

GAGE COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

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PERMIT NO. 1009

Application to Construct Utilities on County Right-of-Way

Application is hereby made to the Gage County Highway Department by: Name: Roy Lauby

Company Name: Lauby Plumbing, Heating & Air Mailing Address: 115 East E St., Wyniwe 68466

TYPE OF UTILITY TO BE CONSTRUCTED: (circle one & elaborate on size & type)

Water or Irrigation

Pipe Size & Type: 3/4"

Sewer

Pipe Size & Type: \_\_\_\_\_

Electric

Voltage: \_\_\_\_\_

Natural Gas

Pipe Size & Type: \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

PROPOSED METHOD OF INSTALLATION: (circle one & elaborate on width, depth, size and type)

Open Trench:

Width: \_\_\_\_\_

Depth: \_\_\_\_\_

Continuous Bore:

Size: 4"

Depth: 5'

Encasement Pipe:

Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

Name, Address & Phone Number of Contractor Performing the Work (if applicable):

Encasements Requirements: \_\_\_\_\_

Method of Installation: Bore

Minimum Cover Provided in Road Ditches: 5'

I (We) agree to construct the water service in accordance with the permit requirements and the provisions included as a part of this permit.

By: Roy Lauby

Phone #: 402-239-2578

The above application is hereby approved, subject to the requirements and provisions of this permit.

Date: 1-7-2015

Hallen Engel  
Gage County Highway Superintendent

The above application is hereby approved, subject to the requirements and provisions of this permit.

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Chairman, Gage County Board of Supervisors



## City of Beatrice and Gage County

NGage

### NGage – Quarterly Director Report – 2014

#### Strategic Objective 1

#### County-wide development strategy – local & regional

*Design an economic development organizational structure and procedures based on teamwork and involvement of all communities and organizations in Gage County, resulting in consensus county-wide development strategy combined with a focus on supporting local and regional development priorities.*

##### Reports

**QTR 4 October – December 2014**

- **Attended Leadership Beatrice sessions in October, November and December. Nov. was business visits, including Exmark, Ratigan Schottler's and Beatrice Bakery. Steve H. presented NGage info to the group.**
- **Wymore economic development group meeting in October. Included work on ECAP Discovery Tool adding questions relating to small community issues.**
- **Attended Beatrice Council meetings in October for report and another time in November.**
- **Met with Clatonia village board on ECAP.**
- **Met with Odell Mayor Gydesen on ECAP. (Will follow-up to their meeting in December.)**
- **Participated in LADP call for 2015 planning.**
- **Worked on ECAP program flyer for BPW bills.**
- **Action Council meetings in Beatrice – Oct. 10, 24, Nov 14, Dec 5, on various topics.**
- **Market research interview with FES for joint marketing/branding project.**
- **Participated in County Visitor's Bureau advisory committee.**
- **ECAP info to Cortland, Adams, Odell, Clatonia.**
- **Received NGage municipal memberships from Cortland and Adams (2nd of 3 year commitment).**
- **Keith Ellis with NPPD visit – discussed strategic planning process – membership /fundraising for NGage.**

#### Strategic Objective 2

#### Retention and Expansion of Gage County businesses

*Maintain and enhance efforts to retain and expand existing businesses in Gage County, resulting in increased employment and household incomes in Gage County.*

##### Reports

**QTR 4 October – December 2014**

- **Hosted Manufacturing Day luncheon with area manufacturers invited. Lara Huskey, Deputy Director of DED provided an update on programs that can assist companies as they continue to grow and develop.**
- **Assisted Beatrice Community Hospital with community info to assist with a project.**

- *Fielded calls /inquiries on Store Kraft closure – met with employees in Rapid Response /resource meeting and job fair.*
- *Met with local business along with banker and DED rep to discuss potential expansion and incentives.*
- *With assistance from Cheryl B. of Black Hills, prepared mailing to 350 site selector /commercial real estate list regarding workforce and buildings available.*
- *Showed business prospect around to various buildings. Stayed in touch in follow-up including a proposal with building and community info.*
- *Various meetings with entities involved in an improved facility and locating here.*
- *Helped connect landowner group with company that may consider further development in the area.*
- *Tradeshow training and prep call with NPPD.*
- *Ken Lempke of NPPD targeted industry info gathered and presented to NGage board.*
- *FAB Tech Trade Show in Atlanta. Met with 4 consultants in the area with Black Hills. Worked in NPPD and Black Hills booth, made 30 business calls on show floor, networked with area ED colleagues and visited with ED directors from Wyoming & South Dakota.*
- *Met two businesses for BRE. One smaller business interested in adding an employee.*
- *Met with one business looking for larger space (would move to area). Will be adding employees over 2 to 3 years. Also working with another company nearby that wants to expand. Area DED was down to participate in the meeting.*
- *Attended Mid-America Economic Development Conference in Chicago.*
- *Met CARC and Council members (split times) at RES lab facility to learn more about the development of that business.*
- *Presented RES request to CARC and then to Beatrice City Council.*
- *Contacts made on Exec Relocation Package.*
- *Responded on inquiry for available sites and buildings information – medical related (15 to 20 employees).*
- *Met with business owners that are considering a move from here.*
- *Met with a company owner looking for funding assistance to scale up production and sales.*

### **Strategic Objective 3**

### **Growth in Small Business and Entrepreneurial Growth**

*Focus on Small Business and Entrepreneurial growth and start-ups in all Gage county communities resulting in new flexible financing tools, networking amongst entrepreneurs, and increased business start-ups.*

#### **Reports**

**QTR 4 October – December 2014**

- *Met with Self Employment Services rep (C. Hess) as she was in town to work with at least 3 potential start-up business owners.*
- *Continued work on ECAP Discovery Tool.*
- *Met with two businesses along with banker & Tobias to discuss CDBG and/or 840 financing assistance.*
- *Met with displaced worker on business start-up plans.*
- *SBA rep here to a Lunch and Learn event. 12 attended including local bankers.*
- *Hosted GROW Nebraska social media workshop – 17 in attendance.*
- *Met with two new businesses ahead of BPW meeting on topic of utility deposits.*

- *Met with BPW board during discussion on utility deposit policy changes for businesses.*
- *Met with RES CEO to learn about business plans, projections, and request details. Gathered 840 app info – prepared request and site visits. Several visits as the materials were gathered and application completed. Project funding approved 12/15/14 – total \$326,800 in two parts. 2nd part has 3 phases. Last two phases are tied with employee hiring and \$6M capital raise.*
- *Visit with local entrepreneur about business expansions /continued success. Moved retail location from Beatrice.*
- *Inquiry on assistance for a new non-profit business.*
- *TA with another small business – inquiry on UPC development – connect to resources.*
- *Met with Monica B of REAP Women's Business Center and Janelle Moran of REAP – has new small loan fund targeted to women.*

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| <b>Strategic Objective 4</b> | <b>Increase Opportunity through Education and Workforce Development</b> |
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*Increase opportunity through education and workforce development. Develop a comprehensive program that will develop the skills of existing and future workforce.*

**Reports**

**QTR 4 October – December 2014**

- *Participated in the Explore It Career Fair @SCC Beatrice.*
- *Met with UNL Engineering Dean and two professors here on outreach visit. Accompanied them to Exmark and NEAPCO for visits.*
- *Encouraged local manufacturers to participate in the job fair for Store Kraft workers.*
- *Participated in NPPD webinars – J Ady presenter with focus on solutions for the workforce issues. Webinar topics include site readiness /marketing, workforce/people strategies for economic development organization.*
- *Attended the SCC Community Forum (input for SCC strategic plan).*

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| <b>Strategic Objective 5</b> | <b>Marketing NGage &amp; Economic Development</b> |
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*Develop an aggressive marketing plan.*

**Reports**

**QTR 4 October – December 2014**

- *Ongoing NGage Notes for Daily Sun (October and December).*
- *Monthly meetings with Golden Shovel on social media content and continuous website updates.*
- *Continued work on community guide for Beatrice.*

- Quarterly reports provided to City & County.
- Assistant attended social media training hosted by the Chamber.
- Both Glennis & Sheena attended the GROW Nebraska workshop on social media.
- Registered with LoopNet – added industrial park, 74 acres available (owned by City).
- LOIS updates /web details added (response to Recertification Process). Prepared response to Recertification questions.
- Marketing /branding group follow-up.
- Utilized professional greeting group reps to meet with an engineering candidate for one company.
- PR piece for DED on recertification approval.
- Reviewed and made edit suggestions for quality of life video.

## Strategic Objective 6      Improve the physical appearance of Gage County communities

*Improve the physical appearance of Gage County communities.*

**Reports**

**QTR 4 October – December 2014**

- Industrial Park directional signs installed by city.

## Strategic Objective 7      Support infrastructure and transportation improvements

*Continue to support infrastructure /transportation improvements..*

**Reports**

**QTR 4 October – December 2014**

- Attended one day of the Nebraska Broadband conference.
- Continuing meetings with local broadband committee. Group met rep from Unite Private Network and a few met on a conference call with University Extension team on this topic, Anne Byars of NITC, Jay Anderson of Nebraska LINK.
- Research and discussion in progress on supporting a housing study for City & County.

## Conducting Organizational Management Activities

- *Accounting - Prepared monthly account reconciliation sheet for Treasurer and accountant. Communicate with accountant on income and expense information, pay roll related reporting, budget comparison and timely reporting prior to board meetings.*
- *Pay Bills – ongoing. Enter bills thru Pinnbank and write checks as needed, then seek additional signatures as needed.*
- *Board Activities /Development*
  - *Monthly board meeting – send out minutes & Treasurer report ahead of time, prepare agenda, project listing and update, Director's report*
  - *Exec Committee updates*
- *Reporting to City of Beatrice - prepare & present quarterly reports. Attend Council meetings as needed and coordinate with City Administrator.*
- *Reporting to Gage County Supervisors – prepare and present quarterly reports. Attend Supervisor's meetings as needed.*
- *Professional Development – NEDA, LADP events and offerings, Midwest Econ Dev. Council trainings, NPPD webinars.*
- *Ongoing web and social media updates.*