

## **SWIFT COUNTY BOARD MINUTES**

### **October 21, 2014**

Chairman Fox called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM with all members present as well as County Administrator Mike Pogge-Weaver, Kim Saterbak, Amanda Ness, and audience member Gene Payne.

Chairman Fox asked for any changes or additions to the agenda. Administrator Pogge-Weaver requested to add a discussion on hiring a temporary part-time assistant in the Auditor's office to Other Business.

**10-21-14-01** Commissioner Peterson moved and Commissioner Hendrickx seconded to approve the agenda with the noted addition.

**10-21-14-02** Commissioner Hendrickx moved and Commissioner Rudningen seconded to approve the Consent Agenda which consisted of: (1) Minutes from the October 7, 2014 Meeting.

**10-21-14-03** Commissioner Klemm moved and Commissioner Rudningen seconded to approve the Commissioner warrants as follows: Revenue: \$66,872.52; Road and Bridge: \$90,283.41; Solid Waste: \$28,738.63; County Health Insurance: \$530.00; and County Ditches Fund: \$14,871.08 which includes the following bills over \$2,000: Amundson Peterson, \$78,000.00; Brimeyer Fursman LLC, \$5,000.00; Dude's Tiling LLC, \$11,349.10; Glacial Plains Cooperative, \$3,374.15; Kandiyohi County, \$2,176.77; Kandiyohi County Sheriffs Dept, \$5,145.49; MN Dept of Transportation, \$3,071.24; Pflipsen Trucking LLC, \$12,426.99; Ron Ringquist, \$2,856.00; University of Minnesota, \$17,815.66; Waste Management of Northern Minnesota, \$8,731.77; WEX Bank, \$5,198.07; and Yellow Medicine County Jail, \$9,395.47. Motion carried unanimously.

Board and Committee Reports were given as follows: Chairman Fox reported on Restorative Practices, Chippewa River Watershed, a Broadband Meeting with the Blandin Group, Southwest Mental Health Consortium, Well-Being Committee, and Woodland Centers. Commissioner Klemm reported on SCEMO, Prairie Lakes Youth, DAC, and his individual interview with Brimeyer & Fursman. Commissioner Peterson reported on Countryside Public Health and the Nurse Family Partnership. Commissioner Rudningen reported on the Policy Committee, SCEMO, Well-Being Committee, Pioneerland Library System, Glacial Ridge Scenic Byway, and his interview with Brimeyer & Fursman. Commissioner Hendrickx reported on SPCC, the Broadband Meeting with the Blandin Group, and Woodland Centers.

Administrator Pogge-Weaver updated the board on the State Assessed Utility Properties, progress of the organizational study, and the broadband meeting in Appleton.

Gene Payne presented a request for reimbursement of attorney fees related to Joint County Ditch #18. The board directed staff to seek a meeting with the Joint County Ditch #18 board by the end of the year to address Mr. Payne's request.

Administrator Pogge-Weaver reviewed the details of the State of Minnesota's Border to Border Broadband Development Grant and Federated Telephone Cooperative's request for the County to bond for a portion of the project. If the grant is awarded, the County would consider bonding for the project and consider providing a loan to Federated Telephone Cooperative in the amount up to \$5,000,000. Kevin Beyer of Federated Telephone and Jacki Anderson of the Upper Minnesota Valley Regional Development Commission were on hand to discuss the project.

**10-21-14-04** Commissioner Rudningen moved and Commissioner Klemm seconded to accept the resolution regarding the Broadband Development Grant and the County's financial commitment. Motion carried unanimously.

Administrator Pogge-Weaver temporary part-time office assistant in the Auditor's office discussed and requested approval of the position. The position will be used for scanning in the Courthouse and the rate of pay would be \$9.00 per hour.

**10-21-14-05** Commissioner Peterson moved and Commissioner Rudningen seconded to approve a temporary part-time office assistant in the Auditor's office at the rate of \$9.00 per hour. Motion carried unanimously.

The board took a break at 11:54 AM. The board resumed their meeting at 11:56 AM.

**10-21-14-06** Commissioner Peterson moved and Commissioner Rudningen seconded to move to closed session to engage in confidential attorney-client communications related to pending litigation regarding medical insurance issues pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 13D.05, subdivision 3(b). Motion carried unanimously.

The regular session recessed to closed session at 11:57 AM.

The meeting reconvened to regular session at 12:22 PM.

**10-21-14-07** Commissioner Hendrickx moved and Commissioner Rudningen seconded to move the November 4, 2014 meeting from 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Fox adjourned the meeting at 12:24 PM.

WITNESSED:

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Joe Fox, Chair

ATTEST:

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Michel Pogge-Weaver, Clerk of the Board