

**MINUTES**  
**LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2011**  
**COMMISSIONERS HEARING ROOM, ROOM 112**  
**FIRST FLOOR, COUNTY-CITY BUILDING**  
**9:30 A.M.**

Commissioners present: Deb Schorr, Chair  
Bernie Heier, Vice Chair  
Larry Hudkins  
Jane Raybould  
Brent Smoyer

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 9:32 a.m.

1) **MINUTES: Approval of the minutes of the Board of Commissioners meeting held on Tuesday, January 25, 2011.**

**MOTION:** Smoyer moved and Raybould seconded approval of the minutes. Hudkins, Raybould, Smoyer and Schorr voted aye. Heier abstained. Motion carried 4-0.

2) **CLAIMS: Approval of all claims processed through Tuesday, February 1, 2011.**

**MOTION:** Hudkins moved and Raybould seconded approval of the claims. Raybould, Heier, Smoyer, Hudkins and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

3) **SPECIAL PRESENTATION:**

A. **Recognition of Chaplain Randy Bartelt for his service to the Lancaster County Department of Corrections.**

Mike Thurber, Corrections Director, introduced Randy Bartelt. Bartelt talked about his time as a chaplain with the County Jail and his move to the Nebraska State Penitentiary. The Board thanked Bartelt for his service.

4) **OLD BUSINESS:**

A. **A maintenance agreement with Microfilm Imaging Systems, in the amount of \$895, for a Canon scanner located in the Clerk of the District Court's Office. Term of the agreement is February 1, 2011, to January 31, 2012. (C-11-0041)**

4) **OLD BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

Simon Rezac, Deputy Clerk of the District Court, requested approval of the agreement. He said the current agreement is \$895 per year with service requested every two to three months. At around \$215 per call, four calls would be \$860 per year. A new scanner is \$4,200, including a 90-day maintenance agreement. After that, a service agreement would cost \$1,000-1,400 per year. Leasing a scanner is \$2,100 per year, including parts and labor; software is \$52 per month. Hudkins questioned the life span of the scanner and the location of service personnel. Rezac said the scanner is five years old but he was unsure on life expectancy. He said the Omaha-based company has service personnel in Lincoln.

**MOTION:** Raybould moved and Heier seconded approval of the agreement. Smoyer, Hudkins, Raybould, Heier and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- B. **A grant contract in the amount of \$10,000 from the Lancaster County Visitor Improvement Fund with the Lincoln Area Model Railroad Club & Museum, Grantee, for repair of the Roca Station. The grant contract will run from January 1, 2011, to December 31, 2011. (C-11-0053)**

**MOTION:** Hudkins moved and Raybould seconded approval of the contract. Hudkins, Raybould, Heier, Smoyer and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

5) **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. **A recommendation from the Purchasing Agent and County Corrections to issue a contract at an estimated total cost of \$50,000 to Praeses, L.L.C., for inmate phone management services from the Placer County, California contract. (B-11-0007)**

Item held per request of the County Attorney.

- B. **A contract between Husker Auto Group, the City of Lincoln and Lancaster County to provide passenger vehicles to the City and County. Pricing will be pursuant to State of Nebraska 2011 passenger vehicle contracts. Term of the contract is January 1, 2011, to December 31, 2011. (C-11-0055)**

Bob Walla, Assistant Purchasing Agent, said 13 vehicle contracts use State contract pricing. He noted most vehicles purchased are over \$20,000 and would still be done as a purchase order pending Board approval. Schorr confirmed the contract does not give departments the authority to purchase a vehicle not already budgeted. Hudkins questioned vehicles costing less than \$20,000. Walla said the State contracts usually offer the best pricing, but Purchasing has obtained quotes if they do not think the State price is best. John Austin questioned using Ford for vehicle purchases. Hudkins said this contract gives the County another option; other brands could still be purchased with the State contract.

**MOTION:** Raybould moved and Heier seconded approval of the contract. Heier, Smoyer, Hudkins, Raybould and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- C. **A contract between Physician Sales & Service, Lancaster County and the City of Lincoln for the annual requirements of medical equipment and supplies on an as needed basis. The County shall pay for equipment and supplies according to the line item pricing as listed in the contractor's proposal. Term of the contract is four years from the date of execution by all parties. (C-11-0056)**

5) **NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

**MOTION:** Heier moved and Hudkins seconded approval of the contract. Smoyer, Hudkins, Raybould, Heier and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- D. **A contract between Mainline Mechanical, L.L.C., and Lancaster County in the amount of \$54,521 for chilled water piping replacement at Trabert Hall. The work included in the contract will be completed no later than March 25, 2011. (C-11-0060)**

**MOTION:** Hudkins moved and Raybould seconded approval of the contract. Hudkins, Raybould, Heier, Smoyer and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- E. **A contract between the County Engineer and Capital Appraisal Co., L.L.C., in the amount of \$1,600, for appraisal services for a project located at S. 54<sup>th</sup> Street from Hickman Road to Roca Road; Project No. C55-S-405(3). (C-11-0057)**

**MOTION:** Heier moved and Raybould seconded approval of the contract. Raybould, Heier, Smoyer, Hudkins and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- F. **A grant contract with Cedars Youth Services, Inc., in the amount of \$7,500 for the Skills and Asset Building in Juvenile Justice Programs. Cedars will provide \$9,190 in matching funds. Term of the grant contract is July 1, 2010, to June 30, 2011. (C-11-0058)**

**MOTION:** Hudkins moved and Raybould seconded approval of the contract. Heier, Smoyer, Hudkins, Raybould and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- G. **A political subdivision tort claim filed against Lancaster County by Benjamin Lavitt for alleged personal injuries and damages in the amount of \$250,000.**

**MOTION:** Heier moved and Raybould seconded denial of the tort claim. Smoyer, Hudkins, Raybould, Heier and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- H. **A political subdivision tort claim filed against Lancaster County Corrections by Morgan Lonehill for lost property in the amount of \$55.**

**MOTION:** Heier moved and Smoyer seconded denial of the tort claim based on the department director's recommendation. Hudkins, Raybould, Heier, Smoyer and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- I. **Reappointment of Lynette Nelson to the Lancaster County Board of Zoning Appeals to a five-year term from April 1, 2011, to March 31, 2016.**

**MOTION:** Hudkins moved and Smoyer seconded approval of the appointment. Raybould, Heier, Smoyer, Hudkins and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

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. **A right-of-way contract between the County Engineer and John V. and Mary Anne Juricek, in the amount of \$351, located at 12700 SW 128<sup>th</sup> Street; Project No. CP-U-78. (C-11-0059)**

**MOTION:** Hudkins moved and Heier seconded approval of the consent items. Heier, Smoyer, Hudkins, Raybould and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

7) **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

John Austin discussed a variety of topics, including staff meetings, adding the Commissioners' names to the agenda and adding a question and answer section to the County Board meeting.

8) **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

A. **The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold a staff meeting on Thursday, February 3, 2011, at 8:30 a.m., in Room 113 on the first floor of the County-City Building.**

B. **The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold their next regular meeting on Tuesday, February 8, 2011, at 9:30 a.m., in Room 112 on the first floor of the County-City Building, with the Board of Equalization meeting immediately following.**

C. **The following public hearings will be held in Room 112 on the first floor of the County-City Building:**

1. **On Tuesday, February 8, 2011, at 9:30 a.m., regarding a Class IB liquor license application from Michael and Tammy Roth, d/b/a Kramer Bar & Grill, located at 11365 W. Kramer Street, Kramer, Lancaster County, Nebraska.**
2. **On Tuesday, February 15, 2011, at 5:00 p.m., regarding Lancaster Manor proceeds.**

D. **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](http://www.lancaster.ne.gov). Click on 5 City-TV Video on Demand.**

9) **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Heier moved and Hudkins seconded to adjourn the Board of Commissioners meeting at 9:55 a.m. Smoyer, Hudkins, Raybould, Heier and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.



**Dan Nolte**  
Lancaster County Clerk



**MINUTES  
LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2011  
COMMISSIONERS HEARING ROOM, ROOM 112  
FIRST FLOOR, COUNTY-CITY BUILDING  
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE LANCASTER COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING**

Commissioners present: Deb Schorr, Chair  
Bernie Heier, Vice Chair  
Larry Hudkins  
Jane Raybould  
Brent Smoyer

Others present: Norm Agena, County Assessor/Register of Deeds  
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

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1) **MINUTES: Approval of the minutes of the Board of Equalization meeting held on Tuesday, January 25, 2011.**

**MOTION:** Smoyer moved and Hudkins seconded approval of the minutes. Hudkins, Raybould, Smoyer and Schorr voted aye. Heier abstained. Motion carried 4-0.

2) **ADDITIONS AND DEDUCTIONS: Approval of 34 additions and deductions to the tax assessment rolls per Attachment "A".**

**MOTION:** Heier moved and Raybould seconded approval of the additions and deductions. Raybould, Heier, Smoyer, Hudkins and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

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

**Christian Record Services, Inc.  
First Evangelical Covenant Church  
North American Martyrs Church/School  
Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital  
Plains Baptist Church  
Zion Church PCA**

**MOTION:** Hudkins moved and Heier seconded approval of the motor vehicle tax exemptions. Heier, Smoyer, Hudkins, Raybould and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

4) **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Heier moved and Hudkins seconded to adjourn the Board of Equalization meeting at 9:57 a.m. Smoyer, Hudkins, Raybould, Heier and Schorr voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

*Dan Nolte*

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