

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

November 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. Members of the public were present.

MOTION GOUTERMONT, SECOND HURD: 01 – Approve agenda. Absent: None

Lake County Sex Trafficking Task Force members Marlys Wisch, Cindy Broin, and Paulette Moreland provided an update on the task force's community activities, training participation, and fundraising campaign efforts to promote public awareness aimed toward preventing human trafficking and helping victims in our communities. Commissioners discussed the intent to pass a proclamation for National Human Trafficking Awareness Month, January 2015. The Lake County Sex Trafficking Task Force was formed by volunteers to study trafficking in our county and to raise public awareness.

MOTION GOUTERMONT, SECOND WALSH: 02 – Approve Consent Agenda as follows:

1. Approve County Board meeting minutes from October 28, 2014.
2. Approve claims in the amount of \$57,032.42.
3. Approve the renewal of all current liquor/wine license holders for the calendar year 2015 contingent upon the approval of the County Attorney and Sheriff and payment of applicable fees.
4. Approve payment of \$4,988.00 to EnviroTrac LLC for Sand Lake roadside chipping project to reduce hazardous wildfire fuels on private lands. This contract will be paid by Lake County using federal Title III funding.
5. Approve entering into a Grant Contract with the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs (MDVA) to conduct the following Program: County Veterans Service Office Enhancement Grant Program, and authorize Rich Sve, Chairperson of the Lake County Board of Commissioners to execute the 2015 CVSO Operational Enhancement Grant on behalf of the County.
6. Approve payment of invoice 7746419 in the amount of \$3,699.97 to PetroChoice for bulk oil.
7. Authorize Highway Department tire repair in an amount up to \$3,500 (including tax, if applicable) from Pomp's Tire Service.
8. Authorize payment to Giant Voices in the amount of \$5,000.00 (INV-037083) for November 2014 monthly retainer, advertising & printing services [for broadband marketing services including coordination and execution of communication priorities outlined in marketing services agreement].
9. Authorize payment in the amount of \$130,600.30 to Lake Communications, Inc. for Operations and Management of the Lake County Fiber to the Home Project (Invoice 49).
10. Authorize payment in the amount of \$2,500.00 to 7Sigma Systems, Inc. for ISP support services (reference 103114LCN).

11. Authorize payment in the amount of \$2,537.14 to Gartner Refrigeration Company replace seals, gaskets and bleeders in broadband building (reference 54661).
12. Authorize payments to VISA for the following charges:
 - \$762.20 for airline ticket for County Commissioner to attend a National Forest Counties & Schools Coalition (NFCSC) meeting in Portland, Oregon, in November 2014.
 - \$74.42 for FedEx packages sent on behalf of the Lake Connections fiber optic project.
13. Amend County Board of Commissioners' meeting minutes from October 28, 2014, Motion 04, Consent Agenda Item 7, to reflect that the request was for two years, taxes payable in 2013 and 2014: Approve recommendation from Lake County Chief Deputy Assessor to grant homestead status for the 2012 and 2013 assessments, taxes payable in 2013 and 2014, for Parcel No. 25-5311-17730.
14. Amend County Board meeting minutes from September 23, 2014, motion 03, item 11, as follows:
"Authorize payment in an amount not to exceed \$9,894.00 to Neopost Inc. for a digital mailing system, plus meter rental; and authorize payment to Office Enterprises Inc. for annual maintenance expense."
15. Authorize payment to Western Lake Superior Sanitary District (WLSSD) in the amount of \$3,279.07 for the end of the year payout to WLSSD for the disposal of materials collected at Lake County Hazardous Household Waste (HHW) Facility (Invoice 103114LAKHHW).
16. Authorize payment in the amount of \$5,370.47 to Innovative Systems for billing system maintenance fee (reference 22121).
17. Authorize payment of \$265,688.35 to Cooperative Light and Power for pole make ready (Invoice 7120).
Absent: None

MOTION WALSH, SECOND HURD: 03 – Authorize payment to Riverstone Services for an amount not to exceed \$11,450, and payment to rSchoolToday for an amount not to exceed \$18,550 for the creation of a web-based community calendar portal; utilizing \$25,000 in Blandin Broadband Community Grant funds and \$5,000 in Lake County funds. Yea: Goutermont, Hurd, Walsh, Sve. Nay: None. Abstain: Jones. Absent: None

MOTION HURD, SECOND GOUTERMONT: 04 – Authorize the Board Chair to sign a Master Services Agreement and a Service Level Agreement with Lake Communications, Inc. for hosted VoIP services. Absent: None

MOTION JONES, SECOND WALSH: 05 – Support the Small Cities Development Program (SCDP) pre-applications by Lake County for the Community of Finland and by Lake County for the Community of Knife River, and authorize Lake County Auditor Lola Haus' signature on the SCDP Preliminary Proposals to the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) for funding of these projects on behalf of Lake County. Absent: None

MOTION HURD, SECOND GOUTERMONT: 06 – Approve resolution of support with changes for the City of Two Harbors submission of a grant application to the Environmental Protection Agency for Brownfield Assessment Program funding, as requested by Harbor Coordinator on behalf of the City of Two Harbors' Small Craft Harbor Advisory Committee. Absent: None

MOTION GOUTERMONT, SECOND WALSH: 07 – Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the Recreational Trail License by and between Franconia Minerals (US), LLC (“Licensor”) and Lake County, Minnesota, sponsor for Trail Prospectors Alliance (“Licensee”). Absent: None

MOTION WALSH, SECOND HURD: 08 – Authorize the purchase of Ford F150 pickup from Midway Ford, Roseville, MN, under State Contract Purchasing for approximately \$23,000 plus tax, license and fees. Absent: None

MOTION JONES, SECOND WALSH: 09 – Adjourn meeting at 3:07 p.m. Absent: None

The Lake County Board of Commissioners will meet as a Committee of the Whole on Tuesday, November 18, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. in the Isabella Community Building, Isabella, Minnesota.

A regular board meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 25, 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