

The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners met this 8th day of August, 2017 at 9:03 a.m. with the following members present: Board Chair J. Mark Wedel, Commissioners Laurie Westerlund, Don Niemi, Bill Pratt, Anne Marcotte, County Administrator Jessica Seibert and Administrative Assistant Sue Bingham.

CALL TO ORDER

Motion by Commissioner Westerlund, seconded by Commissioner Pratt and carried, all members voting yes to approve the August 8, 2017 agenda.

APPROVED AGENDA

Darwin Johnson, a new resident of Aitkin County, voiced his disapproval of the courthouse expansion project with the Board.

CITIZEN'S PUBLIC COMMENT

Motion by Commissioner Pratt, seconded by Commissioner Marcotte and carried, all members voting yes to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: A) Correspondence File: July 25, 2017 to August 7, 2017; B) Approve County Board Minutes: July 25, 2017; C) Approve Commissioner Warrants: General Fund \$315,425.96, Road & Bridge \$23,025.71, Health & Human Services \$1,035.21, State \$645.00, Trust \$23,570.10, Forest Development \$92.59, Taxes & Penalties \$284.00, Long Lake Conservation Center \$2,529.45, Parks \$9,258.81 for a total of \$375,866.83 (less \$112,941.00 ECRL 2nd ½ appropriation, which was pulled from 7-25-2017 Commissioner Warrants as it had already been paid, for a new total of \$262,925.83); D) Approve July Manual Warrants: General Fund \$84,683.81, Road & Bridge \$120,222.66, Health & Human Services \$2,282.56, State \$8,668.91, Taxes & Penalties \$593.88, Long Lake Conservation Center \$1,979.69, Parks \$457.81 for a total of \$218,889.32; E) Approve Temporary 3.2% Malt Liquor License – Isle Lions; F) Adopt Resolution: Tax-Forfeited Land Sale

CONSENT AGENDA

Under the consent agenda, motion by Commissioner Pratt, seconded by Commissioner Marcotte and carried, all members voting yes to approve the following Temporary 3.2 Malt Liquor License for a period from September 2, 2017 through September 4, 2017:

TEMPORARY 3.2% MALT LIQUOR LICENSE ISLE LIONS

ON Sale:

Isle Lions, d/b/a Isle Lions – Williams Township (White Pine Logging Show)

Under the consent agenda, motion for a resolution by Commissioner Pratt, seconded by Commissioner Marcotte and carried, all members voting yes to adopt resolution – Tax-Forfeited Land Sale:

WHEREAS, the classification of the following county owned and tax-forfeited lands to be offered for sale has been made by the County Board in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 282, and

RESOLUTION 20170808-055 TAX-FORFEITED LAND SALE

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on March 6, 2012 at 10:00 am, November 24, 2015 at 11:00 am and will be held on September 12, 2017 at 10:00 AM in the Aitkin County Courthouse regarding the classification of the attached lands and classified them to dispose of, and

WHEREAS, the County Board has made appraisals of the lands classified as non-conservation and of the timber and timber products thereon, and has made appraisal of

timber and buildings on such lands as have not been classified, and a list of such lands and timber, timber only and of buildings so appraised has been filed with the County Auditor for the purpose of offering lands, timber and buildings, so listed, for sale at not less than the appraised value of the land, timber, and buildings combined, with said appraisals of each property following, and

WHEREAS, the County Board is by law designated with authority to provide for the sale of such lands on terms:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that such parcels shall be sold on the following terms, to wit: That on sales amounting to \$5,000.00 or less per parcel, the purchase price shall be paid in full at the time of purchase. On sales amounting to more than \$5,000.00 per parcel, the purchaser shall pay a minimum of \$5,000.00 down or 25% of the purchase price (whichever is greater) with the privilege of paying the balance over 5 years with the balance amortized over the 5 years plus interest at the rate according to Minnesota Statutes 282.01, Subdivision 4, on the deferred balance. Any remaining balance may be paid at any time. If the property is purchased on a contract for deed, a \$46.00 fee will be required at the time of purchase for the recording of the contract. Any contract for deed purchase on properties on this sale, are required to be recorded. Any property with a known well, will be charged a \$50.00 fee for recording the well certificate. If there is a structure on the property, purchaser is required to carry an insurance policy on the property with Aitkin County Land Department as a loss payable on it, until such time as the amount of the building valuation on the property is paid in full. This will be due within 10 days of the purchase of the property. Failure to provide the insurance will be a basis for cancelation of the contract for deed.

Provided that in case any parcel of land bearing standing timber, buildings or timber products is sold at public auction for more than the appraised value, the amount bid in excess of the appraised value shall be allocated between the land, buildings, and timber in proportion to the respective appraised value. The purchaser of tax-forfeited land at such sale shall be entitled to immediate possession, subject to the provision of any existing lease made in behalf of the State, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notice of such sale of lands, timber and buildings be given by publication in the official newspaper of the County as provided by law; that the County Auditor of Aitkin County offer such parcels of land for sale in the order in which they appear in said NOTICE OF SALE, and that such sale shall commence at 2:00 P.M. on Friday, the 27th day of October, 2017 and continue until all parcels classified as non-conservation and timber only, buildings on parcels not classified, are offered to the highest bidder for sale. This sale will be held at the Aitkin County Courthouse 3rd floor courtroom in Aitkin, Minnesota – 209 2nd St. NW.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, as required by Minnesota Statutes 284.28, there will be added to the sale price of any tax-forfeited lands sold, an amount equal to three percent of the total sale price. Said additional amount to be deposited in the State Treasury and credited to the State Real Estate Assurance Fund, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Land Commissioner may withdraw any description on the list, later subject to the approval of the County Board, when it may appear to be in the public interest to do so, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Minnesota Statutes 282.014, imposes a \$25.00 fee upon purchasers of tax-forfeited land for issuance of a State Deed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, as required by Minnesota Statutes 282.01, Subdivision 6, all State Tax Deeds must be recorded with the County Recorder prior to issuing the Deed to the purchaser, therefore a recording fee for each State Deed issued must be paid to the Aitkin County Recorder by the purchaser when tax-forfeited land is paid for in full, as required in MS 357.18,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, as required by Minnesota Statutes 287.22, all State Tax Deeds are subject to State Deed Tax which must be paid by the purchaser.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Aitkin County is not responsible for location of or determining property lines or boundaries.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all lands sold hereunder are sold subject to the Zoning Ordinance adopted by the County Board, and all lands are sold subject to railroad and highway easements, power and pipeline easements, any recreational easements, and subject to all flowage rights, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that except in the case of Deeds issued for platted property and Deeds issued to correct errors in either legal description or grantees, the Deeds issued for these parcels will contain a restrictive covenant which will prohibit enrollment of the land in a State Funded program providing compensation of marginal land or wetlands.

Aitkin County does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment and the provision of services. Prospective bidders who require special accommodations to participate in this sale should inform the Land Department as soon as possible and more than three working days before the sale. You may write to Aitkin County Land Department at 209 2nd St. NW Room 206 Aitkin, MN.56431 or call 218-927-7364. Pre-registration prior to the sale is encouraged. If the bidder has not pre-registered, registration will be required before the sale commences to receive a bidding number.

Land Sale Parcel Descriptions

Parcel #	Pin ID	Access	Legal Desc	Sec	Twp	Rge	Acres	Starting Price at Auction
1	02-1-068900, 02-1-070600, 02-1-068800, 02-1-070800	*	Thoes subdivison of Lot 8 of Bridge Park Lots 1, 2, and 19, and 20	9	52	23	0.67	\$ 16,200.00
2	02-0-019201	*	South 420 feet of West One Half of Lot 5	10	52	23	6	\$ 19,500.00

3	02-0-059300	*	NE-SW, SE-SW	33	52	23	80	\$ 93,900.00
4	08-0-014300 and 08-0-014400	*	SW-NE, SE-NE	10	48	25	77.33	\$ 66,300.00
5	08-0-045102 & 08-0-045101	*	SE-SE	27	48	25	40	\$ 8,000.00
6	12-1-076000	*	Quadna Mountain View 1st Addn Lot 6 Blk 1	2	52	26	1.19	\$ 57,600.00
7	17-0-008301	*	2.53 acres in SW corner of SW-SE less 1.10 acres r/w	7	46	24	1.43	\$ 5,000.00
8	20-1-073200	*	First Addition to Swatara Lot 5 and 6 Blk 3	19	51	26	0.34	\$ 10,000.00
9	29-1-213600	*	Sheshebe Point 2nd Addition W 1/2 Lot 96	22	49	23	0.46	\$ 2,000.00
10	29-1-271400	**	Sheshebe Point 3rd Addn Lot 5 Blk 33	27	49	23	0.23	\$ 2,000.00
11	29-1-321800	*	Sheshebe Point 5th Addn Lot 2 and pt vacated McGregor Rd and pt Lot 13 and pt vacated trail as in Doc 361329	33	49	23	1.36	\$ 13,300.00
12	31-0-051900	*	1 3/8 ac in SE corner of SE-SE less hwy	26	47	26	1.38	\$ 5,000.00

			in Bk 122 DDS pg 139					
13	32-1-073902 and 32-1-073801	*	Big Sandy Highlands 5th Addn Lot 154 less 171x100 feet and less N 220 feet and 100 x 200 feet Lot 155	34	50	23	0.98	\$ 16,800.00
14	34-0-041900 and 34-0-041600		NE-SE, SE-SE	25	43	22	80	\$ 53,000.00
15	56-1-122800	*	City of Aitkin - Tibbetts Irregular Lots in Aitkin W 8 rods of Lot 16				0.6	\$ 2,700.00
16	57-1-019700	*	City of Hill City - Bucks Addn to Hill City Lot 10 Blk 14				0.16	\$ 8,500.00
17	57-1-040500	*	City of Hill City - Hill City Lot 24 Blk 6				0.08	\$ 500.00
18	58-1-006600 and 58-1-006400	*	City of McGrath - Plat of McGrath Lots 1, 2 and 3 Blk 6				0.48	\$ 6,800.00

Sheriff Scott Turner presented John Swanson a Life Saving Award for the actions he took to save Bob Hillman's life on January 25, 2017.

**LIFE SAVING
AWARD**

Motion by Commissioner Westerlund, seconded by Commissioner Pratt and carried, all members voting yes to approve the Region 2 Homeland Security and Emergency Management Mutual Aid Agreement and authorize Board Chair and Emergency Manager signatures.

**MUTUAL AID
AGREEMENT**

Kami Genz, Community Corrections Director introduced herself and the new Community Corrections staff to the Board:

- Taylor Rickmeyer – Corrections Agent (Adult & EHM)
- Andy Walsh – Corrections Agent (Juvenile/Diversion)
- Jake Leonhardt – Corrections Assistant

John Welle, County Engineer reviewed the draft ATV Ordinance with the Board. The Board consensus is that the commissioners will work with staff to set up public input meetings. Motion by Commissioner Marcotte, seconded by Commissioner Pratt and carried, all members voting to schedule a Public Hearing on the draft ATV Ordinance at a future County Board meeting, date yet to be determined, after the public input meetings have been held.

Jessica Seibert, County Administrator reviewed the following with the Board:

- 2017 2nd Quarter Actuals
- 2018 General Government Budget Overview
- 2018 Appropriations Overview

Sheriff Scott Turner presented the proposed 2018 Sheriff's Office budget to the Board.

The Board discussed: NCLUCB, CARE, Mille Lacs Watershed, Law Library, Economic Development, McGregor Airport, Historical Society, and Aitkin Airport

Motion by Commissioner Westerlund seconded by Commissioner Marcotte and carried, all members voting to adjourn the meeting at 11:50 a.m. until Tuesday, August 22, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

J. Mark Wedel, Board Chair
Aitkin County Board of Commissioners

Jessica Seibert, County Administrator

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& INPUT
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ATV ORDINANCE**

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