

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

August 23, 2016. Lake County Service Center, Split Rock River Room, Two Harbors, Minnesota. Commissioners present: Goutermont, Hurd, Sve, Walsh. Absent: Jones. Also present: Keri Parks, Acting Clerk of the Board. Absent: County Administrator Matthew Huddleston.

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

Commissioner Jones joined the meeting at 2:01 p.m.

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

Highway Engineer Krysten Foster was in attendance and requested that the Board of Commissioners act on two last minute items that she presented to the Board at the meeting.

MOTION JONES, SECOND HURD: 02 – Award SP 038-618-023 to the lowest responsible bidder, Redstone Construction, in the amount of \$583,431.00. Pending County Attorney review, approve and authorize the Chair to sign the contract for this CSAH 18 bridge rehab project. Absent: None

MOTION GOUTERMONT, SECOND WALSH: 03 – Authorize Highway Engineer to sign Rushaway Pictures special event permit including a \$300.00 traffic control support charge. Absent: None

Liz Walton from MnDot visited with the Board of Commissioners regarding implementing U.S. Bicycle Route 41 (USBR 41), which would link St. Paul and Grand Portage State Park. MnDot's plan is to combine existing roads and trails to create a continuous bicycle route approximately 325 miles long. The Board of Commissioners did recommend that MnDot look into changing a portion of the route in order to get safer conditions than what Highway 61 allows.

In the County Administrator's absence, Chairperson Rich Sve discussed some of the items that the County Administrator would have discussed during his time on the agenda. Environmental Services Director Christine McCarthy presented to the Board the two bids she received to conduct the asbestos abatement at the tax forfeit Bowling Alley. One bid received was from ACCT for \$9,700 and the other bid was \$32,745 from Mavo.

MOTION JONES, SECOND GOUTERMONT: 04 – Approve the ACCT bid for the asbestos abatement at the tax forfeit Bowling Alley located at 514 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue in Two Harbors, not to exceed \$10,000. Absent: None

MOTION GOUTERMONT, SECOND WALSH: 05 –

1. Approve County Board of Commissioners' meeting minutes from August 9, 2016.
2. Approve claims in the amount of \$64,215.37
3. Approve Health and Human Services claims payments in the following amounts:
  - a. Region III Adult Mental Health Initiative payments \$ 336,883.89
  - b. Administrative payments \$ 9,585.74
  - c. Arrowhead Health Alliance payments \$ 5,441.01

4. Approve a one-time payment of \$500.00 to the Arrowhead Economic Opportunity Agency to recognize RSVP volunteers for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.
5. Authorize payment in the amount of \$2,500.00 to 7Sigma Systems, Inc. for ISP support services (reference M1529).
6. Authorize payment in the amount of \$3,480.64 to Holiday for fuel thru 07/15/2016 (reference 1400-012-590-598).
7. Authorize payment in the amount of \$7,766.50 to North Point Geographic Services for mapping fiber optic plant (reference 921).
8. Authorize the purchase of a C-Band digital LNB and related equipment from Dascom Systems Group in the amount of \$2,446.00 plus tax and shipping. This is due to several channels of video programming changing satellites.
9. Approve MNCCC New Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) and Bylaws and authorize board chair to sign.
10. Authorize payment in the amount of \$25,028.00 to Lindquist & Venum for services rendered through June 30, 2016 for the following invoices: a) Invoice 711110-0325 in the amount of \$13,335.00, and b) Invoice 711111-0325 in the amount of \$11,693.00.
11. Approve payment of \$25,990.00 to Andy Fisher for the homeowner portion of FEMA Fire Resistant Roofing Grant 2 installation, pending reimbursement to Lake County from FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program DR-4113.09.
12. Approve payment of \$1,840.00 to Phil Hegfors and Son Construction for work done on 2016-01 Bailey Rd contract.
13. Approve payment of \$3,762.00 to Lake County Auditor's office for State Deed Tax.
14. Authorize appraisal of all lands involved in said land exchanges:
  1. Robinson Land: North  $\frac{1}{2}$  of Southwest  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 29, Township 64 North, Range 11 West; exchanged for County Tax Forfeited land: East  $\frac{1}{2}$  of Northeast  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 32, Township 64 North, Range 11 West.
  2. Brandenburg Land: Southeast  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Southwest  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 14, Township 63 North, Range 11 West; exchanged for County Tax Forfeited land: Northwest  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Southeast  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 32, Township 64 North, Range 9 West.
  3. Gilbertson Land: That part South and West of Road Right of Way in the Northwest  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Southwest  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 4, Township 57 North, Range 7 West; exchanged for County Tax Forfeited land: Westerly 400' of Southwest  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Northeast  $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 4, Township 57 North, Range 7 West.
15. Approve the Greater MN Regional Parks and Trails Commission Funding Application resolution.
16. Authorize Highway Engineer to sign agreement with ICECOR in an amount up to \$4,140.00 for delineation and permitting services for SAP 038-624-003.

17. Authorize Highway Engineer to sign agreement with LHB in an amount up to \$68,430.00 for professional engineering services for SAP 038-604-019.
18. Authorize Highway Engineer to sign agreement with TKDA in an amount up to \$27,500.00 for professional engineering services for SP 038-602-026.
19. Approve Highway Department payment of Invoice No. 0128366-IN in the amount of \$9,351.26 to Two Harbors Machine Shop, Inc. for Unit #7941 (1994 lowboy trailer) repair.
20. Authorize payment to Ehlers & Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$24,207.50 for the following invoices: a) Invoice 70903 in the amount of \$4,025.00 for Financial Management Analysis 2014 and b) Invoice 70966 in the amount of \$20,182.50 for Financial Management Analysis 2016.
21. Authorize payment in the amount of \$165,086.55 to Lake Communications, Inc. for Operations and Management of the Lake County Fiber to the Home Project (Invoice 105).
22. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign a Joint Powers Agreement between Lake County and Cook County regarding Emergency Management Mutual Aid.
23. Award SAP 038-607-014, SAP 038-070-008, CP 016-701-001 to the lowest responsible bidder, Hardrives Inc., in the amount of \$953,793.49. Pending County Attorney review, approve and authorize the Chair to sign the contract for this project for CSAH 7 (Cramer Rd.) paving and bituminous patching of various state aid routes.
24. Adopt the findings by the Planning Commission and approve the interim use permit application, I-16-011, for Michael Trojan & Joan Stumpf, for vacation rental home located at 9812 Hwy 1, Isabella, MN 55607.
25. Approve a two-day temporary on-sale liquor permit for Isabella Community Council Inc. for the date of September 10 & 11, 2016 at 9521 Hwy 1 in Isabella. Contingent on the filing of necessary paperwork and payment of applicable fees.
26. Approve entering into a Grant Contract with the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs (MDVA) to conduct the following Program: County Veterans Service Office (CVSO) Enhancement Grant Program, and authorize Rich Sve, Chairperson of the Lake County Board of Commissioners to execute the 2017 CVSO Operational Enhancement Grant on behalf of the County. Absent: None

MOTION HURD, SECOND GOUTERMONT: 06 – 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 WALSH, SECOND JONES: 07 – Approve the change in employment status of Jodi Anderson, Deputy Auditor, due to completion of probation effective August 25, 2016. Absent: None

MOTION JONES, SECOND HURD: 08 – Approve the resignation of Sherri Q, Office Support Specialist, effective August 30, 2016. Absent: None

MOTION WALSH, SECOND HURD: 09 – Approve the probationary appointment of Emily Sousa to Forester at the probationary rate of \$22.36 per hour effective August 29, 2016. Absent: None

MOTION GOUTERMONT, SECOND JONES: 10 – Approve the probationary appointment of Neva Widner to Planning & Zoning Technician at the probationary rate of \$18.85 per hour effective August 29, 2016. Absent: None

MOTION HURD, SECOND GOUTERMONT: 11 – Approve the appointment of Lara Nygaard to Assistant County Attorney at the base rate of \$32.49 per hour effective September 6, 2016. Absent: None

MOTION GOUTERMONT, SECOND JONES: 12 – Approve the appointment of Zachary Kilpela, County Service Officer, to Deputy Sheriff, at the L2 rate of \$26.54 per hour, effective September 5, 2016. Absent: None

MOTION JONES, SECOND HURD: 13 – Adjourn meeting at 3:23 p.m. Absent: None

The Board of Commissioners will meet on Monday, August 29, 2016, at 2:30 p.m. at Grand Superior Lodge, 2826 Highway 61, Two Harbors, Minnesota. The purpose of the meeting is for a Strategic Planning Session.

The Board of Commissioners will convene an agenda meeting at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 6, 2016, and will convene a regular meeting at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 13, 2016. These meetings will be held in the Split Rock River Room located on the main floor of the Lake County Service Center, 616 Third Avenue, Two Harbors, Minnesota.

The Lake County Board of Commissioners will meet as a Committee of the Whole on Tuesday, September 20, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. at the Little Marais Community Club, 6470 Highway 61, Little Marais, Minnesota.

ATTEST:

Laurel Buchanan  
Clerk of the Board

Rich Sve, Chairperson  
Lake County Board of Commissioners