

**LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES**

March 17, 2009
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, Curtis Blumeyer, Larry Hansen, Adam Gillund, and Don Evers. Also present were County Auditor, Kathy Schreurs and County Attorney, Glen Petersen.

Motion by Gillund, seconded by Evers, to approve minutes from the March 3, 2009 Commissioner meeting. All voted in favor.

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

Dennis Healy and Joe Weber, Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water (LPRW), reported that LPRW has reached an Agreement with Osceola County Rural Water to purchase 1.2 million gallons of potable water per day. In order to receive this water LPRW needs to construct a water tower, water lines, a booster station, a water meter station and several other ancillary items. The total cost to construct these improvements is \$12.5 million dollars. LPRW has received a Government Grant in the amount of \$4 million dollars. The remaining \$8.5 million dollars will be financed through the issuance of a bond. On February 17, 2009 Nobles County passed a Resolution, which expressed its intent to issue \$8.5 million in bonds to finance this project. However the bonds cannot be issued until all of the counties served by LPRW enter into a Joint Powers Agreement, which guarantees the payment of the \$8.5 million bond. Motion by Gillund, seconded by Hansen, to approve "Joint Powers Agreement Between The Counties Served by Lincoln Pipestone County Rural Water System to Guarantee a Bond". All voted in favor.

Loretta Lundberg, County Recorder, reported the need for electronic data storage and backup. The Recorders Office currently uses Fidlar Technologies Software for recording purposes. Fidlar charges a one-time software license fee of \$3,375.00 and \$500 per quarter for up to 50 GB for data storage. Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Evers, to approve software license agreement with Fidlar Technologies for data storage and to authorize Lundberg to sign said agreement. All voted in favor.

Motion by Gillund, seconded by Hansen, to approve "out-of-state" travel for Loretta Lundberg to attend the Fidlar Educational Conference in Rockford, Illinois, May 12 – 14, 2009. All voted in favor.

Lundberg reported that there are several uncashed checks in the Recorders checking account. Lundberg stated that she had made numerous attempts to contact the vendors but has received no response. Motion by Gillund, seconded by Blumeyer, to cancel the following checks from the Recorders checking account: All voted in favor.

6/1/2000	#662	Bank First	\$ 30.00
3/1/2002	#783	American Title Inc	12.00
9/1/2002	#830	Mn Valley Bank	20.00
1/1/2003	#878	American Title Inc	12.79
4/25/2005	#834	Runchey, Louwagie &	7.85
6/29/2006	#942	Forrest & Sara Hach	16.00
<u>6/11/2007</u>	<u>#1033</u>	<u>Lenders First Choice</u>	<u>20.00</u>
TOTAL			\$118.64

Lundberg reported that the Recorders office has several unpaid accounts receivable invoices on file and believes them to be uncollectable. Motion by Hansen, seconded by Evers to cancel the following invoices: All voted in favor.

10/17/2001	#5572	Mega Funding	\$ 6.00
11/22/2002	#6474	Nationwide Title	10.00

2/20/2004	#7542	Washington Mutual	21.00
3/20/2005	#8491	AITF Retrieval Services	7.00
9/10/2007	#20841	Crystal Abstract	19.00
1/3/2003	#6545	David J Robinson	20.00
1/13/2005	#8299	Brenda Holub	13.00
7/26/2005	#1001	Brady Struss	13.00
<u>12/13/2006</u>	#1140	Jennifer A-M Dame	<u>16.00</u>
TOTAL			\$125.00

Lee Amundson, County Engineer, gave construction/maintenance update, which included:

- DNR comment period for CSAH 12 ends March 22, 2009
- Right of Way easements almost completed for CSAH 12

Amundson reviewed the multi-year construction plan. Motion by Hansen, seconded by Gillund to approve 2009 – 2016 Multi-Year Construction Plan. All voted in favor.

Motion by Evers, seconded by Blumeyer, to approve Annual Report of the Lincoln County Highway Department for the Year Ended December 31, 2008. All voted in favor.

Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Evers, to approve Resolution No. 15-2009. All voted in favor.

**LINCOLN COUNTY
TRANSFER OF EXCESS MUNICIPAL FUNDS TO REGULAR FUNDS
RESOLUTION 15-2009**

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 162.08, Subd 4 (3d), provided that accumulated balances in excess of two years of municipal account apportionments may be spent on projects located outside of municipalities under 5000 population, when approved solely by resolution of the county board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Transportation transfer \$156,580.81 (all funds) in excess of two years apportionment into the Regular Construction Account.

ADOPTED by Majority Vote on this 17th day of March, 2009.

ATTEST:

(SEAL)

Joan Jagt, 2009 Board Chair

Kathy Schreurs, County Auditor

Robin Weis, Retired Senior Volunteer Program Executive Director (RSVP), reported that aging is being redefined in the following areas:

- Redefining work and retirement
- Supporting caregivers of all ages
- Fostering communities for a lifetime
- Improving health and long-term care
- Maximizing use of technology
- How are YOU and the residents of this County going to age?

Rosanne Lasnetski, RSVP Program Coordinator for Lincoln County, reviewed volunteer stations, programs and projects in Lincoln County. Florence Dorn and Mary Chase-Awoleye reported on the importance of RSVP to the citizens of Lincoln County.

Robert Olsen, Environmental Administrator, presented the 2009 Annual County Feedlot Officer and Performance Credit Report for July 1, 2008 – December 31, 2008. The report showed 432 registered feedlots in Lincoln County.

Olsen presented the 2008 SCORE Survey. The report showed 52 tons of garbage collected at the Lincoln County Transfer Station and 1,927.57 ton of garbage that were directly hauled to the

Lyon County Sanitary Landfill. Olsen reported that 890 tons of recyclables were collected in 2008, which is up from 760 tons that was reported in 2007. Motion by Hansen, seconded by Blumeyer, to approve the SCORE Survey as presented. All voted in favor.

Olsen reported that Lake Benton Lake Improvement District has been approved for \$61,000.00 grant provided by the Department of Natural Resources Grant to control curly leaf pond weed.

Committee Reports were given:

Jagt– Parks
Evers – Tourism
Gillund – none
Blumeyer –SW Work Force, RCRCA
Hansen – none

Auditor Warrants were presented.

Motion by Gillund, seconded by Evers, to approve the following Commissioner Warrants #6992 - 7082 for the following amounts: Revenue - \$59,024.87, Road & Bridge - \$38,580.83 and Courthouse Improvements - \$219,968.43. All voted in favor.

The Board recessed at 12:30 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Jeff Nelson, Architect, Steve Doom, Contractor, gave an update on the Windows and Air Courthouse Project. Several change orders were proposed. Changes included:

* Ceiling modifications for Air Conditioning installations	\$19,222.00
* Additional caulking	\$ 2,949.00
* Bathroom ventilation ground floor	\$ 9,507.00
* Bathroom ventilation third floor	\$ 6,973.00
* Additional window trim	\$ 8,106.00

Motion by Hansen, seconded by Blumeyer, to approve ceiling modifications, additional caulking, bathroom ventilation ground floor and additional window trim at an increased cost of \$39,784.00. Commissioners Hansen and Blumeyer voted in favor. Commissioners Jagt, Evers, and Gillund voted in opposition. Motion failed.

Motion by Gillund, seconded by Evers, to approve ceiling modifications, additional caulking, and additional window trim at an increased cost of \$30,277.00. Commissioners Evers, Gillund, and Jagt voted in favor. Commissioners Hansen and Blumeyer voted in opposition. Motion carried by majority vote.

Pauline VanOverbeke, Soil Water Conservation District (SWCD) reviewed an application for funding from RC&D to help sponsor the 2009 Women's Ag Day that will be held at the Lyon County Fairgrounds. The total cost of the event is estimated at \$2,100.00. SWCD is requesting \$450.00 from RC&D. Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Gillund, to approve application by Soil Water Conservation District for \$450.00 from RC&D. All voted in favor.

Daryl Schlapkohl, Parks Manager, and Robert Olsen reviewed the time frame and estimated costs to begin the process of developing new camp sites at Norwegian Creek Park.

Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Gillund, to appoint Daniel Christianson as District Manager of the Lac Qui Parle-Yellow Bank Watershed District for term ending April 18, 2012. All voted in favor.

Motion by Gillund, seconded by Blumeyer, to adjourn at 2:55 p.m. All voted in favor.

ATTEST:

(SEAL)

Joan Jagt, 2009 Board Chair

Kathy Schreurs, County Auditor