

**LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES**

October 20, 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 October 6, 2009 Commissioner meeting. All voted in favor.

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

Robert Olsen, Environmental Administrator, reported that crop damage was reported by Dorance Lacek and family when ditch cleaning was done to JD #19. Motion by Hansen, seconded by Evers, to offer Dorance Lacek and family \$2,460.00 for crop damage. All voted in favor.

Olsen reported that the Engineer's report has been received for repairs to JD #28. The preliminary estimate is \$308,000. A petition was received by the Lac qui Parle Watershed District. A public hearing is expected to be set for the near future. Information only.

Olsen reported that Mike Buss owns a house on the southeast end of Lake Shaokatan. The house is situated on top of a drainage tile for Public Ditch #4. Preliminary discussion and a tentative agreement will reroute the drainage tile around the house into Lake Shaokatan. Information only.

Lee Amundson, Engineer reported:

- Rain and wet conditions continue to create problems with road construction projects
- Striping has been finished
- Applications are being received for the Shop Foreman position, which will close on October 21, 2009
- Continues to work on the 2010 proposed Road and Bridge budget .

Craig Larson, Maintenance, reported that there are new state codes for operating a public elevator. Electrical and dry wall requirements have been completed. MN Elevator will provide additional parts and labor to bring the remaining upgrades to code. The estimated additional costs are \$9,500.00.

The Board again reviewed a resolution from Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water System (LPRW) to reappoint three LPRW Commissioners to four-year terms. No action was taken on the Resolution.

Motion by Hansen, seconded by Blumeyer, to leave AMC Annual Meeting voting delegates the same as in 2008. All voted in favor.

Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Gillund, to appoint Commissioner Evers as the Voting Delegate and Commissioner Blumeyer as the Alternate to the MCIT Annual Meeting. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Gillund reported that the Hendricks City Council reduced their full time police chief to part time. The City of Hendricks and the City of Lake Benton currently have a cooperation agreement with the Lincoln County Sheriff's Department to provide some of the services. There is however a 60 day opt out to the agreement. No action at this time.

Commissioner Evers reported that Verdi Township has asked if the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners could intervene with the issue of residents failing to dispose of personal garbage. The Township is concerned about the potential health hazard. No action taken.

Correspondence was reviewed and the following Committee Reports were given:

Evers – RCRC, Tourism
Gillund – Park Board, Western Mental Health, Union
Jagt – Park Board
Blumeyer – Public Health
Hansen – SRDC, RSVP

Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Gillund, to authorize per diem and mileage to Board members to attend the Radio System Needs Assessment meeting on October 22, 2009 in the Courthouse Assembly Room. All voted in favor.

The 2010 proposed budget was reviewed. Motion by Gillund, seconded by Evers, to eliminate the second Environmental Technician position in the Environmental office effective December 31, 2009. Commissioners Gillund, Evers, Blumeyer and Jagt voted in favor. Commissioner Hansen voted in opposition. Motion carried by majority vote.

Auditor Warrants were presented.

Motion by Gillund, seconded by Evers, to approve the following Commissioner Warrants # 8810 - 9915 for the following amounts: Revenue - \$77,727.02, Road & Bridge - \$88,174.84 and Ditch - \$205.62. All voted in favor.

Auditor Schreurs reported that Deputy Auditor, Joan Klitzke, will be retiring November 27, 2009 after 22 years as an employee of Lincoln County. A letter of resignation has been received.

Motion by Blumeyer, seconded by Hansen, to recess this meeting to October 26, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner Room, Lincoln County Courthouse, Ivanhoe, MN. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Jagt called the meeting back to order on October 26, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. Commissioners Jagt, Gillund, Hansen, and Evers and Auditor Schreurs were in attendance. Commissioner Blumeyer was absent. Others in attendance were Lincoln County employees Mark Leibfried, Chuck DeBates, Craig Larson, and Robin Sterzinger.

The Board welcomed Gail Sater, Minnesota Counties Insurance Trust (MCIT), who presented on-site risk management training in the topics of "Experience is the Best Teacher" and "Coming Together for Efficiency – Discussion of the Joint Exercise of Power".

2010 proposed budget items were reviewed.

Motion by Gillund, seconded by Evers, to adjourn at 10:55 a.m. All (4) voted in favor.

ATTEST:

(SEAL)

Joan Jagt, 2009 Board Chair

Kathy Schreurs, County Auditor