

**LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MEETING MINUTES**

May 03, 2016  
Courthouse Commissioner Room  
Ivanhoe, MN 56142

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Board Chair, Richard Hamer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioners present were Joe Drietz, Don Evers, Richard Hamer, Joan Jagt, and Mic VanDeVere. Also present was Lincoln County Auditor, Deb Vierhuf. No conflicts of interest were noted.

Motion by Drietz, seconded by Evers to approve the consent agenda which included approval of the 3.2 On-Sale Malt Liquor License to Minnesota Music Hall of Fame (Larry Olsen) for May 26 – May 29, 2016, approval of minutes from April 19, 2016 and agenda for May 3, 2016. All voted in favor.

Pauline VanOverBeke, Lincoln Soil and Water Conservation District Manager, presented the Missouri Basin 1 Watershed 1 Plan Resolution for approval. Motion by Jagt, seconded by Drietz to approve Resolution No 23-2016 Missouri Basin 1 Watershed 1 Plan. All voted in favor.

**RESOLUTION # 23-2016  
Lincoln County  
Resolution to support a Missouri River Basin Watershed  
One Watershed, One Plan project.**

**WHEREAS**, the Minnesota Board of Soil and Water Resources has developed policies for coordination and development of comprehensive watershed management plans, also known as One Watershed, One Plan, consistent with Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 103B.801, Comprehensive Watershed Management Planning Program; and

**WHEREAS**, Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 103B.301, Comprehensive Local Water Management Act, authorizes Minnesota Counties to develop and implement a local water management plan; and

**WHEREAS**, Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 103D.401, Watershed Management Plan, authorizes Minnesota Watershed Districts to develop and implement a watershed management plan; and

**WHEREAS**, Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 103C.331, subdivision 11, Comprehensive Plan, authorizes Minnesota Soil and Water Conservation Districts to develop and implement a comprehensive plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the counties, soil and water conservation districts, and watershed districts within the Missouri River Basin Watershed, as delineated in the attached One Watershed, One Plan Suggested Boundary Map, have interest in developing a comprehensive watershed management plan for this area.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Lincoln County recognizes and supports watershed-scale planning efforts consistent with Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 103B.801, also known as One Watershed, One Plan; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Lincoln County welcomes the opportunity to collaborate with the counties, soil and water conservation districts, and watershed districts within the Missouri River Basin for watershed-scale planning efforts in the future; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Lincoln County supports an application to the Board of Water and Soil Resources for a planning grant to develop a comprehensive watershed management plan and anticipates entering into a Memorandum of Agreement with the counties, soil and water conservation districts, and watershed districts within the Missouri River Basin Watershed, to collaborate on this effort, pending selection as a recipient of a planning grant.

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Richard Hamer, 2016 Board Chair

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Deb Vierhuf, County Auditor

Bob Verschelde, Maintenance Supervisor, requested approval to post internally for the Custodian position. Motion by Jagt, seconded by VanDeVere to approve the internal posting for the Custodian position. All voted in favor.

Dustin Hauschild, Highway Engineer's Assistant, presented project and maintenance updates. They were as follows:

- We have received all of the ROW easements for the County Road 9. Advertising for bids has started with a bid opening on May 25<sup>th</sup>. The bid approval will be at the June 7<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. This will allow timeliness for the grant deadline.
- Plans for County Road 26 in Arco have been submitted to MnDOT. Once approved, advertising will begin.
- Starting to Survey for bridge bonding for the next few years. Hoping to have designs and permitting done earlier.
- There has been some bridge bonding proposals in Legislature.
- All the plows have been removed for the summer.
- Have been tying some culverts.

Amber Scholten, Emergency Management Director, presented the Joint Powers Agreement and Resolution 24-2016 for approval. Motion by VanDeVere, seconded by Evers to approve the signing of the Joint Powers Agreement and Resolution 24-2016 Resolution Approving Modifications to the Joint Powers Agreement Forming the Southwest Minnesota Regional Emergency Communications Board. All voted in favor.

**Resolution No 24-2016  
A RESOLUTION APPROVING MODIFICATIONS TO THE  
JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT FORMING THE  
SOUTHWEST MINNESOTA REGIONAL EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS BOARD**

**WHEREAS**, Lincoln County is a participating member of the Southwest Minnesota Regional Emergency Communications Board, a Joint Powers Entity formed pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 403.39 and 471.59; and

**WHEREAS**, a Joint Powers Agreement creating the Southwest Minnesota Regional Emergency Communications Board was approved by the thirteen counties and two cities comprising the Board, including Lincoln County; and

**WHEREAS**, the current Joint Powers Agreement provides for membership by counties and cities within Southwest Region of development; and

**WHEREAS**, the Minnesota legislature has amended Minnesota Statute 471.59 to provide authority for federally recognized Indian tribes to participate in Joint Powers Agreements; and

**WHEREAS**, compliance with this amendment to Minnesota statute requires modification of the existing Joint Powers Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Southwest Minnesota Regional Emergency Communications Board recommends modification of the Joint Powers Agreement governing the Southwest Minnesota Regional Emergency Communications Board to provide for the authority for federally recognized Indian tribes meeting the same requirements as counties and cities within Southwest Region of development to participate in the Southwest Minnesota Regional Emergency Communications Board;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners approves the modifications to the Joint Powers Agreement recommended by the Southwest Minnesota Regional Emergency Communications Board and attached hereto.

ATTEST:

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Richard Hamer, 2016 Board Chair

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Deb Vierhuf, County Auditor

Committee Reports were given:

VanDeVere – SWHHS, ACE of SW MN Board, Helping Hands  
Drietz – Safety Training  
Hamer – Western Mental Health, Western Community Action, CUP Variance meeting,  
Comprehensive Zoning Plan  
Jagt – SWHHS, Southern Prairie Finance Committee  
Evers –HRA, Lincoln County Transit, Transit in Marshall, SWCD, Plum Creek Library, Labor  
Management

Auditor Warrants were presented.

Motion by Drietz seconded by Jagt, to approve the following Commissioner Warrants #1858 - 1922 for the following amounts: Revenue - \$64,265.05, Road & Bridge - \$17,318.72 and Ditch - \$17,048.69. All voted in favor.

The following bills were over \$2,000.00 per M.S. 375.12: A & C Excavating - \$17,040.00, Computer Prof Unlimited Inc. - \$4,773.96, Larkin Hoffman - \$4,213.19, Lyon Co Auditor-Treasurer - \$3,453.70, Mactek Systems Inc. - \$4,854.00, Petersen Law Office PLLC - \$17,624.00, Glen Petersen - \$2,951.50, Prairie Pride Cooperative - \$9,068.06, Rainbow Play Systems Inc. - \$9,919.50, Reedsburg Hdwe Co - \$3,559.14, Mike Thooft - \$2,417.40 and 54 payments less than \$2,000.00 - \$18,758.01.

Deb Vierhuf, Lincoln County Auditor, presented the final phone system itemized pricing proposal. Motion by VanDeVere, seconded by Jagt to approve the final phone system itemized pricing proposal that includes the Emergency phone buttons for a total of \$27,861.47. All voted in favor.

Vierhuf also presented information on the on-line Election Judge Training. The initial course set-up will be \$1,500 with annual maintenance of \$500. The Board is in favor of moving forward with the set-up of the on-line Election Judge Training.

Vierhuf also presented information on changing the appropriation for the County Promotion and Tourism and Travel Southwest MN. Motion by Jagt, seconded by VanDeVere to reduce the County Promotion and Tourism appropriation from \$3,000.00 to \$2,000.00 and to add a \$1,000.00 appropriation for Travel Southwest MN not to be released until requested. All voted in favor.

Motion by Drietz, seconded by VanDeVere to adjourn at 10:30 a.m. All voted in favor.

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Richard Hamer, 2016 Board Chair

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Deb Vierhuf, County Auditor