

MINUTES
LANCASTER COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY JOINT PUBLIC AGENCY (JPA)
COUNTY-CITY BUILDING, ROOM 112
TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2009
8:00 A.M.

Present: Bernie Heier, Chair; Ray Stevens; Chris Beutler and Doug Emery

Others Present: Dennis Meyer, County Budget & Fiscal Officer; Tom Fox, Deputy County Attorney; John Hendry, City Attorney; Mike Thurber, Corrections Director; Cori Beattie, Deputy County Clerk; and Ann Taylor, County Clerk's Office

The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m.

The location announcement of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was given.

AGENDA ITEM

1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JULY 28, 2009 MEETING

MOTION: Stevens moved and Emery seconded approval of the minutes of the July 28, 2009 meeting. Beutler, Emery, Stevens and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

2 APPROVAL OF CLAIMS PROCESSED THROUGH AUGUST 17, 2009

MOTION: Emery moved and Stevens seconded approval of the claims. Emery, Stevens, Beutler and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

3 PUBLIC HEARING ON FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010 BUDGET

Dennis Meyer, County Budget and Fiscal Officer, said the budget shows a \$5,049,000 property tax requirement, a reduction of \$51,000 from last year's tax asking. He noted valuations for the City and County decreased this year and said the City's levy will decrease slightly and the County's levy will increase slightly because the County is levying \$2,000,000 each year. The combined levy is a slight reduction.

Seeing no one wishing to testify, the Chair ended the hearing and asked for direction.

MOTION: Emery moved and Stevens seconded to accept the budget for approval. Stevens, Beutler, Emery and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

4 ADOPT RESOLUTION IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING THE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF JULY 1, 2009 TO JUNE 30, 2010

MOTION: Stevens moved and Emery seconded adoption of the resolution. Beutler, Stevens, Emery and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

5 FISCAL YEAR 2009 AUDIT OPTIONS

Meyer said he explored whether agreed upon procedures could take the place of a full-blown audit this first year but Lauren Wismer, Gilmore & Bell P.C., (Bond Counsel), advised him an audit is required. He estimated the cost at \$2,500.

Beutler asked whether legal counsel has confirmed an audit is required.

Tom Fox, Deputy County Attorney, explained his office provides legal representation to the JPA unless there is a conflict of interest. He said his office would have conferred with Wismer, as it is more of a bond issue.

MOTION: Emery moved and Stevens seconded to conduct an audit, at an approximate cost of \$2,500. Emery, Beutler, Stevens and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

6 SETTING OF NEXT MEETING

Consensus was to schedule the next meeting for 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 22, 2009. The meeting will be held in Room 112 of the County-City Building.

7 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Emery moved and Stevens seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 a.m. Beutler, Emery, Stevens and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

Dan Nolte
Lancaster County Clerk