356)
5. C-18-0260 with TruGreen LP (TruGreen) for weed control and fertilization services for County Corrections. (Quote No. 5866. The amendment extends the contract from June 5, 2022, through October 31, 2022. The cost to the County is not to exceed \$8,000.) (C-22-0353)
6. C-22-0073 with Felsburg Holt & Ullevig to add geotechnical engineering services for the replacement of Bridge C-253 located on West Branched Oak Road. (The additional cost to the County shall not exceed \$12,900.) (C-22-0358)

- B. Change Order 1 to County Contract C-22-0325 with Subsurface Inc., to add an additional site (Expenditures shall not exceed \$46,280.) (C-22-0352)
- C. Change Order 2 to County Contract C-22-0160 with General Excavating for additional labor, materials and equipment. (The amount shall not exceed \$4,153.95.) (C-22-0357)
- D. Utility Permit 2246 allowing Unite Private Networks (UPN) to replace a fiber optic line due to replacement of County Structure E-189. (Installation starts at the intersection of NW 140th Street and West Waverly Road, then east on the south side of West Waverly Road for 1,000 feet +/- to a point 200 feet +/- past the County culvert being replaced. There is no cost to the County.) (C-22-0340)
- E. Setting a public hearing on Tuesday, May 24, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. in Room 112 of the County-City Building (555 S 10th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska) regarding applications for a Class Y liquor license for Capriolo Winery, LLC dba Windcrest Winery (3110 West Branched Oak Road, Raymond) and a corporate manager's liquor license for Shannon Martin-Roebuck.

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

4) NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Resolution in the matter of extending the deadline for hearing protests regarding real property in Lancaster County from July 25, 2022, to August 10, 2022. (R-22-0032)

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

Cori Beattie, Deputy County Clerk, confirmed that this is the annual resolution allowing Lancaster County to extend the time for the protest process which is necessary due to the volume of filings.

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

- B. Adoption of the 2022 Lancaster County Board of Equalization Policies and Procedures for property valuation protests.

MOTION: Yoakum moved and Flowerday seconded approval of the 2022 Lancaster County Board of Equalization Policies and Procedures. Vest, Yoakum, Flowerday and Schorr voted yes. Amundson was absent. Motion carried 4-0.

- C. Resolution instituting eminent domain proceedings against Darin K. and Joetta M. Schwaninger. (Project 21-21, Culvert W-258) (R-22-0033)

Alex Olson, County Engineering Right-of-Way Manager, stated the Engineering Department has made several attempts to reach an agreement with the property owner to no avail. The project remains incomplete from last year and to move forward instituting of an eminent domain proceeding is needed.

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

- D. Special event permit application from Ben Cohoon, Off the Clock Events LLC, dba Pink Gorilla Events, for the Market-to-Market Relay to be held October 8, 2022.

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

- E. Amendment of a special designated license application from Sesostris Shrine Holding Corp. to hold an outdoor event at the Sesostris Shrine Temple (10508 Saltillo Road, Roca, Nebraska) on August 20, 2022.

Dave Weidner, Operations Manager of Sesostris Temple Holding Corporation, stated the application that was approved on May 10, 2022 did not have the updated location as the organizer moved the event to the other side of the building for more shade. He stated the application has been updated to reflect the new location.

MOTION: Vest moved and Flowerday seconded approval of the amendment to the special designated license application. Yoakum, Flowerday, Vest and Schorr voted yes. Amundson was absent. Motion carried 4-0.

- F. Space rental agreement with the Lincoln Fire Fighters Reception Hall in conjunction with in-person referee hearings for property valuation protests. The cost to the County is \$500 per day of use. (C-22-0348)

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

- G. Agreement with Bradford Moore to provide a training session for Lancaster County appraisal staff. The cost to the County is \$6,000. (C-22-0346)

Rob Ogden, County Assessor/Register of Deeds, stated Bradford Moore will provide local training to twelve County appraisal staff.

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

- H. Contract with Lamar Advertising Company for digital advertising for the Department of Corrections. The cost to the County is \$5,600. (C-22-0360)

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

- I. Ratification of a mini grant application and award from the Nebraska Department of Transportation Highway Safety Office in the amount of \$14,000 for Lancaster County Sheriff's Office overtime in conjunction with the "Click It or Ticket" enforcement mobilization. (C-22-0349)

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

- J. Authorizing the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Nebraska Crime Commission regarding the use of an on-line federal and state grant management system called AmpliFund. (C-22-0347)

MOTION: Vest moved and Yoakum seconded approval of the authorization.

Sara Hoyle, Human Services Director, stated AmpliFund is the new software program the Nebraska Crime Commission is moving to for on-line federal and state grant funding.

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

- K. Grant contract with The Lincoln Rose Society from the Visitors Promotion Fund for promotional costs for the American Rose Society Central District Rose Show and Conference in an amount not to exceed \$1,000. (C-22-0351)

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

- L. Grant contract with YWCA of Lincoln and Lancaster County for Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Consensus Building training for GARE members. The grant contract is funded by County General Funds in the amount of \$12,560. (The term of the grant contract is July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023.) (C-22-0339)

Hoyle stated the contract provides training for City and County staff on how racial equality intersects with governmental policies and procedures.

Yoakum stated the training is another asset in reaching Lancaster County strategic planning goals.

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

- M. Grant contracts using ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funds with the following (Terms of the grants are March 1, 2022, through June 30, 2026):

1. Friendship Home in the amount of \$250,000. (C-22-0341)
2. Karen Society of Nebraska in the amount \$100,000. (C-22-0342)
3. Malone Center in the amount of \$1,500,000. (C-22-0343)
4. Rabble Mill in the amount of \$75,000. (C-22-0344)
5. Willard Community Center in the amount of \$150,000. (C-22-0345)

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

- N. Recommendation from the Purchasing Agent and County Engineer to award a bid to Van Kirk Bros. Contracting for the replacement of County Bridge E-171 at an estimated cost of \$522,578.60. (Bid 22-095, Project 21-46) (B-22-095)

Pam Dingman, County Engineer, stated County Bridge E-171 a box culvert project for which the County received a transportation innovation grant. She displayed a map showing the project location (Exhibit 1).

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

- O. Authorize Sara Hoyle, Lancaster County Human Services Director, to terminate County Contract

C-21-0223, a Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention subaward contract with UNO, by signing a written notice of termination.

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

- P. Authorize Steven Wesley, Director of the Youth Services Center, to provide notice to Lexipol that the County does not intend to renew County Contract C-21-0382 for online subscription services.

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

- Q. Termination of Information Exchange Agreement between the Social Security Administration and Lancaster County General Assistance of Nebraska.

Hoyle stated that Lancaster County General Assistance no longer receives reimbursements from the Social Security Administration due to Medicaid expansion.

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

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

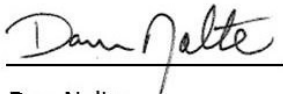
No one appeared for public comment.

6) **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- A. The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold a staff meeting, including budget hearings, on Thursday, May 19, 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, May 24, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. in Room 112 of the County-City Building (555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln) with department budget hearings immediately following.
- C. County Commissioners can be reached at 402-441-7447 or commish@lancaster.ne.gov.
- D. 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.

7) **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: Vest moved and Yoakum seconded to adjourn at 9:19 a.m. Vest, Yoakum, Flowerday and Schorr voted yes. Amundson was absent. Motion carried 4-0.



Dan Nolte
Lancaster County Clerk



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