

**STAFF MEETING MINUTES
LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2021
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING
COUNTY CITY BUILDING, 555 S. 10TH STREET
ROOM 112 - CHAMBERS**

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

Commissioners Absent: Roma Amundson

Others Present: David Derbin, Chief Administrative Officer; Kristy Bauer, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer; and Leslie Brestel, County Clerk's Office

Advanced public notice of the meeting was posted on the County-City Building bulletin board and the Lancaster County, Nebraska, website and emailed to the media on October 18, 2021. Notice was also published in the Lincoln Journal Star print and digital editions on October 15, 2021.

The Chair noted the location of the Open Meetings Act and opened the meeting at 9:37 a.m.

AGENDA ITEM

1. APPROVAL OF STAFF MEETING MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 12, 2021

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

2. YOUTH SERVICES CENTER TRANSITION UPDATE – Steven Wesley, Director, and Melissa Hood, Administrator, Youth Services Center

Wesley introduced himself and discussed his career background. He expressed his excitement to be working with the County for the betterment of the detained youth.

Schorr requested Wesley discuss his vision to increase programming at the Youth Services Center (YSC). Wesley said he feels programming is important to keep youth productively engaged. He thought such activities could include various sports, coding and yoga, among others.

3. MULTIFACTOR AUTHENTICATION – David Young, Director, and Craig Gifford, Technical Support / Operations Coordinator, Lincoln-Lancaster County Information Services

The item was held for a future meeting.

4. **EXECUTIVE SESSION (LABOR NEGOTIATIONS AND LEGAL ADVICE)** – Nicole Gross, Compensation and Classification Manager, and Amy Sadler, Human Resource Specialist, Lincoln-Lancaster County Human Resources; and Jenifer Holloway, Deputy County Attorney

MOTION: Schorr moved and Yoakum seconded to enter Executive Session at 9:47 a.m. for the purposes of labor negotiations, receiving legal advice and to protect the public interest.

The Chair said it has been moved and seconded that the Board enter Executive Session.

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

The Chair restated the purpose for the Board entering Executive Session.

MOTION: Schorr moved and Flowerday seconded to exit Executive Session at 9:56 a.m. Yoakum, Schorr, Flowerday and Vest voted yes. Amundson was absent. Motion carried 4-0.

5. **COVID-19 UPDATE**

Flowerday inquired if the vaccine incentives have been distributed to eligible employees. Derbin reviewed the application process and answered approximately 500 individuals have received the incentive.

6. **ACTION ITEM**

- A. **Authorizing the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer to electronically certify and submit Lancaster County's Equal Employment Opportunity Utilization Report to the Office for Civil Rights.**

Bauer stated the County is required to file this report with the federal government every two years.

MOTION: Schorr moved and Yoakum seconded to authorize the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer to certify and submit the report. Yoakum, Flowerday, Schorr and Vest voted yes. Amundson was absent. Motion carried 4-0.

7. **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORT**

- A. **TX21009 hearing schedule**

Derbin said the Planning Commission recommended to deny the text amendment. It was the consensus of the Board to have a staff briefing on October 28, the hearing on November 9 and a special voting session on November 16.

OTHER BUSINESS

Schorr noted the Fairgrounds 20th Anniversary banquet conflicts with the South 98th Street open house meeting on November 18, 2021.

8. DISCUSSION OF BOARD MEMBER MEETINGS ATTENDED

A. Public Building Commission – Amundson/Flowerday

Flowerday reported there are plans to move forward with security updates to the parking area below the County-City Building.

B. Lincoln-Lancaster County Board of Health – Flowerday

Flowerday stated he did not attend the meeting.

C. One- and Six-Year Road and Bridge Improvement Program for 2022 through 2027 – All

No report was given.

D. Lancaster County Mental Health Crisis Center Advisory Committee – Yoakum

Yoakum stated the committee was unable to take action due to lack of a quorum. Derbin noted there were discussions on the difficulties of hiring nurses and the possibility of adopting a hiring rule whereby the County would assist with student loan repayment. It was noted American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds could be used.

E. NEBRASKA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY OFFICIALS (NACO) Board of Directors Meeting – Schorr

Schorr reported there were presentations on audit services and benefit services. Also, the salary study was approved. The upcoming NACO conference will be held in person.

F. NACO Legislative Conference – Schorr

Schorr said the salary study was reviewed and there was a presentation on redistricting.

G. Parks and Recreation Advisory Board – Vest

Vest indicated he was not able to attend the meeting.

H. New Americans Task Force Meeting – Yoakum

Yoakum stated refugee resettlement, Lincoln Public Schools (LPS) enrollment numbers and Gateways for Growth immigrant surveys were discussed.

I. NACO Southeast District Meeting – Schorr/Yoakum

Schorr said there were breakout sessions including conservation easements, the Child Advocacy Center and the Nebraska Extension Office.

J. Mutual Aid Meeting – Schorr/Amundson

Schorr said the meeting was not held.

OTHER MEETINGS

The Board discussed how to present the County's legislative priorities at the upcoming Tri County meeting.

9. SCHEDULE OF BOARD MEMBER MEETINGS

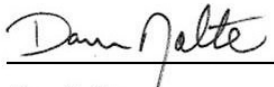
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10. EMERGENCY ITEMS

There were no emergency items.

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Schorr moved and Yoakum seconded to adjourn at 10:28 a.m. Yoakum, Schorr, Flowerday and Vest voted yes. Amundson was absent. Motion carried 4-0.



Dan Nolte
Lancaster County Clerk

