

**MINUTES OF PINE COUNTY BOARD MEETING**

**Regular Meeting**

**Tuesday, October 2, 2012, 10:00 a.m. Boardroom, Pine County Courthouse,  
Pine City, MN**

Chairman Chaffee called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Present were Commissioners Doug Carlson, Steve Hallan, Curt Rossow and Mitch Pangerl. Also present were County Attorney John Carlson and County Administrator David Minke.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Chairman Chaffee called for public comment. There was no public comment.

Chairman Chaffee announced changes to the Regular Agenda by adding an item under Commissioner Updates, 2012 Tax Forfeit Land Auction update. Commissioner Hallan moved to adopt the amended agenda. Commissioner Rossow seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Carlson moved to approve the minutes of the September 18, 2012 board meeting. Commissioner Hallan seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Pangerl moved to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner Rossow seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

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

**Auditor/Treasurer**

1. September 2012 Disbursements (attached)
2. Approve application for abatement:
  - a. Richard Sr. and Peggy Wasson, 1865 Oak Drive SW, Pine City, PID 26.0489.000, pay 2010-2012

**Donations**

Accept \$300 donation from the Askov Rutabaga Festival and Fair Association and designate to the Pine County Sheriff's Volunteer Posse.

## **Training Requests**

### **Administrator**

1. Authorize County Administrator, David Minke, and County Commissioners to attend Association of Minnesota Counties United by Design Conference, December 3-4, 2012 at River's Edge Convention Center, St. Cloud, MN. Registration cost is \$350, lodging/meals approximately \$100, plus mileage per person.

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

#### **1. Public Hearing for the Small Cities Development Program**

Chairman Chaffee opened the public hearing at 10:04 a.m. Dana Johnson, Project Manager from Lakes and Pines gave an overview of the project. Chairman Chaffee called for public comment. No public comments were made. The public hearing was closed at 10:10 a.m.

Discussion was held for the purpose of reapplying for future Small Cities Development Program grants and to detail the funding process. Dana Johnson states the county is able to reapply for future grants at this time as the current grant ends December 2012. Motion by Commissioner Hallan to authorize Lakes and Pines to reapply for the Small Cities Development Program. Second by Commissioner Pangerl. Motion carried 5-0.

#### **2. Recognition of Retirement**

The board recognized the retirement of Highway Maintenance Supervisor David Stevens and thanked him for his 36 years of service to Pine County.

#### **3. Donations**

Katie Draper from the Government Affairs Department of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe was present and acknowledged agreement in the expansion of economic development between Pine County and the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe. Motion by Commissioner Carlson to accept \$7,500 donation from the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe and designate for economic development. Second by Commissioner Hallan. Motion carried 5-0.

#### **4. Transportation Committee Report**

Pine County Highway Engineer Mark LeBrun provided an overview of past and future road construction projects. A discussion was held regarding past and present road construction projects, safety on county roads, trainings offered for highway department employees at the township, county and state levels, and future road project funding.

The Transportation Committee met on September 6, 2012 and recommends approval of the 2013-2017 Road Construction Program. Motion by Commissioner Rossow to approve the 2013-2017 Road Construction Program. Second by Commissioner Carlson. Motion carried 5-0.

#### **5. Commission Nominations/Appointments**

Pine County Land Commissioner Kurt Schneider provided information regarding current vacancies within the Planning Commission and Board of Adjustments. Motion by Chairman Chaffee to appoint Tom Mestemacher to the Board of Adjustments in District 3 for a 4 year term. The appointments for District 2, Planning Commission, and District 5, Planning Commission, will take place at the October 16, 2012 Pine County Board Meeting.

#### **6. Sale of \$14,110,000 General Obligation Capital Improvement Plan Bonds, Series 2012A**

Pine County Auditor/Treasurer Cathy Clemmer states that bids for the bonds were accepted until 10:00 a.m. today and asks that the board discuss this item later in the morning.

#### **7. Commissioner Updates**

Pine County Land Commissioner Kurt Schneider provided the board with an update of the 2012 Tax Forfeit Land auction which was held on September 21, 2012. Pine County Auditor/Treasurer Cathy Clemmer also commented that the auction went well and states it appears there is more interest in purchasing land this year compared to last year.

County Administrator Minke states there is an Association of Minnesota Counties (AMC) District 1 Meeting on October 25 and 26, 2012 in Two Harbors. Motion by Commissioner Carlson for County Administrator and County Board Members to

attend the Association of Minnesota Counties District 1 Meeting in Two Harbors and authorize payment of registration and additional expenses for the training. Second by Commissioner Rossow. Motion carried 5-0.

County Administrator Minke states there is a community meeting which will be held on October 2, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. at the Rutledge Community Center for persons affected by the June flooding.

## **8. Upcoming Meetings**

Personnel Committee Meeting, **Tuesday, October 9, 2012, 9:00 a.m.**  
Administrator's Conference Room, Pine County Courthouse, Pine City, Minnesota

Pine County Health and Human Services Meeting, **Tuesday October 16, 10:00 a.m.**  
Public Health Building Sandstone, Minnesota

Pine County Special Board Meeting, **Tuesday, October 16, 2012, 11:00 a.m.** Public Health Building Sandstone, Minnesota, for the purpose of touring Schmedeke Lane

Pine County Board Meeting, **Tuesday, October 16, 2012, 1:00 p.m.** Public Health Building, Sandstone, Minnesota

NLX meeting, **Wednesday, October 24, 2012, 10:00 a.m.** Boardroom, Pine County Courthouse, Pine City, MN

Commissioner Carlson requested an update of the Pine County audit. County Auditor/Treasurer Cathy Clemmer states the county's goal is to maintain or grow the fund balance and overall the audit went well.

The county board recessed at 11:20 a.m. to wait for final bond sale information. The county board reconvened at 11:34 a.m. to continue discussion on the sale of bonds.

## **9. Sale of \$14,110,000 General Obligation Capital Improvement Plan Bonds, Series 2012A**

Carolyn Drude from Ehlers Incorporated presented information related to parties interested in purchasing the bonds. Motion by Commissioner Hallan to approve the

Resolution Authorizing Issuance, Awarding Sale, Prescribing the Form and Details and Providing for the Payment of \$14,110,000 General Obligation Capital Improvement Plan Bonds, Series 2012A. Second by Commissioner Carlson. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Commissioner Carlson to approve Escrow Agreement with U.S. Bank National Association, St. Paul, Minnesota. Second by Commissioner Rossow. Motion carried 5-0.

**10. Recess until 12:00 noon to Rys Farm, 8860 560<sup>th</sup> Street, Pine City for lunch**

The county board recessed at 11:51 a.m.

The board reconvened at 12:15 p.m. for lunch at the Rys Farm, 8860 560<sup>th</sup> Street, Pine City, Minnesota.

At 1:10 p.m. the commissioners boarded the bus and toured various roads in southern Pine County and also the County Highway Shop in Pine City.

With no further business, Chairman Chaffee adjourned the County Board meeting at 3:15 p.m. until the next scheduled County Board Meeting on October 16, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. at the Public Health Building, Sandstone, Minnesota.

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David J. Minke, Administrator  
Clerk to County Board

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Steve Chaffee, Chair  
Board of County Commissioners