

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

Tuesday, February 9, 2016, Lake County Service Center, Split Rock River Room, 616 Third Avenue, Two Harbors, Minnesota. Lake County Commissioners Present: Goutermont, Hurd, Jones, Sve, Walsh. Absent: None. Also present: County Administrator Matthew Huddleston and Laurel D. Buchanan, Clerk of the Board.

Meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Chairperson Rich Sve. Unless otherwise stated, all actions have been approved by unanimous yea vote. Members of the public were present. Commissioner Sve led the audience in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Lake County Administrator Matthew Huddleston informed the County Board of Commissioners that the Air Base Road will be discussed at the Town of Crystal Bay Township Meeting on March 8, 2016. Commissioner Walsh plans to attend the township meeting. The Air Base Road will also be on the agenda the evening of Tuesday, March 15, 2016, when Lake County meets as a Committee of the Whole. An outreach letter has been sent to local governments inviting participation in a discussion of the long-term performance of our road system and possibility of implementing a transportation sales tax in Lake County. This public input meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 15, 2016 at 6:00 p.m., at the Clair Nelson Intermodal Transportation Center, 6686 Cramer Road, Finland, Minnesota.

In 2013, the Minnesota State Legislature gave Greater Minnesota counties the choice to consider a one-half of one-percent sales tax as a tool for funding our transportation system needs. After hearing about the state of Lake County's road system from our Highway Engineer's perspective, the Board of Commissioners wants to hear from other stakeholders as Lake County weighs the pros and cons of this revenue diversification option. The County Board may or may not choose to proceed with an official public hearing at a later date following this series of public input meetings. County Commissioners discussed feedback received from several constituents and the responses overwhelmingly have been in support of implementing the transportation sales tax. A key point that stakeholders appreciate about this revenue diversification option is that the sales tax would be dedicated to specific, identified road projects and the sales tax would terminate after funding was received for these specific, identified road projects.

County Administrator informed the County Board of Commissioners that an impartial hearing on a dangerous dog determination was held on Monday, February 8, 2016, in the Lake County Service Center, Split Rock River Room, 616 Third Avenue, Two Harbors, Minnesota. The impartial hearing officer shall issue a decision on the matter within ten days after the hearing.

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

1. Approve County Board meeting minutes from January 26, 2016.
2. Approve claims in the amount of \$41,820.72.
3. Approve Health and Human Services claims payments in the following amounts:
 - a. Administrative payments \$ 8,539.11
 - b. Special payments \$ 19,058.50

4. Authorize the purchase and payment to NORTRAX for an industrial grapple rake for the landfill skid steer. Cost not to exceed \$3200 plus tax.
5. Approve payment of \$7,500.00 to Larry Wilford for the homeowner portion of FEMA Fire Resistant Roofing Grant 1 installation, pending reimbursement to Lake County from FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program DR-1982.07.
6. Approve and authorize the Chair of the County Board to sign the letter dated December 31, 2015, from the Minnesota Department of Human Services, as acceptance of Region III's CY 2016 Adult Mental Health (AMH) Grant Plan. Lake County is acting as the Fiscal Host of Region III. This is an Agreement between the Region's Adult Mental Health Initiative (Grantee) and the Department of Human Services, Mental Health Division (Grantor).
7. Approve and authorize the Chair of the County Board to sign the letter dated December 31, 2015, from the Minnesota Department of Human Services, as acceptance of Lake County's CY 2016 Adult Mental Health (AMH) Grant Plan. This is an Agreement between Lake County (Grantee) and the Department of Human Services, Mental Health Division (Grantor).
8. Approve and authorize the Lake County Board Chair to sign the HealthPartners Participating Provider Agreement. This Agreement provides for managed health care services to recipients of MA and MNCare in Lake County. This Agreement is effective January 1, 2016.
9. Approve and authorize the Board Chair to sign a 60 month technology rental and maintenance agreement for the County Attorney with Metro Sales, Inc. in the amount of \$218.50 for an MP C4503 printer/copier with fax and scanning ability, cents per copy additional cost.
10. Authorize the purchase of 300 SC-APC connectors from Graybar in the amount of \$5,671.00 plus tax and shipping.
11. Approve the appointment of Lake County Assessor Gregg Swartwoudt as alternate Lake County representative to the Minnesota Counties Information Systems (MCIS) board.
12. Authorize payment to City of Silver Bay for 2015 U.T. #1 portion of Silver Bay Fire Department in the amount of \$17,341.55.
13. Approve the three-year (3-year) Professional Services Agreement between Minnesota Counties Computer Cooperative (MCCC) and TriMin Systems, Inc. for the maintenance and support of Lake County Integrated Financial Services (IFS). The agreement is effective January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2018.
14. Approve and authorize the Lake County Board Chair to sign Board Ratification Statement for the Professional Services Agreement between Minnesota Counties Computer Cooperative (MCCC) and TriMin Systems, Inc for the maintenance and support of Lake County IFS.

15. Approve and authorize the Lake County Board Chair to sign the Memorandum of Agreement between Lake County, through its Environmental Health Department, and Aitkin County, through its Environmental Services Department, for Environmental Health Services. This MOU is for the period of January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.
16. Approve and authorize the Lake County Board Chair to sign the Purchase of Service Agreement with Budd House B and L, LLC, for the period of February 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.
17. Approve and authorize the Lake County Board Chair to sign Conservation Partners Legacy grant agreement for \$168,100 to provide funding for Conifer and Oak Restoration.
18. Authorize payment in the amount of \$2,673.00 to 7Sigma Systems, Inc. for ISP support services (reference M1099).
19. Award site prep bid to George Swanson, Future Forests Inc, at \$98.00 per acre for approximately 200 acres. The final amount not to exceed \$20,000. This contract will be funded through the Conservation Partners Legacy (CPL) Grant, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.
20. Award site prep bid to George Swanson, Future Forests Inc, at \$98.00 per acre for approximately 200 acres. The final amount not to exceed \$20,000. Paid by Minnesota Deer Hunters Association with Legacy Funded Moose Grant.
21. Authorize payment in the amount of \$149,464.40 to Lake Communications, Inc. for Operations and Management of the Lake County Fiber to the Home Project (Invoice 87). Absent: None

MOTION HURD, SECOND WALSH: 03 – Approve resolution supporting County Commissioner Derrick ‘Rick’ Goutermont’s reappointment to the Governor’s Council on Minnesota’s Lake Superior Coastal Program (MLSCP) and authorize submittal of an application for this appointment. Absent: None

MOTION JONES, SECOND HURD: 04 – Approve resolution affirming Lake County’s endorsement of the revised County Program Aid (CPA) formula developed by the Association of Minnesota Counties’ County Program Aid Work Group. Absent: None

MOTION GOUTERMONT, SECOND WALSH: 05 – Approve the probationary appointment of Lori Sorvik to Financial Worker at the probationary rate of \$20.20 per hour effective February 16, 2016. Absent: None

MOTION HURD, SECOND WALSH: 06 – Approve the release from probation of Brian Wiszowaty, Financial Worker, effective January 29, 2016. Absent: None

MOTION WALSH, SECOND GOUTERMONT: 07 – Approve the recruitment for one full-time Financial Worker. Absent: None

MOTION JONES, SECOND HURD: 08 – Approve the changes to the Administrative Assistant Sheriff’s Office job description without comparable worth review. Absent: None

MOTION HURD, SECOND WALSH: 09 – Approve the recruitment for one full-time Administrative Assistant for the Sheriff’s Office. Absent: None

MOTION GOUTERMONT, SECOND JONES: 10 – Accept agreement and authorize County Administrator to sign the agreement from Wenck Associates to complete an update to the Lake County Solid Waste Management Plan in an amount not to exceed \$10,000. Absent: None

MOTION JONES, SECOND GOUTERMONT: 11 – Approve the narrative and final financial reports for the FY15 Natural Resource Block Grants (NRBG) allocations, per recommendation from the County Administrator and Environmental Services Director, authorize the Lake County Board of Commissioners’ Chairperson to sign the final financial documents for these grants, and authorize Lake County Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) to submit these reports on Lake County’s behalf. Absent: None

MOTION WALSH, SECOND GOUTERMONT: 12 – Adopt the new official Lake County logo, effective February 9, 2016. Absent: None

MOTION JONES, SECOND HURD: 13 – Adjourn meeting at 3:01 p.m. Absent: None

The Lake County Board of Commissioners will meet as a Committee of the Whole at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 16, 2016, in the Lake County Law Enforcement Center, 613 Third Avenue, Two Harbors, Minnesota. The Lake County Board of Commissioners will convene a regular board meeting at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 23, 2016, in the Split Rock River Room located on the main floor of the Lake County Service Center, 616 Third Avenue, Two Harbors, Minnesota.

Attest:

Laurel Buchanan
Clerk of the Board

Rich Sve, Chairperson
Lake County Board of Commissioners