

MINUTES
LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COUNTY-CITY BUILDING, ROOM 112
TUESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2015
10:30 A.M.

Advance public notice of the Board of Commissioners meeting was posted on the County-City Building bulletin board and the Lancaster County, Nebraska, web site and emailed to the media on January 23, 2015.

Commissioners present: Roma Amundson, Chair; Larry Hudkins, Vice Chair; Bill Avery, Deb Schorr and Todd Wiltgen

Others present: Gwen Thorpe, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer; Brittany Behrens, Deputy County Attorney; Dan Nolte, County Clerk; Cori Beattie, Deputy County Clerk; and Kelly Lundgren, County Clerk's Office

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:33 a.m., the pledge of allegiance was recited and the location of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was announced.

1) MINUTES: Approval of the minutes of the Board of Commissioners meeting held on Tuesday, January 20, 2015.

MOTION: Schorr moved and Wiltgen seconded approval of the minutes. Avery, Hudkins, Schorr, Wiltgen and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

2) CLAIMS: Approval of all claims process through January 27, 2015.

MOTION: Avery moved and Hudkins seconded approval of the claims. Hudkins, Schorr, Wiltgen, Avery and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

3) SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

Sheriff Terry Wagner presented plaques and ribbons to the following 2015 County Sheriff Employee Recognition Awards recipients:

- 1) Civilian Employee of the Year: Michelle Sewell, Accounting Specialist
- 2) Gallantry Star for Distinguished Valor: Captain Tom Brookhouser and Sergeant Tommy Trotter
- 3) Meritorious Service Award: Deputy William Woodruff
- 4) Deputy Sheriff of the Year for Exceptional Duty: Sergeant Tommy Trotter

4) OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Network Provider Contract with the Regional Health Authority (Region V). (C-15-0005)**

OLD BUSINESS CONTINUED:

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Wiltgen seconded approval of the contract. Schorr, Wiltgen, Avery, Hudkins and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

5) NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Amendment to County Contract C-15-0005 with the Regional Behavioral Health Authority (Region V) for the provision of certain behavioral mental health services at the Mental Health Crisis Center. The amendment reinstates \$279,117 in fiscal year 2014 carryover funds to the Crisis Center for fiscal year 2015. (C-15-0056)**

Hudkins voiced disappointment in the contract as the County Board previously met with the Region V Governing Board and felt there was an indication they would fully restore \$400,000 in funds to the Crisis Center.

It was noted that Region V indicated a funding shortfall from the State was the reason the amount was lowered to \$279,117.

There was also a concern regarding the use of Lancaster County tax dollars to provide services to citizens from other counties.

Wiltgen commented that he is committed to having a better working relationship with Region V.

Schorr said the County Board had also raised questions regarding how the additional \$400,000 were being allocated by the Region. She also mentioned that she had concerns about the future of this funding and noted that the Crisis Center is currently operating at a deficit.

MOTION: Wiltgen moved and Hudkins seconded approval of the contract. Wiltgen, Avery and Hudkins voted aye. Schorr and Amundson voted nay. Motion carried 3-2.

- B. Licensure renewal application with the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services for operation of the Lancaster County Mental Health Crisis Center. The County will pay \$250 for the renewal license.**

MOTION: Schorr moved and Wiltgen seconded approval of the renewal application. Wiltgen, Schorr, Hudkins, Avery and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- C. Contract between Jacobsen Fire Equipment, Lancaster County, the City of Lincoln and the Lincoln-Lancaster County Public Building Commission for fire alarm panel inspection, testing, and repair. Term of the agreement is one year from the date of execution by all parties. (C-15-0057)**

MOTION: Avery moved and Hudkins seconded approval of the contract. Schorr, Hudkins, Avery, Wiltgen and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:

- D. Agreement with the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, University of Nebraska at Omaha, for implementation and operation of a Juvenile Reentry Course under the Second Chance Act Juvenile Offender Reentry Program. The County shall expend federal grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$7,593 for the services provided. Term of agreement is January 1, 2015 to June 1, 2015. (C-15-0058)**

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Avery seconded approval of the agreement. Hudkins, Avery, Schorr and Amundson voted aye. Wiltgen abstained due to a conflict of interest. Motion carried 4-0 with one abstention.

- E. Amendment to County Contract C-11-0743 with Orkin for pest control services. The amendment extends the agreement for an additional one-year term from January 10, 2015 to January 9, 2016. (C-15-0059)**

MOTION: Schorr moved and Wiltgen seconded approval of the amendment. Avery, Wiltgen, Schorr, Hudkins and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- F. Amendment to County Contract C-11-0744 with PestoX for pest control services. The amendment extends the agreement for an additional one-year term from January 10, 2015 to January 9, 2016. (C-15-0060)**

Avery questioned the need for contracts with two separate providers. Hudkins noted that providers have different areas of expertise. Bob Walla, Assistant Purchasing Agent, indicated that there are approximately 73 sites and many different services are required.

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Schorr seconded approval of the amendment. Avery, Schorr, Hudkins, Wiltgen and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- G. Amendment to County Contract C-14-0129 with encompass for the annual supply of Haworth office seating. The amendment renews the agreement for an additional one-year term from March 13, 2015 to March 12, 2016. (C-15-0061)**

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Schorr seconded approval of the amendment. Avery, Schorr, Hudkins, Wiltgen and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- H. Contract with CBM Managed Services to provide food service for various Lancaster County departments. The County will pay for products according to the Enhanced Menu Pricing. The term of the agreement is a four-year term beginning February 1, 2015. (C-15-0062)**

The Clerk indicated the item would be held for one week per the request of the County Attorney's office.

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:

- I. **Subscription agreement between Telvent and Lancaster County, on behalf of Lancaster County Emergency Management, for weather radar services. The County will pay \$5,400 for the services. Term of the agreement is two years from the date of execution. (C-15-0063)**

James Davidsaver, Emergency Management Director, stated this is an upgrade to the current contract for satellite and internet feed for an additional \$32/month that will be paid for out of general budget funds.

MOTION: Avery moved and Wiltgen seconded approval of the agreement. Schorr, Avery, Wiltgen, Hudkins and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- J. **Special offer amendment to the subscriber agreement between Lancaster County, the City of Lincoln, and Thompson Reuters for Westlaw computerized legal research. (C-15-0064)**

Brittany Behrens explained that the service is shared between the County and City, including the jail, and that this amendment is for a one-year extension to a four-year agreement. Hudkins felt this is a great service that has helped condense large amounts of legal information.

MOTION: Schorr moved and Hudkins seconded approval of the amendment. Avery, Hudkins, Schorr, Wiltgen and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

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

Gary Aldridge, 7112 S. 45th Street, Lincoln, NE 68516, appeared and asked if the public is allowed to speak at the Board of Commissioners Staff meetings held on Thursdays. The Chair indicated that public comment is not allowed. He also commented on salaries and high property taxes.

7) ANNOUNCEMENTS:

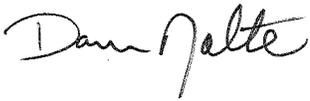
- A. **The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold a staff meeting on Thursday, January 29, 2015 at 8:30 a.m., in the Bill Luxford Studio (Room 113) of the County-City Building (555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln).**
- B. **The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold their next regular meeting on Tuesday, February 3, 2015, at 10:30 a.m., in Room 112 of the County-City Building (555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln) with the Board of Equalization immediately following.**
- C. **The County Commissioners can be reached at 402-441-7447 or commish@lancaster.ne.gov.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED:

- D. The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners meeting is broadcast live. It is rebroadcast on Tuesday and Saturday on 5 City-TV, Cable Channel 5. In addition, the meeting may be viewed on the internet at lancaster.ne.gov under 5 City-TV, Video on Demand or 5 City-TV on YouTube.

8) ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Schorr moved and Hudkins seconded to adjourn the Lancaster County Board of Commissioners meeting at 11:15 a.m. Hudkins, Schorr, Wiltgen, Avery and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.



Dan Nolte, County Clerk



MINUTES
LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
COUNTY-CITY BUILDING, ROOM 112
TUESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2015
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE LANCASTER COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Advance public notice of the Board of Equalization meeting was posted on the County-City Building bulletin board and the Lancaster County, Nebraska, web site and emailed to the media on January 23, 2015.

Commissioners present: Roma Amundson, Chair; Larry Hudkins, Vice Chair; Bill Avery, Deb Schorr and Todd Wiltgen

Others present: Gwen Thorpe, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer; Brittany Behrens, Deputy County Attorney; Dan Nolte, County Clerk; Cori Beattie, Deputy County Clerk; and Kelly Lundgren, County Clerk's Office

The Chair called the meeting to order at 11:15 a.m., and the location of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was announced.

1) **MINUTES: Approval of the minutes of the Board of Equalization meeting held on Tuesday, January 20, 2015.**

MOTION: Avery moved and Wiltgen seconded approval of the minutes. Avery, Hudkins, Schorr, Wiltgen and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

2) **ADDITIONS AND DEDUCTIONS TO THE TAX ASSESSMENT ROLLS: (See attached additions and deductions)**

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Schorr seconded approval of the additions and deductions. Hudkins, Schorr, Wiltgen, Avery and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

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

The Bridge Behavioral Health, Inc
Child Guidance Center
First Evangelical Covenant Church
First Free Methodist Church
MiddleCross Church/Rosemont DayCare & Preschool
Nebraska Wesleyan University
Radiant Church
Saint Elizabeth Regional Medical Center
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
The Salvation Army
Sesostris Shrine
Trinity Lutheran Church and School
Zion Church

MOTOR VEHICLE TAX EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS CONTINUED:

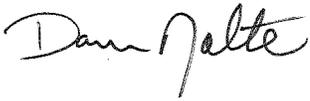
MOTION: Schorr moved and Wiltgen seconded approval of the exemptions. Schorr, Wiltgen, Avery, Hudkins and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

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

No one appeared for public comment.

5) **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: Schorr moved and Wiltgen seconded to adjourn the Lancaster County Board of Equalization meeting at 11:17 a.m. Wiltgen, Schorr, Hudkins, Avery and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.



Dan Nolte, County Clerk

