

**LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES**

August 21, 2017
Courthouse Commissioner Room
Ivanhoe, MN 56142

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Board Vice Chair, Joe Drietz, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioners present were Joe Drietz, Corey Sik, Jack Vizecky, and Mic VanDeVere. Commissioner Hamer was absent. Also present was Lincoln County Auditor, Deb Vierhuf and Lincoln County Attorney Glen Petersen. No conflicts of interest were noted.

Motion by VanDeVere, seconded by Sik to approve consent agenda which included approval of the minutes from August 15, 2017 and the agenda for August 21, 2017. All (4) voted in favor.

Discussion was held on the United Community Action Committee. The next meeting will be held on August 24th. Motion by Sik, seconded by Drietz to temporarily appoint Commissioner VanDeVere as the United Community Action Committee member to replace Commissioner Vizecky. All (4) voted in favor.

Commissioner Sik presented information on the new Plum Creek Building Committee and the need for Lincoln County to be represented on this committee. Motion by VanDeVere, seconded by Drietz to appoint Commissioner Sik to the Plum Creek Building Committee. All (4) voted in favor.

Glen Petersen, Lincoln County Attorney, stated that as a result of the bid opening held on August 15th, we received a letter from Quam Construction's attorney that indicated they are interested in pursuing legal action against Lincoln County. Petersen recommended closing the meeting to discuss pending and threatened litigation of this dispute. Motion by VanDeVere, seconded by Sik to close the meeting at 9:07 a.m. to discuss pending and threatened litigation of a dispute with the bid opening held on August 15, 2017. All (4) voted in favor.

Motion by VanDeVere, seconded by Sik to re-open the meeting at 9:47 a.m. All (4) voted in favor.

Attorney Petersen requested that the Board allow the retaining of Joseph J Langel of Ratwik, Roszak & Maloney, P.A. to assist in representing Lincoln County if the threatened litigation proceeds. Motion by VanDeVere, seconded by Sik to retain Joseph J Langel of Ratwik, Roszak & Maloney, P.A. to assist in representing Lincoln County if the threatened bid litigation proceeds. All (4) voted in favor.

Motion by VanDeVere, seconded by Sik to adjourn at 9:50 a.m. All (4) voted in favor.

ATTEST:

Joe Drietz, 2017 Board Vice Chair

Deb Vierhuf, County Auditor