

**MINUTES
LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2009
COMMISSIONERS HEARING ROOM, ROOM 112
FIRST FLOOR, COUNTY-CITY BUILDING
9:25 A.M.**

Commissioners Present: Bernie Heier, Chair
Ray Stevens, Vice Chair
Deb Schorr
Bob Workman
Larry Hudkins

Others Present: Scott Gaines, Deputy County Assessor/Register of Deeds
Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer
Gwen Thorpe, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer and
Interim Lancaster Manor Administrator
Tom Fox, Deputy County Attorney
Dan Nolte, County Clerk
Cori Beattie, Deputy County Clerk
Angela Zocholl, County Clerk's Office

The location announcement of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was given and the meeting was called to order at 9:27 a.m.

- 1) **MINUTES: Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Equalization meeting held on Tuesday, June 16, 2009.**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Schorr seconded approval of the minutes. Stevens, Schorr, Workman and Heier voted aye. Hudkins was absent for vote. Motion carried.

Hudkins arrived.

- 2) **ADDITIONS AND DEDUCTIONS: Approval of four additions and deductions to the tax assessment rolls per Attachment "A".**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Schorr seconded approval of the additions and deductions. Schorr, Hudkins, Workman, Stevens and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

- 3) **MOTOR VEHICLE TAX EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS:**

**Lincoln Lancaster Child Guidance Center
Nebraska Wesleyan University
Northern Lighthouse Church
Christ's Place
Gates of Praise (two applications)**

3) **MOTOR VEHICLE TAX EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS CONTINUED:**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Workman seconded approval of the motor vehicle tax exemptions. Motion carried.

4) **ADJOURNMENT:**

MOTION: Schorr moved and Stevens seconded to adjourn the Board of Equalization meeting at 9:29 a.m. Schorr, Stevens, Hudkins, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

Dan Nolte
Lancaster County Clerk

**MINUTES
LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
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The location announcement of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was given and the meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m.

- 1) **MINUTES: Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Commissioners meeting held on Tuesday, June 16, 2009.**

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Stevens seconded approval of the minutes. Hudkins, Stevens, Schorr, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

- 2) **CLAIMS: Approval of all claims processed through Tuesday, June 23, 2009.**

MOTION: Schorr moved and Stevens seconded approval of the claims. Hudkins, Stevens, Schorr, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

- 3) **PUBLIC HEARING:** Per direction of the chair, items A and B were held until the end of the meeting.

- 4) **OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. **A contract between Lancaster County and Constructors, Inc., in the amount of \$275,048.60, to pave SW 14th Street between Saltillo Road and Bennet Road. The contract will be effective upon execution by both parties, with work to commence on or before July 1, 2009, and is to be completed on or before October 16, 2009. (C-09-0263)**

4) **OLD BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Stevens seconded approval of the contract. Stevens, Workman, Schorr, Hudkins and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

- B. **A grant contract with Center for Legal Immigration Assistance to provide funding to enhance Lancaster County's coordinated community response to Latina, African American and refugee women who have been experiencing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking, and provide assistance to such victims in immigration matters in the amount of \$53,591. Term of the grant contract is January 31, 2009, to December 31, 2010. (C-09-0279)**

The County Attorney asked that this item be held.

5) **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. **A resolution in the matter of supplementing appropriations from the previously adopted budget for the Weed Control Fund, in the amount of \$6,000, and the Property Management Fund, in the amount of \$50,000. (R-09-0034)**

This resolution was held as requested under Item 3A.

- B. **A resolution authorizing the installation and removal of traffic signs at the following locations in Lancaster County:**
- **At the intersection of N. 7th Street and Alvo Road, install stop signs (R1-1) on N. 7th Street northbound and southbound, install stop ahead signs (W3-1a) on N. 7th Street northbound and southbound approximately 500 feet from Alvo Road, remove the westbound stop sign on Alvo Road on N. 7th Street, and remove the westbound stop ahead sign approximately 500 feet east of N. 7th Street on Alvo Road.**
 - **Remove the northbound side road warning sign (W2-2) on N. 7th Street approximately 500 feet south of Alvo Road.**
 - **Install three 45 M.P.H. speed limit signs (R2-1) on Alvo Road with one located east of N. 1st Street, one located west of N. 7th Street, and one located east of N. 7th Street.**
 - **Install a stop ahead sign (W3-1a) on Alvo Road approximately 500 feet east of N. 1st Street for westbound traffic.**
 - **Install a lane use sign (R3-8) for eastbound traffic on Alvo Road for the right turn pocket at the intersection with N. 11th Street. (R-09-0035)**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Workman seconded approval of the resolution. Workman, Schorr, Hudkins, Stevens and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

5) **NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

- C. **Applications for Special Designated Licenses from Ken's Liquor, Inc., to provide liquor beverage service at Country Pines, 6305 W. Adams Street, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, for the following events:**
- **A birthday party from 1:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 9, 2009**
 - **A wedding reception from 3:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. on Sunday, September 6, 2009**
 - **A wedding reception from 4:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. on Friday, September 25, 2009**
 - **A wedding reception from 3:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 10, 2009**

MOTION: Schorr moved and Workman seconded approval of the Special Designated License applications. Hudkins, Stevens, Schorr, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

- D. **An agreement with Dr. Lee Thurber to provide specialized medical care and assistance to Lancaster County General Assistance clients who have pending claims with the Social Security Administration and may be eligible for retroactive Medicaid benefits. The agreement sets forth a reimbursement arrangement in which the County will provide payment for the medical care and Dr. Lee Thurber will reimburse the County if/when the General Assistance client is later determined eligible for Medicaid reimbursement. The agreement is effective upon execution of both parties and contains a 30-day termination provision. (C-09-0293)**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Workman seconded approval of the agreement. Schorr, Hudkins, Workman, Stevens and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

- E. **An agreement with Region V Systems for Emergency Protective Custody (EPC) services at the Lancaster County Crisis center. The term of the agreement is from July 1, 2009, to June 30, 2010. Region V will enter into separate agreements with referring counties who will send acutely mentally ill individuals to Lancaster County. The County will be paid \$106 per individual for the County fee and \$52 from the rural pool for each individual. (C-09-0294)**

MOTION: Schorr moved and Stevens seconded approval of the agreement. Workman, Schorr, Stevens, Hudkins and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

5) **NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

- F. **An agreement between Lancaster County, Region V Systems and Cornhusker Place of Lincoln-Lancaster County, Inc. for Cornhusker Place to assist the County and Region V by including in the services it presently provides the detention of individuals who are in Emergency Protective Custody (EPC) in cases in which detention at Cornhusker Place is appropriate. The agreement is effective July 1, 2009, and will expire on June 30, 2010. Any party may terminate the agreement by giving 60 days written notice. (C-09-0295)**

MOTION: Workman moved and Stevens seconded approval of the agreement. Schorr, Stevens, Hudkins, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

- G. **A license agreement between Lancaster County and Buckshot Farms to construct and maintain a fence upon County property located along each side of the existing driveway at 4500 Saltillo Road. There will be no cost to Lancaster County. (C-09-0296)**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Schorr seconded approval of the agreement.

Stevens expressed his appreciation for Buckshot Farms in keeping the fence in the right-of-way while still assuming liability.

ROLL CALL: Stevens, Workman, Schorr, Hudkins and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

- H. **A contract between Western Sand & Gravel and Lancaster County for the annual supply of production of limestone rock, gravel surface coarse material, and ice control material on an as-needed basis for the County Engineer. Term of the contract is from July 2, 2009, to July 1, 2010. The County will pay for products according to the pricing as listed in the contractor's proposal. (C-09-0297)**

MOTION: Workman moved and Stevens seconded approval of the contract. Workman, Schorr, Hudkins, Stevens and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

- I. **A contract between the Nebraska Volunteer Service Commission and Lancaster County, on behalf of the Lancaster County Emergency Management Department, to provide a Community Emergency Response Team adult education training course in Fairbury, Nebraska, between March 27, 2009, and March 29, 2009. The County will be reimbursed for its services up to \$2,730 for providing the training. (C-09-0298)**

MOTION: Workman moved and Stevens seconded approval of the contract. Schorr, Hudkins, Stevens, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

5) **NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

- J. **An agreement with BryanLGH Medical Center, for and on behalf of its Independence Center, for non-physician substance abuse treatment services for adolescents placed in the Lancaster County Juvenile Drug Court. Term of the agreement is July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2010. The County will pay up to \$18,400 for such services. (C-09-0299)**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Schorr seconded approval of the agreement. Hudkins, Stevens, Schorr, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

- K. **An amendment to an agreement between Sapp Bros. Petroleum, Inc. and Lancaster County and the City of Lincoln, under County Contract No C-08-0290, for annual requirements of fuel. The amendment renews the contract for a one year term beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010. (C-09-0300)**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Workman seconded approval of the amendment. Hudkins, Stevens, Schorr, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

- L. **An amendment to a unit price agreement between John Henry's Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning, Lancaster County, the Lincoln/Lancaster County Public Building Commission, and the City of Lincoln, under County Contract No C-08-0314, for miscellaneous plumbing services for pipe larger than two inches. The amendment renews the contract for a one year term beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010. (C-09-0301)**

MOTION: Workman moved and Stevens seconded approval of the amendment. Schorr, Hudkins, Workman, Stevens and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

- M. **An amendment to a unit price agreement between Bob and Don's Plumbing, Lancaster County, the Lincoln/Lancaster County Public Building Commission, and the City of Lincoln, under County Contract No C-08-0313, for miscellaneous plumbing services for pipe larger than two inches. The amendment renews the contract for a one year term beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010. (C-09-0302)**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Workman seconded approval of the amendment. Workman, Schorr, Stevens, Hudkins and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

5) **NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

- N. **An amendment to a unit price agreement between Bob and Don's Plumbing, Lancaster County, the Lincoln/Lancaster County Public Building Commission, and the City of Lincoln, under County Contract No C-08-0382, for miscellaneous plumbing services for pipe less than two inches. The amendment renews the contract for a one year term beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010. (C-09-0303)**

MOTION: Schorr moved and Stevens seconded approval of the amendment. Schorr, Stevens, Hudkins, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

- O. **An amendment to a unit price agreement between John Henry's Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning, Lancaster County, the Lincoln/Lancaster County Public Building Commission, and the City of Lincoln, under County Contract No C-08-0452, for miscellaneous plumbing services for pipe less than two inches. The amendment renews the contract for a one year term beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010. (C-09-0304)**

MOTION: Workman moved and Stevens seconded approval of the amendment. Stevens, Workman, Schorr, Hudkins and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

- P. **An amendment to a unit price agreement between Mid Nebraska Grading & Demolition, Inc., Lancaster County, the Lincoln/Lancaster County Public Building Commission, and the City of Lincoln, under County Contract No C-08-0392, for demolition services. The amendment renews the contract for a one year term beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010. (C-09-0305)**

MOTION: Workman moved and Schorr seconded approval of the amendment. Workman, Schorr, Hudkins, Stevens and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

- Q. **An amendment to a unit price agreement between K2 Construction, Inc., Lancaster County, the Lincoln/Lancaster County Public Building Commission, and the City of Lincoln, under County Contract No C-08-0391, for demolition services. The amendment renews the contract for a one year term beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010. (C-09-0306)**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Workman seconded approval of the amendment. Schorr, Hudkins, Stevens, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

5) **NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

- R. **An amendment to a unit price agreement between Brandt Excavating Company, Lancaster County, the Lincoln/Lancaster County Public Building Commission, and the City of Lincoln, under County Contract No C-08-0390, for demolition services. The amendment renews the contract for a one year term beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010. (C-09-0307)**

MOTION: Schorr moved and Workman seconded approval of the amendment. Hudkins, Stevens, Schorr, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

- S. **An amendment to a unit price agreement between Clean Max, Lancaster County, the Lincoln/Lancaster County Public Building Commission, and the City of Lincoln, under County Contract No C-08-0375, for carpet/upholstery cleaning. The amendment renews the contract for a one year term beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010. (C-09-0308)**

MOTION: Workman moved and Stevens seconded approval of the amendment. Hudkins, Stevens, Schorr, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

- T. **Change order-supplemental agreement #2 for Project C55-F-406(1) to provide for installing traffic cones on the left turn lane of the south leg of North 14th Street and Alvo Road Intersection. The original agreement was approved on March 10, 2009, with Pavers, Inc. The change order will increase the agreement amount by \$260 for 400 grabber traffic cones. (C-09-0309)**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Workman seconded approval of the agreement. Schorr, Hudkins, Workman, Stevens and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

- U. **An amendment to an agreement with Rochester Armored Car Co., Inc. found at County Contract Number C-03-0305 for armored car services. The amendment extends the current contract term for an additional 31 days beginning July 1, 2009, and ending July 31, 2009. (C-09-0318)**

MOTION: Workman moved and Stevens seconded approval of the amendment. Workman, Schorr, Stevens, Hudkins and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

- V. **An interlocal agreement with the State of Nebraska Probation Administration for two probation officers to provide additional presentence investigation report services to decrease the time needed to complete presentence investigations of inmates housed by the Lancaster County Corrections Department. Term of the agreement is July 1, 2009, to June 30, 2010. The County will pay \$49,000 for the services. (C-09-0319)**

5) **NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

MOTION: Schorr moved and Stevens seconded approval of the agreement. Schorr, Stevens, Hudkins, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

- W. **Mini-grant application to the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department Keep Lincoln and Lancaster County Beautiful Clean-Up Program, on behalf of the Lancaster County Corrections Department. The grant will pay \$30 for each mile of road cleared.**

MOTION: Workman moved and Stevens seconded approval of the grant application. Stevens, Workman, Schorr, Hudkins and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

- X. **Appointment of Jim Haberlan to the Lancaster County Board of Zoning Appeals for a five-year term commencing April 1, 2009, to March 31, 2014.**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Schorr seconded approval of the appointment. Workman, Schorr, Hudkins, Stevens and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

- 6) **CONSENT ITEMS:** *These are items of business that are routine which 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. **Right-of-way contracts for road projects between the Lancaster County Engineering Department and the following individuals:**

1. **Ethel Abbott Charitable Foundation, located at Arbor Road, N. 56th Street to N. 70th Street; Project No. C55-G-408(3), Tract 4. Cost is \$5,245. (two contracts) (C-09-0310, C-09-0311)**
2. **Firethorn Golf Co., located at 9301 Firethorn Lane; Project No. C55-KP-412(1), Tract 23. Cost is \$25,748. (two contracts) (C-09-0312, C-09-0313)**
3. **Theodore and Mary Polivka, located at 7800 Arbor Road; Project No. C55-G-408(3), Tract 3. Cost is \$12,187. (two contracts) (C-09-0314, C-09-0315)**
4. **Ronald Schied Estate, located at 14th Street and Waverly Road; Project No. C55-F-417(3), Tract 5. Cost is \$1,048. (two contracts) (C-09-0316, C-09-0317)**

6) **CONSENT ITEMS CONTINUED:**

- B. **Setting of a special joint public hearing of the City Council and County Board on Tuesday, July 14, 2009, at 5:30 p.m., in the City Council/County Board Hearing Room on the first floor of the County-City Building, 555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, regarding Comprehensive Plan Amendments No. 09001, 09003, 09004, and 09005.**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Schorr seconded approval of the consent items. Schorr, Hudkins, Stevens, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

7) **PENDING:**

- A. **A resolution in the matter of County Change of Zone No. 08050, requested by Michael and Judith Rosecrans, to change the zoning on 8.84 acres, more or less, from AG Agricultural to B Business on property generally located one-half mile south of the corner of Hickman Road and Homestead Expressway/Highway 77 in Lancaster County, Nebraska. (R-08-0093) (Item placed on pending on November 4, 2008.)**

8) **EMERGENCY ITEMS AND OTHER BUSINESS:**

9) **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- A. **The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold a Staff Meeting on Thursday, June 25, 2009, beginning at 8:30 a.m. in Room 113 on the first floor of the County-City Building.**
- B. **The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners meeting is broadcast live at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesdays and rebroadcast at 1:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., as well as on Saturday afternoon on 5 City-TV, Cable Channel 5. In addition, this meeting may be viewed on Nebraska On Demand Time Warner Channel 101 and is available on the Internet 24 hours a day at www.lancaster.ne.gov. Click on 5 City-TV Video On Demand.**

3) **PUBLIC HEARING CONTINUED:**

- A. **Increase the appropriation for the Weed Control Fund for unanticipated increases in salaries and operational costs and the Property Management Fund for unanticipated increases in salaries and operational costs.**

Dennis Meyer, County Budget and Fiscal Director, asked to delay the public hearing until the following week due to some errors in the published budget.

Tom Fox, Deputy County Attorney, said a motion could be made to reschedule the public hearing for the following week. He added the resolution under 5A would be held as well.

MOTION: Stevens moved and Workman seconded to reschedule the public hearing for the following week. Hudkins, Stevens, Schorr, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

B. Public comment regarding the Lancaster Manor Request for Qualifications Report.

The oath was administered to all those wishing to testify.

Hudkins questioned the report recommendation regarding a Tax Incremental Financing (TIF) arrangement, which would reportedly free up approximately \$1.8 million for Lancaster Manor.

Schorr said \$1.8 million was a preliminary number based off a value of \$10 million and an 18% tax increment. She noted the County Assessor carries a value on the property of approximately \$5,000,000-\$6,000,000. The TIF would only be on the increased value and only for capital improvement items attached to the physical structure. Schorr said the \$1.8 million figure was extremely high. It is now approximately \$300,000. She added other options are being reviewed.

The following people testified in opposition to the sale of Lancaster Manor:

- Tina Coffey, Manor employee, said add-on reports were done for 2008, resulting in approximately \$1.5 million additional dollars. Coffey also noted possible revenue from immunizations (around \$5000) and medical supplies (Health Care Information Systems Medi-Bill predicted a profit).
- Marlene Lauer, Manor employee, discussed Medicaid and Medicare certification and the admission referral process. Lauer said she had been told by several people that hospitals were not referring the Manor as a nursing home choice. Lauer distributed a document on May referrals (Exhibit A) and felt the 49% "accepted but went elsewhere" was due to people's uncertainty of the Manor's future.
- Kristin Mayolo, Manor employee, distributed and discussed a survey showing the Average Direct Care Staff Hours per Patient Day by State (Exhibit B).
- Patty Hickman, Manor employee, discussed wages and passed out a salary sheet from salary.com (Exhibit C).
- Terri Gardner, Manor employee, discussed various items in the RFQ report. In regards to Hudkins question on dealing with the employee absentee issue, Gardner felt overtime should be used versus someone from an outside agency.
- Mary Howard, Manor employee, said the employees would be willing to make cuts where they could.
- Larry Carr, Manor employee, said the Manor has not received any deficiency notices on any physical part of the building in the last five years, and he noted the various updates and replacements requested are not emergency items.
- Kevin Palmer, Manor employee, discussed keeping the Alzheimer's unit on the second floor, noting there are currently 45 residents with a capacity for 50 residents.

3) **PUBLIC HEARING CONTINUED:**

- Carrie Lovett, Manor employee and resident's granddaughter, expressed her concern over a letter the Board sent to residents and their families regarding the Manor's current situation. Workman clarified that the letter was not meant negatively toward the employees.
- Crystal Sato, Manor employee, addressed concerns over guaranteed Medicaid beds.
- Peggy Bybee appeared with her father, Albert Klein, who is a resident of the Manor. Bybee spoke of her father being placed at Lancaster Manor through contract with Veterans Assistance (VA), and Klein expressed his appreciation for the Manor. Schorr added there was not a specific VA reference in the RFQ report, but she said the County will continue to have a place for veterans in the facility.
- Sue Steinkuler, Albert Klein's daughter, further commented on the good care that her father receives at Lancaster Manor.
- Jerri Gardner spoke of the responsibilities that staff took on without an administrator.
- Nancy Steeves, Manor resident's daughter, discussed the financial records and audits and expressed concerns over residents being displaced.
- Donna Baddelly questioned various items in the RFQ report. Baddelly submitted a letter that was written by her neighbor (Exhibit D) and her own written testimony (Exhibit E).
- Dale Hayes, Manor resident's husband, talked about his wife's placement at Lancaster Manor.
- Alan Worth spoke of the placement of Multiple Sclerosis patients at Lancaster Manor. Worth submitted his written testimony (Exhibit F).
- Linda Ager, Manor employee's mother, said voters should have a say in the fate of Lancaster Manor.
- Bob Ripley, Manor resident's son, spoke and submitted his written appeal (Exhibit G).
- Gary Young, representative for American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employees (AFSCME), discussed the financials.
- Barbara Baier, former Manor employee, spoke about her experience with the Manor.
- Robert Haller spoke of hiring an administrator and changes in Medicare/Medicaid.
- Melvin Moore discussed the consequences of another entity owning the manor.
- Russell Hand, Manor resident's husband, expressed his concerns for the disabled residents in the Manor.
- Edward Ragatz, Manor resident's son, said a baseline audit should have been done. Ragatz read and submitted a letter from his family (Exhibit H).
- Steve McConnell, former Manor resident's son, spoke of the uniqueness of the Manor compared to other facilities.
- Courtney Flanagan-Elliott, Manor resident's daughter-in-law, spoke of healthcare facilities dealing with financial issues and taking responsibility for fixing the problems.
- B.J. Wheeler, Manor resident's daughter, discussed the needs of the Manor.
- Mark Coleman spoke of his previous experience with Lancaster Office of Mental Retardation (LOMR) as it went through its privatization.
- Lela Shanks discussed how the sell of the Manor will affect the elderly.
- Deb Bennett, Manor resident's daughter, spoke of her mother's excellent care in the Alzheimer's unit.
- Leola Bullock spoke of the need for the Manor for the elderly.

3) **PUBLIC HEARING CONTINUED:**

- Nicole Wilson, Manor employee, discussed how lack of Medicaid beds could increase the hospital populations.
- Melissa Adams, Manor employee, spoke of how the Manor took excellent care of her father-in-law.

Heier closed the public hearing. He announced that further discussion may occur on Lancaster Manor at the upcoming staff meeting on Thursday, June 25.

10) **ADJOURNMENT:**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Schorr seconded to adjourn the Board of Commissioners meeting at 12:56 p.m. Workman, Schorr, Stevens, Hudkins and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

Dan Nolte
Lancaster County Clerk