

**MINUTES
LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2010
COMMISSIONERS HEARING ROOM, ROOM 112
FIRST FLOOR, COUNTY-CITY BUILDING
9:30 A.M.**

Commissioners present: Bernie Heier, Chair
Ray Stevens, Vice Chair
Deb Schorr
Bob Workman

Commissioners absent: Larry Hudkins

Others present: Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer
Gwen Thorpe, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Brittany Behrens, 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 9:30 a.m.

1) **MINUTES: Approval of the minutes of the Board of Commissioners meeting held on Tuesday, November 2, 2010.**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Workman seconded approval of the minutes. Stevens, Schorr, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried 4-0.

2) **CLAIMS: Approval of all claims processed through Tuesday, November 9, 2010.**

MOTION: Workman moved and Stevens seconded approval of the claims. Schorr, Workman, Stevens and Heier voted aye. Motion carried 4-0.

3) **SPECIAL PRESENTATION:**

- A. **Recognition of Commissioner Larry Hudkins on his induction into the Lancaster County Agricultural Society Hall of Fame – Deanna Karmazin, University of Nebraska-Lincoln / Lancaster County Extension Office; Ron Snover, Lancaster County Events Center Managing Director.**

Item was held due to Commissioner Hudkins' absence.

4) **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. **A resolution approving (1) the Amended and Restated Site Lease from the County and the City of Lincoln, Nebraska to the Lincoln-Lancaster County Public Building Commission; (2) the Amended and Restated Lease Agreement from the Commission to the County and the City; and (3) the issuance of not to exceed \$7,500,000 of the Commission's Tax Supported Lease Rental Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2010B. (R-10-0094)**

Scott Keene, Ameritas, and Lauren Wismer, Gilmore Bell, appeared. Keene said the resolution authorizes the issuance of up to \$7,500,000 of refunding bonds for the Public Building Commission and amends the site lease related to the projects being refunded. He explained the Series 2002 bonds were issued to partially fund the parking garage north of the City-County Building and the 2005B bonds were issued to acquire property across 9th Street from the City-County Building. Keene estimated the amount to be around \$7,365,000 with a savings of over \$620,000. Stevens asked if the ending date of the bonds would be the same. Keene said the maturity has not been extended on either bond; the 2002 bonds have a final maturity of 2022 and the 2005B bonds have a final maturity of 2025. Lauren Wismer said the site leases are similar to others previously done.

MOTION: Stevens moved and Schorr seconded approval of the resolution. Schorr, Stevens, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried 4-0.

John Austin commended the County for saving money. He questioned the County Board's power to veto in regards to City-County money. Heier said the Board can vote on the items, but the County does not have power over the City.

- B. **A resolution in the matter of an application for a Class C (beer, wine & distilled spirits, on & off sale) liquor license from Yankee Hill Country Club, located at 4200 San Mateo Lane, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska. (R-10-0093)**

Terry Wagner, County Sheriff, explained the City-County boundaries of the Yankee Hill golf course. He said the clubhouse is in the City, but almost the entire golf course falls under the County's jurisdiction.

MOTION: Stevens moved and Schorr seconded approval of the resolution. Stevens, Workman, Schorr, and Heier voted aye. Motion carried 4-0.

- C. **A request from Maurice & Carolyn Lange for a refund of real property taxes.**

Norm Agena, County Assessor/Register of Deeds, recommended approval for 2007, 2008 and 2009. He said a correction is being made for 2010. Agena explained the center pivot was slightly moved during the GIS mapping updates and irrigation was shown incorrectly on two pieces of ground. Stevens noted the changed property valuation under the Board of Equalization Additions and Deductions. Agena said the current changes are for 2008 and 2009; 2007 would be included next week. He said the total refund would be just under \$142. Schorr questioned if the refund was approved since the error was clerical. Agena said it was and showed the Board where the error occurred on the map.

4) **NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Workman seconded approval of the refund request for 2007, 2008 and 2009. Workman, Schorr, Stevens and Heier voted aye. Motion carried 4-0.

- D. Promotion of Elizabeth Foster and John Jorgensen from Attorney I to Attorney II at an annual salary of \$65,575 for Foster and \$65,730 for Jorgensen, effective November 4, 2010.**

MOTION: Schorr moved and Workman seconded approval of the promotions and respective salaries. Schorr, Stevens, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried 4-0.

- E. Appointment of Bernie Heier to a two-year term on the District Energy Corporation Board of Directors commencing January 1, 2011.**

MOTION: Workman moved and Stevens seconded approval of the appointment. Stevens, Schorr, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried 4-0.

- F. Adoption of Lancaster County Legislative Priorities for the 2011 session of the Nebraska Legislature.**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Schorr seconded approval of the 2011 Legislative Priorities. Stevens, Schorr, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried 4-0.

- G. An agreement with the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, on behalf of the Department of Psychology, for a Project Director and Psychology Extern to carry out duties and conduct research for the Community Mental Health Center's participation in the "Recovery After the Initial Schizophrenia Episode (RAISE)" project. The County shall pay \$42,172.72 for the services provided. Term of the agreement is March 1, 2010, to July 1, 2011. (C-10-0571)**

Schorr questioned the start date of March 1. Brittany Behrens, Deputy County Attorney, explained the dates were changed so the University could make payments for that period.

MOTION: Stevens moved and Workman seconded approval of the agreement. Schorr, Workman, Stevens and Heier voted aye. Motion carried 4-0.

- H. An agreement with Joyce Schmeckle, Ph.D., d/b/a Schmeckle Research, for program evaluation services for the Drug Free Communities Support Program. The County will reimburse the contractor for services up to \$10,000. Term of the agreement is September 30, 2010, to September 29, 2011. (C-10-0572)**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Schorr seconded approval of the agreement. Workman, Schorr, Stevens and Heier voted aye. Motion carried 4-0.

- I. A grant contract with Cedars Youth Services, Inc., to provide funding in the amount of \$50,991 for the Pre Trial Juvenile Diversion Program. Cedars will provide \$76,274 in matching funds. Term of the contract is from July 1, 2010, to June 30, 2011. (C-10-0573)**

4) **NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

MOTION: Workman moved and Stevens seconded approval of the contract. Schorr, Stevens, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried 4-0.

- J. **A grant contract with Cedars Youth Services, Inc., to provide funding in the amount of \$175,605 for the Pre Trial Juvenile Diversion Program as part of Lancaster County's Graduated Sanctions funding. Term of the contract is from July 1, 2010, to June 30, 2011. (C-10-0574)**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Workman seconded approval of the contract. Stevens, Workman, Schorr and Heier voted aye. Motion carried 4-0.

- K. **A grant contract with Cedars Youth Services, Inc., to provide funding in the amount of \$300,000 for the Out-of-Home Continuum program. Term of the contract is from July 1, 2010, to June 30, 2011. (C-10-0575)**

MOTION: Workman moved and Stevens seconded approval of the contract. Workman, Schorr, Stevens and Heier voted aye. Motion carried 4-0.

- L. **A grant contract with Houses of Hope Nebraska, Inc., to provide funding in the amount of \$30,000 for the Halfway House program. Term of the contract is from July 1, 2010, to June 30, 2011. (C-10-0576)**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Schorr seconded approval of the contract. Schorr, Stevens, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried 4-0.

- M. **Acceptance of a grant award from the Nebraska Crime Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice for the Diversion Enhancement Grant. The County will receive \$36,563 in grant funds and the Juvenile Justice Institute, University of Nebraska-Omaha, will provide \$14,625 in matching funds for a total project cost of \$51,188. Term of the grant award is October 1, 2010, to June 30, 2011.**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Workman seconded to accept the grant award. Stevens, Schorr, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried 4-0.

- N. **A mini-grant contract application and award with the Nebraska Office of Highway Safety in the amount of \$4,500 for selective overtime enforcement for Lancaster County's participation in the statewide "Click It or Ticket" mobilization November 22-28, 2010.**

Terry Wagner said Items 4N and 4O are annual programs that reimburse the Sheriff's Department for overtime performed by deputies.

MOTION: Workman moved and Stevens seconded approval of the application and award. Stevens, Schorr, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried 4-0.

4) **NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

- O. **A mini-grant contract application and award with the Nebraska Office of Highway Safety in the amount of \$4,950 for selective overtime enforcement for Lancaster County's participation in the statewide "You Drink & Drive, You Lose" crackdown December 3, 2010, to January 1, 2011.**

MOTION: Workman moved and Stevens seconded approval of the application and award. Schorr, Workman, Stevens and Heier voted aye. Motion carried 4-0.

- 5) **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. **Receive and place on file the October, 2010, monthly report for the following:**
1. **County Clerk**
 2. **Clerk of the District Court**
 3. **County Assessor/Register of Deeds**
- B. **Right-of-way contracts between the County Engineer and the following:**
1. **Kevin Christensen, in the amount of \$1,891.25, located on Waverly Road near N. 14th Street; Project No. Bridge F-197. (C-10-0577)**
 2. **Rebecca Engler, in the amount of \$14,540, located on S. 98th Street between Old Cheney and A Street; Project No. C55-KP-412(1). (C-10-0578) (C-10-0579)**
- C. **A right-of-entry contract between the County Engineer and Kurtis Kiburz, located at S. 82nd Street and Martell Road; Project No. C55-S-404(3). (C-10-0580)**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Workman seconded approval of the consent items. Workman, Schorr, Stevens and Heier voted aye. Motion carried 4-0.

6) **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

John Austin commended the County Board for their efficient meeting format. He displayed a list of merchants who offer discounts to military members and their families (Exhibit A), as well as contacts for various veteran services.

Heier reminded everyone that Thursday, November 11, is Veterans Day. He thanked all military members, past and present, for their service.

7) **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- A. **The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will not hold a staff meeting on Thursday, November 11, 2010, due to the observance of Veterans Day. Their next regularly scheduled staff meeting will be held on Thursday, November 18, 2010, at 8:30 a.m., in Room 113 on the first floor of the County-City Building.**

7) **ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED:**

- B. A Tri-County meeting with Douglas, Sarpy and Lancaster Counties will be held on Friday, November 12, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at the Del Mare Restaurant, 810 S. 169th Street, Omaha, Nebraska.
- C. A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, November 16, 2010, at 9:30 a.m., in the County Commissioners Hearing Room, Room 112, on the first floor of the County-City Building, regarding a request to vacate a portion of West Waggoner Drive which abuts Lots 1, 2 and 3, Block 1, of said Waggoner Subdivision, generally located ¼ mile south of West "O" Street, Lancaster County, Nebraska.
- D. A public hearing will be held on Monday, December 6, 2010, at 7:00 p.m., in the County Commissioners Hearing Room, Room 112, on the first floor of the County-City Building, regarding Lancaster County's proposed One and Six-Year Road and Bridge Improvement Program for July 1, 2011, to June 30, 2016.
- E. 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.

8) **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Workman seconded to adjourn the Board of Commissioners meeting at 9:57 a.m. Schorr, Stevens, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried 4-0.

/s/Dan Nolte

Dan Nolte
Lancaster County Clerk

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2) **ADDITIONS AND DEDUCTIONS: Approval of seven additions and deductions to the tax assessment rolls per Attachments "A" and "B".**

MOTION: Stevens moved and Schorr seconded approval of the additions and deductions. Schorr, Workman, Stevens and Heier voted aye. Motion carried 4-0.

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

Indian Hills Community Church
Nebraska Crop Improvement Association
Our Lady of Guadalupe Seminary, Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter

MOTION: Schorr moved and Stevens seconded approval of the motor vehicle tax exemptions. Workman, Schorr, Stevens and Heier voted aye. Motion carried 4-0.

4) **NOTICE OF TAXABLE STATUS:**

City of Lincoln

Norm Agena said the City purchased the property, demolished the existing building and is planning to sell the lot to the adjacent owner. Since there is no public use of the property, it will be placed on the tax roll.

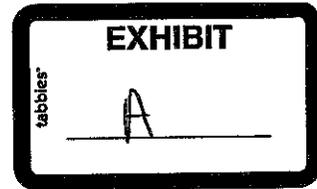
MOTION: Workman moved and Schorr seconded to send the notice. Schorr, Stevens, Workman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried 4-0.

5) **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: Workman moved and Stevens seconded to adjourn the Board of Equalization meeting at 9:59 a.m. Stevens, Workman, Schorr and Heier voted aye. Motion carried 4-0.

/s/Dan Nolte

Dan Nolte
Lancaster County Clerk



From: Stacy Jo. Dufault [mailto:stacyd@cassne.org]
Sent: Wednesday, October 27, 2010 3:45 PM
To: undisclosed-recipients
Subject: Discounts for Veterans Day

VETERAN'S DAY OFFERS - THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR SERVICE!

Restaurant Freebies

Applebee's Restaurant

- o Free dinners to veterans throughout Veterans Day November 11th; selections will be from a new Veterans Day menu.

Outback Steakhouse

- o Free Blooming Onion and beverage.

Golden Corral

- o Free buffet dinner from 5-9 p.m. on Nov. 16 to anyone who has ever served in the U.S. military Staff.

On Nov. 7, McCormick & Schmick's

- o restaurants will offer a free entree to military veterans for its 12th annual Veteran's Appreciation Event. Menu picks include such seafood items as parmesan crusted tilapia, roasted cedar plank salmon and almond crusted rainbow trout. "Our Veterans Appreciation Event has become a tradition that our restaurants look forward to each year," said Bill Freeman, CEO of McCormick & Schmick's Seafood Restaurants, said in a statement. For more information: www.mccormickandschmicks.com

Krispy Kreme

- o One free doughnut of any variety.

UNO Chicago Grill

- o Free entree or individual pizza with an entree or pizza purchase of equal or greater value.

Retail Freebies

Brides Across America

- o Provides free wedding gowns to qualified military brides.

Lowe's & Home Depot

- o Extra 10% off to active-duty military members, National Guard and reserve members, retirees, honorably discharged veterans and immediate family members.

Sam's Club

- o Over 25,000 Hugo canes will be given away to U.S. veterans in need of mobility assistance. Membership is not required, but supplies are limited, so check with your local store.

Amazon.com

- o Free "Veterans Day Honor" MP3 album download. The album includes 12 songs by The Bands and Ensembles of the U.S. Armed Forces.

Build-a-Bear Workshop

- o Build-A-Bear Workshop® is showing support for all military families in honor of Veterans Day. Members of the armed services including the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, Coast Guard, and Reserve Officer Training Corps will receive a 20% discount on any one transaction at Build-A-Bear Workshop stores with the presentation of a government issued military identification card

Fashion Bug

- o 20% off all plus-size and misses clothing purchases with a copy of military ID or spouse's military ID.

Entertainment Freebies

National parks, forests and monuments

- o Admission is free to everyone on Veterans Day.

Colonial Williamsburg

- o Free admission Nov. 6-11 for active-duty military, guard and reservists, retirees, veterans and their dependents.

Historic Jamestown

- o Free admission to veterans, current Armed Forces members and their family members.

Battleship Cove

- o Free admission and a special ceremony for veterans, active, duty and reservists.

Vicksburg National Military Park

- o Free admission for all.

Birmingham Museum of Art

- o Free admission to the ticketed event "Life and Liberty" on Nov. 10-11 for veterans and active military.

Vulcan Park and Museum

- o In Birmingham, Alabama is offering discounted admission through November to the park and museum.

Greenbay (WI) New Zoo

- o Free admission to veterans and their families.

Central Florida Zoo

- o Free admission to the Sanford, Florida zoo with proper ID.

Strategic Air & Space Museum

- o Free admission for veterans Nov. 11-14 to the Ashland, Neb. museum.

National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum in Oklahoma City

- o Free admission to veterans and five guests from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Veterans Day.

Natural Elements Spa & Salon

- o In Chesapeake, Virginia, will provide free services from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. to both active duty and retired military

ANYTIME DISCOUNTS. All these businesses offer military discounts all year round - all you have to do is ask:

Restaurants

* Arby's * A&W * Back Yard Burgers * Burger King * Captain D's * Chick-Fil-A
* Cotton Patch * Denny's * Dunkin' Donuts * Farmers Boy * IHOP (20 percent discount with military identification) * Java Café * KFC * Long John Silver * Pancho's Mexican Buffet * Pizza Hut * Quizno's * Sizzler * Sonic * Taco Bell

* Whataburger

Services

* AT&T * California Cryobank * Geico * Jiffy Lube * Meineke * Sears Portrait Studio

Travel and Leisure

* Blockbuster * Movie theaters * Ripley's attractions and museums * Professional Sports teams

Products

* Apple Computers * AutoZone * Barnhill's * Bass Pro Shop * Bath and Body Works * Big 10 Tires * The Buckle * Champs Sports * Copeland's Sports * Dell

* The Discovery Channel Store * Dress Barn * The Finish Line * Foot Action * Footlocker * Gadzooks * GNC * Goody's * Great Party * Happy Harry's * Home Depot * Hot Topic * Jockey * Lerner * Lowe's * Michael's * NAPA Auto Parts * New York & Company * Pac Sun * Payless Shoes * Play It Again Sports * Pure Beauty * Sally Beauty Supply * Spencer's Gifts * Suncoast * Timberland Outlets * Wilson's Leather

Cell Phone Service Discount - All Federal employees are able to get a 15% discount on their personal cell phones by calling their carrier and mentioning the "Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 - Discount to Federal Employees Past and Present." You will need to know the military member's supervisor's name, phone number, and full address, so that his/her military status can be verified. Use the following contact numbers:

- * Cingular - 800-319-6393
- * Sprint - 877-812-1223
- * T-Mobile - 866-646-4688
- * Nextel - 800-639-6111
- * Verizon - 800-865-1825

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