

**LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES**

May 20, 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 Sagmoe, seconded by Hansen, to approve the minutes from the May 6, 2008 Commissioner meeting. All voted in favor.

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

Don Kleven, U.S. Fish and Wildlife, requested certifications for easements for waterfowl management rights. Motion by Hansen, seconded by Blumeyer, to certify easement for waterfowl management rights in Section 27 of Marble Township from Robert E. Olsen and Bernadine M. Olsen, Canby Minnesota. Commissioners Hansen, Blumeyer and Jagt voted in favor. Commissioner Sagmoe and Johansen voted in opposition. Motion carried by majority vote.

Motion by Hansen, seconded by Jagt, to certify easement for waterfowl management right in Section 24 of Ash Lake Township from Thomas Barber and Barbara Barber, Ivanhoe, Minnesota. Commissioner Hansen and Jagt voted in favor. Commissioner Sagmoe, Johansen, and Blumeyer voted in opposition. Motion failed.

Motion by Hansen, seconded by Jagt, to certify easement for waterfowl management rights in Section 19 of Lake Stay Township from John Schueller and Sherri Schueller, Wabasso, Minnesota and Dwayne Radel and Jane Radel, Forest Lake, Minnesota. Commissioners Hansen and Jagt voted in favor. Commissioner Sagmoe, Johansen, and Blumeyer voted in opposition. Motion failed.

Robert Olsen, Environmental Administrator, reported that an Administrative Notice of Violation will be sent to area land owners who are in violation of Minnesota State Statute 103E due to farming and tilling 1 rod of grass buffer along open ditches. The notice requires that the landowners restore the 1 rod of grass buffer by November 1, 2008.

Other items discussed included:

- Picnic Point Septic System will be installed during the week of May 26, 2008
- Shoakatan Sportsmans Club has installed a sign at Picnic Point depicting the donations they have made to the park
- Lake Benton Lake will not need a second treatment in 2008 to control the curly leaf pondweed
- Lake Stay Dam Project has been delayed due to high water and moisture
- Conditional Use Permits were granted to Fier Dairy

Lee Amundson, County Engineer, reported the following:

- Presented materials from the National Association of County Engineers
- Road restrictions are still in effect for Lincoln County
- Rupp Construction has completed approximately 75% of the 2007 aggregate crushing contract
- Energy Audit will be performed on the Lake Benton shop by Ottertail Power Company
- Reviewed authorized work reports that have been done for county departments at no additional cost to the County
- Terex Dozer may need replacing

- 2000 International 9400 used semi-truck with 620,000 miles, has been ordered and delivery of trailer expected in July at cost of \$23,054.00

Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Sagmoe, to accept 2007 Lincoln County Highway Annual Report. All voted in favor.

Jenny Nordmeyer and Lori Hart requested an update on the lease agreement between Lincoln County and the City of Lake Benton for the use of a portion of Lincoln County property to be used by the Saddle Horse Club during Saddle Horse Holiday scheduled for June 15, 2008.

County Attorney, Glen Petersen, reviewed a draft lease agreement between Lincoln County and City of Lake Benton for Saddle Horse Holiday. Minor changes were made to the lease agreement. Motion by Hansen, seconded by Johansen, to approve lease agreement between Lincoln County and the City of Lake Benton contingent on proof of special events and liability insurance. All voted in favor.

Daryl Schlapkohl, Parks Manager, reported that surveyors are in the process of locating survey markers for a portion of Norwegian Creek Park.

The Board reviewed a proposal for furniture for the Commissioner Room. Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Hansen, to approve purchase of custom made furniture from Elliot Sovell Cabinetry. Commissioners Blumeyer, Hansen, Jagt and Sagmoe voted in favor. Commissioner Johansen voted in opposition. Motion carried by majority vote.

The following Committee reports were given:

Jagt – Plum Creek Library – 1) Ann Lichtsen to represent Lincoln County 2) meeting with Hendricks for consideration to join library system

Jagt and Blumeyer – met with Pipestone County regarding sharing an assessor – will be meeting with Lyon County on May 21, 2008

Johansen – RCRCA – Jim Doering, Director, has resigned

Johansen - HRA – has additional housing money

Hansen – MN River Area Aging – 22 counties presently in Joint Powers

Hansen – SRDC – meeting held May 8, 2008

Sagmoe – Western Human Development - interviewing for a new director

Auditor Warrants were presented.

Motion by Sagmoe, seconded by Johansen, to approve the following Commissioner Warrants #4100 - 4205: Revenue - \$118,816.67, Road & Bridge - \$87,019.93 and LBLID - \$107,510.11. All voted in favor.

The Board recessed at 12:00 p.m.

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

Dennis Healy, Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water CEO, presented the 2007 Independent Auditor's Report. Healy also reviewed changes that affect the rural water system.

Myron Knutson, PFM Group, and Carolyn Drude, Ehlers & Associates, reviewed bonding options for financing the replacement of windows, cooling units, air exchange and electrical upgrades for the courthouse. Options available included G.O. Courthouse Bonds, G.O. Capital Improvement Plan Bonds, and Lease Revenue Bonds. No action was taken at this time.

Motion by Sagmoe, seconded by Blumeyer, to adjourn at 3:35 p.m. All (4) voted in favor.

Attest:

Joan Jagt, 2008 Board Chair

Kathy Schreurs, Auditor

