

**LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES**

February 15, 2011
Courthouse Commissioner Room
Ivanhoe, MN 56142

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

Motion by Jagt, seconded by Blumeyer, to approve minutes from the February 8, 2011 Commissioner meeting. All voted in favor.

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

Pauline VanOverbeke, Soil Water Conservation District (SWCD), presented the 2010 Annual Report which will also be shared with legislators.

Robert Olsen, Environmental Administrator, reviewed a proposed addition to the Lincoln County ordinance regarding unfenced animals that run at large thus creating a public safety or health issue. Motion by Gillund, seconded by Hansen, to authorize Olsen to proceed with necessary steps to move forward with additions to current Lincoln County ordinance. All voted in favor.

Lee Amundson, County Engineer gave the construction/maintenance update. Snow and weather conditions have resulted in several equipment breakdowns. Amundson also gave a comparison of snow removal costs for 2010 and 2011.

Motion by Gillund, seconded by Jagt to approve Resolution No. 12-2011 (Alternate Method of Bid Advertisements). All voted in favor.

**Resolution No. 12-2011
To Use Alternative Method to Disseminate Bids and Requests**

WHEREAS, Minn Statute 311A.03 Subd. 3(b) allows a county to use its web site or recognized industry trade journals as an alternative to disseminate solicitation of bids, request for information, and requests for proposals.

NOW THEREFORE, the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners hereby resolves:
BE IT RESOLVED, that from this day forward, the County of Lincoln may use the Lincoln County website, www.co.lincoln.mn.us, as an alternative means to disseminate solicitations of bids, request for information, and requests for proposals for transportation related construction and maintenance projects.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that for the first six (6) months after this designation of an alternative means of dissemination, the County shall continue to publish solicitations of bids, request for information and request for proposals, in the same official newspaper of the County in addition to the alternative method and that the publication in the official newspaper must indicate where to find the designated alternative method.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any dissemination by alternative means must be in substantially the same format and for the same period, as a publication would otherwise be required under Minn. Statute 311A.03 Subd. 3(b).

ADOPTED by unanimous vote this 15th day of February 2011.

Don Evers, 2011 Board Chair

Kathy Schreurs, County Auditor

Dustin Hauschild, Engineer's Assistant, reported that he had attended the 2011 Minnesota Public Safety Interoperability Communications Conference. Sessions attended included; ARMER status and future plans, Radio Programming, Assistance to Firefighter's Grant & Department of Ag Grant Program, Online Training, and EMS Issues,.

Amundson reported that he has budgeted for one new Highway Department pickup in the 2011 budget.

A Public Hearing was conducted at 10:30 a.m. to hear testimony on the proposed Multi-Year Construction Plan. Motion by Gillund, seconded by Jagt, to approve revised Multi-Year Construction Plan. All voted in favor.

Jack Vizecky, Sheriff, reported that he has received a resignation from Vicki Oellien, Jail Administrator, effective February 28, 2011. Motion by Jagt, seconded by Gillund, to authorize Vizecky to post/advertise and hire a Jail Administrator. All voted in favor.

Vizecky requested that the Board consider a salary adjustment for the Lincoln County Sheriff position due to the salary being considerably lower than other sheriff salaries in the region. The current Lincoln County Sheriff Salary is \$61,105. Motion by Jagt, seconded by Gillund, to approve \$8,000 salary increase retroactive to January 4, 2011. Commissioners Hansen, Jagt, and Gillund voted in favor. Commissioners Blumeyer and Evers voted in opposition. Motion carried by majority vote.

A general position description for an Emergency Management/Safety Director and possible ARMER Coordinator was reviewed by the Board. The Board also reviewed the compatibility of the duties with Norm VanOverbeke, Dan Anderson and Jack Vizecky. The Board requested that Dan Anderson work with the local Lincoln County ARMER work group to prepare a revised position description and help coordinate ARMER responsibilities and salary recommendations. No action at this time.

Correspondence was reviewed and the following Committee Reports were given:

- Evers – none
- Gillund – none
- Jagt – Lincoln County Promotion and Tourism
- Blumeyer – Local ARMER Workgroup
- Hansen – SRDC

Auditor Warrants were presented.

Motion by Gillund, seconded by Jagt, to approve the following Commissioner Warrants #12990 - 13047 for the following amounts: Revenue - \$25,575.14 and Road & Bridge - \$20,703.88. All voted in favor.

Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Jagt, to set the Lincoln County Board of Appeal and Equalization for June 21, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. and to change regular Commissioner meeting to 2:00 p.m. All voted in favor.

Motion by Jagt, seconded by Hansen, to approve Letter of Engagement for Larson and Allen to prepare the 2010 financial statements. All voted in favor.

Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Hansen, to approve agreement with the Office of the State Auditor to perform audit for the year ended December 31, 2010. All voted in favor.

Motion by Gillund, seconded by Blumeyer, to adjourn at 12:45 p.m. All voted in favor.

ATTEST:

(SEAL)

Don Evers, 2011 Board Chair

Kathy Schreurs, County Auditor