

MINUTES OF PINE COUNTY BOARD MEETING

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, October 18, 2011 1:00 p.m. Public Health Building, Sandstone, MN

Chairman Rossow called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Present were Commissioners, Doug Carlson, Steven Chaffee, Stephen Hallan, and Mitch Pangerl. Also present was County Administrator Mark LeBrun and County Attorney John Carlson.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Commissioner Hallan moved to adopt the amended agenda, Commissioner Pangerl seconded. Motion carried.

Chairman Rossow called for public comment. Eldon Schmedeke requested to speak during agenda item 1 under County Attorney. Commissioner Chaffee requested everyone to speak loudly for the benefit of those in attendance.

Commissioner Carlson moved to approve the minutes of the October 4, 2011 board meeting. Commissioner Hallan seconded. Motion carried.

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

Minutes of Boards, Committees and Board Memos, Newsletter

1. ECRL Library Board minutes September, 2011
2. Pine County HRA minutes August, 2011
3. Pine County Methamphetamine Task Force, October, 2011

*****CONSENT AGENDA*****

Auditor/Treasurer

1. Cash Balance as of September 31, 2011

Revenue Fund	\$ 53,067.78
Health and Human Services Fund	\$ 2,104,938.90
Road and Bridge Fund	\$ 8,439,991.98
Land Management Fund	\$ 1,152,682.72

2. Applications for Abatement:
Rodney & Cindy Green, 22779 Blueberry Island Rd, Hinckley, PID 18.0228.000
pay 2011

Auditor/Treasurer continued

3. Application for Exempt Permit for Pine County Thunderin' Toms-NWTF to conduct Minnesota lawful gambling on February 10, 2012 at Tanks Tavern, 39109 State Hwy 48, Hinckley (Arlone Township)
4. Temporary Liquor License for October 27 & December 9, 2011 for City of Pine City

Administrator

1. Reappoint Linda Haug as the District 2 Representative to the Extension Committee
2. Reappoint Linda Defenbaugh as the District 1 Representative to the Extension Committee

****REGULAR AGENDA****

SWCD

Jerry Telker presented a Quarterly update on the activities of the Soil & Water Conservation District. No action Taken.

Public Works

Engineer LeBrun presented for approval the employment of Nicholas Pearson as Medium Equipment Operator at \$13.30/hr effective October 24, 2011. Commissioner Hallan motioned to approve as presented. Commissioner Chaffee seconded, motion carried.

Engineer LeBrun presented the retirement of Larry Klar, Heavy Equipment Operator effective October 22, 2011 and request immediate replacement and backfill. Commissioner Hallan motioned to approve as presented. Commissioner Carlson seconded, motion carried.

Engineer LeBrun presented for approval the attendance of Dave Roberts, Jon Johnson, & Todd Lindstrom at Bituminous Street Recertification on March 7, 2012 in Duluth and total cost of \$450. Commissioner Chaffee motioned to approve as presented. Commissioner Pangerl seconded, motion carried.

Engineer LeBrun presented for approval the attendance of Dave Roberts, Jon Johnson, Todd Lindstrom, & Andy Anderson at Bituminous Plant I Recertification on April 24, 2012 in Duluth and total cost of \$600. Commissioner Hallan motioned to approve as presented. Commissioner Pangerl seconded, motion carried.

Sheriff

Sheriff Cole presented an update and information on the formation of a Drug and Violent Offender Task Force. No action taken.

Sheriff Cole presented a Quarterly Report of the activities of the Sheriff's Department.

Sheriff Cole presented a request for the internal promotion of Richard Giese from Patrol Deputy to Investigator effective October 23, 2011. Commissioner Hallan motioned to approve request as presented. Commissioner Chaffee seconded, motion carried.

Sheriff Cole presented a request for the promotion of Sara Samuelson from Part-Time to Full-Time Patrol Deputy effective October 23, 2011. Commissioner Chaffee motioned to approve request as presented. Commissioner Pangerl seconded, motion carried.

Sheriff Cole presented a Joint Powers Agreement between PCSO and the State of MN acting through the Tenth Judicial District Court. Commissioner Carlson motioned to add issue to Agenda. Commissioner Chaffee seconded, motion carried. Commissioner Carlson motioned to approve request as presented. Commissioner Pangerl seconded, motion carried.

Administrator

Administrator LeBrun presented a proposal to accept Credit Cards for payment of County fees excluding Property Tax payment. Commissioner Carlson motion to approve as presented. Commissioner Pangerl seconded, motion carried.

Administrator LeBrun presented a proposal for the installation of an ATM in the Courthouse. Commissioner Hallan motioned to approve as presented. Commissioner Chaffee seconded, motion carried.

Administrator LeBrun presented a proposal to allow Employees to opt-out of Health Insurance for 2012 and to review after 1 year. Commissioner Pangerl motioned to approve as presented. Commissioner Hallan seconded, motion carried.

Commissioner Pangerl presented Statutes on optional forms of County Government and requested a legal opinion on the authority of the County Board to appoint a County Administrator without a public referendum. Commissioner Carlson motioned to refer issue to the Government Operations committee for review. Commissioner Pangerl seconded, motion carried.

County Attorney

County Attorney Carlson led discussion on a proposal to purchase Easement from Robert Jensen along Schmedeke Lane. Commissioner Carlson motioned to approve the purchase as presented. Commissioner Pangerl seconded, motion carried.

Commissioner's Report

Commissioner Hallan proposed a Committee of the Whole meeting for Economic Development and the Budget.

Upcoming Meetings

Pine County Township Officers meeting, **Saturday, October 22, 2011, 9:00 a.m.**
American Legion, Hinckley, MN

Pine County Management Team meeting, **Tuesday, October 25, 2011, 9:00 a.m.** Jury
Assembly room, Pine County Courthouse, Pine City, MN

NLX meeting, **Wednesday, October 26, 2011, 10:00 a.m.** Pine County Courthouse
Boardroom, Pine City, MN

Pine County Board meeting, **Tuesday, November 1, 2011, 10:00 a.m.** Pine County
Courthouse Boardroom, Pine City, MN

Chairman Rossow called for a five-minute recess before convening closed session.

Commissioner Chaffee motioned to convene closed session at 3:07 p.m. to discuss Labor
Negotiations/Deputy Misconduct. Commissioner Pangerl seconded, motion carried.

Commissioner Carlson motioned to conclude closed session at 3:55 p.m. Commissioner
Hallan seconded, motion carried.

Commissioner Carlson motioned to approve the promotions of Justin Stoddard and Tory
Bertelson from Part-Time to Full-Time Patrol Deputies. Commissioner Hallan seconded,
motion carried.

Commissioner Carlson motioned to approve the backfill of 5 Part-Time Patrol Deputy
positions. Commissioner Hallan seconded, motion carried.

With no further business, Chairman Rossow adjourned the County Board meeting at 3:58 p.m., until the next scheduled County Board Meeting on November 1, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the Boardroom of the Pine County Courthouse.

Mark LeBrun, Administrator
Clerk to County Board

Curt Rossow, Chair
Board of County Commissioners