

BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR LAND SURVEYORS

September 20, 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
Mark Johannes
Charles Jordan
Kenneth Schroeder
Michael Sharp

Public notice of this meeting was given by publication in the *Lincoln Journal Star* on September 5, 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.

Hain moved and Bolte seconded that the July 19, 2018 Board meeting minutes be approved.

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

Motion carried.

Pro moved and Hain seconded that the Board go into closed session at 9:03 a.m. with Secretary Sherlock, Monahan and LS present for the purpose of discussing wireless tower site surveys and to prevent needless injury to the reputation of a person/s and if such person/s has not requested a public meeting.

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

Motion carried.

Chairperson Hawks stated that the discussion in closed session would be limited to wireless tower site surveys.

Hain moved and Pro seconded that the Board return to regular session at 9:18 a.m.

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

Motion carried.

Chairperson Hawks stated that no subject matter other than wireless tower site surveys was discussed in closed session.

Whitfield moved and Pro seconded that Secretary Sherlock send a letter to LS requiring necessary revisions to be amended on the surveys in question and submit five surveys to the State Records Repository for filing prior to the November 15th Board meeting.

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

Motion carried.

Secretary Sherlock noted that LS was complying and progress is being made in Complaint 17-2.

Whitfield moved and Bolte seconded that the Board go into closed session at 9:32 a.m. with Secretary Sherlock and Monahan present for the purpose of discussing county surveyor and government corners 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: Bolte, Hain, Hawks, Pro, Whitfield.

Motion carried.

Chairperson Hawks stated that the discussion in closed session would be limited to county surveyor and government corners.

Pro moved and Bolte seconded that the Board return to regular session at 9:50 a.m.

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

Motion carried.

Pro moved and Whitfield seconded that Secretary Sherlock send a letter to LS, advising that only the County Surveyor has authority to restore lost or obliterated corners. A copy of the letter will be sent to the County Surveyor. Surveys will be returned to the LS to be corrected prior to filing with the State Records Repository.

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

Motion carried.

Cass, Lancaster and Sarpy County Surveyors appeared before the Board to discuss filing of surveys in the State Records Repository. Additional educational opportunities and seminar discussions will be pursued with county and state officials as well as registered surveyors. Filing of surveys is in the best interest of the citizens of the State of Nebraska in order to safeguard life, health and property.

Whitfield moved and Pro seconded that inasmuch as Robert Joseph Kohler passed the Nebraska reciprocity examination on August 3, 2018 and has completed the requirements for Class 2 registration in Nebraska, by reciprocity from North Dakota, and that upon registration fee in amount of \$100.00, he be granted registration dated September 20, 2018, under Certificate No, 798.

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

Motion carried.

The Board discussed adding filing requirement information with the renewal form.

Strategic planning for the Board was discussed. Items of focus will be Compliance and Enforcement and Certificate of Authorization.

Sherlock, Pro and Whitfield reported on the recent National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) Annual Meeting in Scottsdale, Arizona.

Hain moved and Bolte seconded that the July and August expense vouchers be approved.

Comfort Suites, Hawks, May Bd. Mtg.	81.00
DAS Building Div., May and June parking	30.00
DAS Materiel, June postage	16.58
General Fund Reimbursement, 4 th Qtr., FY 17-18.....	1,440.78
Hain, Jerry, July Board mtg. travel expenses	34.88
Hawks, James, July Board mtg. travel expenses	246.34
Whitfield, Dennis, July Board mtg. travel expenses	54.50
July Total	<u>\$1,904.08</u>
BELF, July-September Office Space Rent	678.75
Comfort Suites, Hawks, July Bd. Mtg.	81.00
DAS Building Div., July parking	15.00
DAS IMServices, July and August static web hosting	20.00
DAS Materiel Div., July postage	46.01
J.P. Cooke Co., LS seal and freight (Sudbeck)	32.66
August Total	<u>\$893.42</u>

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

Motion carried.

Secretary Sherlock reported on the Auditor of Public Accounts audit, 2019-2021 budget submission, and Workforce Leadership Team meeting at Southeast Community College in Milford.

National Geodetic Survey (NGS) benchmarks were discussed. Benchmarks can be found using reference coordinates and distances to the survey control mark. Nebraska will be going to a 25 zone system in 2022.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 15, 2018 in Lincoln.

Bolte moved and Pro seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 11:37 a.m.

All in favor. Motion carried.

Casey C. Sherlock, Secretary