

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

March 25, 2014. Commissioners Chambers, Lake County Courthouse, Two Harbors, Minnesota.
Commissioners Present: Jones, Walsh, Sve. Absent: Hurd, Goutermont. 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 vote. Members of the public were present.

MOTION JONES, SECOND WALSH: 01 – Approve agenda with additions. Absent: Hurd, Goutermont

Lake County Health and Human Services (HHS) Board meeting items were brought forward to the Lake County Board of Commissioners for approval, due to a lack of quorum at the HHS Board meeting earlier in the day. HHS Director Vickie Thompson and HHS Executive Assistant Trisha Jones presented items for approval. HHS Board meeting decisions will be reflected in the March 25, 2014 HHS Board meeting minutes.

Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) Project Manager Derek Fredrickson updated the County Board on the Northeast Minnesota Area Transportation Partnership (ATP), a full partnership in the planning, identification, prioritization, expenditure and effectiveness measurement on the use of federal transportation funds in Northeast Minnesota.

Lake County Land Commissioner Nate Eide reviewed Forestry Department agenda items.

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

1. Approve County Board meeting minutes from March 11, 2014.
2. Approve County Board meeting minutes from the special meeting held on March 18, 2014.
3. Approve claims in the amount of \$79,724.20.
4. Approve the following from the County Auditor's office to be authorized signers on the County's checking, savings and deposit accounts at The Lake Bank: Lola R. Haus, Tadd M. Bolen, Tanya N. Y. Peterson, Ronelle L. Radle and Sharon Hodge.
5. Approve the following from the County Auditor's office to be authorized signers on the County's checking accounts at US Bank: Lola R. Haus and Tadd M. Bolen.
6. Approve the following from the County Auditor's office to be authorized signers on the Lake Connections account at The Lake Bank: Lola R. Haus and Tadd M. Bolen.
7. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the Service Agreement between Lake County and Emergency Communications Network, LLC, for CodeRED Emergency Notification System.
8. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign a Memorandum of Agreement between Lake County and the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) regarding Minnesota Incident Management Team participation.
9. Approve and authorize the chair to sign the Memorandum of Agreement between Lake County and the Conservation Corps of Minnesota and Iowa.

10. Approve Cooperative Agreement with St. Louis County for CP-0000-205965/SAP 69-030-033 Seal Coat, Fog Seal project for chipsealing CSAH 10, 11 and 12.
11. Authorize payment to Hanft, Fride in the amount of \$3,414.30 on Invoice #105112 for roadway vacation work (Fortier Farm).
12. Approve Highway Easement for CSAH 4 for Beaver Bay Club Parcel (SP 038-604-018) in the amount of \$2,000.
13. Approve 10 hour days beginning May 5, 2014 through October 31, 2014 per union request for the Lake County Highway Department.
14. Authorize payment to Nuss Truck & Equipment in the amount of \$4,781.84 for stainless steel for Unit #4100.
15. Authorize additional work to be done by LHB Inc on the Beaver Bay Trailhead Project (Amendment 2) design in the amount of \$12,136.00 as per attached correspondence. Project 038-090-007/038-604-018.
16. Authorize expenditure of up to \$1,000 for a subcontractor to perform pavement cores on Beaver Bay Trailhead Project as per attached email. Project 038-604-018/038-090-007
17. Authorize payment in the amount of \$5,200 plus freight and delivery to Northern Engine & Supply for repair parts for Unit #9810. (Sweepster)
18. Authorize County Engineer to acquire the necessary easements for CSAH 7 construction project SAP 038-607-010.
19. Authorize additional approval in the amount of \$105 to LHB for Invoice #6 on CSAH 7 Culverts Designs.
20. Authorize purchase of 2 Fujikura fusion splicers (models 70S & 70R) and related materials per the low quote from KGP Logistics. Price not to exceed \$28,025.54 plus tax and shipping.
21. Authorize payment to Giant Voices in the amount of \$5,000.00 (INV-036193), for monthly retainer through March 31, 2014, for broadband marketing services including coordination and execution of communication priorities outlined in marketing services agreement.
22. Authorize payment in the amount of \$2,775.92 to Zayo Group, LLC, for Transport Duluth to 511 MPLS (Reference 030114).
23. Approve payment in the amount of \$2,523.68 (invoice #11976) to Bayside Printing & Northshore Journal for publication of the delinquent tax list (first publication).
24. Approve payment in the amount of \$97,143.83 to the City of Two Harbors in accordance with Agreement for Fire Protection for the County's share of the 2013 Fire Department expenses.

25. Approve the renewal of Consumption and Display Permit for Wildhurst Lodge and Campground, Inc., Finland, Minnesota, subject to payment of county license fee, for period April 1, 2014 through March 31, 2015.

26. Authorize payment in the amount of \$2,806.67 to Area Partnership for Economic Expansion (APEX) per the marketing services contract for data center marketing services for the period of January / February 2014 (Invoice LC – 1007). Absent: Hurd, Goutermont

MOTION JONES, SECOND WALSH: 03 – Approve the change in employment status of John Weidner, Environmental Health Specialist, due to completion of probation effective March 17, 2014. Absent: Hurd, Goutermont

MOTION WALSH, SECOND JONES: 04 – Approve the change in employment status of Anita Sloan, Social Worker, due to completion of probation effective March 16, 2014. Absent: Hurd, Goutermont

MOTION JONES, SECOND WALSH: 05 – Approve the probationary appointment of Steven Olson, Dispatcher/Corrections Officer, to the Jail Administrator/Dispatch Supervisor effective April 7, 2014 at the 2013 L3 probationary rate of \$25.08 per hour. Absent: Hurd, Goutermont

MOTION WALSH, SECOND JONES: 06 – Approval for the internal posting for one full-time male Dispatcher/Corrections Officer. Absent: Hurd, Goutermont

MOTION JONES, SECOND WALSH: 07 – Approve the proposal from Wenck Associates, Inc. to complete the Conceptual Design Report as detailed in the scope of services for future Lake County Solid Waste Facilities and approve the estimated cost in the amount of \$15,860. Wenck Associates, Inc. will bill monthly for actual time and materials but will not exceed the total above without written authorization by Lake County. Absent: Hurd, Goutermont

MOTION WALSH, SECOND JONES: 08 – Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the Lake County/APEX marketing service contract between the County of Lake and Area Partnership for Economic Expansion dba APEX, effective March 25, 2014 to February 28, 2015. This approval of the contract is contingent on the continuation of the fifty percent match provided by Cooperative Light and Power (CLP). Absent: Hurd, Goutermont

MOTION JONES, SECOND WALSH: 09 – Table for further discussion when the full County Board is present, the request to amend the 2014 budget for the Extension Committee's account line item 01-603-000-0000-6480 to \$4,000. Absent: Hurd, Goutermont

MOTION WALSH, SECOND JONES: 10 – Approve the following appointments to the Lake County Standing Forestry Commission.

- Ed Gudowicz, Forest Product Industry, for a term expiring December 31, 2016
- Kevin Kallinen, Logger, for a term expiring December 31, 2016
- Sonny Myers, 1854 Treaty Authority, for a term expiring December 31, 2016
- Mike Young, DNR Forestry, for a term expiring December 31, 2016.

Absent: Hurd, Goutermont

MOTION JONES, SECOND WALSH: 11 – Rescind motion 11 from the February 11th, 2014, County Board of Commissioners' meeting minutes. The Lindens would now like to purchase an easement from the County rather than exchange on the Sawmill Lake Road. Absent: Hurd, Goutermont

MOTION JONES, SECOND WALSH: 12 – Approve and authorize Board Chair to sign easement to Mona and Jeff Linden (Sawmill Lake). Absent: Hurd, Goutermont

MOTION WALSH, SECOND JONES: 13 – Authorize repurchase of Tax Forfeited land:

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. ' 282.241 provides that state tax forfeited land may be repurchased by the mortgagee subject to payment of delinquent taxes and assessments, with penalties, costs, and interest; and

WHEREAS, the applicant, Altisource (mortgagee) of Atlanta, GA, has applied to repurchase state tax forfeited land legally described as:

CITY OF TWO HARBORS
LOT 4, BLOCK 2
644 SEGOG ADDITION
PARCEL: 23-7644-02040

WHEREAS, the applicant was the mortgagee at the time of forfeiture and is eligible to repurchase the property; and

WHEREAS, approving the repurchases will correct undue hardship and promote the use of lands that will best serve the public interest;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lake County Board approves the repurchase application by Altisource (mortgagee) of Atlanta, GA, subject to payments including total taxes and assessments of \$2,743.42 (to be deposited into Fund 85), deed tax of \$9.05, and recording fee of \$46.

Absent: Hurd, Goutermont

MOTION JONES, SECOND WALSH: 14 – Adjourn meeting at 2:37 p.m. Absent: Hurd, Goutermont

The Lake County Board of Commissioners will hold an agenda meeting on Tuesday, April 1, at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' boardroom at the Lake County Courthouse, 601 Third Avenue, Two Harbors, Minnesota. A regular County Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 8, 2014, at 1:00 p.m., also in the boardroom.

The Lake County Board of Commissioners will meet as a Committee of the Whole on Tuesday, April 15, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall, Council Chambers in Silver Bay, Minnesota.

A regular board meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 22, 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