

AITKIN COUNTY BOARD

February 3, 2009

<p>The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners met this 3rd day of February, 2009 at 9:02 a.m. with the following members present: Chairperson J. Mark Wedel, Commissioners Galen "Tweet" Tveit, Brian Napstad, Laurie Westerlund, Paul Bailey, County Administrator Patrick Wussow, and Central Service Secretary Nicole Visnovec.</p>	<p>CALL TO ORDER</p>
<p>Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Bailey and carried, all members voting yes to approve the February 3, 2009 agenda.</p>	<p>APPROVED AGENDA</p>
<p>Motion by Commissioner Bailey, seconded by Commissioner Tveit and carried, all members voting yes to acknowledge the January 27, 2009 meeting minutes.</p>	<p>ACKNOWLEDGE MINUTES</p>
<p>Motion by Commissioner Napstad seconded by Commissioner Bailey carried, all members voting yes to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: Correspondence File: January 27, 2009 – February 2, 2009; B) Approve Minutes: January 20, 2009 Board; C) Approve Commissioner Warrants as follows: General Fund \$72,565.77, Road and Bridge \$39,244.76, Special Revenue \$181.88, Health and Human Services \$589.39, State \$23.48, Trust \$20,814.35, Forest Development \$785.31, Agency \$2,769.22, Long Lake Conservation Center \$7,847.62 for a Total \$144,821.78; D) Award 70 Mile Tail Cleaning and Stockpiling Bids. Cleaning ROW bid to Kenneth Elg Construction – Isle MN and Stockpiling rock/fill to R&R Landscaping – Aitkin MN; E) Approve Separation Agreement with Richard Amundson.</p>	<p>CONSENT AGENDA</p>
<p>Ross Wagner, Economic Development, and Michelle McDowell, Rice Lake National Wildlife Biologist, presented an award and gave a presentation on the "Natural Resources Book". The presentation included handouts, an overview of the website, and recognition of those who helped gather the information.</p>	<p>AWARD ON NATURAL RESOURCES BOOK</p>
<p>Motion by Commissioner Westerlund to increase the County Auditor's salary by \$1,621.50 (2.3%) for a total of \$72,121.50, seconded by Commissioner Tveit, Roll call vote 3-2 (Napstad and Wedel), it duly adopted, to wit</p>	<p>2009 SALARY: AUDITOR</p>
<p>BE IT RESOLVED, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners set the 2009 salary of Aitkin County Auditor Kirk Peysar at \$72,121.50 based upon market, budget, experience, and duties of the office.</p>	<p>RESOLUTION 020309-016</p>
<p>Motion by Commissioner Napstad to approve the memorandum of agreement between the County Board and the County Administrator dated February 2, 2009 which will increase the County Administrator's salary to \$88,795.00 for the year 2009, seconded by Commissioner Bailey, Roll call vote 4-1 (Wedel).</p>	<p>2009 SALARY: ADMINISTRATOR</p>
<p>During the meeting, the Board heard updates on the following committees: i) Economic Development, ii) Legislative Meeting Arrowhead, iii) East Central Library, iv) HRA, v) BWSR.</p>	<p>COMMITTEE UPDATES</p>
<p>Motion by Commissioner Bailey, seconded by Commissioner Napstad and carried, all members voting yes to close the meeting at 10:52 am under MN Statute 13D Attorney Client Privilege.</p>	<p>CLOSED SESSION</p>
<p>Closed Meeting Attendance: Commissioners Brian Napstad, J. Mark Wedel, Galen "Tweet" Tveit, Laurie Westerlund, Paul Bailey, County Administrator Patrick Wussow, John Welle, County Engineer, and Jim Ratz County Attorney.</p>	

Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Bailey and carried, all members voting yes to reopen the meeting at 11:08 a.m.

Motion by Commissioner Bailey, seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried, all members voting yes to adjourn the meeting at 11:10 a.m. until Tuesday, February 10th, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.

ADJOURN

J. Mark Wedel, Chairperson
Aitkin County Board of Commissioners

Patrick Wussow, County Administrator