

MINUTES
LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2022 AT 9:30 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 September 30, 2022.

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

Others present: Dave Derbin, Chief Administrative Officer; Kristy Bauer, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer; John Ward, Deputy County Attorneys; 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 9:33 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 September 27, 2022.

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

2) CLAIMS

A. Approval of the claims processed through October 4, 2022.

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

B. Approval of a claim to the Clyde Malone Community Center in the amount of \$10,543.91. (Batch No. 285557, Document No. 780106)

MOTION: Flowerday moved and Vest seconded approval of the claim. Flowerday, Vest, Amundson and Schorr voted yes. Yoakum abstained. 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. Amendments to the following County Contracts:

1. C-19-0776 with Beatrice Lawn Care, Inc. to provide annual services for noxious weed spraying/mowing. (Bid No. 19-229. The amendment renews the contract from October 22, 2022 through October 21, 2023. The cost to the County for all contracted vendors should not exceed \$20,000.) (C-22-0794)

2. C-19-0777 with Gary's Lawn & Landscape to provide annual services for noxious weed spraying/mowing. (Bid No. 19-229. The amendment renews the contract from October 22, 2022 through October 21, 2023. The cost to the County for all contracted vendors should not exceed \$20,000.) (C-22-0795)
3. C-18-0272 with Firespring for business card and letterhead printing (Business Cards Only). (Bid No. 18-082. The amendment extends the contract from October 11, 2022 through March 10, 2023. The cost to the County shall not exceed \$4,190.) (C-22-0792)
4. C-18-0271 with Cornhusker State Industries for business card and letterhead printing (Letterhead Only). (Bid No. 18-082. The amendment extends the contract from October 11, 2022 through March 10, 2023. The cost to the County shall not exceed \$1,750.) (C-22-0793)
5. C-19-0844 with Carahsoft Technology Corporation for cloud services for LinkedIn Learning. (Using the State of Utah and NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement No. AR2472, State of NE Participating Addendum No. 78124 O4, MOU064. The amendment renews the contract from December 2, 2022 through December 1, 2023. The estimated cost to the County is not to exceed \$8,150.) (C-22-0804)
6. C-18-0534 with Diamond Vogel Inc., dba Diamond Vogel, for a price increase for paint and related products (using the University of Nebraska RFP #2951-18-7215, MOU031. The estimated expenditures for this contract will remain the same.) (C-22-0805)

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

1. Kathryn E. Martin Revocable Living Trust, North 27th Street and Rock Creek Road, in the amount of \$919. (Project 23-20 / B-40) (C-22-0799)
2. Cathy A. Bristol, Northwest 40th Street and West Mill Road, in the amount of \$955. (Project 23-MISC (ROW) / F-19) (C-22-0801)
3. LeAnn A. Lipe and Joshua Allen Lipe Melton, North 176th Street and Branched Oak Road, in the amount of \$127. (Project 23-20 / A-178) (C-22-0806)

C. Fourth Amendment to County Contract No. C-19-0243 with Great Plains Appraisal, Inc., for Referee Coordinator Services. (The amendment extends the current Agreement Year through December 31, 2022, and revises Attachment B to reflect new hourly rates for the current Agreement Year.) (C-22-0786)

D. Amendment to Grant Contract C-21-0444 with Cause Collective for the Case Management Training program. (Funding is from the Juvenile Justice Prevention Funds for the extended period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.) (C-22-0787)

E. Grant contract with Cause Collective for the Case Management Training program in the amount of \$15,480. (Funding is from the Joint Budget Committee for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.) (C-22-0789)

F. Grant contract with the City of Lincoln (Lincoln Police Department) for the Coordinated Response to Reducing Domestic Violence program in the amount of \$45,816 (Funding is from the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) for the period of July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023.) (C-22-0796)

G. Grant contract with the City of Lincoln (Lincoln Police Department) for the Operation Tipping Point program in the amount of \$90,194 (Funding is from the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Office of Violence Prevention Grant for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.) (C-22-0797)

H. Grant contract with Cedars Youth Services, Inc. for the Crisis Continuum Services program in the amount of \$97,864. (Funding is from the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Community-based Juvenile Services Aid Enhancement Grant for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.) (C-22-0790)

- I. Setting a public hearing on Tuesday, October 18, 2022 at 9:00 a.m., in Room 112 of the County-City Building (555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska) regarding Comprehensive Plan Amendment No. 22005, to amend the 2050 Lincoln-Lancaster County Comprehensive Plan to add the Comprehensive Watershed Master Plan.

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

4) NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Grant award in the amount of \$864,210 from the Office of Justice Programs under the funding opportunity entitled 2022 OJJDP FY 2022 Family Treatment Court Program. (C-22-0803)

Sara Hoyle, Human Services Administrator, stated the grant will help fund Judge Heideman's court for three years. The Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services will provide match funding. Hoyle added the main goal of the Family Treatment Court Program is to provide substance abusing parents with support, treatment and access to services to protect their children and to expedite permanency for children in the program.

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

- B. Grant award in the amount of \$750,000 from the Office of Justice Programs under the funding opportunity entitled 2022 BJA FY 22 Adult Drug Court Discretionary Grant Program. (C-22-0807)

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

- C. Resolution in the matter of adopting the updated Lancaster County Local Emergency Operations Plan (LEOP). (R-22-0093)

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

- D. Resolution in the matter of witness fees paid by Lancaster County which have remained unclaimed for six months or more. (R-22-0096)

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

- E. Resolution in the matter of adopting benefits for County Elected Officials. (R-22-0076)

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

- F. Resolution in the matter of adopting benefits for Deputy Sheriff Captains in the Unclassified Service. (R-22-0077)

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

- G. Resolution in the matter of adopting a salary schedule for the Psychologist classification. (R-22-0098)

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

- H. Resolution in the matter of adopting benefits for County employees in the unclassified service. (R-22-0099)

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

- I. Resolution directing the County Engineer to conduct a study regarding vacating portions of a public road right-of-way, more particularly described in Exhibit "A," and located in Lancaster County, Nebraska. (R-22-0097)

John Berry, County Engineering Chief Deputy Surveyor, stated the resolution directs County Engineering to perform a study to vacate an alley in the Village of Cheney. He added approval from both Lancaster County and the City of Lincoln is needed as the alley falls within the City's three-mile zoning jurisdiction.

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

- J. Resolution in the matter of authorizing the County Board Chair or Vice Chair to sign the Supplemental Task Order Agreement with Felsburg Holt & Ullevig for NEPA (Environmental) services. (Project 20-03; LCLC-3365(8) CN 13473; 148th and Holdrege Intersection.) (R-22-0094)

Pam Dingman, County Engineer, presented a map of the area (Exhibit 1) and added the agreement provided environmental services for the highway safety project. Dingman stated the project funding breakdowns is 80% Federal Highway Administration and 20% Lancaster.

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

- K. Amendment to the On-Call Professional Services Task Order Agreement, County Contract C-21-0791, with Felsburg Holt & Ullevig for NEPA (Environmental) services. Total contract fees increase by \$75,727.03. (Project 20-03; LCLC-3365(8) CN 13473; 148th and Holdrege Intersection.) (C-22-0798)

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

- L. Resolution authorizing the County Board Chair or Vice Chair to sign Construction Engineering Services Agreement No. BK2247 with the Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) for Lancaster County employees to provide construction engineering services for Project Number SRR-55(185), Wagon Train Recreational Road. (R-22-0095)

Dingman stated County Engineering has certified employees that can inspect the road on behalf of the Nebraska Department of Transportation which counts as part of the reimbursement. Dingman stated the project funding breakdown is 60% Federal Highway Administration and 40% Lancaster.

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

- M. Agreement BK2247 with the Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) for Lancaster County employees to provide construction engineering services for Project Number SRR-55(185), Wagon Train Recreational Road. The County will be reimbursed up to \$63,385.40. (C-22-0800)

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

- N. Amusement License renewal application from Jan Hauser for an event at Pine Creek Farms (11505 North 14th Street, Raymond, Nebraska) on October 15, 2022.

Jan Hauser, owner of Pine Creek Farms, provided information about the event which will include some free activities for children. She added she is aware of the County Department recommendations.

MOTION: Amundson moved and Vest seconded approval of the amusement license renewal application. Flowerday, Vest, Amundson, Yoakum and Schorr voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- O. Memorandum of Understanding with the Nebraska Administrative Office of the Courts and Probation for the transfer of audio-visual components and equipment to be used in Lancaster County courtrooms. (There is no cost to the County.) (C-22-0802)

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

- P. Agreement with Great Plains Appraisal Company to provide the services of a referee coordinator to coordinate referees who will hear all property tax protests before the Lancaster County Board of Equalization from January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2025. Total compensation shall not exceed \$210,000 per year. (Includes automatic renewals for the periods through January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2028, and January 1, 2029, through December 31, 2031.) (C-22-0788)

Cody Gerdes, President, Great Plains Appraisal Company, stated the agreement is for a three-year contract that would include two additional three-year option to help streamline the property valuation protest process.

Amundson thanked Gerdes and Great Plains Appraisal Company for their services.

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

- Q. Contract with TruGreen L.P. dba TrueGreen Lawn Care to provide weed control and fertilization services for County Corrections. The cost to the County is not to exceed \$5,975. (Quote No. 6547. The contract shall be effective October 31, 2022 through October 30, 2023.) (C-22-0791)

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

- R. Recommendation from the Purchasing Agent and Public Building Commission Director to award a contract to Kingery Construction Company for the Veterans Service VA Hospital Renovation, Building 45 project (Bid #22-199). The total cost to the County is \$380,880. (B-22-199)

Kerin Peterson, Facilities & Properties Director, explained the project cost, while a little higher than anticipated, is realistic considering the economy.

Mark Lakamp, County Veterans Service Officer, was also available for the discussion.

MOTION: Amundson moved and Yoakum seconded approval of the recommendation.

Schorr inquired about the project's timeline. Peterson estimated final completion to be next May.

ROLL CALL: Flowerday, Vest, Amundson and Yoakum voted yes. Schorr abstained. Motion carried 4-0 with one abstention.

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

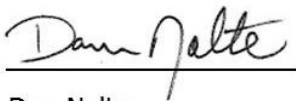
No one appeared for public comment.

6) **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- A. The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold a staff meeting on Thursday, October 6, 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, October 11, 2022, beginning 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 conduct a Strategic Planning Session with BerryDunn on Tuesday, October 11, 2022, at 11:00 a.m., in Conference Room A225 (County Attorney's Office), 605 South 10th Street, Lincoln. (This conference room is accessible through the Hall of Justice, 575 S. 10th Street.)
- D. The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing on Thursday, October 13, 2022, at 6:30 p.m., in Room 112 of the County-City Building (555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln) regarding the One and Six-Year Road and Bridge Improvement Program.
- E. County Commissioners can be reached at 402-441-7447 or commish@lancaster.ne.gov.
- F. The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners meeting is broadcast live on LNKTv (LNKTv.lincoln.ne.gov). LNKTv is available on Allo channel 2 and Spectrum channel 1300. For the rebroadcast schedule visit lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: LNKTv). Meetings are also streamed live on YouTube and Facebook (YouTube.com/LNKTvcity and Facebook.com/lancasterne). LNKTv apps are also available on Roku, Apple TV and Amazon Fire TV.

7) **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: Vest moved and Amundson seconded to adjourn at 9:57 a.m. Yoakum, Flowerday, Vest, Amundson and Schorr voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.



Dan Nolte
Lancaster County Clerk





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