

SWIFT COUNTY BOARD MINUTES

September 15, 2015

Chairman Peter Peterson called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM with all present. Also in attendance were County Administrator Mike Pogge-Weaver, County Attorney Danielle Olson and County Auditor Kim Saterbak.

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

09-15-15-01 Commissioner Hendrickx moved and Commissioner Fox seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

09-15-15-02 Commissioner Rudningen moved and Commissioner Edward Pederson seconded to approve the Consent Agenda which consisted of: (1) Minutes from the August 18, 2015 Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

09-15-15-03 Commissioner Rudningen moved and Commissioner Edward Pederson seconded to approve the Commissioner warrants as follows: Revenue: \$79,788.13; Solid Waste: \$22,498.31; Road and Bridge: \$21,107.64; County Ditches: \$1,974.25; and State Fund Agency: \$4.50 which includes the following bills over \$2,000: Auto Value Benson, \$6,670.44; CliftonLarsonAllen LLP, \$7,400.00; Comm of MMB, Treas Div, \$2,638.50; Computer Professionals Unlimited Inc., \$5,282.24; M-R Sign Company Inc., \$5,839.00; Pflipsen Trucking LLC, \$11,261.90; Pioneerland Library System, \$30,118.25; Soil Conservation Office, \$2,431.07; Swift County DAC, \$2,219.67; Swift County Extension, \$2,178.60; Tyler Technologies, Inc., \$3,983.00; and Waste Management of Northern Minnesota, \$8,757.61. Motion carried unanimously.

Board and Committee Reports were given as follows: Chairman Pete Peterson reported on a meeting on 6W Corrections, Yellow Medicine Joint Engineer Committee, and Countryside Public Health. Commissioner Fox reported on Well-Being Committee, Woodland Centers, Judicial Ditch #18, and Restorative Practices. Commissioner Edward Pederson reported on Judicial Ditch #18 and DAC. Commissioner Rudningen reported on Yellow Medicine Joint Engineer Committee and Well-Being Committee. Commissioner Hendrickx reported on 6W Corrections and SPCC.

Administrator Pogge-Weaver updated the board on the release from the State Auditor, the resignation of Jim Marquardt and recruitment for his position, and the County Administrator and HR Personnel conference.

Chairman Peterson asked for citizen's comments. There were none.

County Engineer Andy Sander presented the board with an agreement with the City of Kerkhoven related to water main replacement on CSAH 35.

09-15-15-04 Commissioner Rudningen moved and Commissioner Fox seconded to approve an agreement with the City of Kerkhoven. Motion carried unanimously.

County Auditor Kim Saterbak presented and reviewed the proposed 2016 ditch assessments.

Auditor Saterbak further presented a three year contract with CliftonLarsonAllen LLP to provide annual audit services for the years ending December 31, 2015, 2016, and 2017 and offered the alternative of doing an RFP to get bids from other auditing firms. The board chose to submit an RFP for auditing services.

Auditor Saterbak continued the forfeiture policy discussion started at the September 1st board meeting. The discussion was started and then tabled to the end of the meeting.

The board recessed for lunch at 12:00 PM and reconvened at 1:00 PM.

RDA Executive Director Jennifer Frost presented the board with a loan request to Do-Mat's for \$125,000 from the Swift County Revolving Loan Fund.

09-15-15-05 Commissioner Rudningen moved and Commissioner Fox seconded to approve the \$125,000 loan request. Motion carried unanimously.

Administrator Pogge-Weaver presented the board with the proposed 2016 preliminary budget and levy.

09-15-15-06 Commissioner Hendrickx moved to approve an increase of 5.36% which is a gross levy of \$10,061,692, operating levy of \$9,873,406, and final net levy of \$9,911,027. Motion failed for lack of a second.

09-15-15-07 Commissioner Rudningen moved and Commissioner Edward Pederson seconded to approve an increase of 4.03% which is a gross levy of \$9,936,634, operating levy of \$9,748,348, and final net levy of \$9,785,969. Motion failed 2-3 with Commissioners Hendrickx, Fox, and Pete Peterson opposing.

09-15-15-08 Commissioner Fox moved and Commissioner Hendrickx seconded to approve an increase of 4.5% which is a gross levy of \$9,980,943, an operating levy of \$9,792,657, and a final net levy of \$9,830,278. Motion carried unanimously.

09-15-15-09 Commissioner Fox moved and Commissioner Hendrickx seconded to set the 2016 Truth in Taxation meeting for December 1, 2015 at 6:00 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

09-15-15-10 Commissioner Hendrickx moved and Commissioner Rudningen seconded to approve the resolution on the 2016 HRA Budget and Levy of \$145,000. Motion carried unanimously.

09-15-15-11 Commissioner Rudningen moved and Commissioner Edward Pederson seconded to approve the resolution on the 2016 RDA Budget and Levy of \$87,000. Motion carried unanimously.

Further discussion was held on the tax forfeiture property policy.

09-15-15-12 Commissioner Rudningen moved and Commissioner Hendrickx seconded to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 2:32 PM.

WITNESSED:

Peter Peterson, Chair

ATTEST:

Michel Pogge-Weaver, Clerk of the Board