

Notice & Agenda

Swift County Board of Commissioners

Tuesday, January 17, 2012

11:00 AM

Swift County Board Room – 301 14th St N, Benson, MN

If you need any type of accommodation to participate in this meeting, please contact the County Auditor at 320-843-4069 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

<u>Time</u>	<u>Reference</u>	<u>Item</u>
11:00 a.m.		Call to Order and Roll Call
11:01 a.m.		Approve Agenda
11:03 a.m.		Consent Agenda
	1-3	(1) Minutes Dec 30,2011 and Jan 3, 2012
	4	(2) Cooperative Purchasing Agreement
11:05 a.m.		Commissioner Warrants approved and Auditor Warrants reviewed
11:08 a.m.		Commissioner and Board reports
11:25 a.m.		Citizens Comments
11:26 a.m.	5	Donna Lilleberg
11:30 a.m.	6	Public Hearing MIF
11:45 a.m.	7-11	Sheriff John Holtz
Afternoon Session		
1:00 p.m.	12	(1) Mike Johnson
1:45 p.m.	13	(2) Scott Collins
2:00 p.m.	14	(3) Bill McGeary
2:15 p.m.	15	(4) Jill Fugleberg
Other Business		
	16	Pay Equity Report Employee recognition Feb 25th
	17	ES &S contract
	18	Drainage Conference
	19	Prairie Country RC & D
3:00 p.m.		Adjournment

**SPECIAL MEETING
SWIFT COUNTY BOARD MINUTES
December 30, 2011**

Chairman Hendrickx called the meeting to order with all members present.

12-30-11-01 Commissioner Anderson moved and Commissioner Peterson seconded to approve the agenda as updated. Motion carried.

12-30-11-02 Commissioner Fox moved and Commissioner Klemm seconded to approve the Consent Agenda which consisted of the December 20, 2011, County Board Minutes. Motion carried.

12-30-11-03 Commissioner Klemm moved and Commissioner Anderson seconded to approve the Commissioners Warrants as follows: Revenue: \$206,732.59; Solid Waste: \$31,665.05; Road & Bridge: \$204,855.98; Welfare & Human Services: \$42,750.00; Ditch: \$1,225.71; and Townships & Cities Agency: \$52.88; which includes the following bills over \$2,000: Ascheman Oil, \$6,729.92; Commerford Construction Inc, \$121,472.70; Dlt Solutions Inc, \$3,854.10; Dooley Petroleum Inc, \$3,178.66; Hewlett-Packard Co, \$4,476.30; Johnson Feed Inc, \$2,010.94; LarsonAllan LLP, \$11,400.00; Law Enforcement Technology Group LLC, \$80,000.00; Mn Counties Computer Cooperative Mi33, \$2,706.00; Neopost Inc, \$2,500.00; Nolan Baker Ford Sales, \$27,800.00; Select Account, \$148,302.51; Swift County Environmental Services, \$10,000.00; Upper Mn Valley RDC, \$3,395.94; Waste Management of Northern Mn, \$6,629.22; and Ziegler, Inc. \$26,558.54. Motion carried.

12-30-11-04 Commissioner Anderson moved and Commissioner Peterson seconded to approve the HRA Levy for 2012 at \$35,000. Motion carried.

12-30-11-05 Commissioner Peterson moved and Commissioner Klemm seconded to approve the RDA Levy in the amount of \$77,000 for 2012. Motion carried.

12-30-11-06 Commissioner Peterson moved and Commissioner Anderson seconded to adjourn. Motion carried.

WITNESSED:

Gary Hendrickx, Chairman

ATTEST:

Byron L. Giese, Auditor

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SWIFT COUNTY BOARD MINUTES
January 3, 2012

Auditor Giese called the organizational meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with all Commissioners present.

Auditor Giese asked for nominations for Board Chair. Commissioner Peterson nominated Commissioner Hendrickx for Board Chair. Auditor Giese asked three times for additional nominations and heard none.

01-03-12-01 Motion by Commissioner Peterson and seconded by Commissioner Fox to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Commissioner Hendrickx for Swift County Board Chair for 2012. Motion carried.

Auditor Giese called for nominations for Vice-Chair. Commissioner Anderson nominated Commissioner Peterson for Vice-Chair. Auditor Giese asked three times for additional nominations and heard none.

01-03-12-02 Motion by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Klemm to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Commissioner Peterson for Swift County Vice Board Chair for 2012. Motion carried.

Auditor Giese turned the meeting over to Chairman Hendrickx.

Commissioner and Board Reports were given as follows: Commissioner Peterson reported on Shared Engineer Meeting. Commissioner Anderson reported on Shared Engineer Meeting and Prairie C R C & D. Commissioner Fox reported on Swift County Benson Hospital Meetings. Commissioners Klemm and Hendrickx had no report.

01-03-12-03 Commissioner Anderson moved and Commissioner Klemm seconded to adopt the agenda as updated. Motion carried.

01-03-12-04 Commissioner Fox moved and Commissioner Peterson seconded to adopt the 2012 Board Committee Representatives, Advisory Committee Representatives, and Joint Ditch Board Representatives as on file in the County Auditor's Office. This included the reappointment of Tom Walsh, Margaret Voorhees, and John Gorres to the Planning Commission; Emilie Brustuen, Jedd Wennerberg and Austin Norby to the Extension Committee; and Julie Commerford to HRA. Motion carried.

01-03-12-05 Commissioner Klemm moved and Commissioner Fox seconded to appoint Dr. Baurer as the County Coroner. Motion carried.

01-03-12-06 Commissioner Anderson moved and Commissioner Peterson seconded to set the following Board dates: County Board - 1st Tuesday of the Month at 9:00 a.m. and 3rd Tuesday of the month at 11:00 a.m. Motion carried.

01-03-12-07 Commissioner Fox moved and Commissioner Peterson seconded to approve the 2012 mileage reimbursement at the IRS Rate of 55.5¢ per mile. Motion carried.

01-03-12-08 Commissioner Anderson moved and Commissioner Peterson seconded to designate the Kerkhoven Banner as the County's official newspaper for 2012, with the Monitor News as the secondary paper. Motion carried.

01-03-12-09 Commissioner Klemm moved and Commissioner Fox seconded to designate the Swift County Auditor, Treasurer, Sheriff, Recorder, Attorney, and Commissioners as the County Officials designated to attend the annual conferences for their offices. Motion carried.

01-03-12-10 Commissioner Fox moved and Commissioner Anderson seconded to set bounties of \$2.00 for pocket gophers and \$75.00 for beaver in season, and \$75.00 for beaver out of season in designated ditches only with the approval of the Parks and Drainage Supervisor. Motion carried.

01-03-12-11 Commissioner Anderson moved and Commissioner Fox seconded to charge the actual cost of the County Attorney for Human Services to the Welfare Fund. Motion carried.

01-03-12-12 Commissioner Peterson moved and Commissioner Klemm seconded to give the Chairman, Auditor, and Treasurer corporate signature authorization. Motion carried.

01-03-12-13 Commissioner Fox moved and Commissioner Klemm seconded to approve the following resolution:

The Swift County Board of Commissioners does hereby resolve, pursuant to the requirements of Minn. Stat. §176.011, subd. 9060, that all officers of Swift County who are elected or appointed to a regular term in office, or to complete the unexpired portion of a regular term, shall be included within the definition of "employee" as that term is defined in Minn. Stat. §176.011 subd. 9 for purposes of coverage under the Workers' Compensation Laws of the State of Minnesota and be it further resolved, that this resolution recognizes that Swift County has in the past included said officials in all Workers' Compensation reports and audits and that this resolution is intended to meet the statutory requirements and confirm an existing practice, not to establish a new practice. Motion carried.

01-03-12-14 Commissioner Peterson moved and Commissioner Fox seconded to approve the Resolution Relating to Financing of Certain Proposed Projects to be Undertaken by the County of Swift and Establishing Compliance with Reimbursement Bond Regulations under the Internal Revenue Code as on file in the County Auditor's Office. Motion carried.

01-03-12-15 Commissioner Anderson moved and Commissioner Peterson seconded to renew the Tobacco Contract with Countryside Public Health for 2012 at a fee of \$125.00. Motion carried.

The County Board stated they would be interested in a meeting with Kurt Deter to discuss drainage items.

01-03-12-16 Commissioner Peterson moved and Commissioner Anderson seconded to adjourn. Motion carried.

WITNESSED:

Gary Hendrickx, Chairman

ATTEST:

Byron I. Giese, Swift County Auditor

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December 21, 2011

Byron Giese
County of Swift
PO Box 288
301 14th St No
Benson, MN 56215

Thank you for your membership in the Materials Management Division's (MMD) Cooperative Purchasing Venture (CPV). Your use of state contracts is not only beneficial to your organization, but allows the state to obtain the best possible pricing and terms in our cooperative purchasing efforts.

MMD has reviewed its process for maintaining agreements and renewals for our local government CPV members. In the interest of streamlining our processes and for the convenience of our members, we have determined to eliminate the annual renewal requirement and are now allowing the agreement to extend beyond five years.

I have enclosed a new agreement for signature by your agency. Any previous agreement is void. The new agreement will remain in effect until canceled by either party (with 30 days written notice). Please have the agreement signed by an authorized person and return the original to me. A fully executed copy will be sent to you for your records after signature by the state.

Your CPV permit number/security access code will not change. Your access code enables you to utilize MMD's website to access information on all contracts available to CPV members.

When placing orders with contract vendors, be sure to reference the applicable State of Minnesota contract number to ensure you receive the State contracted pricing.

If you have any questions regarding registration, please call me at 651.201.2404. If you have any questions regarding contract information, please call the MMD HelpLine at 651.296.2600.

Sincerely,

Sherry L. Brown
Business Administrator

Enclosure

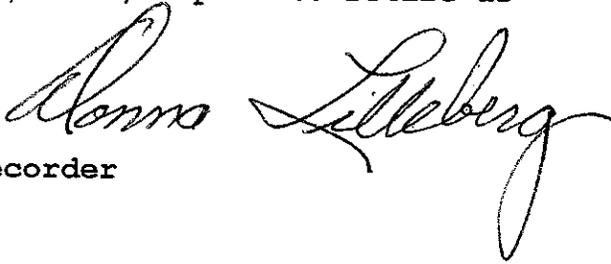
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January 5, 2012

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

As of January 31, 2012, I plan to retire as
County Recorder.

Donna Lilleberg,
Swift Country Recorder

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Donna Lilleberg". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name.

Certificate of Exemption for HUD Funded Projects

Project Name: Swift County
 Activity Description: CNH America, LLC
 Exempt Amount: \$400,000.00
 Grant Number: CDAP-11-0018-H-FY12

I hereby certify that this activity has been reviewed and determined to be exempt per 24 CFR 58.34(a) as follows:

- 1. Environmental and other studies, resource identification and development of plans and strategies;
- 2. Information and financial services;
- 3. Administrative and management activities;
- 4. Public services that will not have a physical impact or result in any physical changes, including but not limited to services concerned with employment, crime prevention, child care, health, drug abuse, education, counseling, energy conservation, and welfare or recreational needs;
- 5. Inspections and testing of properties for hazards or defects;
- 6. Purchase of insurance;
- 7. Purchase of tools;
- 8. Engineering or design costs;
- 9. Technical assistance and training;
- 10. Assistance for temporary or permanent improvements that do not alter environmental conditions and are limited to protection, repair, or restoration activities necessary only to control or arrest the effects from disasters or imminent threats to public safety including those resulting from physical deterioration;
- 11. Payment of principal and interest on loans made or obligations guaranteed by HUD;
- 12. Any of the categorical exclusions listed in Section 58.35(a) provided that there are no circumstances which require compliance with any other Federal laws and authorities cited in Section 58.5.

If your project falls into any of these categories you do not need to submit a Request for Release of Funds (RROF), and no further approval from DEED will be needed for the drawdown of funds to carry out the project. However, the Responsible Entity must still submit this form and document in writing its compliance with and/or applicability of "Other Requirements" per 24 CFR 58.6, by completing the Statutory Checklist.

By signing below the Responsible Entity certifies that the activity or project is exempt and meets the conditions specified for such exemption under Section 58.34(a) (12). Please keep a copy of this determination in your project files.

 Responsible Entity Certifying Official Name and Title (please print)

 Responsible Entity Certifying Official Signature

 Date

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 357.09, the county board shall set the Sheriff's fees for civil process in the county;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, effective February 1, 2012, the Sheriff's fees for service shall be:

Service of a Summons and Complaint	\$40
Commission for collecting on Executions	6% of total collected
Posting Sale Notices	\$40
Certificate of Sale	\$50
Mortgage Foreclosure Sale	\$50
Service of "Not Found"	\$40
Redemption of Property	\$100
All other processes	\$40
Mileage	\$.50/mile
Deputy Labor for Property Inventory/Escorts	\$75/hr with minimum of 3 hrs
*Misc fees for reproduction of Swift County Sheriff Office records:	
Labor for Records Staff in	
Supplying documents	\$25/hr
Info on CD/DVD	\$5 each
Copies	\$.25 each
Color copies/photos on paper	\$1/page
Faxes	\$1/page

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2012.

Chairman, Swift County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Byron L. Giese, Swift County Auditor

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SAFE DRIVING TIPS

- Use the "2 second rule" to judge safe following distances.
- Before you start driving at night or in inclement weather, check your headlights and signals to be sure they are clear and working properly. Make sure your wipers are working properly.
- Drinking and driving is irresponsible and very dangerous.
- Keep shifting your view, checking in all directions around your vehicle.
- Practice and master good driving habits.
- Expect a train at any time at a crossing.
- It is unsafe to drive around crossing gates.
- The principle contributing cause in vehicle-train crashes is motor vehicle driver error.
- Bicyclists should travel on the right side of the road, riding with the flow of traffic.
- Pedestrians should travel on the left side of the road, moving towards the oncoming traffic.
- Remember, you have earned the right to operate an automobile. Don't abuse it.

REGISTER FOR CLASS WITHIN 10 DAYS OF CITATION BY CALLING:

Swift County Dispatch
(320) 843-3133
Monday - Friday
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

SWIFT COUNTY SHERIFF'S

DEPARTMENT

301 14th St. North
Benson, MN 56215
John Holtz, Sheriff

DO NOT CALL THE COURT ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE

This diversion class is approve
as part of the Swift County
Attorney's Office Diversion Program.



Take Our DRIVER AWARENESS

CLASS

And Have:

- No Fine
- No Court Appearance
- Most Importantly...**
- Improve Your Driving Habits
- No entry of a violation on your driving record

Educate and learn the traffic laws and have your traffic citation diverted upon completion of the course.

YOU ARE ELIGIBLE...

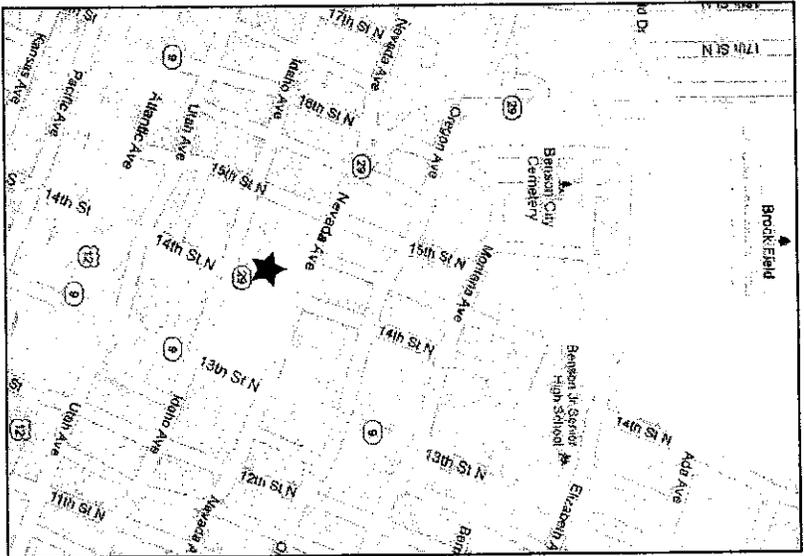
- If your citation was issued by a Swift County Sheriff's Department Officer.
- If your citation was for a petty misdemeanor or offense such as:
 - Speeding
 - Violation of a stop sign, stop light, or yield sign.
 - Driving left of the center line (not DUI related).
 - Passing or lane violations.
 - Following too close.
 - Failure to signal.
 - Making an illegal turn.
- If you do not wish to contest your ticket.
- If you have not participated in a Driver Awareness Class in Swift County in the last 12 months.
- If you have not had more than two prior moving violations in the past 12 months, excluding alcohol related offenses.

YOU ARE NOT ELIGIBLE...

- If your citation was for:
 - Parking tickets.
 - Citations resulting from an accident.
 - Multiple violations.
 - Major violations such as careless driving, DUI, leaving the scene of an accident, school bus stop arm violation, rail road stop arm violation, or driving without a license.
- If you have already participated in two Driver Awareness Classes.

CLASSES ARE HELD AT

**Swift County
Law Enforcement Center**
Basement
Suite 4 301 14th Street N
Benson, MN 56215



Map of Benson, MN

REGISTRATION



Persons must register for the Driver Awareness Class within **10 days** after receiving the citation.

Classes will be offered the fourth Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Class date will be provided upon registration.

You must register, **in person or by telephone**, at the Swift County Law Enforcement Center or Dispatch, Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., (520) 843-3133.

Class cost of \$65.00 must be paid at the time of class. Payable by check, money order or cash to the Swift County Sheriff's Department.

Class starts at 6:30 p.m. sharp! Must show Driver's License at time of class. Drivers under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. If you are late or fail to appear, the class fee will be forfeited and your ticket will be sent to court. You will then be expected to appear in court and will not be eligible to continue with the Driver Awareness Class.

The class is approximately 2 hours.

There is no failing if you attend this class.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
RESOLUTION OF GRIEVANCE FILED AUGUST 4, 2011

WHEREAS, Law Enforcement Labor Services, Local No. 10, is the certified exclusive representative for essential personnel in the Swift County Sheriff's Department with job classifications of Communications & Corrections Officers and Deputy.

WHEREAS, There exists a Labor Agreement between Swift County and LELS, with said Labor Agreement in effect from January 1, 2011, through December 31, 2013.

WHEREAS, A grievance was filed August 4, 2011, entitled "Contractual Grievance" pertaining to issues related to CCO Kim Pierce's allegations that she performed work outside of her job classification and should be entitled to additional compensation as a result.

WHEREAS, To date, Swift County has alleged that the grievance is not proper and, further, has continued to deny the grievance.

WHEREAS, It is the intent of the parties that this Memorandum of Understanding completely resolve any and all outstanding issues pertaining to the pending grievance and that the Memorandum of Understanding set forth a process whereby other employees governed by the same Labor Agreement may address similar concerns.

WHEREAS, This Memorandum of Understanding is not an admission by either side as to the strength or correctness of their respective positions related to this grievance.

WHEREAS, It is the understanding of both sides that this Memorandum of Understanding, which is intended to resolve the issues of the parties, is not considered to be a past practice, cannot be considered to be evidence in any future issues pertaining to the parties, and cannot be used as evidence in any court or arbitration proceeding.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, That the parties agree to the following:

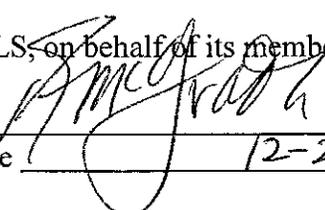
Kim Pierce shall be compensated Seven Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$700.00) as full and complete settlement of her claim in the above mentioned grievance. Pierce specifically waives any right to further working 'out of classification' pay through the date of the signing of this MOU.

Other employees governed by the Labor Agreement shall have a thirty (30) day window beginning _____ and ending _____, 2012, to raise claims relative to any 'out of classification' pay issues. Those who fail to raise claims during this time period shall be barred from doing so for any work performed prior to the date of the signing of this MOU.

SWIFT COUNTY

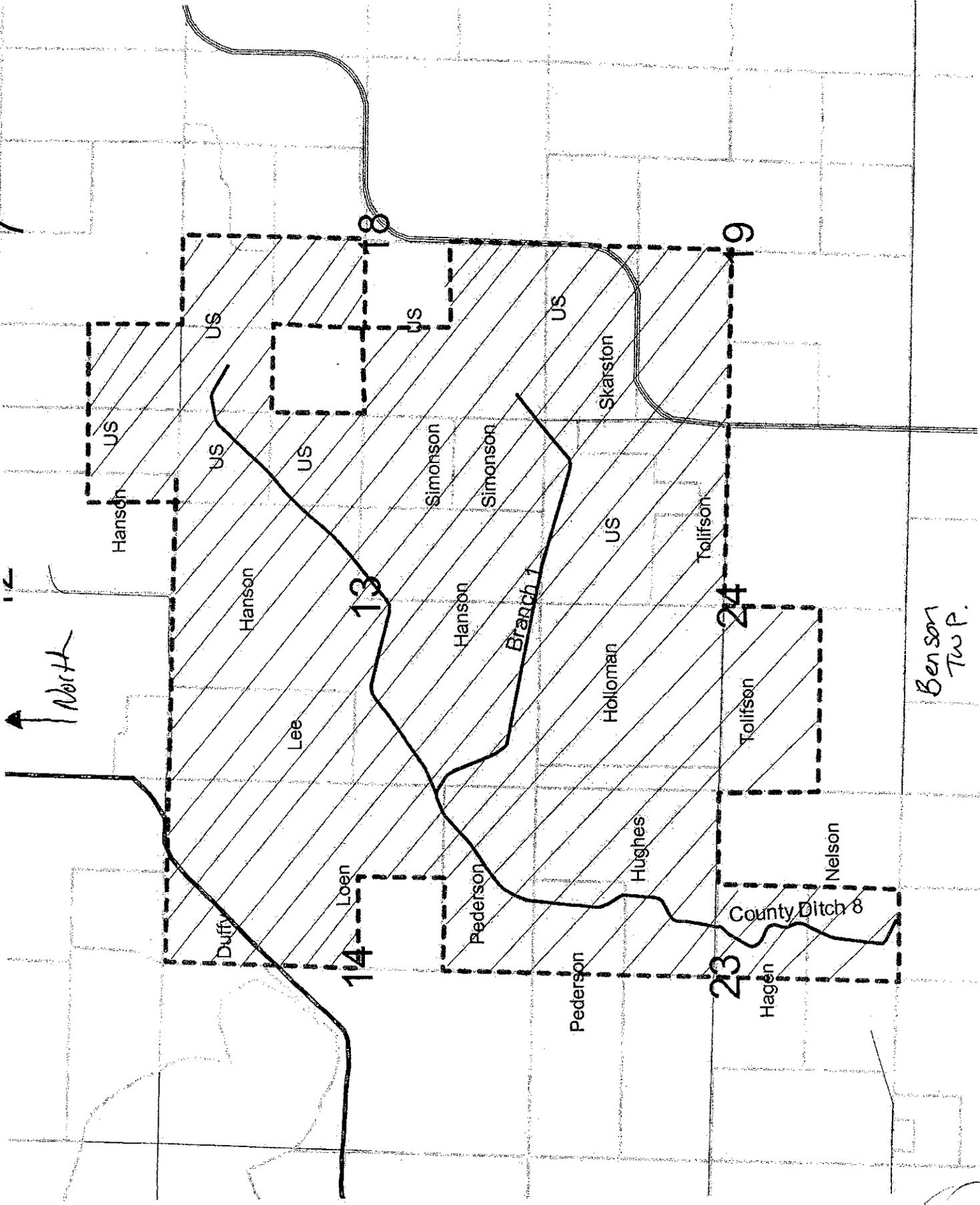
By _____
Date _____

LELS, on behalf of its members

By 
Date 12-29-11

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North



Benson Tw P.

Environmental Services
Scott Collins, Director



1000 Industrial Drive
P.O. Box 288
Benson, MN 56215

Phone (320) 843-2356
Fax (320) 843-9172

e-mail:
scott.collins@co.swift.mn.us

Swift County Board of Commissioner's Meeting
Revised Agenda Items
January 17, 2012

1. 2012-2013 County Feedlot Program Delegation Agreement & Work Plan signature.
2. Budget Request - \$2,500
Safety training meetings, safety seminars, safety materials and safety budget request - \$2,500

RESOLUTION OF SWIFT COUNTY

ADOPTION OF THE
SWIFT COUNTY ALL-HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

WHEREAS, Swift County has participated in the hazard mitigation planning process as established under the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, and

WHEREAS, the Act establishes a framework for the development of a County Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Act as part of the planning process requires public involvement and local coordination among neighboring local units of government and businesses; and

WHEREAS, the Swift County Plan includes a risk assessment including past hazards, hazards that threaten the County, an estimate of structures at risk, a general description of land uses and development trends; and

WHEREAS, the Swift County Plan includes a mitigation strategy including goals and objectives and an action plan identifying specific mitigation projects and costs; and

WHEREAS, the Swift County Plan includes a maintenance or implementation process including plan updates, integration of the plan into other planning documents and how Swift County will maintain public participation and coordination; and

WHEREAS, the Plan has been shared with the Minnesota Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management and the Federal Emergency Management Agency for review and comment; and

WHEREAS, the Swift County All-Hazard Mitigation Plan will make the county and participating jurisdictions eligible to receive FEMA hazard mitigation assistance grants; and

WHEREAS, the Swift County All-Hazard Mitigation Plan updates the existing All-Hazard Mitigation Plan adopted in May 2005; and

WHEREAS, this is a multi-jurisdictional Plan and cities that participated in the planning process may choose to also adopt the County Plan.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Swift County supports the hazard mitigation planning effort and wishes to adopt the Swift County All-Hazard Mitigation Plan.

This Resolution was declared duly passed and adopted and was signed by the _____ and attested to by the

_____ this _____ day of _____, 2012.

Attest:

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Byron Giese

From: "Jill Fugleberg" <jill.fugleberg@co.swift.mn.us>
To: "Byron Giese" <byron.giese@co.swift.mn.us>
Sent: Thursday, January 12, 2012 11:09 AM
Subject: grant period
Byron,

My grant agreement has come through now, but we still need to decide on an end date for the grant. Technically the grant period still started Oct. 1. Every time I asked before when the new grant period would start, I was told that because of the state changing over to the new grant processing system, nothing could be processed or funded until that system was up and running smoothly. I was told now that we could still get reimbursed retroactively back to that date, but this is probably not necessary now since my hours were reduced during that quarter. Because of the delay, we can amend the end date of the grant to as late as March 31, 2013 or even June 30, 2013. So first we will need to decide when we want my position to return to full time (32 hours) and then we can determine what we want to set for our end date. I could talk with you about this tomorrow or I could come to the commissioners mtg next week. I also have my adv com mtg at 12:15 that day.

Jill

Jill Fugleberg
Swift County Restorative Justice Coordinator
(320) 843-2493
jill.fugleberg@co.swift.mn.us
www.scrj.webs.com

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Posting date:

Jurisdiction Name:

NOTICE

2012 Pay Equity Report

This jurisdiction is submitting a pay equity implementation report to Minnesota Management & Budget as required by the Local Government Pay Equity Act, Minnesota Statutes 471.991 to 471.999. The report must be submitted to the department by January 31, 2012.

The report is public data under the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act, Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 13. That means that the report is available to anyone requesting this information.

This notice is being sent to all union representatives (if any) in this jurisdiction. In addition, this notice must remain posted in a prominent location for at least 90 days from the date the report was submitted.

For more information about this jurisdiction's pay equity program, or to request a copy of the implementation report, please contact:

(local contact person's name, address, telephone)

For more information about the state pay equity law, you may contact:

Pay Equity Coordinator
Minnesota Management & Budget
400 Centennial Office Building
658 Cedar Street
St. Paul, MN 55155

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**SYNERGY GRAPHICS
ELECTION SERVICES AGREEMENT**

This Agreement is made as of the date it is executed by the last of the parties named below (the "Effective Date"),

BETWEEN: Synergy Graphics, a Minnesota corporation ("Synergy Graphics" or "SG")

AND: Swift County, Minnesota ("Customer")

RECITALS:

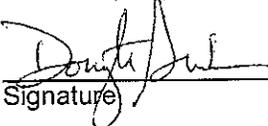
- A. Customer has agreed to purchase certain election-related services from Synergy Graphics for use in Swift County (the "Jurisdiction"). The terms and conditions under which such services shall be provided are set forth in the **GENERAL TERMS** attached hereto.
- B. The following Exhibits are incorporated into, and constitute an integral part of, this Agreement (check all that apply):
- Exhibit A (Summary of Services)
 - Exhibit B (Ballot Layout and Related Services)
 - Exhibit C (Ballot Printing Services)

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, each of the parties hereto:

- Agrees to the **GENERAL TERMS** and the terms and conditions set forth in each Exhibit.
- Agrees that at all times, this Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Minnesota.
- Represents and warrants to the other party that as of its signature date indicated below it has full power and authority to enter into and perform this Agreement, and that the person signing below on its behalf has been properly authorized to execute this Agreement.
- Acknowledges that it has read this Agreement, understands it and intends to be bound by it.

SYNERGY GRAPHICS
Attn: Doug Sunde
14505 27th Avenue North
Plymouth, MN 55447
Phone No.: (763) 586-3751
Fax No.: (320) 203-1290

Swift County
Byron Geise
301 14th Street North
Benson, MN 56215-



Signature

Signature

Douglas T. Sunde

Name (Printed or Typed)

Name (Printed or Typed)

Vice-President, Government Division

Title

Title

12-20-2011

Date

Date

THURSDAY | February 23, 2012

8:15 - 9:00	Registration Continental Breakfast
9:00 - 9:10	Welcome and Introductions - Kurt A. Deter
9:10 - 10:00	Minnesota Drainage Law & Issues - Kurt A. Deter
10:00 - 10:15	Break
10:15 - 11:00	Farm Program, Swampbuster and Agricultural Mitigation Issues - Don Baloun, NRCS State Conservationist
11:00 - 11:45	Regulatory and Agency Issues - John C. Kolb
11:45 - 1:00	Lunch
1:00 - 2:00	Funding Issues, Benefits and Damages and Other Drainage Issues - John C. Kolb
2:00 - 2:45	Tile Technology and Market Conditions - Kent Rodelius, Prinsco Tile Company
2:45 - 3:00	Break
3:00 - 3:45	Drainage Project Procedures - Kurt A. Deter
3:45 - 4:30	Questions and Answers - Kurt A. Deter and John C. Kolb

Seating is limited. To reserve seats, complete the registration on the back of this brochure. Send it with a check made payable to Rinke Noonan. Seminar fee is \$95.00 for each person attending, which includes the continental breakfast and luncheon.

For questions about registration or other arrangements contact Jennifer Carlson at (320) 656-3537 or email jcarlson@rinkenoonan.com

This seminar is being submitted for CLE credits.

For your convenience, a block of rooms has been set aside until January 23rd, 2012 at the Best Western/Kelly Inn 320/253-0606. When you call for reservations, mention you are attending the Rinke Noonan Annual Drainage and Wetland Conference.

Public and private drainage, and the issues related to them have taken a central role in the advancing agricultural economy. The challenge of maintaining existing drainage to sustain the ag-economy as well as improving drainage to take advantage of current technology and farming efficiency often conflicts with ecological concerns. These issues and the policies that surround them will shape drainage, conservation and land use policies into the future. This year's conference focuses on the basics of drainage, unique processes that balance necessary drainage with ecological concern and innovative processes that allow for the most efficient and productive use of farmland. The conference is designed so that attendees can gain knowledge on drainage and wetland issues against a backdrop of conservation and budget issues. This conference is designed for drainage authorities, agency personnel, zoning staff, landowners and city, township, county and watershed officials and staff.



CHIPPEWA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Telephone 320-269-7447 • 629 North 11th Street, Suite 2 • Montevideo, Minnesota 56265

January 3, 2012

To: Yellow Medicine County
Lac qui Parle County
Swift County
McCleod County
Meeker County
Kandiyohi County
Big Stone County
Renville County

RE: Prairie Country RC & D Grant Administration Services
For Hawk Creek, Chippewa River, and Crow River Watershed Projects

Gentlemen,

The Chippewa County Board of Commissioners reviewed correspondence from the Big Stone County Board of Commissioners relating to the financial services being provided by Prairie Country RC & D for the three watershed projects listed above at a special meeting held on December 29, 2011. The Chippewa County Board supports the position of Big Stone County with respect to the RC & D and is thankful for their years of solid financial administration support to the watershed projects on behalf of the member counties.

The Chippewa County Board believes that it is an opportune time to consider options for the future financial administration of these programs in advance of the planned retirement of Janelle Holien during 2012. This type of forward planning should provide a timely and efficient transition for the future.

CHIPPEWA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Kenneth Koenen, Chair.

Jim Dahlvang

Dennis Anderson

Jeffrey Lopez

Dave Lieser

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