

MINUTES
LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COUNTY-CITY BUILDING, ROOM 112
TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2019
9:00 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 August 2, 2019.

Commissioners present: Roma Amundson, Chair; Sean Flowerday, Vice Chair; Deb Schorr; Rick Vest; and Christa Yoakum

Others present: Ann Ames, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer; Jenifer Holloway, Deputy County Attorney; Dan Nolte, County Clerk; Cori Beattie, Deputy County Clerk; and Monét McCullen, County Clerk's Office

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m., the Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the location of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was announced.

1) MINUTES:

- A. Approval of the minutes of the Board of Commissioners meeting held on Tuesday, July 30, 2019.**

MOTION: Flowerday moved and Vest seconded approval of the minutes. Schorr, Flowerday, Yoakum, Vest and Amundson voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

2) CLAIMS:

- A. Approval of all claims processed through August 6, 2019.**

MOTION: Schorr moved and Vest seconded approval of the claims. Vest, Schorr, Flowerday, Yoakum and Amundson voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- 3) 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. Utility Permits with no cost to the County for the following:**

- 1. No. 1845 allowing Windstream Nebraska, LLC, to install underground cable for new service to residential address 3065 West Rock Creek Road. (C-19-0600)**

2. No. 1848 allowing Windstream Nebraska, LLC, to install underground fiber optic cable under the south right-of-way line of West Bluff Road from Northwest 105th Street to new service address at 11080 Northwest 84th Street. (C-19-0604)

B. Amendments to the following County contracts:

1. C-17-5010 with Cash-Wa Distributing Company using University of Nebraska RFP 2335-14-5010 for Food Service and Related Items. (The amendment extends the contract from August 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. The estimated cost to the County is not to exceed \$5,000.) (C-19-0601)
2. C-18-0468 with Datashield Corporation using State of Nebraska Contract No. 81421 O4 for On-Site Secure Document Shredding. (MOU025. The amendment renews the contract from July 15, 2019 through July 14, 2020. The estimated cost to the County is not to exceed \$4,000.) (C-19-0602)
3. C-15-0368 with Whelen Engineering Company using WSCA – NASPO, MA No. 81297 for LED Emergency Light Bars, Siren Warning Accessories and Other Related Accessories. (The amendment extends the contract from August 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. The estimated to the County is not to exceed \$1,500.) (C-19-0603)

C. Right-of-way contracts with the following:

1. Jane K. and Charles D. Bauer; Paul J. Etmund; Sarah Etmund; David B. Etmund and Scott A. Bryant, South 82nd Street between Roca Road and Saltillo Road, in the total amount of \$2,270. (2 contracts) (C-19-0605, C-19-0606)
2. Donna K. Starzec, Southwest 50th Street and West Princeton Road, in the amount of \$1,315. (C-19-0607)

D. Received and placed on file the following reports:

1. County Clerk for the month of July, 2019.
2. Clerk of the District Court for the month of July, 2019.
3. 2019 Annual Inventory of County Real Property.

MOTION: Schorr moved and Yoakum seconded approval of the consent items. Yoakum, Vest, Schorr, Flowerday and Amundson voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

4) NEW BUSINESS:

- A. A resolution in the matter of adopting the Limited English Proficiency Plan for Lancaster County, Nebraska. (R-19-0058)

MOTION: Vest moved and Flowerday seconded approval of the resolution.

Yoakum commented that she did not see a lot of reference to Arabic or Kurdish language. Her hope in the future is to work closer with the New American's Task Force.

Schorr asked if there were any specific changes that Yoakum wanted in regards to the resolution. Yoakum said she would like to pass the resolution and modify it at a later date once more information is received.

ROLL CALL: Flowerday, Yoakum, Vest, Schorr and Amundson voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

B. Appointments to the Lincoln-Lancaster County Planning Commission to complete an unexpired term from August 5, 2019 to August 24, 2019; and reappointment to a full-term commencing August 24, 2019 and ending August 24, 2025 with the following:

- 1. Shams Al-Badry**
- 2. Cindy Ryman Yost**

Cindy Ryman Yost and Shams Al-Badry both came forward and gave a brief overview of their backgrounds and voiced their excitement to serve on the Planning Commission.

Yoakum said she has done a lot of community work with both appointees and is aware of their dedication to the community.

MOTION: Yoakum moved and Vest seconded approval of the appointments. Schorr, Flowerday, Yoakum, Vest and Amundson voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

C. Appointments and reappointments to the Aging Partners Areawide Council for the following:

- 1. Appointment of Dennis Buckley to complete an unexpired term ending June 30, 2020.**
- 2. Appointment of Jenika Long for a three-year term commencing July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2022.**
- 3. Reappointment of John Wyvill for a three-year term commencing July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2022.**
- 4. Reappointment of Vern Schulte for a three-year term commencing July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2022.**

Dennis Buckley, Jenika Long and Vern Schulte all gave a brief overview of their backgrounds.

The Commissioners thanked all the appointees for their service.

MOTION: Vest moved and Yoakum seconded approval of the appointments and reappointments. Vest, Schorr, Flowerday, Yoakum and Amundson voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- D. Special Designated License application from Meier's Wine, Inc. dba Meier's Cork 'n Bottle for an event and UN-L Farmsite (Prairie Pines Nature Preserve), 3130 N. 112th Street, Lincoln on August 24, 2019.**

MOTION: Schorr moved and Flowerday seconded approval of the special designated license application. Yoakum, Vest, Schorr, Flowerday and Amundson voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- E. Special Designated License application from Seven Diamonds, LLC for an event at Hillside Events Center, 12400 West Denton Road, Denton on August 24, 2019.**

MOTION: Vest moved and Flowerday seconded approval of the special designated license application. Flowerday, Yoakum, Vest, Schorr and Amundson voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- F. Recommendation from the Purchasing Agent and County Extension to award a contract to MMC Contractors for rooftop HVAC replacement (Bid No. 19-197). The total amount of the contract is \$175,000. (B-19-0197)**

Bob Walla, Lincoln/Lancaster Purchasing Agent, said this contractor was the low bidder and the work should be done towards the end of October, 2019.

MOTION: Vest moved and Schorr seconded approval of the recommendation. Schorr, Flowerday, Yoakum, Vest and Amundson voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- G. Nebraska Department of Transportation Highway Safety Office Selective Overtime Enforcement Mini-Grant Contract application and award for funding in the amount of \$4,993.28 for the Lancaster County Sheriff's Office to conduct a sobriety checkpoint and multiple saturation patrol projects. (C-19-0608)**

MOTION: Vest moved and Flowerday seconded approval of the grant contract. Vest, Schorr, Flowerday, Yoakum and Amundson voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- H. Federal Equitable Sharing Agreement and Annual Certification Report for the Lancaster County Sheriff's Office regarding equitable sharing activity of drug forfeiture funds for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019. (C-19-0609)**

MOTION: Flowerday moved and Schorr seconded approval of the agreement. Yoakum, Vest, Schorr, Flowerday and Amundson voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- I. Notice of Termination of County Contract C-18-0403 with the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Police Department. (C-19-0610)**

MOTION: Vest moved and Yoakum seconded approval of the termination agreement. Flowerday, Yoakum, Vest, Schorr and Amundson voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- J. Agreement between the University of Nebraska on behalf of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Police Department and Lancaster County on behalf of**

the Lancaster County Sheriff's Office to provide public safety employees for University events on an as needed basis. The University will reimburse the County at the average overtime rate based on the hourly rate of the employee. The terms of the agreements are July 15, 2019 through July 14, 2022. (C-19-0611)

MOTION: Vest moved and Flowerday seconded approval of the agreement. Schorr, Flowerday, Yoakum, Vest and Amundson voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- K. Federal Equitable Sharing Agreement and Annual Certification Report for the Lancaster County Attorney's Office regarding equitable sharing activity of drug forfeiture funds for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019. (C-19-0612)**

MOTION: Schorr moved and Yoakum seconded approval of the agreement. Vest, Schorr, Flowerday, Yoakum and Amundson voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

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

No one appeared for public comment.

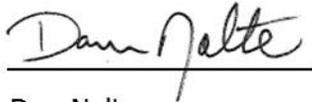
6) ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold a staff meeting on Thursday, August 8, 2019 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 Equalization will meet on Thursday, August 8, 2018 at 1:00 p.m., in Room 112 of the County-City Building (555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln) to take final action on 2019 real property valuation protests.**
- C. The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold its next regular meeting on Tuesday, August 13, 2019 at 9:00 a.m., in Room 112 of the County-City Building (555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln).**
- D. The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold public hearings on Tuesday, August 13, 2019 on Change of Zone No. 19018 regarding AG to AG with historic landmark overlay at 17185 Bluff Road and associated Special Permit No. 19033 to allow for hosting of special events at a historic landmark.**
- E. County Commissioners can be reached at 402-441-7447 or commish@lancaster.ne.gov.**

- F. The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners meeting is broadcast live on LNKTU City. For the rebroadcast schedule visit lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: LNKTU). Meetings are also streamed live on LNKTU and can be viewed on YouTube (LNKTUcity).

7) ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Schorr moved and Vest seconded to adjourn the Lancaster County Board of Commissioners meeting at 9:22 a.m. Yoakum, Vest, Schorr, Flowerday and Amundson voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.



Dan Nolte
Lancaster County Clerk



**MINUTES
LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
COUNTY-CITY BUILDING, ROOM 112
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IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE LANCASTER COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING**

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Commissioners present: Roma Amundson, Chair; Sean Flowerday, Vice Chair; Deb Schorr; Rick Vest; and Christa Yoakum

Others present: Rachel Garver, Lancaster County Treasurer; Scott Gaines, Assessor/Register of Deeds Office; Ann Ames, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer; Jenifer Holloway, Deputy County Attorney; Dan Nolte, County Clerk; Cori Beattie, Deputy County Clerk; and Monét McCullen, County Clerk's Office

The meeting was called to order at 9:22 a.m., the location of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was announced.

1) MINUTES:

A. Approval of the minutes of the Board of Equalization meeting held on Tuesday, July 16, 2019.

MOTION: Vest moved and Yoakum seconded approval of the minutes. Schorr, Flowerday, Yoakum, Vest and Amundson voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

2) ADDITIONS AND DEDUCTIONS TO THE TAX ASSESSMENT ROLLS

MOTION: Schorr moved and Flowerday seconded approval of the additions and deductions. Vest, Schorr, Flowerday, Yoakum and Amundson voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

3) NOTICE OF TAXABLE STATUS FOR THE FOLLOWING:

- A. Nebraska Public Power District**
- B. City of Lincoln dba Lincoln Electric System**
- C. Lancaster County School District 001 aka Lincoln Public Schools**

Scott Gaines, Deputy County Assessor/Register of Deeds, said the three properties have recently been acquired by governmental bodies, but are still being farmed by the previous owners. The notice will inform the owner that the property will remain taxable until it is used for a public purpose.

MOTION: Vest moved and Yoakum seconded approval to send the notices of taxable status. Yoakum, Vest, Schorr, Flowerday and Amundson voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

4) 425 FILING - REPORT OF DESTROYED REAL PROPERTY:

- A. Angela B. Taylor**
- B. Geraldine M. Ault**

Gaines said there is a new state law that allows property owners to request property tax relief due to calamities that occurred between the beginning of the year and July 1st. No change is the recommendation for Ms. Taylor's property as the damage was preexisting. Ms. Ault's property had damage from the tornado in May, 2019. The recommendation is to adjust the value to \$199,700.

MOTION: Vest moved and Schorr seconded approval of the two recommendations. Flowerday, Yoakum, Vest, Schorr and Amundson voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

5) APPEAL ON DENIAL OF GREENBELT STATUS FOR CHARLES KUHNEL

Gaines said further information was supplied to the Assessor/Register of Deeds Office and the recommendation is to approve Greenbelt status for Mr. Kuhnel's property (Parcel ID 09-03-200-006-000, 200 W. Calvert Street).

MOTION: Schorr moved and Vest seconded to approve Greenbelt status for Charles Kuhnel. Schorr, Flowerday, Yoakum, Vest and Amundson voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

6) NOTICE OF ASSESSED VALUATION CHANGE FOR PROPERTY TAXATION PURPOSES:

- A. Charles Kuhnel**
- B. Jason & Stephanie Parks**

Gaines said the Kuhnel notice is to reflect the value for the approval of the Greenbelt status that was approved in the previous item. The building permit for a new home on the Parks property was not received. The current timeframe allows the Board of Equalization to change the value without having to prove it was clerical error. The property owners will receive notice and have 30 days to appeal.

MOTION: Vest moved and Yoakum seconded approval to send the notices of Assessed Valuation Change. Vest, Schorr, Flowerday, Yoakum and Amundson voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

7) PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- A. Notice of Proposed Change in Exemption Status (See correlating item 8)**
 - 1. ARC Housing Dev Corp of Lincoln (4 notices)**
 - 2. MidAmerica District of the Christian & Missionary Alliance**
 - 3. Great Plains Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church**

The Chair opened the public hearing.

Gaines was administered the oath and said these are 6 properties that were previously granted tax exemption status. The properties have now sold and this notice will inform the current and previous owners that the exemption status will be removed. The MidAmerica District property transferred to Citylight Church who has applied for an exemption in the next item.

No one appeared in support, opposition or in the neutral position.

The Chair closed the public hearing.

The Board voted on correlating item 8.

B. 2019 451 Tax Exemption Applications (See correlating item 9)

Boys and Girls Clubs of Lincoln/Lancaster County	CHI Nebraska
Joshua Collingsworth Memorial Foundation	Christ's Place Church
Montessori School for Young Children Inc.	LOCUS Impact Investing
Nebraska State AFL-CIO Building Corporation	Nebraska Communities Playhouse
United Yezidi Community of America, Inc.	Region V Foundation
Citylight Lincoln Church of the Christian Missionary Alliance	Word of Life Lutheran Church, Inc.

The Chair opened the public hearing.

Gaines was administered the oath and said the recommendation from the Assessor/Register of Deeds is to approve all the applications with the exception of the CHI Nebraska application as the property owners are still deciding what to do with the property and in the interim it is not being used for an exempt purpose and the recommendation on this application is for denial.

No one appeared in support, opposition or in the neutral position.

The Chair closed the public hearing.

The Board voted on correlating item 9.

C. Motor Vehicle Tax Exemption Applications (See correlating item 10)

Community Action Partnership of Lancaster & Saunders Counties	Cornerstone Christian Church
Capitol City Christian Church	Lincoln Christian School
Boys & Girls Club of Lincoln/Lancaster County	Christ United Methodist Church
St. Thomas Aquinas Church	St. John the Apostle Church
St. Peter's Catholic Parish	CrossBridge Christian Church
Gentle Shepherd Baptist Church	

The Chair opened the public hearing.

No one appeared in support, opposition or in the neutral position.

The Chair closed the public hearing.

The Board voted on correlating item 10.

8) ACTION ON NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGE IN EXEMPTION STATUS

MOTION: Schorr moved and Flowerday seconded approval to send notices of the proposed change in exemption status. Yoakum, Vest, Schorr, Flowerday and Amundson voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

9) ACTION ON 2019 451 TAX EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS

MOTION: Vest moved and Schorr seconded approval of the applications with the exception of the CHI Nebraska application. Flowerday, Yoakum, Vest, Schorr and Amundson voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

10) ACTION ON MOTOR VEHICLE TAX EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS

MOTION: Schorr moved and Flowerday seconded approval of the motor vehicle tax exemption applications. Schorr, Flowerday, Yoakum, Vest and Amundson voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Jen Holloway, Deputy County Attorney said on item 9. The motion was not clear that the Board was denying the CHI Nebraska application.

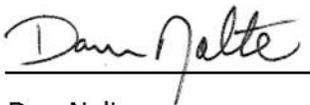
MOTION ON ITEM 9: Schorr moved and Yoakum seconded to deny the tax exemption application from CHI Nebraska. Yoakum, Vest, Schorr, Flowerday and Amundson voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

11) 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.

12) ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Schorr moved and Vest seconded to adjourn the Lancaster County Board of Equalization meeting at 9:35 a.m. Vest, Schorr, Flowerday, Yoakum and Amundson voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.



Dan Nolte
Lancaster County Clerk

