### STATE OF NEBRASKA

# Minutes of the Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards

June 24, 2022

Nebraska Department of Transportation, Central Headquarters Building Conference Room B12 1500 Highway 2, Lincoln, Nebraska

# Meeting and Hearings Notices:

- Statewide news release emailed and posted on Nebraska Department of Transportation website, June 17, 2022.
- > Event posted on the State of Nebraska website (Public Meeting Calendar), June 21, 2022.
- > Tentative agenda emailed to each board member and interested persons, June 17, 2022.
- Meeting agenda kept current and on public display in Liaison Services Section, Room 123B, Nebraska Department of Transportation, 1400 Highway 2, Lincoln, Nebraska.
- Meeting agenda posted in the main entrance of the Nebraska Department of Transportation's 1500 Highway 2 building, and Conference Room B12, June 24, 2022.

# Board members present:

Roger Figard, Lincoln, Chairman James A. Litchfield, Wakefield, Vice Chairman Barbara Keegan, Alliance John F. Krager, Omaha Steven D. Rames, Norfolk Timothy W. Weander, Omaha Edward R. Wootton, Sr., Bellevue

# Board members absent:

LeRoy G. Gerrard, Stromsburg (term expired 11/30/2019 – serves until replaced) Lisa Kramer, Kennard Brandie Neemann, Lincoln, Nebraska Congressional District 3 representative seat is vacant.

#### Staff members present:

LeMoyne D. Schulz, Board Secretary & Highway Local Liaison Coordinator, NDOT, Lincoln

#### Others in attendance:

Nathan Sorben, Roadway Design, NDOT, Lincoln Baylee Miller, Government Affairs, NDOT, Lincoln Jim Wilkinson, Yankee Hills Solution, LLC, Lincoln \* \* \* \* \*

Chairman Figard called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was open to the public.

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Chairman Figard made the following announcements in compliance with the <u>Open Meetings</u> <u>Act</u>.

- A copy of the Open Meetings Act is available for inspection and is posted by the entrance to this room.
- ➤ The Meeting Agenda and a copy of all materials that were provided to the Board Members, prior to the start of this meeting, are available on the table by the entrance to this room.
- A sign in sheet is available. Visitors are not required to sign, but are encouraged to do so

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There were no changes from the originally published agenda.

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Mr. Wootton moved to approve the February 18, 2022, meeting minutes. Mr. Weander seconded the motion. Members Keegan, Litchfield, Rames, Weander, Wootton, and Figard voted YES. Member Krager abstained. Members Gerrard, Kramer, and Neemann were absent. The motion carried.

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<u>2022 Annual Certification of Program Compliance</u>. Mr. Schulz advised the information and forms will be sent to the Department of Transportation in early July, and the county and municipal clerks in late July.

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Mr. Sorben gave a presentation on the <u>NDOT Practical Design request</u>. Board members were provided with a handout, and later, a copy of the Microsoft PowerPoint presentation.

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Reappointment of Multi-Project Strategies Committee. Chairman Figard announced the reappointment of the following board members to serve on the Multi-Projects Strategies Committee: Barbara Keegan, Lisa Kramer, Brandie Neemann (replacing Mick Syslo), Steve Rames, and Chairman Figard.

Mr. Wootton moved to <u>approve the reappointment of the Multi-Project Strategies Committee</u>. Mr. Krager seconded the motion. Members Keegan, Krager, Litchfield, Rames, Weander, Wootton, and Figard voted YES. Members Gerrard, Kramer, and Neemann were absent. The motion carried.

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# Other business:

- There was no Legislative Report.
- Implementation of LB113 (2017), LB339 (2017), LB1009 (2018), LB82 (2019), LB174 (2021) and other Statutes; and changes to the Board's Operating Procedures and 428 NAC 1 and 2 Regulations. Chairman Figard provided an update.
- Repeal of 428 NAC 4 Regulations. Ms. Miller reported that a public hearing has been scheduled for August 3, 2022, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., at the Nebraska Department of Transportation (Attachment #1)

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- Mr. Schulz reported the following <u>correspondence and general information</u>:
- ➤ <u>Legislative Confirmation</u>. Members Keegan, Litchfield, Wootton reappointments, and new board member appointment of Neemann, were confirmed by the Legislature on March 29, 2022. The appointments will expire November 30, 2025.
- ➤ Board Members received a copy of the <u>NDOT Five (5) Year Strategic Vision Mission Statement.</u>

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There were no comments from the Audience.

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Acknowledgement of Visitors.

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The <u>next tentative meeting</u> is scheduled to be held on July 15, 2022, at 9:00 a.m., in the Nebraska Department of Transportation Central Headquarters Building Conference Room B12, 1500 Highway 2, Lincoln, Nebraska. (On July 1, 2022, Chairman Figard announced there will be no meeting on July 15, due to lack of agenda items. The next tentative scheduled meeting is September 16, 2022, at 9:00 a.m., in the Central Headquarters Building Auditorium, 1500 Highway 2, Auditorium, Lincoln, Nebraska.

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There being no further agenda items, Mr. Wootton moved to <u>adjourn</u>. Mr. Krager seconded the motion. Members Keegan, Krager, Litchfield, Rames, Weander, Wootton and Figard voted YES. Members Gerrard, Kramer and Neemann were Absent. The motion carried and the business meeting adjourned at 9:58 a.m.

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LeMoyne D. Schulz Secretary for the Board <a href="https://dot.nebraska.gov/business-center/lpa/boards-liaison/">https://dot.nebraska.gov/business-center/lpa/boards-liaison/</a>



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# FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

# **Public Hearing August 3 on Repeal of Regulation**

July 20, 2022 (Lincoln, Neb.) — The Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, August 3, concerning the repeal of a regulation. The hearing will be held from 9:00 to 11:00 AM, at NDOT's Central Headquarters Building, Room 103, 1500 Highway 2, in Lincoln.

The proposed repeal includes Title 428 Chapter 4, Instruction Manual for Standardized System of Annual Reporting Road, Street, and Highway Programs.

Interested persons are invited to attend the public hearing. Comments and recommendations may be presented orally or in writing at the hearing. They may also be mailed, faxed, or emailed prior to the hearing or until the close of the public comment period (August 13, 2022). Pre- and post-hearing comments should be directed in writing to NDOT's External Affairs Manager, Sarah Soula, PO Box 94759, Lincoln, Nebraska 68509-4759; <a href="mailto:sarah.soula@nebraska.gov">sarah.soula@nebraska.gov</a>; voice telephone (402) 479-3834, fax (402) 479-3989. Comments may also be posted online through the Secretary of State's website (see below).

To view or download the proposed changes to the regulations or to comment online, visit: <a href="https://www.nebraska.gov/nesos/rules-and-regs/regtrack/index.cgi">https://www.nebraska.gov/nesos/rules-and-regs/regtrack/index.cgi</a> ("Agency": Transportation). To obtain a free paper copy of the proposed changes, the Proposed Regulation Policy Pre-Review Checklists, or the Fiscal Impact Statements, contact NDOT's Government Affairs Office, PO Box 94759, Lincoln, Nebraska 68509-4759; voice telephone (402) 479-4324, TDD telephone (402) 479-3834, fax (402) 479-3758; <a href="mailto:erich.strack@nebraska.gov">erich.strack@nebraska.gov</a>. To view or pick up copies in person: Director's Office, 1500 Highway 2, Lincoln, NE.

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NDOT will make every reasonable accommodation to provide an accessible meeting facility for all persons. Appropriate provisions for the hearing and visually challenged or persons with Limited English Proficiency (LEP) will be made if NDOT is notified by July 27, 2022. Notification should be submitted to Sarah Soula (see contact information above).

This notice is provided pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act.

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