

**LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES**

October 5, 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, Curt Blumeyer, and Don Evers. Also present were County Auditor, Kathy Schreurs and County Attorney, Glen Petersen.

Motion by Evers, seconded by Jagt, to approve minutes from the September 21, 2010 Commissioner meeting. All voted in favor.

Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Hansen, to approve agenda items. All voted in favor.

Roseanne Lasnetski, RSVP Coordinator, reported that the Annual Senior Volunteer Appreciation Program is scheduled for October 18, 2010 at the VFW in Ivanhoe. Commissioners were invited to attend.

Cindy Potz, Mike Wetworth, and Board Supervisors of the Yellow Medicine Watershed District, reviewed the 2011 proposed budget, 2009 audit, the 2009 Project Report and the recent flooding and its effects in the Yellow Medicine Watershed District.

Carol Biren, reported that Lincoln County has been approved for a Statewide Health Improvement Program (SHIP) grant. The grant application was submitted on behalf of Lincoln, Lyon, Murray and Pipestone counties. Each county will receive approximately \$3,000.00. Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Jagt, to accept SHIP grant. All voted in favor.

Norm VanOverbeke, Emergency Manager, reported on the recent flooding in Lincoln County. VanOverbeke reported that he had met with FEMA, state emergency workers, county highway department and township supervisors. It was reported that there were estimated damages of \$434,000. Governor Pawlenty is expected to call a special session in October to address the flooding issue. Motion by Hansen, seconded by Jagt, to approve Resolution 36-2010 (Declaration of a State of Emergency). All voted in favor.

**DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY
RESOLUTION NO. 36 – 2010**

WHEREAS the September 23, 2010 rain impacted the population of Lincoln County and its cities; and

WHEREAS the September 23, 2010 rain event has caused a significant amount of public property damage; and

WHEREAS the Lincoln County Department of Emergency Management requests the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners to declare Lincoln County in a STATE OF EMERGENCY for the September 23 event of 2010;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners declares Lincoln County in a State of Emergency for conditions resulting from the rain event of September 23, 2010.

Adopted by the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners this 5th day of October, 2010.

ATTEST:

(SEAL)

Adam Gillund, 2010 Board Chair

Kathy Schreurs, County Auditor

Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Evers, to approve Resolution 37-2010 (Resolution Requesting a Presidential Declaration of a Major Disaster). All voted in favor.

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING A PRESIDENTIAL DECLARATION OF A MAJOR DISASTER
RESOLUTION NO. 37 – 2010**

WHEREAS the County of Lincoln has sustained severe losses of major proportion, caused by the rain event on the date of September 23, 2010; and

WHEREAS Lincoln County is a public entity within the State of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS substantial damage has been sustained to public and private property, as outlined in the attached damage assessment forms; and

WHEREAS the cost of recovery from this disaster is beyond the resources available within the county, and state and federal resources are necessary;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners, for and on behalf of the citizens of Lincoln County, request the Governor of the State of Minnesota to petition the President of the United States to declare the County of Lincoln, Minnesota, to be a major disaster area, through appropriate channels.

Be it further resolved that this request is for:

- The Public Assistance (Infrastructure Support) and Individual Assistance Programs as offered under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act.

- The Hazard Mitigation Program, as offered under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act.

Be it further resolved that the County Emergency Management Director is authorized to coordinate the damage survey teams with local government, and assist in the administration of the disaster recovery process, as needed.

Adopted by the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners this 5th day of October, 2010.

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Lee Amundson, County Engineer:

- Gave a construction/maintenance update to the Board
- Reported that recent floods have caused delays in construction/maintenance
- Reviewed "turnback" road studies
- Reported on meeting with FEMA on September 27, 2010
- Reported that the department will receive funding for a few new radios in the Highway Department
- Will provide an estimated cost to construct trails for Lake Benton
- Reviewed a request from Kittson County for support regarding road access adjacent to DNR lands.

Jack Vizecky, Sheriff, requested approval to amend a grant contract. Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Hansen, to approve Amendment No. 1 to Grant Contract 96000000256 between the State of Minnesota and Lincoln County for communication equipment extending the expiration date to December 31, 2010 and authorized Chair Gillund to sign said amendment. All voted in favor.

Karin Eckdahl, TWRx a pharmacy benefit management company, requested that the Board consider offering a prescription drug discount program to Lincoln County residents. There is no

cost to the County. The County does have to agree that the Discount Card Program will be exclusively offered through the TWRx Pharmacy Network. No action at this time.

Robert Olsen, Environmental Office, reported that the Lac qui Parle Watershed is reviewing the Viewers Report with regards to Judicial Ditch #28. There is damaged tile that will need to be replaced before the winter season. Motion by Gillund, seconded by Jagt, to approve replacement of approximately 150 feet of tile in JD #28. All voted in favor.

Motion by Hansen, seconded by Jagt, to approve 20-foot lean-to plus concrete at the transfer/recycling site. All voted in favor.

Craig Larson, Maintenance, reported that Karr Tuckpointing would like to schedule a pre-construction meeting with the building committee. Larson also reported that the replacement of carpet in the courtroom will not be done until sometime during the winter months.

Committee Reports were given:

Hansen – RSVP, Health & Safety Committee, FEMA Disaster Mtg.

Blumeyer – ARMER Radio, Public Health

Gillund – Water Management Task Force, Flood and Disaster meetings

Jagt – Health & Safety Committee

Evers – HRA, Water Management Task Force, Lake Improvement District

Auditor Warrants were presented.

Motion by Evers, seconded by Jagt, to approve the following Commissioner Warrants #11785-11845 for the following amounts: Revenue - \$81,894.41, Road & Bridge - \$26,974.16, Ditch - \$844.00 and LBLID - \$179.50. All voted in favor.

Bruce Nielsen, Deputy Assessor, reported that he is scheduled for an oral interview on November 18, 2010 as part of the Assessor certification process. Nielsen also reported that Dan Panka, Deputy Assessor, has passed all classes to become a certified appraiser.

Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Jagt, to approve transferring GO Ditch balances to the corresponding Ditch Repair Accounts. All voted in favor.

Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Evers, to approve purchase of computers and software for various offices in the courthouse with funding to be used from the Compliance Fund and other sources if needed. All voted in favor.

Glen Petersen, County Attorney, reported that Frank Citterman did not accept the \$6,000.00 severance agreement.

Motion by Jagt, seconded by Evers, to adjourn at 12:10 p.m. All voted in favor.

ATTEST:

(SEAL)

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