

**LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES**

Oct 2, 2018
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, Rick Hamer, Corey Sik, and Jack Vizecky. Commissioner VanDeVere was absent. Also present was Lincoln County Auditor Deb Vierhuf. No conflicts of interest were noted.

Motion by Hamer, seconded by Vizecky to approve the consent agenda which included approval of the minutes from September 18, 2018, and the agenda for October 2, 2018. All (4) voted in favor.

Dale Sterzinger, SWCD District Manager, gave an update on the following items:

- Wetland Conservation Act – Delineation work has been done on the Red Pine Wind project and a project over by Hendricks.
- Board of Water and Soil Resources has accepted one wetland bank within our county. The wetland bank is a program where wetlands can be restored and be used for credit to other wetland impacts.
- EDF wind tower issues are being worked on and resolved.
- Water Plan cost share dollars are all spoken for. 13 wells have been funded and 7 alternative intakes. \$500 cost share dollars are used for each project.
- 2017 Water Plan dollars still has a balance. After projects are all complete, any remaining funds will be sent to the County to be used for Pictometry.
- Missouri River One Watershed Plan has 7 sections. Section 4 and 5 are almost complete.
- Yellow Medicine One Watershed One Plan – A new waterway was put in with this plan in Alta Vista. We have about 20 more projects scheduled to be done under this plan.
- Southwest Prairie TSA has an agreement with SWCD. They will be donating 1,000 hours per year to Lincoln County projects.
- Highway 68 discussion is taking place regarding the added 12 acres of impervious surface.
- Redwood WRAPS has been doing testing on our lakes.
- Seed Program – 3,292 acres have been gone through for CRP. SWCD seeded 1,300 acres. The drills were rented out for another 836 acres. 146 acres remain to be done after Nov 1.
- SWCD is looking at purchasing a new no till drill. A 10 foot drill is anywhere from \$38,000 - \$43,000. Discussion has taken place regarding whether some of the Lincoln County buffer money can be used for the drill.
- Over 13,000 trees sold in 2018.
- 4 land owners have not signed the waiver for the Buffer Program.
- 8 out of compliance letters were sent out for the public waters buffer.
- SWCD has requested a 5% increase to their budget. The cost of health insurance has increased.
- The budget has been split into two requests. There is a regular budget amount of \$120,000 and a state matched amount of \$14,400.
- AGBMP – current budget has 1.4 million for Lincoln County use.

Joe Wilson, Lincoln County Engineer, presented project updates. They were as follows:

- Some clean up items are being completed on the box culvert projects.

- Clean up items for Red Pine are complete for the Highway Department. The Environmental office still has some tile issues and will monitor grass growth. There is a five-year warranty but will hold off on signing off until current issues are resolved.
- Striping is complete.
- Hydraulic studies will be done on the bridges.
- Survey and design projects are being worked on.

Wilson requested approval of hydraulic study quotes ranging from \$1,500 - \$2,200 depending on what needs to be done. Motion by Vizecky, seconded by Sik to approve hydraulic quotes with a range of \$1,500 - \$2,200 depending on what needs to be done. All (4) voted in favor.

Wilson presented maintenance updates. They were as follows:

- Will be done hauling gravel soon.
- Will start to mix sand and salt for winter.
- Fall mowing will be started soon.
- Plan to finish a couple bridge repairs.
- Rental excavator work is complete.
- Weed spraying contractor will be coming through in the next two weeks.

Wilson requested approval to order a skid loader by the end of October to get in on this year's state bid pricing. The skid loader would not be paid for until 2019 and it has been included on the 2019 budget. Robert Olsen, Environmental would like to purchase the current skid loader and then place the Environmental skid loader on Minnbid. Olsen has \$8,000 available in his budget and would give the Road and Bridge department two of the recycle sheds at a value of \$4,000. The remaining \$13,000 will be received from the sale of the Environmental skid loader. Motion by Hamer, seconded by Drietz to purchase a new skid loader from Titan Machinery (State bid) for \$47,336.00 and allow the Environmental Department to purchase the current Road and Bridge skid loader for \$21,000.00 and place the Environmental skid loader on Minnbid. All (4) voted in favor.

The Fall Road Tour was set for November 5, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. Information only.

Olsen informed the Board that a review of the final draft of the Conservation Plan will be held on October 10, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Assembly Room. This will also serve as the public hearing. Information only.

Robert Olsen, Environmental, has published the one-year ditch assessment resolution and has received a few questions. After a couple of adjustments, the resolution will be brought forward for approval at a future meeting. Information only.

Olsen informed the Board that we have received some prepayments on the redeterminations of CD #15 and #42. The balance remaining will be placed on the taxes as a one-year assessment. Information only.

Olsen informed the Board that after the prepaid amounts were received on the Yellow Medicine improvement of CD #38, about \$577,922.70 dollars remain to be assessed on the taxes. The Board will need to decide how many years to spread the payments over and at what interest rate. Olsen's recommendation was to go with 20 years at 4% interest. The Board was in consensus and Olsen will bring a resolution with these terms to be approved at a future meeting. Information only.

Robin Sterzinger, Lincoln County Financial Accountant, presented the UCAP Transportation Agreement for approval. The amount Lincoln County will contribute will remain the same but \$10,000.00 will be used to offset the fees and \$15,000.00 will be used for the community connections van. The total will remain at \$25,000. Motion by Hamer, seconded by Sik to approve the UCAP Transportation Agreement effective January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019. All (4) voted in favor.

Committee Reports were given:

Drietz – SWCD, CPT

Hamer – Transit
 Sik – SWHHS
 VanDeVere – absent
 Vizecky – None

Auditor Warrants were presented.

Motion by Vizecky seconded by Hamer to approve the following Commissioner Warrants #8520 - #8570 for the following amounts: Revenue - \$134,749.99, Road & Bridge - \$58,888.32, and Ditch - \$31,188.50. All (4) voted in favor.

The following bills were over \$2,000.00 per M.S. 375.12: A & C Excavating LLC - \$16,288.50, AAA Striping Service Co. - \$36,647.20, Kris Engineer Inc. - \$3,833.17, Lozinski Construction Services - \$14,750.00, MN Dept. of Agriculture - \$47,359.42, Petersen Law Office PLLC - \$15,084.00, Prairie Pride Cooperative - \$14,166.32, Regents of the University of Minnesota - \$14,438.40, Runchey, Louwagie and Wellman P.L.L.P. - \$3,468.77, SeaChange - \$4,836.22, Southwest Health and Human Services - \$18,056.50. United Community Action Partnership - \$25,000.00 and 39 payments less than \$2,000.00 - \$10,898.31.

Commissioner Drietz presented the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act JPA for approval. A new Joint Powers Agreement is needed to include the counties that have been added. Motion by Drietz, seconded by Vizecky to approve the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Joint Powers Agreement. All (4) voted in favor.

Motion by Hamer, seconded by Sik, to approve Resolution 32-2018 appointing Earl DeWilde, Randy Kraus, and Glen Grant to the Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water System Board of Commissioners. All (4) voted in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 32-2018
 RESOLUTION APPOINTING EARL DEWILDE, RANDY KRAUS, AND GLEN GRANT
 TO THE LINCOLN PIPESTONE RURAL WATER SYSTEM BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

WHEREAS, Earl DeWilde's 4-year term as a Commissioner on the Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water System ("LPRW") Board of Commissioners is scheduled to expire at midnight on December 31, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Randy Kraus' 4-year term as a Commissioner on the LPRW Board of Commissioners is scheduled to expire at midnight on December 31, 2018; and

WHEREAS, current LPRW Commissioner, Ken Buysse has resigned as a Commissioner on the LPRW Board effective at midnight on December 31, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the LPRW Board of Commissioners conducted a search for Ken Buysse's replacement; and

WHEREAS, on August 27, 2018 the LPRW Board unanimously adopted a Motion which recommends that Glen Grant replace Ken Buysse on the LPRW Board; and

WHEREAS, on September 24, 2018 the LPRW Board unanimously adopted a Motion which recommends that Earl DeWilde and Randy Kraus each be re-appointed to another 4-year term on the LPRW Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners believes that Earl DeWilde, Randy Kraus and Glen Grant are qualified to act as Commissioners on the Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water System Board of Commissioners and are all worthy of appointment.

NOW BE IT NOW RESOLVED, that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners hereby recommends that Earl DeWilde, Randy Kraus, and Glen Grant be appointed to the Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water System Board of Commissioners pursuant to and provided for by Minnesota Statutes §116A et seq. for a 4-year term which shall commence on January 1, 2019 and shall expire at midnight on December 31, 2022.

ATTEST:

Mic VanDeVere, 2018 Board Chair

Deb Vierhuf, County Auditor

Motion by Vizecky, seconded by Hamer, to reschedule the December 4th Lincoln County Board meeting to December 6th at 2:00 p.m. due to the AMC conference. All (4) voted in favor.

Motion by Hamer, seconded by Drietz, to set the Truth and Taxation meeting for December 6, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. All (4) voted in favor.

Motion by Drietz, seconded by Vizecky to adjourn at 10:26 a.m. All voted in favor.

ATTEST:

Mic VanDeVere, 2018 Board Chair

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