

MINUTES FOR PUBLIC MEETING
LANCASTER COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS JOINT PUBLIC AGENCY
Monday, February 13, 2023 at 6:30 pm

Lincoln Room (by LEC Office, building closest to 84th St.)
Lancaster Event Center Fairgrounds
4100 N. 84th Street, Lincoln NE 68507

Chair Ronnau called the meeting to order at 6:37pm CST on February 13, 2023.

Proof of due notice was given and the Nebraska Open Meetings Law was displayed in the room.

JPA Board members present in person were: Kendra Ronnau, Lynn Hagan, Rick Vest, and Ron Suing. Not present was Roma Amundson. Non-members present in person were: LEC Staff – Amy Dickerson and Kim Bowen.

Approval of September 2022 minutes - No additions or corrections to minutes were requested. Vest moved to approve minutes as presented; Suing seconded the motion. There were no objections. The September 2022 meeting minutes were approved.

Announce 2023 LEC Fairgrounds JPA members - Ronnau announced that the 2023 JPA Ag Society Fairgrounds members are Ronnau, Hagan, and Suing. Ronnau also introduced the 2023 JPA County Board Fairgrounds members are Vest and Amundson (not present).

Annual Election of JPA Officers - The Annual Election of JPA officers was discussed. Vest moved to retain the current (2022) slate of officers for 2023. Hagan seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed 4-0. The 2023 LEC Fairgrounds JPA officers are Ronnau, Chairperson; Amundson, Vice Chairperson; Suing, Secretary.

Release of ARPA Funds - Dickerson shared that the ARPA fund Monies were disbursed on February 7, 2023. Dickerson explained that the whole amount was dispersed at once with no draws required. Dickerson said that checks were used as approved by the Ag Society board to get current on several outstanding bills.

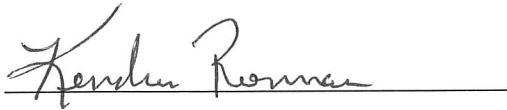
Legislative update - Ronnau shared information about LB709. The addition of a proposed seven million dollars for the Lancaster Event Center Fairgrounds was discussed. Vest stated that he believes this addition was proposed because people see how much economic impact the LEC brings to the community. Ronnau said that trade show attendance is up this year as the community begins to recover from the COVID years. Vest stated that he was at the Home Builders show and he was able to see what a great show it was. N. Dowding reported that the both the number of vendors and attendance were up for the Home Builders show this year.

Communication from the Public - none present

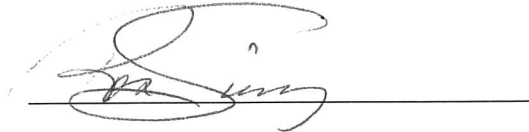
Adjournment - Suing made a motion to adjourn and Hagan seconded. There were no objections. The meeting adjourned was adjourned at 6:47pm.

Next Meetings tentative dates/times:
JPA Annual Budget Hearing – Sept 21, 2023 – 6:30pm
JPA Regular Meeting – Sept. 21, 2023 – 6:45pm

Submitted by the
LANCASTER COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
JOINT PUBLIC AGENCY IN THE STATE OF NEBRASKA



Kendra Ronnau, Chair



Ron Suing, Secretary