

MINUTES
LANCASTER COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY JOINT PUBLIC AGENCY (JPA)
COUNTY-CITY BUILDING, ROOM 112
555 SOUTH 10TH STREET
TUESDAY, MAY 26, 2015
9:00 A.M.

Present: Larry Hudkins, Chair; Trent Fellers; and Roma Amundson

Absent: Chris Beutler

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

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. and welcomed Trent Fellers to the Joint Public Agency (JPA). **NOTE:** Fellers replaced Doug Emery.

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

AGENDA ITEM

1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 24, 2015 MEETING

MOTION: Amundson moved and Fellers seconded approval of the minutes of the February 24, 2015 meeting. Fellers, Amundson and Hudkins voted aye. Beutler was absent from voting. Motion carried 3-0.

2 ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Chair noted the Chairs of the County Board and City Council have traditionally served as Chair and Vice Chair of the JPA, respectively.

Fellers asked Amundson, who serves as the County Board Chair, whether she would be willing to serve as the JPA Chair. Amundson indicated she would.

MOTION: Fellers moved and Hudkins seconded to nominate Roma Amundson as Chair of the Lancaster County Correctional Facility Joint Public Agency (JPA).

The Chair asked whether there were any other nominations. Seeing none, the nominations were closed.

ROLL CALL: Fellers, Amundson and Hudkins voted aye. Beutler was absent from voting. Motion carried 3-0.

Amundson asked Fellers, who serves as the City Council Chair, whether he would be willing to serve as the JPA Vice Chair. Fellers indicated he would.

MOTION: Amundson moved and Hudkins seconded to nominate Trent Fellers as Vice Chair of the Lancaster County Correctional Facility Joint Public Agency (JPA).

The Chair asked whether there were any other nominations. Seeing none, the nominations were closed.

ROLL CALL: Hudkins, Amundson and Fellers voted aye. Beutler was absent from voting. Motion carried 3-0.

Amundson, the new Chair, assumed direction of the meeting.

3 APPROVAL OF CLAIMS PROCESSED THROUGH MAY 19, 2015

Dennis Meyer, County Budget and Fiscal Officer, presented claims totaling \$48,852.70, noting the claims are for a vehicle and equipment that have not been received. Since the JPA is meeting on a quarterly basis, it could cause issues for vendors to wait for payment until the next meeting. Payments will not be made until those items are received. He said the only payment that will be made at this time is the interest payment on the bonds to Wells Fargo in the amount of \$1,090,377.50.

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Fellers seconded approval of the claims. Hudkins, Fellers and Amundson voted aye. Beutler was absent from voting. Motion carried 3-0.

4 USE OF CONSTRUCTION FUNDS FOR THE 605 BUILDING

Meyer said the JPA will need to make a decision at the next meeting on what to do with the \$1,100,000 in bond proceeds remaining from the construction of the Lancaster County Adult Detention Facility (LCADF). He said there are two options: 1) Apply the funds to construction of a sally port in the 605 Building; and 2) Roll the funds into the payment of the principal and interest on the bonds. Meyer said Mike Rogers, Gilmore & Bell P.C. (Bond Counsel), feels the first option would meet the definition of the project for the bonds which were issued. He said he will ask Rogers to attend the next meeting to answer questions.

Amundson asked what the interest rate is on the bonds. Meyer said it is under 3% and agreed to check and provide her with the exact interest rate.

5 PUBLIC COMMENT

Mike Thurber, Corrections Director, reported a daily population of 578 at the Lancaster County Adult Detention Facility (LCADF), noting 120 are female offenders. He also reported they are doing some ditch work onsite and have taken over grounds maintenance.

Hudkins requested an update on the Southwest 40th Street viaduct project. **NOTE:** The viaduct will improve access to the facility. Thurber said most of the girders are up and said he anticipates the project will be completed in December.

6 SETTING OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 25, 2015.

7 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Fellers seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 a.m. Fellers, Hudkins, Amundson voted aye. Beutler was absent from voting. Motion carried 3-0.



Dan Nolte
Lancaster County Clerk

