

MINUTES OF PINE COUNTY BOARD MEETING
Regular Meeting

Tuesday, February 3, 2015
Public Health Building, Sandstone, Minnesota

Chair Hallan called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Present were Commissioners Josh Mohr, Steve Chaffee, Curt Rossow and Matt Ludwig. Also present were County Attorney Reese Frederickson and County Administrator David Minke.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Chair Hallan called for public comment. There was no public comment.

Chair Hallan requested the following revisions to the Agenda:

Add 3A to Regular Agenda: End of December 2014 Financial Report.

Additional Information for Consent Item 6A: Identification of new social workers and pay scale.

Commissioner Rossow moved to approve the amended Agenda. Second by Commissioner Ludwig. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Chaffee moved to approve the Minutes of the January 20, 2015 board meeting and Summary for publication. Second by Commissioner Ludwig. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Ludwig moved to approve the Minutes of the January 20, 2015 Special Meeting City-County Relations. Second by Commissioner Chaffee. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Mohr moved to approve the Minutes of the January 27, 2015 Special Meeting – Strategic Planning. Second by Commissioner Rossow. Motion carried 5-0.

Minutes of Boards, Committees and Correspondence

Pine County Land Surveyor Monthly Report – January 2015

Soil & Water Conservation District Board Meeting – January 8, 2015

Commissioner Ludwig moved to acknowledge the Minutes of Boards, Committees and Correspondence. Second by Commissioner Rossow. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Chaffee moved to approve the amended Consent Agenda. Second by Commissioner Mohr. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. January, 2015 Disbursements

Approve Disbursements Journal Report, January 1, 2015 – January 31, 2015.

2. Application for Abatement

Approve Application for Abatement for Morlin & Carol Kinnaman, 34016 Lake Town Road, Sturgeon Lake, PID 33.0558.000, pay 2014; and Dennis & Glenda Gerold, 13088 River Island Road, Pine City, PID 26.0580.003, pay 2014.

3. Application for Exempt Permit

Approve Application for Exempt Permit for the Finlayson Giese Sportsmen, Inc. to conduct Minnesota lawful gambling on May 30, 2015 at the Finlayson Giese Sportsmen Club Building, 70172 Norway Spruce Road, Finlayson (Pine Lake Twp).

4. 2015 Waste Hauler Licenses

Approve 2015 waste hauler licenses for the following: Curt's Roll-Off's – Pine City, J & D Roll-Offs – Brook Park, and Matt's Sanitation – Hinckley and authorize Board Chair to sign.

5. Human Resources Contracts with Cities of Pine City, Hinckley and Sandstone

Approve Human Resources Consulting Services Agreement Between the cities of Pine City, Hinckley and Sandstone and the County of Pine and approve Board Chair and County Administrator to sign.

6. New Hire

A. Approve the hiring of Social Worker Rona Duvall, effective February 23, 2015, \$19.54 per hour, C42, Step 1, contingent upon acceptable background check.

B. Approve the hiring of Social Worker Patrick Meacham, effective February 23, 2015, \$19.54 per hour, C42, Step 1, contingent upon acceptable background check.

7. Training

A. Approve Commissioners Steve Hallan, Josh Mohr, Steve Chaffee, Curt Rossow and Matt Ludwig, and County Administrator David Minke to attend the Joint Legislative Conference, March 4-5, 2015, St. Paul. Registration: \$225 per person, total registration: \$1,350; Lodging, \$141 per night, total lodging: \$1,692 plus tax. .

B. Approve County Administrator David Minke to attend Ehlers Minnesota Public Finance Seminar, February 5-6, 2015, Brooklyn Park. Registration: \$275.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Technology Committee

Commissioner Hallan provided an overview of the January 20, 2015 Technology Committee meeting. Discussion was held regarding a joint commissioner calendar and mobile device management. Informational only--no board action necessary.

2. Withdrawal of Land from Memorial Forest

County Administrator Minke provided an overview of the statutory requirements to withdraw land from memorial forest designation; the county board had previously discussed its desire to consider a notice and public hearing component in the process.

Motion by Commissioner Rossow to approve Resolution 2015-06 to Establish Standards for Withdrawal of Land from Memorial Forest Designation and authorize Board Chair and County Administrator to sign. Second by Commissioner Chaffee. Motion carried 5-0.

3. Final Payment – Redstone Construction

County Engineer Mark LeBrun reported to the board, and discussion was held, regarding the completion of SAP 058-640-011 Bridge Replacement Located on CSAH 40 Between CR 150 and CSAH 41. LeBrun stated the project was three percent over the contract estimate due to field conditions and the need for additional erosion control.

Motion by Commissioner Rossow for final payment to Redstone Construction in the amount of \$36,119.41 and authorize County Administrator to sign Certificate of Final Contract Acceptance. Second by Commissioner Chaffee. Motion carried 5-0.

3A. End of December 2014 Financial Report

County Administrator David Minke provided an update of the budget through December, 2014, stating overall it was a positive budget year, however the county reserves continue below recommended levels and budgeted capital expenditures remain low. Commissioner Chaffee acknowledged Health and Human Services Director Becky Foss and HHS supervisors for their efforts.

4. Commissioner Updates

Arrowhead Counties Association: Pine County will host the District 1 AMC meeting June 12, 2015, (2) Carlton & St. Louis Counties will be imposing a one-half percent transportation tax, (3) there is \$12,000,000 of 2012 unused flood money, and (4) discussion of bills that have been introduced at the state legislature.

Meeting with Mille Lacs Band: Commissioner Hallan and Administrator Minke have met with Katie Draper and Jamie Edwards from the Mille Lacs Band and future meetings have been scheduled. Pine County Health & Human Services will meet with Mille Lacs Band Health & Human Services later this month.

NE MN Regional Radio Board: The Sheriff's Office has technology issues in the 911 system and there will be a need for equipment replacement. Commissioner Hallan stated his appreciation of the Sheriff and Chief Deputy for attendance at the radio board meeting.

Extension Committee: Organizational meeting; discussion was had noting that safety training for ATVs available; discussion was had regarding economic development options available through the University of Minnesota.

Snake River Watershed Joint Powers Board: Commissioner Mohr commented on an erosion project completed by Mille Lacs County.

Lakes and Pines CAC: Health & Human Services Director Becky Foss is serving on the Lakes and Pines board.

Land Advisory Committee: Review of properties coming up in the land sale, discussion of elk management in Nemadji Forest.

NLX: Organizational meeting for the year; MnDOT doing ridership study, not including casino loop in first study (numbers will be available in a few months).

Central Regional EMS Committee: Organizational meeting for the year; an emergency meeting was called in January to draft a letter to the governor with regard to the move of Emergency Medical Services from the direction of MSRB to the Department of Health for management; and they voted to keep funding dollars designated to smaller fire departments.

Newly Elected County Official Training: Commissioner Mohr, County Attorney Frederickson and Sheriff Nelson commented on their training.

Other:

AIS Meeting: Moving forward with funds dollars that are coming in, working with lake associations; need to update plan.

Meeting with Pine County Wanderers: Commissioners Chaffee and Ludwig had an informational meeting regarding additional training for first responders due to their remote location and ambulance response time.

8. Other

9. Upcoming Meetings

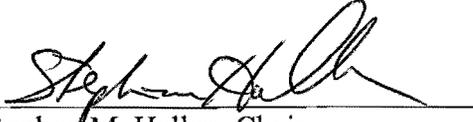
Upcoming meetings were reviewed.

State Auditor Entrance Meeting scheduled for February 24, 2015.

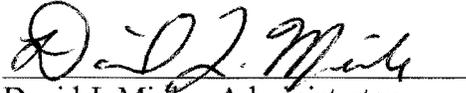
Special Meeting Committee of the Whole, March 24, 2015, 9:00 a.m., Sturgeon Lake City Hall.

10. Adjourn

With no further business, Chair Hallan adjourned the county board meeting at 11:03 a.m. The next regular meeting of the county board is scheduled for February 17, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. at the Board Room, Pine County Courthouse, Pine City, Minnesota.



Stephen M. Hallan, Chair
Board of Commissioners



David J. Minke, Administrator
Clerk to County Board