

AITKIN COUNTY BOARD

March 10, 2009

The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners met this 10th day of March, 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.

Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried, all members voting yes to approve the March 10, 2009 amended agenda.

Wayne Alden distributed a document for the county board to review.

Motion by Commissioner Bailey, seconded by Commissioner Napstad and carried, all members voting yes to acknowledge the February 24, 2009 meeting minutes.

Motion by Commissioner Tveit seconded by Commissioner Napstad carried, all members voting yes to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: Correspondence File: February 24, 2009 – March 9, 2009; B) Approve Minutes: February 17, 2009 Board; C) Approve committee appointment to East Central Library Board – James Raisanen; D) Renew Consumption & Display (Set Up) Permit for Cajun Queen; E) Tobacco License Application Approval for #40 Zorbaz of Big Sandy Lake, Inc., dba Big Zandy Zorbaz – Shamrock Township; F) Settlement Agreement and Release - Obernolte; G) Approve Manual Warrant – General Fund \$29,665.47, Road and Bridge \$1,054.00, Health and Human Services \$2,266.18, State \$39,462.27, Taxes and Penalties \$6,153.43, Long Lake Conservation Center \$631.82 for a Total \$79,233.17; H) Approve Lakes and Pines Grant Application; I) Approve Bids for County Parks – Septic Pumping and Portable Toilets; J) Approve Snowmobile Capital Improvement Plan; K) Approve equipment purchase to replace unit #445 at Road and Bridge for a ¾ ton pickup truck for \$9,200.00; L) Approve EAW Recommendation for Fisher's Resort Expansion; Acknowledge Board Consensus of the Following Items for the Week of March 3, 2009 : a) Approve Commissioner Warrants General Fund \$61,578.44, Road and Bridge \$53,936.88, Health and Human Services \$200.81, Trust \$1,518.30, Forest Development \$31,780.46, Long Lake Conservation Center \$12,426.68 for a Total \$161,441.57; b) Approve Auditor Warrants – Gas Tax Apportionment Agency \$255,987.74; c) Application for Exempt Permit – Form LG220: Wealthwood Rod and Gun Club; d) Application for Exempt Permit – Form LG220: Long Lake Conservation Foundation; e) Lawful Gambling Renewal Application – Form LG200R: Mille Lacs Trails Snowmobile Club; f) Approve ATV Trail Grants.

Under Consent agenda Tveit offered the following motion , seconded by Commissioner Napstad vote being taken, all members voting yes it was duly approved to approve the following Renewal of Consumption & Display (Set Up) Permit:

Rae Ann Halverson, dba **Cajun Queen** – Shamrock Township

Under the consent agenda Commissioner Tveit offered the following Motion, seconded by Commissioner Napstad and carried, all members voting yes to approve the following Application for License to Sell Tobacco Products for the period ending March 31, 2009:

#40 Zorbaz of Big Sandy Lake, Inc., dba **Big Zandy Zorbaz** – Shamrock Township

CALL TO ORDER

**APPROVED
AGENDA**

**PUBLIC
COMMENT**

**ACKNOWLEDGE
MINUTES**

**CONSENT
AGENDA**

**RENEWAL OF
CONSUMPTION &
DISPLAY
CAJUN QUEEN**

**TOBACCO
LICENSE
BIG ZANDY
ZORBAZ**

Under the consent agenda Commissioner Tveit offered the following Motion, seconded by Commissioner Napstad and carried, all members voting yes to approve the following Lakes and Pines Grant Application:

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, State of Minnesota, has been authorized to undertake a program to provide assistance to low-income families and youth to prevent homelessness; and

WHEREAS, Lakes and Pines Community Council, Inc. has developed an application as an Administering Entity for the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency family Homeless Prevention and Assistance program; and

WHEREAS, Lakes and Pines Community Action Council, Inc. has demonstrated the ability to perform the required activities of the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency Family homeless Prevention and Assistance Program.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Lakes and Pines Community Action Council, Inc. is hereby authorized as an entity to be charged with the administration of funds made available through the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency Family homeless Prevention and Assistance Program, in the County of Aitkin.

Under the consent agenda Commissioner Tveit offered the following Motion seconded by Commissioner Napstad and carried, all members voting yes to approve the following bids for septic tank pumping and portable toilets:

Tank Pumping:

Aitkin - Ritter and Ritter

Jacobson Wayside – Darlow Exc-McGregor

Jacobson – Darlow Exc-McGregor

Snake River – Darlow Exc-McGregor

Portable Toilets:

Swatara – Goble

Lone Lake – Goble

Round Lake – Goble

Under the consent agenda Commissioner Tveit offered the following Motion seconded by Commissioner Napstad and carried, all members voting yes to approve snowmobile capital improvement plan:

WHEREAS, Tamarack Sno-Flyers. are applying for a capital improvement project grant thru the Minnesota Snowmobile Trail Assistance Program to widen snowmobile trails, improve the trail surface, and remove trees and stumps in the trail right of way in the area they groom in the Aitkin County area,

AND WHEREAS, Aitkin County contracts with the Tamarack Sno-Flyers Club to groom approx. 147 miles of snowmobile trails in Aitkin County through the Grants in Aide snowmobile trail funds,

THEREFORE, be it resolved, that Aitkin County supports the Tamarack Sno-Flyers application of \$22,555.00 for the Capital Improvement Project.

**RESOLUTION
031009-29
LAKES AND PINES
GRANT
APPLICATION**

**APPROVE BIDS
SEPTIC PUMPING
AND PORTABLE
TOILETS**

**RESOLUTION
031009-30
SNOWMOBILE
CAPITAL
IMPROVEMENT
PLAN**

Commissioner Bailey offered the following Motion seconded by Commissioner Tveit and carried, all members voting yes to purchase 4 squad cars to the lower bid at \$19,117.40 each. The low bid came from Car-Truck City of Pine City, MN.

John Welle, County Engineer, presented an overview of the Road and Bridge Projects.

Commissioner Napstad offered the following Resolution seconded by Commissioner Bailey and carried, all members voting yes to award maintenance contracts for calcium chloride.

WHEREAS, Tri City Paving – PO Box 326, Little Falls, MN 56345, was the lowest responsible bidder in the amount of \$269,976.98 for application of Liquid Calcium Chloride,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Tri City Paving be awarded the 2009 season for application of Liquid Calcium Chloride.

Commissioner Napstad offered the following Resolution seconded by Commissioner Bailey and carried, all members voting yes to award maintenance contracts for pavement markings.

WHEREAS, Traffic Marking Services – 621 Division Street East, Maple Lake, MN 55358 – was the lowest responsible bidder in the amount of \$52,827.78 for application of traffic marking on various roads throughout Aitkin County,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That Traffic Marking Services, Be awarded the 2009 season for application of traffic marking.

Commissioner Bailey offered the following Resolution seconded by Commissioner Tveit and carried, all members voting yes to approve final contract payment for CSAH38 and CR53.

WHEREAS, Contract No. 20074- Project Nos. SAP 01-638-03 and CP 01-53-Mill, Bituminous Overlay, Aggregate Base, Shoulder, and Bituminous Surfacing has in all been completed, and the County Board being fully advised in the premises,

NOW THEN BE IT RESOLVED, That we do hereby accept said completed projects for and in behalf of the County of Aitkin and authorize final payment to Knife River in the amount of \$39,921.76 as specified herein.

Commissioner Bailey offered the following Resolution seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried, all members voting yes to approve the grant agreement for the transportation funding package.

WHEREAS, The County of Aitkin has applied to the Commissioner of Transportation for a Grant from the Local Road Improvement Program, Rural Road Safety Account, to construct a bridge replacement (Bridge No. 01J33) and approach grading located on Aitkin County State Aid No. 10 (S.P. 01-610-21) , and

WHEREAS, The amount of the Grant has been determined to be \$84,388.00

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the County of Aitkin does hereby affirm that any cost of the bridge construction in excess of the Grant will be appropriated from the funds available to the County of Aitkin, and that any grant monies appropriated for the bridge

**APPROVE BIDS
FOUR SQUAD
CARS**

**RESOLUTION
031009-31
CALCIUM
CHLORIDE**

**RESOLUTION
031009-32
TRAFFIC
MARKING**

**RESOLUTION
031009-33
FINAL PAYMENT
FOR CSAH38 &
CR35**

**RESOLUTION
031009-34
TRANSPORTA-
TION FUNDING
PACKAGE**

construction but not required, based on the final estimate, shall be returned to the Minnesota State Transportation Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Aitkin County Engineer is authorized to execute the Agreement and any amendments to the Agreement.

Commissioner Bailey offered the following Resolution seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried, all members voting yes to approve the detour agreement.

IT IS RESOLVED, that Aitkin County enter into Mn/DOT Agreement NO. 93757 with the State of Minnesota, Department of Transportation for the following purposes:

To provide for payment by the State to the County for the use of County State Aid Highway No. 76 as a detour route during the Bridge Replacements (Br. No. 91049 and 91050) over the Ripple River and other associated construction to be performed upon, along and adjacent to Trunk Highway No. 169 south of Aitkin under State Project No. 0115-41 (T.H. 169).

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the Aitkin County Engineer is authorized to execute the Agreement and any amendments to the Agreement.

During the meeting, the Board heard updates on the following committees: i) East Central Library, ii) Mental Health, iii) Town Meeting, iv) HRA, v) DAC, vi) Facilities, vii) EAW, viii) NCLUCB, ix) Economic Development – Lake States Lumber.

Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Tveit and carried, all members voting yes to adjourn the meeting at 10:34 a.m. until Tuesday, March 17, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.

**RESOLUTION
031009-35
DETOUR
AGREEMENT**

**COMMITTEE
UPDATES**

ADJOURN

J. Mark Wedel, Chairperson
Aitkin County Board of Commissioners

Patrick Wussow, County Administrator