

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
OF THE COUNTY BOARD
LAKE COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

August 12, 2014. Commissioners Chambers, Lake County Courthouse, Two Harbors, Minnesota.
Commissioners Present: Goutermont, Hurd, Jones, Sve, Walsh. Absent: None. Also present: County
Administrator Matthew Huddleston and Laurel Buchanan, Clerk of the Board.

Meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Chairperson Rich Sve. Unless otherwise stated, all actions have
been approved by unanimous yeas vote. Members of the public were present.

MOTION WALSH, SECOND JONES: 01 – Approve agenda. Absent: None

Lake County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) Manager Dan Schutte discussed the One
Watershed, One Plan (1W1P) pilot project in which Lake Superior North Watershed (LSNW) has been selected
as a pilot watershed. He discussed the process of establishing a policy committee and drafting a
Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for Lake and Cook counties to consider entering into.

Lake County Land Commissioner Nate Eide reviewed an updated tax-forfeit land list for a public sale of land.
Mr. Eide also updated the County Board on a data center site visit that was held on this day. A more detailed
update will follow from APEX CEO Brian Hanson.

MOTION JONES, SECOND HURD: 02 – Recess County Board meeting at 2:29 p.m. Absent: None
The County Board meeting was reconvened at 2:34 p.m. with all members present.

MOTION GOUTERMONT, SECOND WALSH: 03 – Approve Consent Agenda as follows:

1. Approve County Board meeting minutes from July 22, 2014.
2. Approve claims in the amount of \$69,229.02.
3. Authorize payment in the amount of \$2,709.03 to Sonju's for repairs to Sheriff's Office Vehicle 615.
4. Authorize payment in the amount of \$3,875.99 to Lake County Human Services for Public Health Nurse
jail services for January 2014 through June 2014.
5. Authorize payment to Hildi, Inc. in the amount of \$2,545 (Invoice No. 5747) for fee for work performed
through June 25, 2014, for the year-end disclosures under GASB 45.
6. Authorize chair to sign Amendment #3 (RUS Form 256) to the Egan Company contract (B-6). The
increase of \$13,950.00 is for additional materials and installation at the Two Harbors & Silver Bay site.
The amended contract price will be \$1,193,945.27.
7. Approve right-of-way award offers for SAP 038-607-010, culvert replacement, milling & reclamation,
and shoulder widening project on CSAH 7.
8. Approve payment to Brock White on Invoice #12441540, in the amount of \$2,741.31 for repair supplies
on Hawk Hill Road Bridge #93091.
9. Approve payment to EnviroTech Services, Inc. in the total amount of \$80,725.13. Of this total,
\$7,212.26 is reimbursable from others (Wolf Ridge ELC/\$3,629.70 and Beaver Bay
Township/\$3,582.56). See also 5-27-14 Board Minutes (Page 2, Item #14).

10. Approve 2014-2015 purchase of winter salt from North American Salt (through State CPV Contract S-803(5)) in the amount of \$66.69/ton to Two Harbors and \$70.03/ton to Finland, payable upon each delivery as needed.
11. Approve Board Chair to sign letter to Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) District One for interagency cooperation between Lake County and MnDOT.
12. Approve hire of LHB Corporation for Bridge 91147 (CSAH 3 over Encampment River) replacement design effective June 1, 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$42,919.00 as attached to February 25, 2014 board meeting packet.
13. Approve payment of Invoice No. 140349.00-1 to LHB Corporation, in the amount of \$6,081.12 for Bridge 91147 design services.
14. Accept quote and approve payment upon satisfactory completion to Future Forests for \$101.00/acre for approximately 45 acres. Payment shall not exceed \$5,050.
15. IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Lake County on August 12th, 2014, that the State's proposed acquisition of a conservation easement on the following described property be approved:

LAND DESCRIPTION:

The Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter and the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 1.

And

The Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter and the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter and the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 2.

And

The Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 3.

And

The Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter and those parts of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, and the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter lying northeasterly of the railroad, all in Section 9.

And

The Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter and those parts of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter lying northwesterly of the railroad, all in Section 10.

All in Township 58 North, Range 7 West, Lake County, MN.

Entire description of parcel being conveyed contains 519.80 acres more or less.

16. Approve a non-exclusive easement 10 feet wide along a centerline as located by GPS and illustrated and described on Exhibit B of the easement for the Superior Hiking Trail Easement to cross tax forfeit parcels described as Southeast Quarter of Southwest Quarter (SE1/4 of SW1/4), Section Ten (10), Township Fifty-three (53) North, Range Ten (10) West of the Fourth Principal Meridian and North Half (N1/2), Section Fifteen (15), Township Fifty-three (53) North, Range Ten (10) West of the Fourth Principal Meridian.
17. Authorize payment in the amount of \$106,738.30 to Lake Communications, Inc. for Operations and Management of the Lake County Fiber to the Home Project (Invoice 42).
18. Authorize payments to VISA for the following charges:
 - \$710.62 for safety purchases for the Forestry Department including chemical splash safety goggles, chain saw helmet system, chain saw protective chaps, chemical resistant gloves, emergency eyewash station portable OSHA bundle, Kestrel 3000 pocket weather meter, and Powermate water pump 1-inch hose kit.
 - \$97.68 for FedEx packages sent on behalf of the Lake Connections fiber optic project.
19. Authorize payment in the amount of \$6,523.75 to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (MN DNR) for easement #ECOUI101012 over described lands SW/NE S13 T56N R9W and N1/2 of NW1/4 and SE/NW S16 T56N R8W for the Lake County Regional ATV Trail.
20. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the Federal Representation Services Agreement between Lockridge Grindal Nauen, P.L.L.P. and Lake County, in the amount of \$14,000.00 payable in seven equal monthly installations of \$2,000.00 per month effective June 1, 2014, through December 31, 2014.
21. Approve and award bid prices as listed below for Wildfire Fuel Reduction (Stevens) Grant projects to reduce hazardous balsam fir understory and blow down on private lands in Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) areas adjacent to USFS projects. Contracts will be paid by Lake County and reimbursed by the federal Wildfire Fuel Reduction Grant.

Acres	Project Name	Total Value	Awarded to
4.6	Cooper	\$5,040.00	North Shore Tree & Stump Removal
9.8	Gibson	\$11,760.00	Peterson Landscaping and Excavation
4.5	S Johnson	\$4,950.00	North Shore Tree & Stump Removal
18.9		\$21,750.00	

22. Approve the lowest quote of \$57,516.00 to Mecklin Contracting to provide infrastructure work under the Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board (IRRRB) grant for the Two Harbors Machine expansion project.
23. Authorize purchase of fiber optic pigtail connectors for broadband project from Graybar (low quote). Cost is \$5,148.50 plus taxes and freight.
24. Authorize payment in the amount of \$5,515.88 to Minnesota Telecommunications (Northeast Service Cooperative) for commercial dark fiber to Duluth (reference 1471).

25. Authorize payment to Giant Voices in the amount of \$5,000.00 (INV-036713) for the August 2014 monthly retainer [for broadband marketing services including coordination and execution of communication priorities outlined in marketing services agreement].
26. Authorize payment in the amount of \$3,070.00 to 7Sigma Systems, Inc. for ISP support services (reference 73114LAK).
27. Authorize the Chair or County Administrator to sign a two-year lease agreement for \$10,925.00 with Kortuem Living Trust for Billboard Advertising for Lake County's FTTH project on Hwy 61.
28. Authorize payment in the amount of \$9,000.00 to Kennedy & Graven, Chartered for legal services as bond counsel with respect to issuance of the Series 2014A Bonds.
29. Amend County Board meeting minutes of February 25, 2014, Motion 21, that authorized the purchase of Amino IPTV Set top Boxes from Power and Telephone Supply Co., to include this under an RUS 398 equipment only contract. Revised language is as follows: Amend resolution 21 from County Board meeting minutes of February 25, 2014 to put the purchase of the Amino IPTV Set top Boxes from Power and Telephone Supply Co. for an amount not to exceed \$91,127.25 plus tax and shipping under an RUS 398 equipment only contract so as Lake County can be reimbursed from the Loan/Grant agreement for the FTTH project. Absent: None

MOTION WALSH, SECOND HURD: 04 – Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the Corporate Worksite Clinics Influenza Immunization Agreement between Lake County and Minnesota Visiting Nurse Agency (MVNA). Absent: None

MOTION GOUTERMONT, SECOND HURD: 05 – Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the 2014-2015 Labor Agreement between Lake County and Minnesota Public Employees Association covering Supervisory employees. Absent: None

MOTION JONES, SECOND GOUTERMONT: 06 – Authorize the Chair or County Administrator to approve a non-standard RUS contract for \$87,014.00 with Thermo Bond of Elk Point, South Dakota for a prefabricated equipment shelter for Lake County's FTTH project to be delivered and set on leased land in the City of Ely. Absent: None

MOTION WALSH, SECOND HURD: 07 – Authorize the Chair or County Administrator to approve a non-standard RUS contract for \$85,653.00 with Thermo Bond of Elk Point, South Dakota for a prefabricated equipment shelter for Lake County's FTTH project to be delivered and set on leased land in the City of Aurora. Absent: None

MOTION GOUTERMONT, SECOND WALSH: 08 – Appoint Lake County Commissioner Rich Sve as the designated representative for the Lake Superior North Watershed Policy Committee (One Watershed, One Plan (1W1P) pilot project). The policy committee will, per Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources- (BWSR) developed operating procedures, be comprised of one Cook County Commissioner, one Lake County Commissioner, one Lake SWCD Supervisor, and one Cook SWCD Supervisor. The policy committee will be drafting a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between Cook and Lake counties, for the counties to consider entering into. Absent: None

MOTION WALSH, SECOND JONES: 09 – BE IT RESOLVED, that all parcels of tax-forfeited land listed on 2014-01 Land Sale List of Tax-Forfeited Land having been classified as non-conservation; that the basic sale price of each parcel on 2014-01 Land Sale List of Tax-Forfeited Land, be approved and authorization for a public sale of this land be granted, pursuant to M.S. 282.01; that the sale will be held October 17th, 2014 at 11:00 A.M. by the Lake County Auditor at the Lake County Courthouse, for not less than the basic sale price; and that all sales shall be full payment or on the terms set forth in 2014-01 Land Sale List of Tax-Forfeited Land. Absent: None

MOTION JONES, SECOND HURD: 10 – Approve the selection of Lake Communications Inc. as the hosted Voice-over-Internet Protocol (VoIP) solution provider for *RFP #072014-VoIP*; and authorize the I.S. Director to begin contract negotiations with Lake Communications Inc. for this hosted VoIP service. Absent: None

MOTION WALSH, SECOND GOUTERMONT: 11 – Authorize the purchase of vehicle graphics from Elite Tinting and Graphics of Duluth for the Lake County's FTTH utility vehicles at a price of \$1395.00 for standard trucks (x3) and \$1325.00 for the bucket truck (x1), plus a one-time design cost of \$390.00. Absent: None

MOTION HURD, SECOND GOUTERMONT: 12 – Award bid and authorize Land Commissioner to sign the contract with Country Trucking and Excavating Inc., in the amount of \$174,419.17, for the construction of the Lake County Regional ATV trail using the North Shore State Snowmobile Trail. This portion of the trail runs between North Alger Grade and Moosewalk Trail. Absent: None

MOTION JONES, SECOND GOUTERMONT: 13 – Adjourn meeting at 2:58 p.m. Absent: None

The Lake County Board of Commissioners will meet as a Committee of the Whole on Tuesday, August 19, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. in the Law Enforcement Center, 613 Third Avenue, Two Harbors, Minnesota.

A regular board meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 26, 2014, at 1:00 p.m., in the Commissioners' boardroom at the Lake County Courthouse, 601 Third Avenue, Two Harbors, Minnesota.

ATTEST:

Laurel D. Buchanan
Clerk of the Board

Rich Sve, Chairperson
Lake County Board of Commissioners