

**LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES**

May 5, 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 Blumeyer, seconded by Hansen, to approve minutes from the April 21, 2009 Commissioner meeting. All voted in favor.

Motion by Evers, seconded by Gillund, to approve agenda items and additions. All voted in favor.

Dennis Healy, Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water Chief Executive Officer, presented the Independent Auditor's Report for the year ended December 31, 2008. Healy also reviewed the 2008-2010 projects budget and schedule of the Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water System.

Cara Nielsen, Transit Director, reported that she had received information that due to the American Recovery Reinvestment Act a new bus has been approved for Lincoln County at no cost to the County. Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Gillund to approve Resolution No. 21-2009. (Transit Vehicle Purchase). All voted in favor.

**Resolution No. 21 - 2009
Transit Vehicle Purchase**

WHEREAS, Lincoln County operates a transit system; and

WHEREAS, Lincoln County desires to purchase, through the State of Minnesota Cooperative Procurement Process, a vehicle to be used in the transit system; and

WHEREAS, the vehicle cost is allocated 100% Federal share of the "contract amount"; and

WHEREAS, The Lincoln County Transit staff has reviewed the vehicle options offered by approved multiple contracting vendors; and

WHEREAS, the staff recommends purchasing a vehicle from North Central Bus Sales for the reason of Past Vendor Performance and fleet consistency (e.g. cost, fleet consistency, service availability, and/or past vendor performance, etc.); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that The Lincoln County Board of Commissioner's hereby authorizes the purchase of a new transit bus from North Central Bus Sales in the approximate amount of \$54,765.64.

ATTEST:

(SEAL)

Joan Jagt, 2009 Board Chair

Kathy Schreurs, County Auditor

Lee Amundson, Engineer, gave the construction/maintenance update:

- Archaeology Study on CSAH 12 has been completed, still have 30 day response period for the State Historic Preservation Office
- Cost for demolition of Arco School was lower than original estimate
- Received letter of approval for the CSAH 7 Safety Project
- Working on replat of Lake Benton shop area
- Data has been sent to apply for future grant funds

- Reported on the National Association of County Engineers Conference that he attended April 19 – 23, 2009

Amundson reported that the bid received for 2009 seal coat projects was incomplete. Motion by Gillund, seconded by Blumeyer, to reject bid from Jebro, Inc. and to rebid the project. All voted in favor.

Maintenance Foreman, Scholten, presented information for the purchase of a truck chassis. The purchase of a truck chassis is on the 2010 equipment plan, however if the purchase is made in 2009, the County could see a significant cost saving due to equipment mandates scheduled for 2010. Motion by Hansen, seconded by Evers, to proceed with ordering a truck chassis for delivery in 2009. All voted in favor.

At 10:30 a.m. bids were opened for all work and materials for bituminous overlays on CSAH 6, 9 and 11. The following bids were received: No action taken at this time.

Central Specialties	\$792,677.80
Duinick Bros	\$922,942.53
McLaughlin & Schulz Inc	\$800,625.55

Amundson reported that according to Minnesota Statute 163.07 the County Board shall make reappointments for County Engineer for a term of four years, and shall be made in May of the year in which the term expires. The reappointment was referred to the Personnel Committee.

Motion by Hansen, seconded by Gillund, to accept Performance Credit Funding of \$4,165 (Feedlot Program) and to authorize Chair Jagt to sign said agreement. All voted in favor.

Robert Olsen, Environmental Administrator, reported that he had received a letter on behalf of JW Prairie Wind Power, LLC (JWPW) requesting that Lincoln County assume permitting authority for a wind energy conversion facility in Lincoln County rather than the Public Utilities Commission (PUC). The letter stated that under Minnesota Statutes Section 216F.012(a), the County board may assume responsibility for processing the Buffalo Ridge Wind Energy Project (19.8 megawatts). Information only.

Olsen reported that the rural garbage collection sites have been overflowing. Olsen proposed to increase the number of dumpsters in Ivanhoe, Hendricks and The Marble Store.

Olsen, reported that the collection containers provided by U'SAgain for the collection of shoes and clothing collected 1,150 lbs of recyclables during the first week of operation.

Olsen reported that he had received quotes for the replacement of 2600 feet of 12-inch tile in Judicial Ditch 22. The following quotes were received: Pat Sterzinger Excavating \$13,323.00, Prellwitz Tiling \$13,387.00 and C&K Tiling \$12,432.00. The low quote of \$12,432.00 from C&K Tiling was chosen to replace tile in Judicial Ditch 22.

Olsen reported that he had received quotes for cleaning 11,000 feet of Judicial Ditch 19. The following quotes were received:

Andrzejek/Cherp Excavating - \$1.65/ft. and approx. \$115/hr for tree removal
C&K Construction - \$1.60/ft. and \$145/hr
A&C Excavating - \$1.40/ft. and \$125/hr
Pat Sterzinger Excavating - \$1.35/ft. and approx. \$115/hr
Cooreman Contracting - \$1.30/ft. and \$125/hr
Thompson Excavating - \$1.25/ft. and \$115/hr

Motion by Gillund, seconded by Evers, to accept quote of Thompson Excavating for \$1.25/ft. and \$115/hr for cleaning 1,100 feet of Judicial Ditch 19. All voted in favor.

Auditor Schreurs requested direction on where to pay Commissioner per diems and mileage for attending ditch hearings/meetings. Motion by Evers, seconded by Gillund, to pay Commissioner per diems and mileage from Ditch Repair Fund accounts per the particular ditch account. Commissioner Jagt, Gillund, Evers, and Hansen voted in favor. Commissioner Blumeyer abstained. Motion carried by majority vote.

Olsen reported that curly leaf pondweed sampling has been completed in Lake Benton and treatment would begin soon.

Legislative issues and correspondence were reviewed and the following Committee Reports were given:

Jagt – AMC Emergency Management Mtg
Evers – AMC Legislative Conference
Gillund – Western Mental Health, Personnel
Blumeyer – Regional Radio Board, AMC Legislative Conference, Public Health
Hansen – AMC Legislative Conference, Personnel

Auditor Warrants were presented.

Motion by Gillund, seconded by Hansen, to approve the following Commissioner Warrants # 7376 - 7451 for the following amounts: Revenue - \$33,876.49 Road & Bridge - \$9,555.86, Ditch - \$125.00, Forfeited Property - \$51,551.66 and Courthouse Improvements - \$34.51. All voted in favor.

Motion by Hansen, seconded by Gillund, to approve Rural MN Energy Board Resolution for a joint wind energy production project of two wind generators to be located at the Lyon County Landfill. Commissioner Hansen voted in favor. Commissioners Gillund, Jagt, Blumeyer and Evers voted in opposition. Motion failed.

Motion by Evers, seconded by Jagt, to approve 3.2 Malt Liquor License to Minnesota Hall of Fame (Larry Olsen) 1931 U.S. Hwy 14, Lake Benton, MN for the period of May 21 – 24, 2009. All voted in favor.

Motion by Hansen, seconded by Evers, to approve Joint Powers Agreement with Redwood and Cottonwood Rivers Control Area (RCRCA) and to authorize Commissioner Evers to sign said agreement on behalf of Lincoln County. All voted in favor.

The Board continued to review a proposed cell phone policy for Lincoln County.

Auditor Schreurs reviewed information required when filling out expense forms.

Motion by Gillund, seconded by Hansen, to adjourn at 12:40 p.m. All voted in favor.

ATTEST: (SEAL)

Joan Jagt, 2009 Board Chair

Kathy Schreurs, County Auditor