

**LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES**

September 2, 2008
Courthouse Commissioner Room
Ivanhoe, MN 56142

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

Motion by Sagmoe, seconded by Hansen, to approve the minutes from the August 19, 2008 Commissioner meeting. All voted in favor.

Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Sagmoe, to approve agenda items. All (4) voted in favor.

Pauline VanOverbeke, staff, and board members of the Soil & Water Conservation District reviewed past, current and future conservation programs and projects. VanOverbeke also reviewed the 2009 budget request.

Robert Olsen, Environmental Administrator, reviewed a letter that he had received from Lyle Sik regarding two acres of farmland that he owns in Hansonville Township adjoining Judicial Ditch 28 that does not drain properly. Sik stated that Olsen claimed repairs were made to fix the tile line and put the inlet in the "right spot". Sik's letter stated "the inlet is still not how it was before it was taken out by the county. The inlet is supposed to be installed from the county tile line straight up to the surface." Olsen stated that 250 feet of tile had been replaced with 5-inch perforated tile. Olsen stated that the letter had been referred to the County Attorney.

Olsen reported that landowners Duane Schalek and Vernon Skorczewski have requested cleaning of Judicial Ditch 19 in Marble Township. Olsen estimated that the cost to clean JD 19 and level spoils of approximately 6,000 feet of open ditch at \$1.50 per foot, would be \$9,000.00. No action at this time.

Lee Amundson, County Engineer, reported:

- on the progress of 2008 construction and maintenance projects
- did not apply fog seal this year but did do more seal coating than first projected
- lowboy trailer has made eight machinery moves from August 8 – 26, 2008
- still working to settle penalty issue with Rupp Construction 2007 gravel crushing
- quotes for annual striping will be mailed soon
- there is a need for additional gravel pits in the northwest portion of Lincoln County
- considered purchase of a used dozer

Jay Trusty, Southwest Regional Development, reported that he had analyzed the job evaluation questionnaires that were completed by staff and department heads in Lincoln County. Trusty reported that he had used the State of Minnesota job match to assign pay equity points to the various job positions. The Board will review the information.

Commissioner committee reports and correspondence were reviewed.

Auditor Warrants were presented.

Motion by Sagmoe, seconded by Hansen, to approve the following Commissioner Warrants #5353 – 5419 for the following amounts: Revenue - \$41,637.77, Ditch - \$8,286.73, and Road & Bridge - \$129,422.57 All (4) voted in favor.

Motion by Sagmoe, seconded by Hansen, to cancel warrant #5279 to Royce Rolls Ringer Co. for \$506.05. All (4) voted in favor.

Mark Leibfried, Treasurer, requested approval to cancel the following regular and special account checks. Several attempts have been made to contact these individuals and as of this date they have failed to contact the Treasurer's office. Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Sagmoe, to cancel the following outstanding warrants:

#41700	Douglas Bernaciak	\$1,764.41
#42935	Al Nuese	25.00
# 1187	Dick Okimoto	18.82
# 1232	Kathy Lee	6.00

All (4) voted in favor.

Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Hansen to appoint Ila Bradley as an at-large member to the Lincoln County Enterprise Development Corporation. All (4) voted in favor.

Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Sagmoe, to charge a \$10.00 per month administrative fee to correctional employees who have not reimbursed Lincoln County for their portion of the Public Employee Retirement Association (PERA) contribution by December 31, 2008. All (4) voted in favor.

The Board recessed at 12:00 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Chuck DeBates, Financial Accountant, reviewed the 2009 preliminary budget. Motion by Jagt, seconded by Blumeyer, to reduce preliminary budget by \$100,000.00. Commissioners Blumeyer, Sagmoe, and Jagt voted in favor. Commissioner Hansen voted in opposition. Motion carried by majority vote.

Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Sagmoe, to certify 2009 preliminary levy of \$4,294,667.00. Commissioners Blumeyer, Sagmoe, and Jagt voted in favor. Commissioner Hansen voted in opposition. Motion carried by majority vote.

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

ATTEST: (SEAL)

Joan Jagt, 2008 Board Chair

Kathy Schreurs, County Auditor