

## OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF NOBLES COUNTY, MINNESOTA

The County Board of Nobles County met in regular session this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016, in the Board of Commissioners Room, at the Nobles County Government Center, Worthington, Minnesota. The following Commissioners were in attendance: Marvin Zylstra, Gene Metz, Matt Widboom, Robert Demuth Jr. and Donald Linssen.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was recited.

On a motion by Matt Widboom and seconded by Marvin Zylstra, it was duly passed to approve the agenda.

On a motion by Marvin Zylstra and seconded by Donald Linssen, it was duly passed to approve the consent agenda.

- 5.1 May 24, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes
- 5.2 Meetings & Conferences – Travel Expenses
- 5.3 Auditor's and Commissioner's Warrants

Randy Simonson and Beth Hoekstra presented the board with an annual update on Project Morning Star.

On a motion by Matt Widboom and seconded by Marvin Zylstra, it was duly passed to adopt the following resolution number 201644 approving a Joint Powers Agreement between the Counties Served by Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water System to Guarantee Priority 2 General Obligation Bonds. A copy of the agreement was before the Board and is made a part of this resolution by reference.

**WHEREAS**, LPRW provides potable water to individuals, farms, cities, and commercial customers located in the following ten counties in southwest Minnesota:

1. Jackson County,
2. Lac Qui Parle County,
3. Lincoln County,
4. Lyon County,
5. Murray County,
6. Nobles County,
7. Pipestone County,
8. Redwood County,
9. Rock County,
10. Yellow Medicine County; and

**WHEREAS**, LPRW needs to make improvements and upgrades to its existing water distribution system, which LPRW refers to as the "Priority 2 Improvements Project"; and

**WHEREAS**, the Priority 2 Improvements Project is necessary to bring LPRW into compliance with MPCA regulations, because it will allow water received from the Lewis and Clark Regional Water System to replace most of the water which is currently being pumped from LPRW's Holland Well, which will ultimately benefit most of the aforementioned ten counties; and

**WHEREAS**, the estimated costs of the Priority 2 Improvements Project is \$14,858,925.00; and

**WHEREAS**, \$1,969,000.00 of the costs of the Priority 2 Improvements Project will be paid for by a grant LPRW will receive from the United States Department of Agriculture/Rural Development; and

**WHEREAS**, \$3,000,000.00 of the costs of the Priority 2 Improvements Project will be paid for by a Point Source Implementation Grant ("PSIG"); and

**WHEREAS**, the remaining \$9,890,000.00 of costs for the Priority 2 Improvements Project will be paid for by issuing general obligation bonds ("GO bonds"); and

**WHEREAS**, LPRW does not have the legal authority to issue GO bonds; and

**WHEREAS**, Pipestone County, Minnesota, has agreed to issue \$9,890,000.00 of GO bonds on behalf of LPRW to help finance the construction of the Improvements Project on the condition that the other nine aforementioned counties sign a Joint Powers

Agreement, which guarantees the payment of both the interim and permanent GO bonds in the amount of \$9,890,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, Minnesota Statute §571.59 allows the ten aforementioned counties to enter into a Joint Powers Agreement, which guarantees the payment of both the interim and permanent GO bonds in the amount of \$9,890,000.00.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the (insert name of your County) County Board of Commissioners as follows:

That the Joint Powers Agreement between the aforementioned ten counties and Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water System, which is dated May 16, 2016, is hereby approved in its entirety.

Kari Voss-Drost presented the board with an annual update on the Southwest Crisis Center.

Stephen Schnieder, Public Works Director/County Engineer, presented the Board with information and recommendations in the area of public works.

Judicial Ditch 9 Cleanout Request was put on hold until more information is available from the redetermination process.

Wayne Smith, Environmental Services Director, presented the Board with information and recommendations on one conditional use permit.

On a motion by Robert Demuth Jr. and seconded by Matt Widboom, it was duly passed to approve Conditional Use Permit #18-2016 to V&M Locker, Leota, MN, for an After the Fact Conditional Use Permit for construction of a roof over an existing 32x28 holding pen with the condition that a single row of concrete hog slats (4"-6" wide, 4" deep approximately 8' long) are placed on the south side of the split rail fence for the purpose of keeping rocks off the neighboring property to the north. This parcel of land is located on Lot 28 except east 100' and west 32' of North 150' Block 1, Re-sub of Auditors Outlots 5-104-43 (Leota Township).

Joyce Jacobs, Emergency Management Director, presented the Board with information and recommendations in the area of emergency management.

On a motion by Marvin Zylstra and seconded by Donald Linssen, it was duly passed to continue being part of the application process of a grant request to be part of a multi-jurisdictional All Hazard Mitigation Plan with the understanding that we will have a period of time (minimum of 2.5 years) that we will need to wait to submit any applications for mitigation projects that are not tied to a disaster (if Nobles County is impacted by a disaster, any mitigation projects tied to restoration from the disaster would be applied for under Public Assistance if we are declared).

On a motion by Robert Demuth Jr. and seconded by Matt Widboom, it was duly passed to adopt the following resolution number 201638 approving a recommendation that Frank Engels, Brent Feikema, and Janice Moen be appointed to the Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water System Board of Commissioners. A copy of the agreement was before the Board and is made a part of this resolution by reference.

Committee and Board reports were received from the following:

District IV-Commissioner Demuth reported on the Rock Nobles Community Corrections meeting.

District III-Commissioner Widboom – no report.

District V-Commissioner Linssen reported on Nobles County Park Board meeting- they need members/support, Southern Prairie Community Care, AMC Regional Meeting.

District I-Commissioner Zylstra reported on Environmental changes that Wayne Smith and Al Langseth are dealing with-recommend that Wayne attend a board work session in the future at the Public Works building to review changes in Environmental Regulations.

District II-Commissioner Metz reported on Environmental changes, Broadband meeting with Blandin Group, AMC District meeting.

Management Team-No update.

County Administrator-Tom Johnson reported on training in Redwood Falls, budgeting is beginning with Jerry Vyskocil, District AMC meeting, Blandin-\$130,000 remain for projects.

Beth Van Hove, Auditor-Treasurer, presented the Board with information and recommendations in the areas of the Auditor-Treasurer's Department.

On a motion by Matt Widboom and seconded by Marvin Zylstra, it was duly passed to approve the SeaChange Election Services Agreement. A copy of the agreement was before the Board and is made a part of this resolution by reference.

On a motion by Marvin Zylstra and seconded by Donald Linssen, it was duly passed to approve the Temporary On-Sale Liquor License to the Lao Buddhist Temple for three one day special events on June 25, July 23, and August 27, 2016, to be held on their property located at 24268 Oliver Avenue, Worthington Township, with the condition the Sheriff is to sign granting Sheriff's Department approval prior to the application coming to the Board of Commissioners; if approved, notification would then be sent to the corresponding township officials and county attorney.

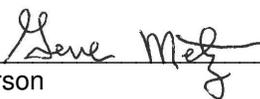
At 10:23 a.m. it was announced a recess will be taken until approximately 10:30 a.m. for the representatives from the Nobles County Historical Society to arrive.

Discussion was heard from Jerry Fiola on possible use of the armory for a Nobles County museum. No action was taken.

The next Commissioners at Your Café will be held on June 23, 2016, 6:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m., at the Ellsworth Café, Ellsworth, MN.

On a motion by Marvin Zylstra and seconded by Robert Demuth Jr., it was duly passed to adjourn the meeting at 10:52 a.m.

Attest:

  
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Chairperson

  
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County Administrator