

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

Tuesday, January 7, 2014, Commissioners' Chambers, Lake County Courthouse, Two Harbors, Minnesota. Lake County Board of Commissioners' meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Laurel D. Buchanan, Clerk of the Board. Commissioners Present: Goutermont, Jones, Sve, Walsh. Absent: None. Vacant: Commissioner District No. 4. Also present: Matthew Huddleston, County Administrator.

Unless otherwise stated, all actions have been approved by unanimous yea vote.

The Clerk of the Board called for nominations for Board Chairperson for 2014.

MOTION GOUTERMONT, SECOND WALSH: 01 – Nominating Rich Sve as Board Chairperson for 2014. There were no other nominations. Absent: None

Newly elected chair, Commissioner Sve, took over the meeting and called for nominations for Vice Chair.

MOTION WALSH, SECOND JONES: 02 - Nominating Rick Goutermont as Vice Chair of the County Board for 2014. There were no other nominations. Absent: None

MOTION WALSH, SECOND JONES: 03 – Approve agenda. Absent: None

Lake County Land Commissioner Nate Eide informed the County Board that board approval would be needed for an upcoming Fat Tire Bike Race course to include grant-in-aid trails. He provided statistics on balsam fir sales and discussed the future of timber sales.

MOTION GOUTERMONT, SECOND JONES: 04 – Recess the County Board meeting at 10:26 a.m. Absent: None

The County Board meeting was reconvened at 10:33 a.m. with all members present.

MOTION JONES, SECOND GOUTERMONT: 05 – Approve Consent Agenda as follows:

1. Approve County Board meeting minutes from December 26, 2013.
2. Set date of Monday, June 16, 2014, at 5:00 p.m., for the 2014 County Board of Appeal and Equalization meeting.
3. Adopt the 2014 Internal Revenue Mileage Reimburse Rate of 56 cents per mile, effective January 1, 2014.
4. Approve 2014 meal allowance as follows: Breakfast - \$10.00; Lunch – \$12.00; Dinner - \$15.00 subject to existing policy.
5. Authorize payment in the amount of \$168,576.00 to Minnesota Counties Intergovernmental Trust for property and casualty insurance 2014 premiums (Invoice 586104).
6. Authorize payment in the amount of \$160,185.00 to Minnesota Counties Intergovernmental Trust for renewal for County Workers' Compensation policy (Invoice 231104).
7. Authorize payment in the amount of \$2,396.00 to Minnesota Counties Intergovernmental Trust for the Lake County Soil and Water Conservation District's 2014 insurance premiums (Invoice 957104).
8. Authorize payment in the amount of \$1,465.00 to Minnesota Counties Intergovernmental Trust for renewal of Lake County Soil and Water Conservation District's 2014 Workers' Compensation policy (Invoice 483104).

9. Authorize payment to the Association of Minnesota Counties (AMC) in the amount of \$6,897.00 (Invoice 38503) for 2014 Annual Dues.
10. Authorize payment to VISA in the amount of \$242.18 for equipment ordered by the Forestry Department.
11. Authorize payment to VISA in the amount of \$784.94 for equipment ordered by the Forestry Department.
Absent: None

MOTION JONES, SECOND WALSH: 06 – Upon Auditor’s recommendation, designate the Lake Bank, US Bank, Wells Fargo Advisors, Morgan Keegan/Raymond James and Minnesota Association of Government Investing for Counties (M.A.G.I.C.) as depositories of Lake County funds for 2014 and authorize Auditor and/or Deputy Auditors to sign signature cards for these accounts. Absent: None

MOTION WALSH, SECOND GOUTERMONT: 07 – Approve the proposed 2014 County Board meeting schedule. Absent: None

MOTION JONES, SECOND GOUTERMONT: 08 – Amend the 2014 County Board meeting schedule as follows: Agenda meetings on the first Tuesday of each month at 1:00 p.m., regular meetings on the second Tuesday of each month at 1:00 p.m., a Committee-of-the-Whole meeting on the third Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. and a regular meeting the fourth Tuesday of each month at 1:00 p.m. The following changes: There will be no Committee of the Whole meeting in January 2014. The week of Veterans’ Day, there will be a meeting on Wednesday, November 12, rather than on Tuesday. No meeting on the second Tuesday in December due to the AMC Annual Meeting. A regular County Board meeting will be held at 2:00 p.m. on December 16, 2014. Absent: None

MOTION GOUTERMONT, SECOND WALSH: 09 – Designate the North Shore Journal as the County’s legal newspaper for official proceedings, legal notices, delinquent tax listings and the first publication of the financial statement for 2014. Designate Lake County News-Chronicle for the second publication of the financial statement for 2014. Designate the Lake County, MN web site for official publication of transportation project legal notices. Yea: Goutermont, Jones, Walsh. Nay: Sve. Absent: None

MOTION JONES, SECOND WALSH: 10 – Approve County Fee Schedule for 2014 with changes. Absent: None

MOTION GOUTERMONT, SECOND WALSH: 11 – Table the commissioner committee assignments for 2014 and the commissioner assignments to the Association of Minnesota Counties (AMC) policy committees. Absent: None

MOTION JONES, SECOND GOUTERMONT: 12 – Designate voting delegates for the AMC Annual conference as follows: Derrick Goutermont, Peter Walsh, Rich Sve, Brad Jones, Commissioner for District No. 4, Matthew Huddleston, Cammie Young, and Krysten Foster. Absent: None

MOTION WALSH, SECOND JONES: 13 – Set minimum salaries for elected officials commencing January 2015 as follows: Recorder - \$51,060; Auditor - \$60,590; Sheriff - \$62,120; and Attorney - \$70,000. Absent: None

MOTION JONES, SECOND WALSH: 14 – Adjourn meeting at 11:08 a.m. Absent: None

The Lake County Board of Commissioners will convene a regular board meeting at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 14, 2014 in the boardroom of the Lake County Courthouse. There will be no Committee of the Whole meeting in January 2014.

Attest:

Laurel Buchanan
Clerk of the Board

Rich Sve, Chair
Lake County Board of Commissioners