

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

September 23, 2014. Commissioners Chambers, Lake County Courthouse, Two Harbors, Minnesota. Commissioners Present: Goutermont, Hurd, Walsh, Sve. Absent: Jones. Also present: Laurel Buchanan, Clerk of the Board. Also absent: County Administrator Matthew Huddleston.

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 GOUTERMONT, SECOND HURD: 01 – Approve agenda with changes. Absent: Jones

Katie Sundstrom, Director of the Two Harbors Public Library, introduced herself to the County Board and provided an update on recent activities of the library and initiatives to encourage youth to read.

Commissioner Brad Jones arrived at 1:05 p.m. and was present for a discussion on a current zoning request made by Silver Creek Gifts shop owners Amy Church and Mark Klug. Ms. Church and Mr. Klug appeared before the County Board to provide information on their zoning request. The Planning Commission had made its recommendation to the County Board to deny the zoning application based on the findings that this zoning district would not meet the intent of the Comprehensive Plan and the basic criteria of the Lake County Land Use Ordinance. The owners discussed the original conditional use and that potential for future uses or business expansion would depend on the zoning. It would need to be re-zoned if a business were to expand into other uses. The County Board discussed that the North Shore Management Board (NSMB) will be meeting the following day and that the County Board could delay a decision until after it receives input from NSMB.

MOTION GOUTERMONT, SECOND HURD: 02 – Table the proposed resolution to adopt the findings by the Planning Commission (Planning Commission Resolution PCR-14-014) recommending denial of the request for rezoning of parcels#: 29-5310-21175 & 29-5310-21170 from R-4/Residential two acre minimum to CR/Commercial Rural two acre minimum. Absent: None

MOTION JONES, SECOND HURD: 03 – Approve Consent Agenda as follows:

1. Approve County Board meeting minutes from September 9, 2014.
2. Approve claims in the amount of \$44,973.76.
3. Approve the renewal of Consumption and Display Permit for National Forest Lodge, Isabella, Minnesota, subject to payment of county license fee, for period April 1, 2014 through March 31, 2015.
4. Approve payment to SeaChange Printing and Marketing Services LLC in the amount of \$4,743.90 for the 2014 General Election Ballots (invoice #8071).
5. Authorize the Information Systems Director to submit a *letter of commitment* to the Blandin Foundation to continue Lake County's participation in the Blandin Community Broadband Program for the 2015-2016 program period.
6. Authorize the Information Systems Director to submit a Bush Foundation *Recruitment Partner Application* on behalf of Lake County.
7. Approve payment of Invoice No. 651 to North Point Geographic Solutions, in the amount of \$3,071.00 for GIS consulting services.

8. Approve appointment of Jakkie Ostman (District 3) to the Lake County Extension Committee, effective January 1, 2015. This appointment will fill the vacancy of Barb Liukkonen, who represented District 3 on the Lake County Extension Committee.
9. Approve payment to Contech in the amount of \$3,980.22 for culverts for the Stony Grade (\$2,002.31) and stock (\$1,977.91) on Invoice #00128679.
10. Acknowledge letter of legal name change from North American Salt dated 9-5-2014. Name change from North American Salt, to Compass Minerals America Inc. Amend 8-12-14, page 2, item #10 to read: Approve 2014-2015 purchase of winter salt from Compass Minerals America Inc (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. Authorize payment in an amount not to exceed \$9,894.00 to Office Enterprises Inc. for a digital mailing system, plus meter rental and annual maintenance expense.
12. Authorize the purchase of InfiniVault Maintenance from Hybridge Imaging, LLC for a price not to exceed \$7,413.70.
13. Authorize a payment in the amount of \$2,711.85 to Ely Area Ambulance Service (EAAS) for the Town of Fall Lake's 2014 EAAS Joint Powers Contribution.
14. Approve quote in the amount of \$4,386.00 from Century Fence Company for fencing changes to the impound area that the Lake County Sheriff's Office shares with Lake Connections.
15. Approve abatement of taxes payable 2013 and 2014 for Parcel I.D. 25-5211-20730 per recommendation from the Lake County Assessor.
16. Authorize payment in the amount of \$6,000.00 to Area Partnership for Economic Expansion (APEX) per the marketing services contract for data center marketing services in August 2014 (Invoice LC – 2002).
17. Authorize the following payments totaling \$4,627.70 to Cooperative Light and Power for pole make ready:
 - a Invoice 6975 \$ 3,377.70
 - b Invoice 7013 \$ 625.00
 - c Invoice 7014 \$ 625.00
18. Authorize the following payments totaling \$8,365.00 to Otis-Magie for various bonds for the City of Two Harbors:
 - a Invoice 57231 \$ 7,636.00
 - b Invoice 57264 \$ 229.00
 - c Invoice 57232 \$ 500.00

19. Authorize payment in the amount of \$5,432.18 to Innovative Systems for billing system maintenance fees and postage (reference 21434 & 21593).

20. Authorize payment in the amount of \$3,376.00 to Conrow Law Office (Invoice 10142) for services from August 12, 2014, through September 19, 2014, in the matter of the Lake County fiber network.

Absent: None

MOTION GOUTERMONT, SECOND HURD: 04 – Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the five-year Fire Services Contract between the City of Silver Bay and Lake County Unorganized Territory #1 (UT-1), effective January 1, 2014. Absent: None

MOTION WALSH, SECOND GOUTERMONT: 05 – Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the Memorandum of Understanding between Lake County and LELS Local 321. Absent: None

MOTION HURD, SECOND JONES: 06 – Adopt the preliminary 2015 Net Property Tax Levy of \$9,010,454. Yea: Goutermont, Hurd, Jones, Walsh. Nay: Sve. Absent: None

MOTION WALSH, SECOND GOUTERMONT: 07 – Adopt the preliminary 2015 Net Property Tax Levy for Unorganized Territory No. 1 in the amount of \$32,000. Absent: None

MOTION JONES, SECOND GOUTERMONT: 08 – Adopt the preliminary 2015 Net Property Tax Levy for Unorganized Territory No. 2 in the amount of \$328,000 (Revenue Fund in the amount of \$88,000 and Road and Bridge Fund in the amount of \$240,000). Absent: None

MOTION JONES, SECOND HURD: 09 – Set date of Tuesday, December 16, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. for public hearing to set final budget and levies for Lake County to be held in the Lake County Courthouse, Law Enforcement Center. Absent: None

MOTION JONES, SECOND HURD: 10 – Appoint Commissioners Rich Sve and Derrick Goutermont to the Lake County Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Committee. Absent: None

MOTION WALSH, SECOND HURD: 11 – Approve resolution to request a waiver of the requirement to complete the 10-year update to the current Lake County Local Water Management Plan. Absent: None

MOTION JONES, SECOND GOUTERMONT: 12 – Approve purchase from Ranger Chevrolet for three (3) 2015 Chevrolet Tahoe patrol vehicles, and to make payment upon delivery for the total amount not to exceed \$95,711.34. Absent: None

MOTION GOUTERMONT, SECOND HURD: 13 – Adopt the findings by the Planning Commission and approve Interim Use Permit, I-14-010, for Eagle Point MN, LLC. Absent: None

MOTION HURD, SECOND GOUTERMONT: 14 – Adopt the findings by the Planning Commission and approve Interim Use Permit, I-14-011, for Jane Shallow. Absent: None

MOTION JONES, SECOND GOUTERMONT: 15 – Approve and authorize the Chair to sign ICECOR Proposal #101014007 for Wetland Delineation Services for Proposed Lake County Data Center Site, Sec. 6/T52N/R11W, Lake County, MN, in the base amount of \$5,040.00. Upon signing the authorization and acceptance page, Lake County will review and choose whether to include in the contract an additional optional task in the amount of \$1,980.00. Absent: None

MOTION WALSH, SECOND HURD: 16 – Approve and authorize the Chair to sign acceptance of environmental reporting agreement with Compass Consultants, Inc. for Lake County Fiber Network Phase 2B BIP for bi-weekly Spill Log Reporting as mandated by the federal permits, issued for Phase 2B construction by the National Forest Service and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Time & Expense estimate up to \$10,500.00.

Absent: None

MOTION GOUTERMONT, SECOND JONES: 17 – Approve Compass Consultants, Inc. quote # 140729-2 for engineering joint trench construction segment with Northeast Service Cooperative (NESC) in the amount of \$7,688.00. Absent: None

MOTION WALSH, SECOND HURD: 18 – Approve the Secure Rural Schools (SRS) Title III budget and initiate the listed projects as authorized for use of 2013 funds. Absent: None

MOTION JONES, SECOND HURD: 19 – Adjourn meeting at 2:10 p.m. Absent: None

The Lake County Board of Commissioners will hold an agenda meeting in the Commissioners' boardroom on Tuesday, October 7, at 1:00 p.m. A regular County Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 14, at 1:00 p.m., in the Commissioners' boardroom at the Lake County Courthouse, 601 Third Avenue, Two Harbors, Minnesota. The Lake County Board of Commissioners will meet as a Committee of the Whole on Tuesday, October 21, at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, Town of Silver Creek. A regular board meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 28, 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