

# **SWIFT COUNTY BOARD MINUTES**

## **July 7, 2015**

Chairman Peter Peterson called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM with all present. Also in attendance were County Administrator Mike Pogge-Weaver, County Auditor Kim Saterbak, County Social Services Director Deanna Steckman, and Amanda Ness.

Chairman Peter Peterson asked if there were any changes to the agenda. There were none.

**07-07-15-01** Commissioner Hendrickx moved and Commissioner Edward Pederson seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

**07-07-15-02** Commissioner Rudningen moved and Commissioner Fox seconded to approve the Consent Agenda which consisted of: (1) Minutes from the June 16, 2015 Meeting (2) Minutes from the June 16, 2015 Board of Assessment and Equalization Meeting (3) Approval of a tobacco license for the following business: Kerkhoven Handi-Stop and (4) Appointment of Heather Giese as a Social Worker. Motion carried unanimously.

**07-07-15-03** Commissioner Fox moved and Commissioner Edward Pederson seconded to approve the Commissioner warrants as follows: Revenue: \$72,639.51; Solid Waste: \$59,151.31; Road and Bridge: \$1,277,547.90; County Ditches: \$25,059.77; State Fund Agency: \$9.00; and Human Services, \$1,175.73 which includes the following bills over \$2,000: Alternative Micrographics, \$3,190.80; Benson Municipal Utilities, \$9,317.02; Central Specialties Inc., \$1,233,058.91; Commerford Construction Inc., \$18,519.35; Digital Ally Inc., \$4,120.00; Esri, \$2,857.00; Geyer Recycling, \$5,525.00; Glacial Plains Cooperative, \$6,155.19; Hewlett-Packard Company, \$2,319.08; Johnson Controls, \$2,360.00; Midstate Supplies, \$14,534.38; O'Malley & Kron Land Surveyors Inc., \$36,742.50; Pflipsen Trucking LLC, \$27,634.43; K. VanHeuveln Inc., \$6,540.42; Villard Implement Co., \$12,439.15; and Waste Management Of Northern Minnesota, \$19,368.96. Motion carried unanimously.

Board and Committee Reports were given as follows: Commissioner Fox reported on Chippewa River Watershed, SCBH, and SPCC. Commissioner Edward Pederson reported on the Historical Society and the Launching the Strategic Plan Team. Commissioner Rudningen reported on the Health Insurance Committee, Prairie Lakes Youth, Technology Committee, and Planning and Zoning. Commissioner Hendrickx reported on SPCC, 6W Corrections, AMC Governance, RDC, and the Health Insurance Committee. Chairman Peter Peterson reported on 6W Corrections, Space Analysis Interviews, HRA, and Prairie Five Community Action Council.

Administrator Pogge-Weaver updated the board on the health insurance balances and committee, upcoming employment interviews, and that he will be out of the office the last week of July.

Chairman Peter Peterson opened the floor for Citizen's Comments. John Norby addressed the board concerning issues with the ditch mowing by the Highway Department. No action was taken by the board.

Ronald Anderson requested the support of the board for the replacement of Bridge #5380 on Minnesota Trunk Highway 40.

Mandy Schmidt, of Mn/DOT District 8, addressed the concerns of Mr. Anderson and updated the board on the postponement of the letting of the bids and the upcoming community input process regarding the rehabilitation versus replacement of the bridge.

**07-07-15-04** Commissioner Hendrickx moved and Commissioner Fox seconded to approve a letter to

Mn/DOT of support of the Chippewa and Lac Qui Parle boards and the process of citizen involvement in the decision regarding the bridge. Motion carried unanimously.

Environmental Services Director Scott Collins requested approval of Conditional Use Permit #4998 requested by Leonard Wulf & Sons, Inc. (Owner)/Spring Valley Farms LLP (Purchaser), for establishing a new feedlot that consists of a 102' x 168' total confinement barn to house 2,100 head swine between 55 and 300 pounds located in the NW corner of 170<sup>th</sup> Ave NE and 70<sup>th</sup> St NW in Fairfield Township. There was no change to the conditions of the permit.

**07-07-15-05** Commissioner Rudningen moved and Commissioner Fox seconded to approve CUP #4998. Motion carried unanimously.

County Engineer Andy Sander requested approval of a Resolution for Bridge Bonding Funds for the SAP 076-598-011 project on CR 54 in Shible Township Section 31.

**07-07-15-06** Commissioner Fox moved and Commissioner Hendrickx seconded to approve the resolution for bridge bonding. Motion carried unanimously.

County Auditor Kim Saterbak requested the appointment of two Swift County members to sit on the Chippewa County Ditch #13 - Joint Ditch Board.

**07-07-15-07** Commissioner Hendrickx moved and Commissioner Rudningen seconded to approve the appointment of Commissioner Fox and Commissioner Edward Pederson to the Chippewa Ditch #13 - Joint Ditch Board. Motion carried 4-0 with Chairman Peter Peterson abstaining from the vote due to renting land within the watershed.

Administrator Pogge-Weaver updated the board on the RASP team portion of the strategic plan.

**07-07-15-08** Commissioner Rudningen moved and Commissioner Fox seconded to recess the regular meeting and go into a closed session to consider strategy for labor negotiations, including negotiation strategies or developments or discussion and review of labor negotiation proposals, conducted pursuant to sections 179A.01 to 179A.25. (§13D.03) Motion carried unanimously.

The regular meeting recessed to closed session at 10:12 AM.

The regular meeting reconvened at 10:51 AM.

**07-07-15-09** Commissioner Rudningen moved and Commissioner Hendrickx seconded to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 10:52 AM.

WITNESSED:

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Peter Peterson, Chair

ATTEST:

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Michel Pogge-Weaver, Clerk of the Board