

**LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES**

March 16, 2010
Courthouse Commissioner Room
Ivanhoe, MN 56142

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Board Chair, Adam Gillund, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioners present were Adam Gillund, Larry Hansen, Joan Jagt, Don Evers and Curtis Blumeyer. Also present was County Auditor, Kathy Schreurs.

Motion by Jagt, seconded by Blumeyer, to approve minutes with corrections from the March 2, 2010 Commissioner meeting. All voted in favor.

Motion by Evers, seconded by Jagt, to approve agenda items. All voted in favor.

Craig Larson, Maintenance, reported that there has been water damage on the third floor and attic of the courthouse due to melting snow and rain. The damage has been reported to Minnesota Counties Intergovernmental Trust and a contractor has been contacted to assess the damage.

The Board reviewed the contract for skylight replacement. Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Jagt, to approve skylight replacement contract between Swift Contractors, Inc. and Lincoln County subject to approval by the County Attorney. All voted in favor.

Bruce Nielsen, Deputy Assessor/Appraiser reported that he is still working on his narrative for becoming an accredited Assessor and that it should be ready to mail to the State of Minnesota by the end of March.

Robert Meyer, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Area Wildlife Supervisor, met with the Board regarding a proposed purchase of land by Pheasants Forever and DNR. The land is located in the NE ¼ of Section 9 in Marble Township. Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Hansen, to approve acquisition of approximately 38.6 acres located in the NE ¼ of Section 9, Township 113 North, Range 45 West (Marble Township). This land to be part of the Clare Johnson Wildlife Management Area. Commissioners Blumeyer, Jagt, Hansen, and Evers voted in favor. Commissioner Gillund voted in opposition. Motion carried by majority vote.

Lee Amundson, County Engineer:

- Gave a Construction/maintenance update to the Board.
- Reported that he had attended the Annual Lincoln County Township Association meeting on March 15, 2010
- Reported that a meeting was held to review proposed ARMER radio equipment for the Highway Department
- A meeting is also scheduled the end of April to review proposed radio equipment for the local ARMER radio system.
- Presented the 2009 Highway Department Annual Report
- Reported that the Safety Committee has recommended that an OSHA consultation inspection be requested for the Road & Bridge Department to evaluate compliance with OSHA law.

Amundson requested approval of an addendum to Master Contract No. 92124 with the State of Minnesota for services, as the original master contract did not contain language for emergency services. Motion by Jagt, seconded by Blumeyer, to approve Resolution No. 11-2010 (Addendum to Master Contract). All voted in favor.

LINCOLN COUNTY
RESOLUTION 11-2010
Addendum to Master Contract No. 92124

WHEREAS, the County of Lincoln entered into a State of Minnesota Professional and Technical Services Master Contract No. 92124 with the Minnesota Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, the original master contract did not contain language for Emergency Services;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the County of Lincoln approves the amendment to Master Contract No. 92124 as presented to the Board; and
2. That the proper County officers are authorized to execute such amendments thereto.

Approved this 16th day of March, 2010.

ATTEST:

(SEAL)

Adam Gillund, 2010 Board Chair

Kathy Schreurs, County Auditor

Amundson reported that a Public Hearing will need to be scheduled regarding the functional classification and road reversions in the Verdi area. Motion by Evers, seconded by Jagt, to set Public Hearing for May 4, 2010 in the Commissioner Room of the Lincoln County Courthouse, Ivanhoe, MN at 10:30 a.m. regarding the functional classification and road reversions in the Verdi area.

Robert Olsen, Environmental Administrator, reported that the Lake Benton Lake Improvement Association is planning to treat approximately 120 acres on the east end of Lake Benton for Curly Pond Leaf.

Olsen reported that Crystal Dunker, Prairie Ecology Center, conducted recycling education programs at the Lake Benton and Hendricks grade schools.

Robin Weis and Rosanne Lasnetski, Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), reviewed the history, general areas of service, programming available, and the importance of volunteers. They also reported that Lincoln County will be hosting the 2010 RSVP Annual Meeting. Counties belonging to RSVP of Southwest Minnesota include Cottonwood, Lincoln, Murray, Nobles, Redwood and Rock.

Auditor Schreurs reported that Development Services, Inc. (DSI) has agreed to prepare a grant on behalf of Lincoln County for communication upgrades. Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Hansen, to approve 2010 FEMA Fire Grant Application Service Agreement with DSI and to issue Auditor Warrant for \$250.00. All voted in favor.

Motion by Jagt, seconded by Evers, to approve State Auditor contract for the year ended 2009. All voted in favor.

Schreurs informed the Board that the preliminary levy was used for calculating 2009 property taxes rather than the final levy. She also reported that controls have since been implemented.

Schreurs reported that Governor Pawlenty has unallotted \$305,837 in County Program Aid to Lincoln County for 2010.

Schreurs reported that changes are needed to the Food, Beverage and Lodging Ordinance by June 20, 2010 as per Minnesota Department of Health. She reported that she is working with County Attorney, Glen Petersen, and Lincoln, Lyon, Murray and Pipestone Public Health on the changes.

Schreurs informed that Expiration of Redemption and Delinquent notices have been sent to property owners and printed in the newspapers.

Schreurs reported that the legislation has been passed that moves the Minnesota Primary to August 10, 2010 and that the candidate filings will be from May 18, 2010 to June 1, 2010.

Committee Reports were given:

- Hansen – Safety, SRDC
- Blumeyer – Area II, ARMER Radio Group – Regional Radio Board, LLMP Public Health & LLM HS Joint Powers, Local Township Annual Meetings
- Gillund – Local Township Annual Meetings
- Jagt – Safety, LLMP Public Health and LLM HS Joint Powers, Local Township Annual Meetings
- Evers – RCRCA, Tourism, Local Township Annual Meetings

Auditor Warrants were presented.

Motion by Evers, seconded by Hansen, to approve the following Commissioner Warrants # 10108 - 10201 for the following amounts: Revenue - \$59,963.32, Road & Bridge - \$25,583.20 and Ditch - \$399.00. All voted in favor.

A motion was made by Blumeyer, and seconded by Hansen, to go into closed session at 12:10 p.m. to discuss a Step III Grievance. All voted in favor.

A motion was made by Hansen, and seconded by Jagt, to open the closed session at 12:30 p.m. All voted in favor.

Motion by Hansen, seconded by Jagt, to adjourn at 12:30 p.m. All voted in favor.

ATTEST:

(SEAL)

Adam Gillund, 2010 Board Chair

Kathy Schreurs, County Auditor