

The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners met this 3rd day of November, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: Chairperson J. Mark Wedel, Commissioners Galen "Tweet" Tveit, Brian Napstad, Laurie Westerlund, County Administrator Patrick Wussow, and Administrative Assistant Nicole Visnovec.

CALL TO ORDER

Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Tveit and carried, all members voting yes to approve the November 3, 2009 amended agenda.

**APPROVED
AGENDA**

Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried, all members voting yes to acknowledge the October 27, 2009 meeting minutes.

**ACKNOWLEDGE
MINUTES**

Motion by Commissioner Tveit seconded by Commissioner Napstad carried, all members voting yes, to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: Correspondence File: A) October 27, 2009 – November 2, 2009; B) Approve Minutes: October 20, 2009 Board; C) Approve East Central Library 50th Anniversary Proclamation; D) Personnel Committee Recommendation, Approve Appointing Interim Human Resources Manager, Betty Jo Winterowd.

**CONSENT
AGENDA**

Judge John Solien and Kay Despard discussed with the Board the funding issues regarding drug court.

DRUG COURT

Ross Wagner, Economic Development and Forest Industry Coordinator, discussed with the board members the Aitkin County tourism Grants. There were three requests for funding: Aitkin Jaycees for \$1,000.00, Upper Mississippi Certified Wood Products for \$750.00, and Jacques Art Center for \$5,000.00. The committee recommends that the following grants be given: Aitkin Jaycees for \$1,000.00, Upper Mississippi Certified Wood Products for \$750.00, Jacques Art Center for \$1,181.00 and MN Snowmobiling Magazine for Advertising for \$2,719.00 for a total of \$5,650.00.

**TOURISM GRANT
APPROVAL**

Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried, all members voting yes to approve the following tourism grant recommendation with the amended snowmobile list:

- Aitkin Jaycees for \$1,00.00
- Upper Mississippi Certified Wood Products for \$750.00
- Jacques Art Center for \$1,181.00
- MN Snowmobiling Magazine for Advertising for \$2,719.00
- for a total of \$5,650.00

Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried, all members voting yes to approve notifying cities and township within the county the about the availability of the recovery zone bond allocation. Interested parties should submit request by January 2010 or the bond will be pooled into the state fund.

**RECOVERY ZONE
BOND
ALLOCATION**

Motion for a resolution by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Tveit and carried, all members voting yes to approve awarding the bid for SP 01-601-07 to Robert. R. Schroeder Construction, Inc. of Glenwood, MN in the amount of \$953,241.83:

WHEREAS, Robert R. Schroeder Construction, Inc. of Glenwood, MN was the lowest responsible bidder in the amount of \$953,241.83 for SP 01-601-17 (Contract 20099);

**RESOLUTION
110309-103
AWARD BID**

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That Robert R. Schroeder Construction, Inc. be awarded the contract for the Bridge Replacement over the Mississippi River Diversion Channel.

SP 01-601-07

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Chairperson of the Aitkin County Board and the Aitkin County Auditor are hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract on behalf of Aitkin County with said low bidder upon presentation of proper contract documents.

During the meeting, the Board heard updates on the following committees: i) 70 Mile Legislative Committee, ii) Water Planning, iii) AMC, iv) BWSR, v) CMCC, vi) OCC, vii) Onanegozie, viii) BJA Drug Court, ix) ACA, x) Extension, xi) AMC Training, xii) Historical Society.

**COMMITTEE
UPDATES**

Motion by Commissioner Westerlund, seconded by Commissioner Tveit and carried, all members voting yes to close the meeting at 10:40 am under MN Statute 13D.03 Subd.1 (b), Labor Negotiations and MN Statue 13D.05 Subd. 2b, Preliminary Considerations or Charges Against an Employee

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Commissioner Tveit, seconded by Commissioner Napstad and carried, all members voting yes to open the meeting at 12:14 p.m.

OPEN MEETING

Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried, all members voting yes to adjourn the meeting at 12:15 p.m. until Tuesday, November 17, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.

ADJOURN

J. Mark Wedel, Chairperson
Aitkin County Board of Commissioners

Patrick Wussow, County Administrator