

**LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES**

December 1, 2009
Courthouse Commissioner Room
Ivanhoe, MN 56142

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Board Chair, Joan Jagt, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioners present were Joan Jagt, Curtis Blumeyer, Larry Hansen, Adam Gillund, and Don Evers. Also present were County Auditor, Kathy Schreurs and County Attorney, Glen Petersen.

Motion by Gillund, seconded by Hansen, to approve minutes from the November 17, 2009 Commissioner meeting. All voted in favor.

Motion by Hansen, seconded by Evers, to approve agenda items and additions. All voted in favor.

Joe Beech, Project Manager for the Lake Hendricks Restoration Project, presented a written report of the Project. Beech reported that Lake Hendricks has a severe algae problem during the summer months. There are several reasons for this problem. Lake Hendricks receives its water from nearly 38,000 acres of watershed in both South Dakota and Minnesota. The water enters the lake in two locations, Deer Creek on the south end of the lake in South Dakota. The water also enters the lake via ditch 11 that drains 9,000 acres of cropland in Minnesota. There is also street runoff, fertilizer runoff, and a nonfunctional flood control dam that was built in 1966. Beech reported that the long term goal of the Lake Hendricks Restoration Project is to create natural working filters on the two major water inlets entering Lake Hendricks, redirecting of two storm sewer culverts, and bring the flood retention dam back into working order. Beech asked that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners consider appropriating funds to the Restoration Project. No action taken at this time.

Jack Vizecky, County Sheriff, requested the Board to consider implementing a burn permit fee and raising other fees in the Sheriff's Department in order to offset increasing costs. Motion by Hansen, seconded by Evers, to approve the following changes to the fee schedule in the Sheriff's Department effective January 1, 2010. All voted in favor.

Burn Permits	\$ 15.00
Urine Analysis (UA)	15.00
Portable Brethalizer Test (PBT)	2.00
Execution Unsatisfied, Demand	50.00 (no mileage)
Not Found/Return	50.00 (no mileage)
Postings Sale Notices	50.00 (no mileage)
Property Redemption Fee	250.00
Summons or Process	50.00 (no mileage)
All other Process Services	50.00 per person (no mileage)

Vizecky reported that the City of Hendricks passed a motion to reduce their police department to two half-time positions at 15 to 20 hours each per week. Vizecky stated that the City of Hendricks also intends to utilize a Joint Powers Agreement between Lincoln County and the City of Hendricks that was approved in April 1995. A Joint Powers Agreement was also signed between Lincoln County and the City of Lake Benton in June 1994. The agreements provided that the County shall provide a designated peace officer when the Chief of Police cannot provide that role. The agreement also states that either party may terminate this agreement upon sixty days notice in writing. Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Hansen, to send written notice terminating the 1995 Joint Powers Agreement with the City of Hendricks and the 1994 Joint Powers Agreement with the City of Lake Benton. Commissioners Blumeyer, Jagt, Hansen, and Evers voted in favor. Commissioner Gillund voted in opposition. Motion passed by majority vote.

Lee Amundson, Engineer reported:

- Progress of construction projects
- Ryan Drietz, Shop Foreman, started work on November 30, 2009

- Reviewed correspondence from a landowner who is unhappy with the progress of the CSAH 7 Safety Project
- Fall Road Tour set for December 4, 2009 at 8:30 a.m.
- Traffic counts in Verdi scheduled for 2010

Robert Olsen, Environmental Administrator, requested cell phone reimbursements for the Environmental Office employees. Motion by Gillund, seconded by Evers to approve cell phone reimbursements of \$35.00/mo. for Robert Olsen and \$35.00/mo. for Pete Doyscher effective the second payroll in January 2010. All voted in favor.

Olsen presented the 2010 County Feedlot Work Plan. Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Gillund, to approve 2010 Feedlot Work Plan and to authorize Chair Jagt to sign said plan. All voted in favor.

Olsen reported a petition has been filed with the Lac qui Parle-Yellow Bank Watershed District for an improvement of Judicial Ditch #28 in Lincoln County in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 103D.625. The proposed improvement would supplement or replace the existing Judicial Ditch #28 system, which lies within and serves to drain portions of sections 3, 4, 9, and 10 in Hansonville Township, Lincoln County, Minnesota. The improvement would follow the same general course as the existing tile. A Public Hearing has been ordered to be held in the Lincoln County Assembly Room, Lincoln County Courthouse, Ivanhoe, MN on Wednesday, December 16, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing and approving the preliminary Engineer's report and, if approved, directing the Engineer to make a detailed survey with plans and specifications for the proposed improvement.

Olsen reported that repairs to Judicial Ditch #19 have been completed.

The Board reviewed a revised fee schedule for the Environmental Office. Motion by Gillund, seconded by Evers, to approve the following fee schedule for the Environmental Office effective January 1, 2010. All voted in favor.

2010 Fees
General Land Use Permits
(Agricultural-Commercial-Industrial-Recreational)
Estimated Cost of Construction

\$ 0 - 9,999	\$ 25.00
\$ 10,000 – 49,999	50.00
\$ 50,000 – 199,999	200.00
\$200,000 - 299,999	300.00
\$300,000 – 399,999	400.00
\$400,000 – 499,999	500.00
\$500,000 – 599,999	550.00
\$600,000 – 699,999	650.00
\$700,000 – 799,999	750.00
\$800,000 – 899,999	850.00
\$900,000 – 999,000	950.00
\$1,000,000 and up	1,000.00

Fee to Reissue General Land Use Permits
\$ 100.00 maximum per permit

Hearings – Planning & Zoning; Board of Adjustments

Hearing Fees	\$300.00+*
Special Hearings	600.00+*
Re-Zoning	300.00+*
Plats (per lot) – up to and including 6	50.00+*
- over 6	10.00 per lot
After-the-Fact Permits	Double Permit Fees (Minimum \$100)

*Disbursements do not include publication, mileage costs, recording fees and other misc. expenses.

Landfill

Demolition	\$ 10.00 cubic yard
Garbage	10.00 cubic yard
White Goods Appliances	\$ 10.00
Microwaves, TV's	\$ 10.00
Computer Components (monitors, keyboards, hard drives)	\$ 10.00
Fluorescent Lightbulbs	.50 4ft. and under
	.75 8ft and over
Broken Fluorescent Bulbs	1.00 broken bulb
Ballasts	1.00/lb.

Septic System

(Do not need General Land Use Permit)

Septic System Permit Fee	\$100.00
Septic System Inspection Fee	100.00
Compliance Inspection	Free
Loan Application Fee	\$ 200.00

The Board reviewed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to the Courthouse Union Contract allowing a variance in the work schedule of the Environmental Technicians in order to work Saturdays at the landfill. The MOU terminates December 31, 2009. Motion by Hansen, seconded by Gillund to approve Memorandum of Understanding to the Courthouse Union Contract regarding the work schedule of the Environmental Technicians. All voted in favor.

Olsen reported that U'Sagain has donated \$333.88 to an area food shelf.

Correspondence was reviewed and the following Committee Reports were given:

- Evers – HRA, Human Services
- Gillund – Western Mental Health
- Jagt – Human Services, Audit Review
- Blumeyer – SWCD, Regional Radio Board, Audit Review, Lac qui Parle Watershed
- Hansen – RSVP, LCEDC, SRDC, Rural Minnesota Energy Board

The Board reviewed the Deputy Auditor position description. Changes were made to the education for the position. Motion by Gillund, seconded by Hansen, to authorize the Auditor to post, advertise and hire a Deputy Auditor. All voted in favor.

Auditor Warrants were presented.

Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Evers, to approve the following Commissioner Warrants #9190 - 9249 for the following amounts: Revenue - \$28,838.53, Road & Bridge - \$20,403.92, Ditch - \$1,718.10. Courthouse Improvements - \$3,100.00, Solid Waste Task Force - \$750.00 and Lake Benton Lake Improvement District - \$182.55. All voted in favor.

At 6:00 p.m. the Board reviewed the 2010 proposed Lincoln County levy/budget. The public was invited to attend the discussion. There were four people from the general public as well as several Lincoln County staff members present for the discussion.

Motion by Gillund, seconded by Evers, to adjourn at 6:25 p.m. All voted in favor.

ATTEST: (SEAL)

Joan Jagt, 2009 Board Chair

Kathy Schreurs, County Auditor