

BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR LAND SURVEYORS

November 15, 2018

The Board of Examiners for Land Surveyors (Board) convened at 9:00 a.m. at 555 N. Cotner Blvd., Lower Level, Lincoln, NE with the following members present:

James W. Hawks, Chair  
Jerry G. Hain, Vice Chair  
Virlyn S. Bolte  
Mary L. Pro  
Dennis L. Whitfield  
Casey Sherlock, Ex-Officio Secretary

Others present:  
Gerri Monahan

Public notice of this meeting was given by publication in the *Lincoln Journal Star* on November 6, 2018.

All items voted on were done so in the form of a roll call vote.

The Chair stated that this meeting was being held in compliance with the updated Nebraska Open Meetings Act (Act) and that a current copy of the Act was available on the table.

Whitfield moved and Hain seconded that the September 20, 2018 Board meeting minutes be approved.

Voting Aye: Hain, Hawks, Pro, Whitfield, Bolte.

Motion carried.

Wireless Tower Site survey filing was discussed. Sherlock reported the LS has complied with submitting surveys to the State Records Repository.

Whitfield moved and Hain seconded that Secretary Sherlock send a letter to LS acknowledging receipt of surveys and that no further action would be taken and the matter be closed.

Voting Aye: Hawks, Pro, Whitfield, Bolte, Hain.

Motion carried.

Hain moved and Pro seconded that the Board go into closed session at 9:08 a.m. with Secretary Sherlock and Monahan present for the purpose of discussing Complaint 17-2 and to prevent needless injury to the reputation of a person/s and as such person/s has not requested a public meeting.

Voting Aye: Pro, Whitfield, Bolte, Hain, Hawks.

Motion carried.

Chairperson Hawks stated that the discussion in closed session would be limited to Complaint 17-2.

Hain moved and Bolte seconded that the Board return to regular session at 9:17 a.m.

Voting Aye: Whitfield, Bolte, Hain, Hawks, Pro.  
Motion carried.

Chairperson Hawks stated that no subject matter other than Complaint 17-2 was discussed in executive session.

Whitfield moved and Pro seconded that Secretary Sherlock send LS letter acknowledging progress being made and recommend fulfilling filing obligations by second Board meeting in 2019.

Voting Aye: Bolte, Hain, Hawks, Pro, Whitfield.

Motion carried.

County surveyor and government corners was discussed. Secretary Sherlock reported that LS has not responded to September meeting correspondence and will contact LS for an update to be submitted by the next Board meeting.

Whitfield moved and Hain seconded that inasmuch as Dustin L. Beaudette passed the Principles and Practice of Surveying (PS) examination on September 24, 2018 and Nebraska State Specific examination on November 9, 2018 and has completed the requirements for Class 1 registration in Nebraska, and upon receipt of the registration fee in the amount of \$100.00, he be granted registration dated November 15, 2018, under Certificate No. 799.

Voting Aye: Hain, Hawks, Pro, Whitfield, Bolte.

Motion carried.

Whitfield moved and Hain seconded that inasmuch as Kyle J. Roddy passed the Nebraska reciprocity examination on September 27, 2018 and has completed the requirements for Class 2 registration in Nebraska, by reciprocity from Minnesota, and that upon registration fee in amount of \$100.00, he be granted registration dated November 15, 2018, under Certificate No, 800.

Voting Aye: Hawks, Pro, Whitfield, Bolte, Hain.

Motion carried.

Hain moved and Whitfield seconded that inasmuch as Derek J. Weidensee passed the Nebraska reciprocity examination on November 14, 2018 and has completed the requirements for Class 2 registration in Nebraska, by reciprocity from South Dakota, and that upon registration fee in amount of \$100.00, he be granted registration dated November 20, 2018, under Certificate No. 801.

Voting Aye: Pro, Whitfield, Bolte, Hain, Hawks.

Motion carried.

Hain moved and Whitfield seconded that the Class 3 application of Peter S. Geisler for registration by Surveyor-in-Training be approved and that inasmuch he has demonstrated a knowledge of surveying fundamentals by passing a National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) examination June 3, 2017, and upon receipt of the registration in the amount of \$20, Geissler will be granted registration dated November 15, 2018 under Certificate No. 280.

Voting Aye: Whitfield, Bolte, Hain, Hawks, Pro.

Motion carried

Biennial renewals and audit reviews were discussed.

Pro moved and Hain seconded to accept the PDH audit reports as presented.

Voting Aye: Bolte, Hain, Hawks, Pro, Whitfield.

Motion carried

Pro moved and Bolte seconded that inasmuch as Jeffrey Belt, LS 779, and Harry F. Reitz, LS 479, have met the requirements, they be granted inactive registration status effective November 15, 2018.

Voting Aye: Hain, Hawks, Pro, Whitfield, Bolte.

Motion carried

Strategic planning for the Board was discussed. Items to engage in are Certificate of Authorization (COA) and 81-8,127, Land Surveying; Unlawful Practice or Use of Title, Penalty. The Professional Surveyors Association of Nebraska (PSAN) is in favor of COA for surveyors. Contact will be made with State senators.

The Electronic Government Service Level Agreement between Nebraska Interactive, LLC (Nebraska.gov) and Nebraska Board of Examiners for Land Surveyors was discussed. Nebraska.gov will provide for electronic services for payment processing. User will pay processing fee.

Bolte moved and Pro seconded to authorize Secretary Sherlock to sign Board’s agreement with Nebraska Interactive, LLC.

Voting Aye: Hawks, Pro, Whitfield, Bolte, Hain.

Motion carried

Whitfield moved and Hain seconded that the September and October expense vouchers be approved.

Comfort Suites, Hawks, Sept. Bd. Mtg. ....	81.00
DAS Accounting, FY 18-19 Assessment .....	63.00
DAS Materiel, printing, 61 <sup>st</sup> Annual Report .....	597.07
DAS Materiel, printing, July mtg. notice .....	9.04
DAS Materiel, FY 18-19 Purchasing Assessment .....	7.00
DAS Materiel, August postage .....	21.70
DAS Materiel, Annual Report postage .....	988.56
Hain, Jerry, Sept. Board mtg. travel expenses .....	34.88
Hawks, James, Sept. Board mtg. travel expenses .....	246.34
Office Depot, July office supplies .....	23.40
Whitfield, Dennis, Sept. Board mtg. travel expenses .....	54.50
September Total .....	<u>\$2,126.49</u>
Cornhusker State Industries, receipt books .....	144.72
DAS Building Div., August –September parking .....	30.00
DAS IMServices, September – October static web hosting .....	40.00
DAS Materiel Div., September postage .....	32.12
General Fund Reimbursement, 1st Qtr. FY 18-19.....	1,445.28
J.P. Cooke Co., LS seal and freight (Kohler) .....	32.66
October Total .....	<u>\$1,724.78</u>

Voting Aye: Pro, Whitfield, Bolte, Hain, Hawks.

Motion carried.

Secretary Sherlock reported on presentations given and upcoming meetings with State Records Board, Nebraska Maps, PSAN, Nebraska Association of County Officials (NACO) with county assessors, engineers and surveyors. Discussions include ties, minimum standards, monuments, corners, statute changes, COA, and budget proposals.

The geographic information system (GIS) database and Public Land Survey System (PLSS) Phase 2 project to locate corner ties in all Nebraska counties and grant funding was discussed.

A drone use for surveys questionnaire was discussed. No action was taken. Chairperson Hawks reported on an unmanned aerial systems meeting with Federal Highway Administration officials.

Whitfield moved and Hain seconded to approve past chair Mary Pro as Board's delegate to attend the NCEES 2019 Board Presidents' Assembly February 8-10, 2019 in Atlanta, GA.

Voting Aye: Whitfield, Bolte, Hain, Hawks, Pro.

Motion carried.

2019 Board meeting dates were set: January 10, March 21, May 16, July 25, September 19, and November 14.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 10, 2019 in Lincoln.

Bolte moved and Pro seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 11:42 a.m.

All in favor. Motion carried.

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Casey C. Sherlock, Secretary