

**LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES**

April 1, 2008
Courthouse Commissioner Room
Ivanhoe, MN 56142

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

Motion by Hansen, seconded by Johansen, to approve the minutes from the March 18, 2008 Commissioner meeting. All voted in favor.

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

Commissioner Blumeyer reported that in order to be in compliance with the requirements of the Workforce Investment Act a Joint Powers Agreement must be approved, which would establish the Southwest Minnesota Chief Elected Officials Joint Powers Board. Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Hansen, to approve WSA #6 Joint Powers Agreement for the Counties of Region 6W & Region 8. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Hansen reported that the Southwest Regional Development Commission has agreed to coordinate the delivery of volunteer services provided by the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP). Motion by Hansen, seconded by Sagmoe, to approve Joint Powers Agreement Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (SW-RSVP) of Southwest Minnesota. All voted in favor.

E. J. Moberg, Office of the Minnesota State Auditor, reviewed the 2006 Audit Report. Motion by Sagmoe, seconded by Johansen, to accept 2006 Audit Report as presented. All voted in favor.

Daryl Schlapkohl, Parks Manager, reviewed a letter from Gail Sater, Minnesota Counties Insurance Trust, regarding the use of County Park property during Saddle Horse Holiday at Lake Benton. Jenny Nordmeyer, Mike Hauswedell, and Lori Hart, on behalf of the Dakota-Minnesota Saddle Horse Committee, requested approval to build a temporary horse arena. The Insurance Trust reported that there is a potential liability risk associated with allowing the event on County property. Schlapkohl reported that the County would need to fix and gravel the road on top of the hill leading into the horse camp and the Saddle Horse Committee would be responsible for the construction and removal of a temporary horse arena. Motion by Johansen, seconded by Jagt, to enter into a three year agreement with the City of Lake Benton for the period of June 1 to June 30 each year for the purpose of using a temporary horse arena for Saddle Horse Holiday. All voted in favor. County Attorney Petersen to prepare agreement.

Lee Amundson, County Engineer, reported that an Autocad training is being held in Marshall, MN. Scott Conner, Senior Engineering Technician, has expressed interest in attending. Tuition cost is \$289.00. Motion by Sagmoe, seconded by Johansen, to approve Autocad training for Scott Conner. All voted in favor.

At 10:30 a.m. bids were opened for county wide bituminous and asphalt seal coat materials. One bid was received from Flint Hills Resources in the amount of \$219,190.45. No other bids were received. The Engineer's estimate was \$251,675.00. Motion by Sagmoe, seconded by Hansen, to accept bid of \$219,190.45 from Flint Hills Resources for bituminous and asphalt materials. All voted in favor.

Amundson reported that the Minnesota Department of Transportation had reviewed the bids that were opened at the March 18, 2008 Board meeting, for bituminous overlay and aggregate shouldering on CSAH 19 (SP 41-619-011. Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Hansen, to accept low bid of \$955,135.20 from McLaughlin & Schulz Inc for SP 41-619-011. All voted in favor.

Robert Olsen, Environmental Administrator, reported that a Planning and Zoning Board Public Hearing was held on March 19, 2008 to review a request of a permit by David Anderson to subdivide property in consideration of a preliminary plat for a proposed subdivision entitled "Anderson Second Addition" in Shaokatan Township. Olsen reported that the Planning and Zoning Board had reviewed the request and recommended approval by the County Board of Commissioners. Motion by Sagmoe, seconded by Hansen, to approve preliminary plat for Anderson Second Addition. All voted in favor.

Glen Petersen, County Attorney, reported that property in Lake Benton Township is proposed to be annexed into the City of Lake Benton. In order for the property to be annexed, consent is needed from Lincoln County. Motion by Johansen, seconded by Hansen to approve Resolution No. 13-2008 (Annexation Consent by the County of Lincoln) on condition that Joint Resolution is approved by the City of Lake Benton and the Township of Lake Benton. All voted in favor.

Olsen reported that Pete Doyscher, Environmental Technician, fell in the courthouse parking lot, which resulted in a broken leg. It is unknown when Doyscher will return to work.

The Board recessed at 12:00 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 1:00 p.m. Commissioner Johansen was absent

Craig Larson, Maintenance, and Elliot Sovell, Elliot's Cabinets, reviewed plans for replacing desks tables, etc. in the Courthouse Commissioner Room. The estimated cost is approximately \$10,000.00. No action at this time.

The Board reviewed a list of current and future capital improvements such as windows, air conditioning, plumbing, electrical, etc.,

Robert Olsen reported that Greg Esposito has been reimbursed from the bond company for a non-compliant septic system. Olsen reported that ISTS special assessments had already been added to Esposito's 2008 taxes. Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Sagmoe, to abate the ISTS Special Assessment for Greg Esposito. All (4) voted in favor.

Commissioner Hansen reported that a typographical error was found in the Courthouse, Sheriff and Highway Union Contracts under Article XIII – Vacations. The words "sick leave" should have stated "vacation pay". Motion by Hansen, seconded by Sagmoe, to approve "Letter of Understanding" with the corrected language change. All (4) voted in favor.

Commissioners Hansen and Sagmoe reported that the Safety Committee has requested alternates be added to the Committee. Motion by Sagmoe, seconded by Hansen, to add Commissioners Jagt, Johansen, and Blumeyer as alternates to the Safety Committee. All (4) voted in favor.

Commissioner Jagt reported that April 6 -12, 2008 is designated as National County Government Week.

The Board discussed the work hours of the various departments in the County. Auditor Schreurs was asked to invite Courthouse Department Heads to the April 15, 2008 Board meeting for discussion.

Auditor Warrants were presented.

Motion by Sagmoe, seconded by Blumeyer, to approve the following Commissioner Warrants #4010 - 4070: Revenue - \$19,303.81, LBLID - \$1,314.75, Solid Waste - \$567.00 and Road & Bridge - \$17,153.35. All (4) voted in favor.

Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Sagmoe, to adjourn at 2:20 p.m. All (4) voted in favor.

ATTEST: (SEAL)

Joan Jagt, 2008 Board Chair

Kathy Schreurs, County Auditor