

**Tuesday, August 2, 2011 10:00 a.m. Pine County Courthouse Boardroom**

Chairman Rossow called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Present were Commissioners, Steven Chaffee, Stephen Hallan, Mitch Pangerl, and Doug Carlson. Also present was County Coordinator Mark LeBrun and County Attorney John Carlson.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Chairman Rossow called for public comment. No comments made.

Commissioner Carlson moved to adopt the amended agenda, Commissioner Chaffee seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Chaffee moved to approve the minutes of the July 19, 2011 County Board meeting. Commissioner Hallan seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hallan moved to approve the consent agenda, Commissioner Chaffee seconded. Motion carried.

**Minutes of Boards, Committees and Board Memos, Newsletters**

1. Land Surveyor Monthly Report, July 2011
2. Pine County Health & Human Services Advisory Committee minutes, July, 2011

**\*\*\*CONSENT AGENDA\*\*\***

**Auditor/Treasurer**

1. July Disbursements
2. Applications for Abatement:  
Doreen Hoffman, 16405 Beroun Crossing Rd, Brook Park, PID 18.0274.000, pay 2011  
Helen Conrad-Lenhardt, 31 Pathfinder Vlg, Hinckley, PID 09.6039.000, pay 2011 & 2012
3. Application for Premises Permit for Hinckley-PC Flames Snowmobile Club to conduct MN Lawful Gambling at Chengwatana Country Club, 29410 Beroun Crossing Rd (Chengwatana Twp)
4. Application for Premises Permit for Kerrick Firefighters Relief Assoc to conduct MN Lawful Gambling at Tavern in Duquette, 88159 State Hwy 23 (Kerrick Twp)

## **\*\*REGULAR AGENDA\*\***

### **Sheriff**

Sheriff Cole updated the board on the activities of the department.

Sheriff Cole presented for approval the promotion of Deputy Andrew Abrahamson to Investigator effective July 31, 2011. Commissioner Pangerl motioned to approve request as presented. Chairman Rossow seconded, motion carried.

Sheriff Cole presented for approval the promotion of PT Deputy Chad Wiener to FT Deputy effective July 31, 2011. Commissioner Hallan motioned to approve request as presented. Commissioner Chaffee seconded, motion carried.

Sheriff Cole presented for approval the hiring of PT Dispatchers Donna Anderson and Patricia Haines effective August 1, 2011. Commissioner Pangerl motioned to approve request as presented. Chairman Rossow seconded, motion carried.

Sheriff Cole presented a \$400 donation from the Hinckley Chamber of Commerce to the Pine County Sheriff's Volunteer Posse. Commissioner Carlson motioned to accept donation as presented. Commissioner Hallan seconded, motion carried.

Sheriff Cole presented the donation of 145 chemical protective masks from the Minneapolis Police Department with a total value of \$50,750. Commissioner Chaffee motioned to accept donation as presented. Commissioner Hallan seconded, motion carried.

Sheriff Cole presented an update from the Ramsey County Medical Examiner's Office on deaths in Pine County for the current year. No action taken.

The board recognized the retirement of Investigator Brett Grinde and thanked him for 30 years of service to the citizens of Pine County.

### **Public Works**

Engineer LeBrun presented for approval the promotion of Mike Struss from FT Medium Equipment Operator to FT Heavy Equipment Operator effective August 3, 2011. Commissioner Hallan motioned to approve request as presented. Commissioner Chaffee seconded, motion carried.

## **Auditor/Treasurer**

Auditor/Treasurer Clemmer presented a Resolution for Repurchase of Land for Northwoods Bank. Commissioner Chaffee motioned to approve request as presented. Commissioner Pangerl seconded, resolution passed unanimously.

### **RESOLUTION # 080211-02**

WHEREAS, Northwoods Bank, the former mortgagee, has made and filed an application with the County Auditor for the repurchase of the hereinafter described parcel of tax forfeited land, in accordance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 282.241, as amended, which land is situated in the County of Pine, Minnesota, and described as follows, to-wit:

Lot 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11, Block 23, Townsite of Pine City

and WHEREAS, said applicant has set forth in his application that:

Double B Developers, LLC has dissolved and did not pay property taxes.

and

Northwoods Bank of Minnesota will reinstate delinquent property taxes, pay property taxes going forward, and market the property in the best interest of Pine City.

and WHEREAS, this Board is of the opinion that said application should be granted for such reasons,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the application of Northwoods Bank, for the repurchase of the above described parcel of tax forfeited land be and the same is hereby granted and the County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to permit such repurchase according to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 282.241, as amended.

Auditor/Treasurer Clemmer presented an Addendum to the Contract between Pine County and Lakes and Pines for Small Cities Development Program. Commissioner Hallan motioned to approved Addendum as presented. Commissioner Pangerl seconded, motion carried.

Auditor/Treasurer Clemmer presented proposed amendments to the 2011 Budget. Commissioner Chaffee motioned to approve the amended line items to the 2011 Budget as presented. Commissioner Hallan seconded, motion carried.

Commissioner Pangerl motioned to have all mileage checks to be made via direct deposit. Auditor/Treasurer Clemmer indicated the county is moving in that direction but the process is not complete. Commissioner Pangerl withdrew the motion.

## **Land & Zoning**

Land/Zoning Administrator Schneider presented a resolution for Tax Forfeit Land Sale

Terms & Conditions and Land Sale List. Commissioner Carlson motioned to approve the resolution and list as presented. Chairman Rossow seconded, resolution passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION #080211-01**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the parcels of land forfeited to the State for non-payment of taxes, appearing on the list filed with the County Auditor, which have been classified and appraised as provided by M.S.A. 282.01 to 282.13, shall be offered for sale by the County Auditor; said sale to commence at 10:00 A.M. on the 23rd day of September, 2011, and the County Auditor is hereby directed to publish the notice of sale as provided by law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the terms of sale shall be cash up to \$1,000.00 on any tract or combination of tracts or a minimum down payment thereon of 10%, whichever is greater, with no down payment being less than the appraised timber value plus the proportioned bid increase. The balance is to be paid in ten equal annual principal payments, provided that no payment on principal, except the last payment shall be less than \$1,000.00. Interest shall be computed from the day of the sale at the rate set by M.S. 549.09. Both principal and interest are payable annually on or before the Anniversary date of purchase.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all sales are subject to 3% state assurance, as required by state law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all sales are subject to recording fees, a state deed fee, state deed tax, well certificate fee, if applicable and an annual billing fee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all parcels of said land shall be offered for sale subject to existing leases, easements or tax liens, if any.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that certain tax-forfeited lands may have unpaid special assessments for improvements that were canceled at the time of forfeiture. Upon sale of this land, the municipality may establish an assessment schedule for payment of a portion or all of the unpaid special assessments.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, except for land in platted subdivisions and lands conveyed for correcting legal descriptions, all deeds requested will contain the following statement, "This property is not eligible for enrollment in a state funded program providing compensation for conservation of marginal land or wetlands".

Any parcel of land or lots not sold at the auction may be purchased at any time thereafter at not less than the appraised value until such time as the County Board may order a re-appraisal of the same or withdraw said land or lots from sale.

**Coordinator**

Coordinator LeBrun led discussion on possible changes in the functions and responsibilities of the Land/Zoning department. Discussion of additional county zoning oversight occurred and Land/Zoning Administrator Schneider was directed to contact the Township Officer's Association to receive feedback on the current zoning regulations at the Township level.

Land/Zoning Administrator led discussion of the current staff responsibilities and the

sewer inspection process. Commissioner Carlson made a motion to perform sewer inspections thru private contracted services by January 1, 2012. Commissioner Pangerl seconded, motion carried.

Coordinator LeBrun led discussion on WCA and Water Planning responsibilities of the County. Chairman Rossow motioned to assign the WCA and Water Plan functions currently provided by the SWCD to the Land/Zoning Department by January 1, 2012. Commissioner Carlson seconded, Roll call vote called by Chairman Rossow:

District 1 – No  
District 2 – No  
District 3 – No  
District 4 – Yes  
District 5 – Yes

Motion failed.

### **Commissioner's Report**

Chairman Rossow discussed a potential purchase offer for the Pine Government Center.

### **Upcoming Meetings Announced**

Personnel Committee, **Monday, August 8, 2011, 9:00 a.m.** Pine County Courthouse, Coordinator's Conference Room, Pine City, MN

Pine County Health and Human Services meeting, **Tuesday, August 16, 2011, 10:00 a.m.** Public Health Building conference room, Sandstone, MN

Pine County Board meeting, **Tuesday, August 16, 2011, 1:00 p.m.** Public Health Building conference room, Sandstone, MN

Pine County Board Road Tour, **Monday, August 22, 2011, 1:00 p.m.** Public Health Building, Sandstone, MN

Investment Committee, **Monday, August 22, 2011, 9:00 a.m.** Pine County Courthouse, Coordinator's Conference Room, Pine City, MN

With no further business Chairman Rossow adjourned the County Board meeting at 1:02 p.m., until the next scheduled County Board Meeting on August 16, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. in the Public Health Building Conference room.

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Mark LeBrun, Coordinator  
Clerk to County Board

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Curt Rossow, Chair  
Board of County Commissioners