

MINUTES
LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COUNTY-CITY BUILDING, ROOM 112
TUESDAY, MAY 26, 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 May 22, 2015.

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

Others present: Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer; Kristy Bauer, 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.

Amundson relayed the Board's condolences to the family and friends of Larry Lienemann, from the County Engineering Department, who recently passed away. She also thanked members of law enforcement such as Kerrie Orozco, who put their lives on the line to serve and protect our communities.

1) MINUTES: Approval of the minutes of the Board of Commissioners meeting held on Tuesday, May 19, 2015.

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Avery seconded approval of the minutes. Avery, Hudkins, Schorr and Amundson voted aye. Wiltgen abstained. Motion carried 4-0 with one abstention.

2) CLAIMS: Approval of all claims process through May 26, 2015.

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

3) SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

A. Recognition of Robin Mahoney for over seventeen years of service on the Lincoln-Lancaster County Joint Budget Committee.

Robin Mahoney McDannel is currently Senior Director of Community Impact and Fund Distribution at United Way but will be retiring at the end of the week. The Clerk read McDannel's achievements into the record. Schorr presented McDannel with a copy of the remarks.

Amundson thanked McDannel for her service.

McDannel said it had been a privilege to work with the Commissioners and thanked them for the recognition.

4) **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. **Resolution in the matter of waiving the bidding requirements of the County Purchasing Act due to an emergency caused by the flooding event on May 6-7, 2015. (R-15-0023)**

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

- B. **Contract between Graybar Electric Company, Lancaster County and the City of Lincoln for the annual requirements of telecommunication supplies and accessories. The County will pay for the products and services according to the County of Los Angeles, California Contract No. MA-IS-1540125. The contract is effective upon execution through December 31, 2015. (C-15-0228)**

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

- C. **Agreement between Norris Public Power District and Lancaster County, on behalf of the Lincoln-Lancaster County Emergency Management Department, for the installation of a utility pole at the Malcolm water tower site and the purchase of electrical power, as part of the Nebraska Regional Interoperability Network (NRIN) project. The County will contribute \$1,530.43 to the construction of the utility pole, and pay \$25.00 per month for electrical power. (C-15-0229)**

Jim Davidsaver, Emergency Management Director, informed the Board when completed, this project will connect the Public Safety Answering Points in eight regions throughout the state.

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

- D. **Utility permit No. 1284 for Unite Private Networks to perform telecommunication cable installation in the areas of Branched Oak Road and Highway 77 and Arbor Road and North 40th Street. (C-15-0230)**

Ken Schroeder, County Surveyor, told the Board the permits were revised to ensure the cables were buried at the appropriate depth and are coordinated with future grading projects.

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

- E. **Utility permit No. 1285 for Unite Private Networks to perform telecommunication cable installation in the area of Northwest 84th Street and West Holdrege Street. (C-15-0231)**

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

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:

- F. Utility permit No. 1286 for Unite Private Networks to perform telecommunication cable installation in the areas of West Denton Road, Southwest 31st Street and South Coddington Avenue; South Coddington Avenue, West Denton Road and Old Cheney Road; Old Cheney Road, Southwest 12th Street, and South Folsom Street; and South Folsom Street, West Pleasant Hill Road and West Pioneers Boulevard. (C-15-0232)**

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

- G. Utility permit No. 1287 for Unite Private Networks to perform telecommunication cable installation in the areas of Southwest 2nd Street, Highway 33 and Wittstruck Road; Wittstruck Road and Southwest 2nd Street; Panama Road, Highway 77 and South 38th Street; South 38th Street, Panama Road and Stagecoach Road; Stagecoach Road, South 38th Street and South 54th Street; South 54th Street, Stagecoach Road and Hickman Road; Hickman Road, South 54th Street and South 82nd Street; and South 82nd Street and Hickman Road. (C-15-0233)**

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

- H. Utility permit No. 1288 for Unite Private Networks to perform telecommunication cable installation in the areas of South 82nd Street, Bennett Road and Saltillo Road. (C-15-0234)**

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

- I. Utility permit No. 1289 for Unite Private Networks to perform telecommunication cable installation in the areas of Stagecoach Road and South 162nd Street; Bennett Road, 162nd Street to 176th Street; 176th Street, from Bennett Road to Saltillo Road; and Saltillo Road from 176th Street to "G" Road. (C-15-0235)**

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

- J. Utility permit No. 1290 for Unite Private Networks to perform telecommunication cable installation in the area of Northwest 105th Street and West Bluff Road. (C-15-0236)**

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

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:

- K. Utility permit No. 1291 for Unite Private Networks to perform telecommunication cable installation in the areas of West Holdrege Street from Northwest 126th Street to Northwest 84th Street. (C-15-0237)**

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

- L. Utility permit No. 1292 for Unite Private Networks to perform telecommunication cable installation in the areas of Yankee Hill Road, 120th Street and 148th Street. (C-15-0238)**

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

- M. Amendment to County Contract C-15-0202 with Gana Trucking and Excavating for excavating and dozing services for Lancaster County. The amendment increases the County's maximum expenditures to \$60,000 for the remainder of the current term. (C-15-0239)**

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

- N. Amendment to County Contract C-13-0269 with Branch Banking and Trust Company (previously known as Creative Payment Solutions) for electronic payment services for the Lancaster County Treasurer. The amendment renews the agreement for an additional one-year term from June 18, 2015 to June 17, 2016. (C-15-0240)**

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

- 5) CONSENT ITEMS: These are routine business items that 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 an amendment to County Contract No. C-15-0202, between Lancaster County and Gana Trucking and Excavating, to include the repair of county bridges T171 and N19 which were damaged during flooding on May 6-7, 2015, at a total cost not to exceed \$30,000. (Approved on 5/21/15) (C-15-0241)**

CONSENT ITEMS CONTINUED:

- B. **Setting of public hearings on Tuesday, June 2, 2015, at 10:30 a.m., in Room 112 of the County-City Building (555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln) regarding the following:**
1. **Amusement license application for NRG Media, LLC, to hold a music concert (Frog Fest) on August 7, 2015 at BlueStem Tree Farm, LLC, 5895 West Sprague Road, Crete, Nebraska.**
 2. **Amusement license application for Abbott Motocross Park to hold a Mud Jam Festival on June 27, 2015, 8033 Arbor Road, Lincoln, Nebraska.**
- C. **Receive and place on file the Lancaster County Sheriff's report for April, 2015.**

MOTION: Schorr moved and Wiltgen seconded approval of the consent items. Hudkins, Schorr, Wiltgen, Avery 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 discussed the Class B State High School Baseball Championship held recently in Lincoln between Lincoln Pius X and Norris, both Lancaster County High Schools. He suggested the County Board recognize future State Champions from Lancaster County.

Amundson congratulated the student athletes on their accomplishments.

7) **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- A. **The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will tour the Abbott Motocross Park, 8033 Arbor Road, Lincoln, on Tuesday, May 26, 2015 at 1:00 p.m.**
- B. **The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold a staff meeting on Thursday, May 28, 2015 at 8:30 a.m. in the Bill Luxford Studio (Room 113) of the County-City Building (555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln).**
- c. **The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold their next regular meeting on Tuesday, June 2, 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.**
- D. **The County Commissioners can be reached at 402-441-7447 or commish@lancaster.ne.gov.**
- E. **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.**

NOTE: The County Commissioners toured the Abbott Motocross Park from 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Also present for the tour were Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer; Dennis Meyer, Budget & Fiscal Officer; and Dan Nolte, County Clerk. Dan Soltys and Craig Fritz, Executive Director and Director of Abbott Motocross Park respectively, met with the Commissioners and provided a tour of the complex. A copy of the Visitor Improvement Fund Grant Application was distributed. (Exhibit A) The grant application will be discussed in detail at the May 28, 2015 Staff Meeting.

8) ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Schorr moved and Wiltgen seconded to adjourn the Lancaster County Board of Commissioners meeting at 11:00 a.m. Schorr, Wiltgen, Avery, Hudkins and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.



Dan Nolte

Dan Nolte, County Clerk

Abbott Motocross Park

Visitor Improvement Fund

Grant Application



www.abbottmx.com

cfritz@abbottsports.com

402-464-2255

7600 N 70th St. Lincoln, NE 68517

Abbott Motocross Park

Visitor Improvement Fund Grant Application

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LANCASTER COUNTY VISITORS IMPROVEMENT FUND
GRANT REQUEST

Name of Organization Abbott Motocross Park/Abbott Sports Complex
Contact Person Craig Fritz
Address/City/State/Zip 7600 N 70th Street Lincoln, NE 68517
Telephone 402-464-2255 Fax 402-464-0349 Email c.fritz@abbottsports.com
Organization Status: Non-Profit Association _____ Civic Group _____ Other _____
(If other, please attach explanation)

Applicant Government/organization Federal ID number 45-0533389
If tax exempt organization, designate IRS classification: 501(c)3 _____ 501(c)6 _____

Provide a detailed description of your exhibit/attraction:

The Abbott Motocross park is a public off-road motorsports facility that provides a safe and accessible riding area that is professionally developed and maintained for public usage by off-road motorsports enthusiasts. The park is utilized year around for daily open riding and competitive events. Visitors include users, their family and friends, and spectators. The park has become one of the premier facilities in the Midwest that attracts visitors from all regions of the US, each year.

Number of attendees estimated: Out of town 27,000 Local 8,000

Check all that apply:

- Expanding and improving any existing visitor attraction.
 Planning or developing such expansion improvements, exhibits or additions.
 Acquiring or expanding exhibits for existing visitor attractions.
 Promotion and advertising costs associated with such exhibits.

Please describe project as indicated above.

Facility improvements and amenities are necessary to better enhance the visitor experience of an growing customer base and to help attract new users and events to the community. Every phase of the project is focused on providing visitors with a safer and more enjoyable experience. Please see enclosed project description page for more details of the improvement project and each of its phases.

Project Start Date May 2015 Completion Date October 2015

Is this project part of a larger renovation project? Yes

If yes, please describe the entire project:

The improvement project includes additional projects that will be completed at the expense of Abbott Motocross Park. Additional projects include shade trees and landscaping, rock across roads and walkways, additional spectator bleachers, and a bike-wash station.

As it pertains to the grant related project, provide breakdowns of radio and television advertising, showing individual costs, call letters and cities of origin. Also give breakdowns of magazine advertising by individual publications and costs. Similarly, separate the costs for brochures, travel shows by location, billboard advertising, etc. Include target market demographics

Do you anticipate submitting future applications for projects relating to this project? No

Total projected budget (attach detailed budget)

Total Revenue \$ 94,964.42

Total Expense \$ 124,409.95

How will your project impact new visitor recruitment and lodging tax revenues?

These improvements will provide the necessary amenities that visitors and event organizers expect to be available at premier destination riding parks. They also are the necessary requirements needed to be eligible to host national sanctioned events. Both of these factors will bring more out of state visitors to the facility and community.

Estimated annual visitors: Local 8,000 Outside of Lincoln 27,000

Estimated Annual economic impact of your facility and/or project based on lodging tax use (Use multipliers listed below)

Is this based on annual use of the facility or for a specific event/exhibition? annual use

of hotel rooms utilized 150 x 350 (* Multiplier - see below)

* National/Regional event Multiplier - \$375 per night

* State event - \$350 per night

* Local event - \$245 per night

TOTAL ECONOMIC IMPACT BASED ON FORMULA \$52,500.00

Is this grant request in addition to other project related grant requests?

No

If yes, then list other grant requests _____

Grant amount requested from Visitors Promotion Committee

\$ 221,196.53

Signature of Applicant Craig C. Freity

Date 4-9-15

Return Application (s) to:

Lincoln Convention and Visitors Bureau
Attn: Jeff Maul, Executive Director
1135 M St. Suite 300
Lincoln, NE 68501

For more information:
(402) 434-5343
jmaul@lincoln.org

Abbott Motocross Park- Project Description

The Abbott Motocross Park has become one of the premier public off-road motorsports facilities in the Midwest that attracts off-road enthusiasts from all over the country. The Abbott Motocross Park has state of the art riding areas, and with the outlined improvements, the park will have the necessary features and amenities to create a destination image with visitors and be eligible to host national sanctioned races.

We are requesting a total of \$221,196.53 to complete a four phase facility improvement project to provide users with a better visitor experience and attract national sanctioned events that will provide a positive economic impact. The four phase facility improvement project includes: 1. Permanent office building. 2. Permanent fencing. 3. Installing Park Shelter. 4. Widen facility entryway. A detailed project budget with written contractor bids and the price of materials is included with this submission. As the project moves forward, we anticipate the total investment of the project can be decreased through donations of material and labor.

Phase one of the project is to install a permanent office building on-site to serve multiple purposes for daily customer use and event headquarters. This phase entails relocating a 24' x 63' modular building donated by Lincoln Public Schools, pouring concrete footings for the foundation, electrical work, installing well and septic system for restrooms, and remodeling the building with a new roof, siding, office, rider lounge, and covered outdoor deck. The need for this phase of the project is to have a permanent facility headquarters that is inviting to our customers with permanent restrooms and indoor lounge that are ADA compliant, and meets the needs for event registration and awards presentations.

Phase two of the project is to install permanent fencing. This phase consists of two parts; using chain link fence around the perimeter of riding areas to act as barrier for viewing areas and to control traffic patterns, and creating infield access that is fenced with wood field fencing and a pedestrian culvert to safely access the infield for better viewing areas. Having this permanent fencing in place immediately makes the facility safer and is necessary for hosting sanctioned events.

Phase three of the project is to install a 24' X 36' park shelter and furnish the shelter with twelve picnic tables and two grills. The park shelter will enhance the users experience by providing a shaded structure that makes spectators feel more comfortable while watching riders and gives riders an inviting place to gather while resting between rides. The park shelter can also be utilized for special events and organization gatherings.

Phase four of the project is to widen the entryway to the facility to allow for separate entrance and exit lanes. This will be done by adding a new entry lane and gate next to the current entryway that is separated by a ticket booth. This is needed to implement a more efficient process for rider check-in on open riding days and general admission entry on event days, and eliminates traffic congestion when visitors are trying to enter and exit out of one gate at the same time.

Along with the improvements that Visitor Improvement Fund's are requested for, additional improvements to enhance the facility will be made at the expense of Abbott Motocross Park. Those improvements include planting shade trees and landscaping, additional spectator bleachers, adding rockered access roads and walkways, and installing a bike-wash station. These improvements will enhance the visitor experience for both riders and spectators.

Overall, the completion of this improvement project will provide many direct benefits that will enhance the experience of daily visitors and provide a positive economic impact for the community by attracting regional and nationally sanctioned events that will bring many new athletes and families from all over the country to Lincoln. Your continued support of the Abbott Motocross Park and consideration for approval of the Visitor Improvement Fund Grant Application is greatly appreciated. We look forward to further sharing our vision with you of making the Abbott Motocross Park a nationally known off-road motorsports destination and putting Lincoln on the map for national sanctioned motorsports events that would bring in thousands of new visitors each year.

Abbott Motocross Park

Four Phase Project Budget

1. Office Building			
<u>Project</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Contractor/Supplier</u>	<u>Written Bid</u>
Transportation	\$ 5,900.00	Ensor Movers	Written bid enclosed
Concrete Footings	\$ 4,466.00	Stevens & Smith	Written bid enclosed
Remodel	\$ 78,260.83	Colson Construction	Written bid enclosed
Electrical	\$ 8,533.33	Haco Electric	Written bid enclosed
Well	\$ 7,429.50	Precision Well Service	Written bid enclosed
Septic	\$ 5,075.00	Raymond Contracting	Written bid enclosed
Total	\$ 109,664.66		
2. Permanent Fencing			
<u>Project</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Contractor/Supplier</u>	<u>Written Bid</u>
2650' of chain link fence	\$ 41,500.00	Elite Fencing	Written bid enclosed
2900' of field fence	\$ 22,900.00	Elite Fencing	Written bid enclosed
Infield Access Culvert	\$ 4,200.00	Contech	Material only; Labor donated
Total	\$ 68,600.00		
3. 24' X 36' Park Shelter			
<u>Project</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Contractor/Supplier</u>	<u>Written Bid</u>
Park Shelter Installation	\$ 21,638.00	Outdoor Recreation Products	Written bid enclosed
Picnic Tables (12)	\$ 9,510.00	Outdoor Recreation Products	Written bid enclosed
Picnic Grills (2)	\$ 796.00	Outdoor Recreation Products	Written bid enclosed
Total	\$ 31,944.00		
4. Widen Facility Entryway			
<u>Project</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Contractor/Supplier</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Ticketbooth	\$ 2,952.00	Wright Sheds	Written bid enclosed
Electrical for Ticketbooth	\$ 4,266.67	Haco Electric	Written bid enclosed
Brick Pillars	\$ 1,500.00	Welch Masonry	Material only; Labor donated
Entrance Gates	\$ 1,500.00	Tamer Billets	Material only; Labor donated
Road Culvert	\$ 769.20	Contech	Material only; Labor donated
Total Costs	\$ 10,987.87		

PROJECT TOTAL **\$ 221,196.53**

MINUTES
LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
COUNTY-CITY BUILDING, ROOM 112
TUESDAY, MAY 26, 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 May 22, 2015.

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

Others present: Scott Gaines, Deputy Assessor/Register of Deeds; Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer; Richard Grabow, Deputy County Attorney; Kristy Bauer, 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 11:00 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, May 19, 2015.

MOTION: Avery moved and Schorr seconded approval of the minutes. Avery, Hudkins, Schorr and Amundson voted aye. Wiltgen abstained. Motion carried 4-0 with one abstention.

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

Hudkins questioned the nature of the company, "Progress for People, LLC", listed on many of the deductions and the dollar amounts associated with them. Richard Grabow, Deputy County Attorney, said the company offers low-income housing and noted there are State statues regulating how the County can assess this type of property.

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

3) PUBLIC HEARING:

A. Motor Vehicle Tax Exemption Applications

Calvary Cemetery
Christ United Methodist Church
Family Service Association of Lincoln
Radiant Church
Union College

PUBLIC HEARING CONTINUED:

The Chair opened the public hearing.

No one appeared to testify in support, opposition or in a neutral position.

The Chair closed the public hearing.

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

4) PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS:

**The Bridge Behavioral Health, Inc.
Bryan Physician Network
The Cat House
Christ Lutheran Church
First Free Methodist Church of Lincoln
Girl Scouts Spirit of Nebraska
Grace Lutheran Church-Walton
Great Plains Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church
Harris-Fraley VFW Post 131
Heartland Bible Church
IBEW Local Union No. 265 Building Corporation
Kansas-Nebraska Association of Seventh-day Adventist
Lincoln Christian School Association
Lincoln Haymarket Development Corporation
Lutheran Family Services
MidAmerica District of The Christian and Missionary Alliance
Middle Cross Church
National Arbor Day Foundation
Neighborhoods Inc. d/b/a NeighborWorks Lincoln
The Physician Network
Pius X High School
Redeemer Lutheran Church, Inc.
Sesostris Temple Holding Corporation
The Smith Collection
Southview Christian Church
St. Joseph Institute
Tabitha, Inc.**

Scott Gaines, Deputy County Assessor, recommended full approval of the applications with the following exceptions:

The Bridge Behavioral Health, Inc. (formerly known as Cornhusker Place) – Gaines said two applications were received. He recommended a 100% exemption on the personal property and a 98.53% exemption on the real property as a portion is leased to a private business.

PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS CONTINUED:

Harris-Fraley VFW Post 131 – Gaines recommended approval of the application with a one-month late filing penalty.

IBEW Local Union No. 265 Building Corporation – Gaines informed the Board that a house which was previously located on the property had been removed. He recommended a change from partial to full exemption.

Neighborhoods, Inc. – Gaines recommended approval of the application for the headquarters located at 2530 Q Street. Gaines said the remaining applications were for properties either sold or recently acquired for development. The recommendation was to deny those applications.

Sesostris Temple Holding Corporation – Gaines recommended to approve the applications from 2015 but deny the 2014 applications which were received after the deadline.

St. Joseph Institute – Gaines said one-third of the property is used as a warehouse to distribute goods to needy families. The remaining two-thirds is being used as a thrift store which would not qualify for exemption.

MOTION: Avery moved and Schorr seconded approval of the exemption applications with the alterations as recommended by the County Assessor/Register of Deeds office. Schorr, Wiltgen, Avery, Hudkins and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

5) PROPOSED CHANGE IN EXEMPTION STATUS:

**Central Church of the Christian & Missionary Alliance
Foundation for Lincoln Public Schools
Pillar Charitable Trust**

Gaines recommended approval of the changes in exemption status. He explained that the exemptions should be removed since all properties have been sold to other entities.

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Schorr seconded approval of the removal of exemption status as recommended by the County Assessor/Register of Deeds office. Wiltgen, Schorr, Hudkins, Avery and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

6) REAFFIRMATION OF TAX EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS:

**Planned Parenthood of the Heartland
Redeemer PCA
UNF Investments, LLC**

Gaines indicated that these properties all had a change in use. He noted the Redeemer, PCA parcel includes a house adjacent to the church. Since the house is no longer used for church staff, it will not meet the exemption requirements. He recommended taxing the house and maintaining the exemption for the church. Additionally, the properties owned by Planned Parenthood of the Heartland and UNF Investments, LLC, are currently vacant and for sale, thus, the exemption is no applicable.

REAFFIRMATION OF TAX EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS CONTINUED:

MOTION: Schorr moved and Wiltgen seconded denial of the tax exemption applications (with the exception of the Redeemer, PCA church building) as recommended by the County Assessor/Register of Deeds office. Schorr, Hudkins, Avery, Wiltgen and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

7) 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.

8) ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Schorr moved and Wiltgen seconded to adjourn the Lancaster County Board of Equalization meeting at 11:25 a.m. Hudkins, Avery, Wiltgen, Schorr and Amundson voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

Dan Nolte

Dan Nolte, County Clerk

