

**LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES**

May 3, 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 Don Evers, Curt Blumeyer, Adam Gillund, Joan Jagt, and Larry Hansen. Also present were Kathy Schreurs, Auditor and Glen Petersen, County Attorney.

Motion by Gillund, seconded by Jagt, to approve minutes from the April 19, 2011 Commissioner meeting. All voted in favor.

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

Cindy Potz, Yellow Medicine Watershed District Director, reported that the 2010 audit has been completed. Potz reviewed a few changes to the audit report and an amended report will be available at a later date. The changes will not change the overall report.

Potz also presented the Yellow Medicine River Watershed District 2010 Annual Report.

Robert Olsen, Environmental Administrator, reported that he has received a request for dismissal of JCD #16 "Petition for a Lateral". Motion by Gillund, seconded by Jagt, to dismiss the JCD #16 "Petition for a Lateral". All voted in favor.

Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Hansen, to charge petitioner for a lateral of JCD #16 for the time spend by the Environmental Office and return remaining monies that are being held in lieu of a bond by Lincoln County (Minnesota Statue 103E.225). All voted in favor.

Motion by Jagt, seconded by Hansen, to set hearing to hear testimony on "Petition for an Outlet" from Thomas Seitz for June 7, 2011 at 9:30 a.m. All voted in favor.

Olsen reported that the Lac Qui Parle-Yellow Bank Watershed still needs to set a hearing date regarding the redetermination of benefits for JD 28.

Motion by Gillund, seconded by Blumeyer, to approve the Lincoln County Drainage Ditch Policy effective May 2, 2011. All voted in favor.

Olsen reported that there are still drainage issues with CD #33 along U.S. Highway 14 and County Road #7. Olsen stated that he has had discussion with the DNR on options for drainage.

Olsen reported that there are drainage issues with JD #31 and CD #24 (East of Tyler on Lyon/Lincoln border). Options are being discussed with land owners.

Olsen reported that the City of Hendricks has request approval of an SSTS Agreement between Lincoln County and the City, in which Lincoln County would administer Section XIV, Subsurface Sewage Treatment System of the Lincoln County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance No. 40 for the city. Additional discussion will be scheduled for the May 17 meeting.

The Board discussed options for the Tyler and Verdi recycling sites.

Olsen reported that treatment for curly leaf pond weed will begin on May 9, 2011.

Olsen reported that cleanup of the Iler property in Verdi will begin after road postings go off.

Lee Amundson, Engineer:

- gave the construction/maintenance update
- reported State road restrictions will come off May, 9, 2011

- presented information on converting blacktop roads to gravel
- reported seal coat bid opening is May 17, 2011
- reported overlay bid opening is June 7, 2011
- Commissioner Roundtable with Road and Bridge personnel is scheduled for 1:00 p.m. May 3, 2011

Jack Vizecky, County Sheriff, reported that Linda Sorensen was promoted to Jail Administrator effective April 4, 2011 and Kevin Lipinski was promoted to full time dispatcher effective May 2, 2011.

Vizecky requested consideration for two additional full time deputies due to increased workloads and the need for backup officers. The Personnel Committee recommended that one part time deputy position be moved to a full time position and will consider adding additional full time staff at a later date. Motion by Gillund, seconded by Jagt, to approve the hiring of one additional full time deputy sheriff. Commissioners Gillund, Jagt, Hansen, and Blumeyer voted in favor. Commissioner Evers voted in opposition. Motion carried by majority vote.

Shelly Eldridge, Ehlers & Associates Financial Advisor, reviewed options and potential savings regarding Lincoln County's G.O. Refunding Bond – Series 2004 and the Capital Improvement Plan Bonds – Series 2008. The current bonds are not callable until November 2011 but Eldridge asked the Board to consider the possibility of refunding the bonds. Eldridge will schedule a meeting with the Board in September.

Norm VanOverbeke, Emergency Management, reported that documents need to be approved in order to move forward with the grant application to replace civil defense sirens in the cities and other areas in the county. Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Hansen, to approve Resolution #19-2011 Authorizing Execution of Sub-Grant Agreement, Letter of Commitment of Funds, and letter of Maintenance Statement to replace civil defense sirens. All voted in favor.

The Personnel Committee recommended that the Board consider setting a salary for the Emergency Management Director position at \$55,500.00. Motion by Gillund, seconded by Jagt to approve salary of \$55,500.00 per year for the Emergency Management Director position. All voted in favor.

Daryl Schlapkohl, Parks Manager, reported that a partnership agreement was signed in September between Mn/DOT and Lincoln County for Mn/DOT to erect a communications tower at the Hole in the Mountain Park. The agreement stated that a land lease shall be completed to convey interest in the site to Mn/DOT for the construction and continued use of the site for their communication tower. Motion by Jagt, seconded by Gillund, to approve land lease No. 98857 between Lincoln County and the State of Minnesota, Department of Transportation. All voted in favor.

Glen Petersen, County Attorney, reviewed a draft resolution to be added to the personnel policy which would allow the hire and supervision of seasonal workers that are directly related to the supervisor of the department. Motion by Jagt, seconded by Hansen to approve Resolution No. 20-2011 (Amending section 104.3 of Lincoln County Personnel Policy). Commissioners Jagt, Evers and Hansen voted in favor. Commissioners Blumeyer and Gillund voted in opposition. Motion carried by majority vote.

Correspondence was reviewed and the following Committee Reports were given:

- Evers – HRA, SW Health and Human Services
- Gillund – Park Board, Western Mental Health, SW EMS, Personnel Committee
- Jagt – SW Health and Human Services, Road and Bridge Labor Management, Personnel Committee Meetings
- Blumeyer – SWCD, SW Health & Human Services, Road and Bridge Labor Management
- Hansen – SRDC Budget & Personnel Meetings, RSVP

Auditor Warrants were presented.

Motion by Gillund, seconded by Blumeyer to approve the following Commissioner Warrants #13558 - 13600 for the following amounts: Revenue – \$32,822.94, Road & Bridge - \$38,586.43 and LBLID - \$184.99. All voted in favor.

Motion by Gillund, seconded by Jagt, to adjourn at 1:05 p.m. All voted in favor.

ATTEST:

(SEAL)

Don Evers, 2011 Board Chair

Kathy Schreurs, County Auditor