

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ROSEAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

May 27, 2014

The Board of Commissioners of Roseau County, Minnesota met in the Courthouse in the City of Roseau, Minnesota on Tuesday, May 27, 2014.

CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL – ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Board Chair Glenda Phillipe. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Commissioners present were Roger Falk, Todd Miller, Glenda Phillipe and Jack Swanson. Commissioner Foldesi was excused.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Miller requested the following items be added to County Board Items: Great Northern Transmission Line Project discussion; "Waters of the United States" discussion; and drainage assessments discussion. A motion to approve the amended Agenda was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Falk and carried unanimously.

COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Miller commended retirees Lyle Hendrickson (36+ years) and Fred Meeker (35+ years) for their commitment to Roseau County; Auditor Monsrud introduced newly hired Deputy Auditor Carol Anderson; Commissioner Swanson shared information from the State of Minnesota Convention and Visitors Bureau on tourism-related sales and the resulting employment opportunities in Roseau County; and, Coordinator Pelowski distributed a 2014 Legislative Summary.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

A motion was made by Commissioner Swanson, seconded by Commissioner Falk and carried unanimously to approve the payment of the following bills:

Warrants Approved For Payment 5/15/2014

Vendor Name	Amount
6 Payments less than 2,000.00	2,085.30
Final Total:	2,085.30

Warrants Approved For Payment 05/22/2014

Vendor Name	Amount
MN DEPT OF FINANCE	2,442.00
MN ENERGY RESOURCES	2,373.02
RIVERFRONT STATION	2,596.68
6 Payments less than 2,000.00	1,932.65
Final Total:	9,344.35

Commissioner Miller stated that the claim for Steven Stoskopf should be adjusted to charge brush work at a rate of \$125.00 instead of the \$250.00 shown on the bill for 2012 and 2013. The Auditor's Office will make this change.

In addition, the Board approved a forthwith payment to Laverne Voll in the amount of \$560.00 for beaver removal from JD61 in Jadis Township.

DELEGATIONS/BOARD APPOINTMENTS/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Northwest Private Industry Council

Amanda Grzadzielewski of the Northwest Private Industry Council met with the Board to request approval of the Joint Powers Agreement between the Counties of Kittson, Marshall, Norman, Pennington, Polk, Red Lake and Roseau. The agreement identifies the Northwest Regional Development Commission's Board of Directors as the group of Local Elected Officials within the Northwest region that will monitor and oversee the activities of the Northwest Workforce Investment Board. A motion to approve the two year Northwest Service Areas Joint Powers Agreement was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Falk and carried unanimously.

Ms. Grzadzielewski presented the Board with a NWPIC/Workforce Investment Board member application. A motion to recommend Robert G. Evans, III as a member of the NWPIC/Workforce Investment Board was made by Commissioner Swanson, seconded by Commissioner Miller and carried unanimously.

Buck Bue – Roseau County Trailblazers

Buck Bue, President of the Roseau County Trailblazers met with the Board to request approval of required State documents needed for club operation. A motion to approve the Minnesota Trails Assistance Program Maintenance and Grooming Application (Resolution #2014-05-03) was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Falk and carried unanimously. A motion to approve the Snowmobile Trails Assistance Program Maintenance and Grooming 4th Benchmark in the amount of \$5,698.04, was made by Commissioner Swanson, seconded by Commissioner Miller and carried unanimously. A motion to approve the Minnesota Snowmobile Trail Assistance Program Capital Improvement Request for Reimbursement in the amount of \$18,833.52, was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Falk and carried unanimously.

Mr. Bue informed the Board that he will be stepping down as President of the Trailblazers and Myles Hogenson will be his replacement. Bue thanked the Board for their continued support of the Roseau County Trailblazers.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion to adopt the Consent Agenda was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Falk and carried unanimously. The Board, by adoption of its Consent Agenda, approved the May 13, 2014 Board Proceedings with a change to Unfinished Business replacing "tax forfeited land sale" with "County owned land sale;" approved advertising to hire a regular full-time Eligibility Worker; approved establishing an Absentee Ballot Board per Resolution #2014-05-04; approved advertising to hire a regular full-time Heavy Equipment Operator; and, approved a Clay Purchase Contract with Robert and Joanne Severson, effective May 21, 2014 through December 31, 2018.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Highway Department

Highway Engineer Brian Ketring met with the Board to discuss bids received for the 2014 seal coat projects. Three bids were opened on May 20, 2014. One bid was not complete so it was rejected. The two other bids came in 26% over estimate. Engineer Ketring recommended rejecting these bids and waiting to re-bid when surrounding areas are

also bidding for seal coat projects. A motion to reject the 2014 seal coat bids was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Falk and carried unanimously.

COUNTY BOARD ITEMS

Great Northern Transmission Line - Royal Municipality of Piney

Commissioner Miller informed the Board that the RM of Piney has requested a meeting with the Roseau County Board to discuss the Great Northern Transmission Line Project. Chair Phillipe suggested this matter be discussed at the Committee of the Whole meeting on June 3, 2014.

"Waters of the United States"

Commissioner Miller informed the Board that at a recent Northern Counties Land Use Coordinating Board meeting there was lengthy discussion on how to effectively communicate opposition to the EPA's proposed changes to their definition of "Waters of the United States." Commissioner Miller requested the Association of Minnesota Counties Executive Board discuss this matter with DNR Commissioner Landwehr and Governor Dayton. Commissioner Swanson will coordinate this effort.

Drainage Assessments

Commissioner Miller requested Auditor Monsrud verify County drainage assessment amounts to ensure there is not a discrepancy with the DNR assessments.

Commissioner Committee Reports

Commissioner Falk reported on the following committee(s): Social Services Board, 5/20/14; Highway Committee, 5/20/14; Household Hazardous Waste Joint Powers Board, 5/21/14; Red River Basin Commission, 5/22/14.

Commissioner Miller reported on the following committee(s): Reine Township Meeting, 5/15/14; Northern Counties Land Use Coordinating Board, 5/19/14; Social Services Board, 5/20/14; Highway Committee, 5/20/14.

Commissioner Phillipe reported on the following committee(s): ARMER Radio Meeting, 5/13/14; Lake Township Board, 5/14/14.

Commissioner Swanson reported on the following committee(s): ARMER Radio Meeting, 5/13/14; Roseau Convention and Visitors Bureau, 5/14/14; Jadis Town Board, 5/14/14; U of M Extension Committee, 5/15/14; Roseau School Board, 5/15/14; AMC Leadership Training and Development, 5/19/14; Social Services Board, 5/20/14; Highway Committee, 5/20/14; NW MN Housing and Redevelopment Authority, 5/21/14.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Upon motion carried, the Board adjourned the Regular Meeting at 11:00 a.m. The next Regular Meeting of the Board is scheduled for June 10, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.

Attest:

Date: _____

Jeff Pelowski, County Coordinator
Roseau County, Minnesota

Glenda Phillipe, Chair
Board of County Commissioners
Roseau County, Minnesota