

Traverse County Commission  
Regular Board Meeting  
March 1, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Commission Chair Kevin Leininger. Other commissioners present included Dave Salberg, Tom Monson, and Todd Johnson. Mark Gail was absent. The pledge was recited. The agenda was approved unanimously with the deletion of Dustin Kindelberger's update and addition of the 2016 Lakes Country Service Cooperative Membership Agreement, upon a motion Monson and second by T. Johnson.

**Lynn Siegel/Emergency Management-** Siegel discussed the safe room policy for the Rosebud RV Park and upcoming inspection from the state. Once that is complete, the county's portion of the project is complete. Siegel presented an agreement for Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS). The cost would be \$2500.00 but would be reimbursed. The advantage over the current code red system for alerts, is that it would allow all cell phone users to receive the alerts versus just those signed up for code red. The IPAWS agreement was approved unanimously upon a motion by Salberg and second by Monson. She also discussed hazard mitigation planning and her presentation at the township board.

**Becca Turnquist/Extension Department-** Turnquist discussed the pancake feed for 4-H on April 10<sup>th</sup>. It is their largest fundraiser and will be held at the American Legion from 9:30 to 1:00. She discussed the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Grant. Total youth served in the Wheaton program has been 53. The average daily attendance has been 21. They also have six staff/volunteers. She also shared that they had the children attend a field trip to Wheaton Lanes. She discussed the nutrition program in Browns Valley. Monson discussed the Extension Committee meeting and how much learning is being done in Browns Valley around farming. He shared a proposal to use CUP money from Blandin Foundation to improve the 4-H canteen and upgrade the equipment at the fairgrounds.

**Larry Haukos/Highway Engineer-** Haukos shared the state auditor position on county bidding and contract requirements for projects. He discussed it in relation to CP 16-03. He estimated the cost to be around \$78,000.00 for recycled asphalt and recycled concrete crushing. There are four quotes by sealed bid that they have received. By consensus, approval was given to open the four quotes. Upon a motion by Salberg and second by Monson, the lowest bid was unanimously awarded to Central Specialties, Alexandria, MN, in the amount of \$51,660.00. Upon a motion by Salberg and second by T. Johnson, wages for the seasonal roster were approved unanimously. By consensus, approval was given for Haukos to meet with the townships for a planning meeting on projects. Upon a motion by Monson and second by Salberg, approval was unanimously given to approve proposals for a Hydraulic Study for a bridge replacement SAP 078-616-008 on CSAH 16 and SAP 078-599-058 on a township road in Croke Township.

**Trevor Wright/Sheriff-** Wright distributed the jail roster. The average hold last month was 9.31 days. The vast majority of inmates are from Traverse County. Wright indicated he would email out the final reports for 2015 due to their length. He discussed the part-time opening for dispatcher/jailer and hopes to interview four applicants for that soon. He updated the Board regarding a press release going out about the bank robbery in Browns Valley. They will be dropping the Traverse County charges because

the criminal plead guilty to a federal charge. They also discussed the jail task force. Salberg asked about progress. Wright indicated not much progress has been made but we're moving towards an understanding that help needs to come at the state level. Goals need to be identified going forward. Wright believes there has been some waste of time rehashing 2006 arguments about the building of the jail. T. Johnson discussed information gathering and clarity that has happened. Monson clarified that they're also looking at a 72 hour hold facility. Leininger told Wright he's heard positive comments on the paging system.

**Bid Letting for SAP 078-598-031:** Bridge replacement No. 89669

The engineer's estimate was \$425,306.00. Bids were received as follows:

Korby Contracting Co	\$378,355.66
M-K Bridge Construction, Inc	\$408,523.00
Structural Specialties, Inc	\$447,143.00
Swingen Construction Co	\$596,231.80
Wanzek Construction, Inc	\$690,964.80

Unanimous approval was given to award the low bid to Korby Contracting Co, upon a motion by Salberg and second by Monson.

**Sara Gronfeld/Soil and Water/Planning and Zoning-** There was one land use permit issued this last month. There have been two applications for the low income grants for the septic program. The watershed is moving ahead with discussions around their Redpath Project Wetland Mitigation plan. She discussed the Board of Adjustment per diems. They are currently at \$50.00. She suggested raising it to \$75.00 to match the County Board per diems. There was a motion by Salberg and second by Monson, to raise the per diems for the Board of Adjustment, so that they will match the County Board per diems going forward. The motion was approved unanimously. Traverse County is in Queue for the Pictometry Flight. Gronfeld invited commissioners to the MN Ag Water Quality Certification Program workshop on Wednesday March 2 at the Community Building in Graceville from 10:00 to 2:30.

**Kit Johnson/Auditor/Treasurer-** Johnson presented Wheaton Golf Course applications for a wine permit, beer permit, and a consumption and display permit. Upon a motion by T. Johnson and second by Salberg, the three applications were approved unanimously.

**Rhonda Antrim/County Coordinator-** The minutes from February 16, 2016, were approved unanimously, upon a motion by T. Johnson and second by Monson. The following bills were approved unanimously, upon a motion by Monson and second by Salberg:

HOUSTON ENGINEERING, INC.	5,472.50
MINNCO ENTERPRISES	5,200.00
PRO-BUILD	7,825.77
Minnesota Department of Administration	2,539.33
RAINBOW RIDER	2,000.00
TYLER TECHNOLOGIES, INC.	4,612.85

Per M.S. 375.12, the number of claims totaling \$2000.00 or less were 39, amounting to \$12,305.04. The Lakes Country Service Cooperative Member Agreement for 2016 was approved by consensus.

Attested to by:

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Rhonda Antrim/County Coordinator

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Kevin Leininger/Board Chair