

**MINUTES
OF
PINE COUNTY BOARD MEETING
SPECIAL MEETING
and
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE/BUDGET COMMITTEE
August 24, 2017 – 9:00 a.m.
Pine County Courthouse, Pine City, Minnesota**

Chair Matt Ludwig called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Present were Commissioners Steve Hallan, Josh Mohr, Steve Chaffee and John Mikrot, Jr. Also present was County Administrator David Minke.

The pledge of allegiance was said.

Motion by Commissioner Chaffee to amend the agenda by adjusting the order of presentations and to approve the amended agenda. Second by Commissioner Hallan. Motion passed 5-0.

Pete Leibel, Fair Board President, provided an update on the success of the annual county fair. The county annually appropriates \$10,000 to the County Agricultural Society (fair board).

Jill Carlier, Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) District manager presented the SWCD budget request. The total request is \$114,721 for 2018.

In 2017 the county provided a supplemental appropriation for the SWCD of \$5,000 for capacity building funds and \$3,000 towards the Cross Lake project. The capacity building funds are matched by the State of Minnesota.

Terry Fawcett, Director of Probation presented the Probation budget request.

Kelly Schroeder, Director of Land Services, presented the Land Services budget request.

Becky Foss, Health and Human Services (HHS) Director and Michelle Kelash, Health and Human Services Fiscal Officer, presented the HHS budget request.

Reese Frederickson, County Attorney, presented the County Attorney Office budget request.

Carrie Tripp, Vice President for External Relations for the Initiative Foundation updated the board on programs offered and impacts on Pine County. The Initiative Foundation budget request is \$7,450, the same amount as the 2017 appropriation.

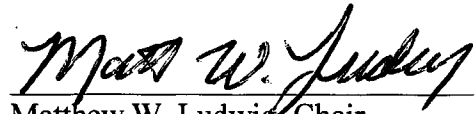
David Minke, County Administrator, presented the Administration department budgets.

The preliminary budget maintains funding for the economic development function. The incumbent has indicated he will retire this fall. Commissioners indicated a commitment to

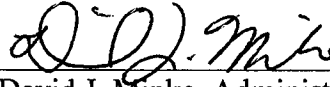
funding, but were also interested in considering additional collaboration opportunities with other jurisdictions.

It was the consensus of the board to consider these requests and discuss further at the September 5, 2017 regular board meeting.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.



Matthew W. Ludwig, Chair
Board of Commissioners



David J. Minke, Administrator
Clerk to County Board