

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE ISANTI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Wednesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2008; 9:15 a.m. - Government Center Boardroom

Members Present: Chairperson Larson; Commissioners Pagel, Southerland, Daudt, Morris  
Members Absent: None  
Others Present: M DeLage, K McCully, R Heilman, B Wendorf, K Kleinwachter, J Rostberg, R Engel, T Anderson, H Skjelbostad (Reporters: Christensen, Kytonen)

o0o Chairperson Larson convened the meeting and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

08/12-01 Motion by Southerland, seconded by Morris to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

08/12-02 Motion by Pagel, seconded by Southerland to approve the minutes of the November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2008 County Board Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

08/12-03 Motion by Morris, seconded by Pagel to approve the following Health Board Actions: Work Plan for Preparedness and Assure Quality Access; Letter of Understanding between Isanti County Public Health Services and Next Best Thing to Mom; and 2009 Tobacco Licenses for EC's Corner Express, EC's Wine and Spirits, Isanti Mobil, Isanti BP, Jumpin Jacks, Backwoods Sports, and Pine Brook Inn. Motion carried unanimously.

08/12-04 Motion by Pagel, seconded by Daudt to lay off the agriculture inspector, effective 12-31-08; further to authorize the Zoning Department to assume those duties. Motion carried unanimously.

08/12-05 Motion by Daudt, seconded by Morris to approve payment of \$175.00 to Minnesota Recreation and Services Council (MERSC) for 2009 membership; said monies to come from vending fund. Motion carried unanimously.

08/12-06 Motion by Daudt, seconded by Southerland to approve a Letter of Agreement with the Minnesota Historical Society Governing Use of Historic Site, which provides \$34,500 through the State Capital Projects Grants in Aid Program for the restoration of the Spencer Brook Historic School. Motion carried unanimously.

08/12-07 Motion by Daudt, seconded by Southerland to approve the Agreement for Architectural Services with Becklin & Whitney Consulting Engineers, Inc for preparing plans and specification for preservation and restoration work on Spencer Brook School (\$3000). Motion carried unanimously.

08/12-08 Motion by Pagel, seconded by Morris to add to the county committee appointment list, a county board representative for the Historical Society Board; further to appoint Commissioner Daudt to the ICHS Board. Motion carried unanimously.

08/12-09 Motion by Pagel, seconded by Daudt to approve the request of Long Lake Improvement District to abate the special assessment request by the LID for Parcel #02.049.0210 owned by Clifford Englund for the 2<sup>nd</sup> half payable in 2008 (\$150) and all of the payable 2009 (\$250), as there was no benefit to the owner. Motion carried unanimously.

08/12-10 Motion by Pagel, seconded by Southerland to approve the following RESOLUTION OF ISANTI COUNTY-ADOPTION OF THE ISANTI COUNTY ALL-HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN. WHEREAS, Isanti County has participated in the hazard mitigation planning as established under the disaster

Mitigation Act of 2000, and WHEREAS, the Act establishes a framework for the development of a County Hazard Mitigation Plan; and WHEREAS, the Act as part of the planning process requires public involvement and local coordination among neighboring local units of government and businesses; and WHEREAS, the Isanti County Plan includes a risk assessment including past hazards, hazards that threaten the County, an estimate of structures at risk, a general description of land uses and development trends; and WHEREAS, the Isanti County Plan includes a mitigation strategy including goals and objectives and an action plan identifying specific mitigation projects and costs; and WHEREAS, the Isanti County Plan includes a maintenance or implementation process including plan updates, integration of the plan into other planning documents and how Isanti County will maintain public participation and coordination; and WHEREAS, the Plan has been shared with the Minnesota Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management and the Federal Emergency Management Agency for review and comment; and WHEREAS, the Isanti County All-Hazard Mitigation Plan will make the county and participating jurisdictions eligible to receive FEMA hazard mitigation assistance grants; and WHEREAS, this is a multi-jurisdictional Plan and cities that participated in the planning process may choose to also adopt the County Plan. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Isanti County supports the hazard mitigation planning effort and wishes to adopt the Isanti County All-Hazard Mitigation Plan. Motion carried unanimously.

08/12-11 Motion by Pagel, seconded by Morris to approve a utility permit to Xcel Energy for a natural gas service along and across CR #57. Motion carried unanimously.

08/12-12 Motion by Pagel, seconded by Daudt to approve the following claims and warrants:

Simple Creations Catering	\$ 1,215.90	Innovative Plastics	\$ 262.05
MNCASA	20.00	CMC Optical	400.00
Green Lights Recycling	1,497.70	Heartland	757.17
TOTAL CLAIMS AND WARRANTS:			\$ 4,152.00

Motion carried unanimously.

08/12-13 Motion by Daudt, seconded by Southerland to approve a 2 year Lease Agreement between Isanti County and the East Central Regional Library for lease of space for the East Central Regional Library Administration in the amount of \$68,222 per year. Motion carried unanimously.

08/12-14 Motion by Daudt, seconded by Morris to approve the following personnel committee action: to increase a 3/5 position in the Veteran's Service Office to temporary fulltime; effective 1-1-09; further if grant funding ends, employee will go back to 3/5 time. Motion carried unanimously.

08/12-15 Motion by Southerland, seconded by Daudt to authorize for the Isanti County Conservation District to apply for the state "Native Buffers Program" grant in the amount of \$30,000 to plant native prairie seed on the east side of CR 18 at the Anderson County Park; further, that \$7500 be paid from the Parks Budget to cover 25% of the required amount of the grant. Motion carried unanimously.

08/12-16 Motion by Southerland, seconded by Daudt to authorize the Parks Department to purchase a portable generator from Northern Tool and Equipment in the amount of \$1064.99; said monies to come from 2008 parks capital outlay. Motion carried unanimously.

08/12-17 Motion by Daudt, seconded by Morris to authorize the Parks Department to purchase 12 brochure boxes from Innovative Plastics, Inc in the amount of \$180 (plus tax and shipping). Motion carried unanimously.

o0o Representatives from North Branch Township appeared before the Board regarding a park land lease in the Plat of North Branchettes. It was the Board's consensus to have the County Attorney research to see if ownership can be transferred to the township for park purposes.

o0o Katrina Kleinwachter, FCC Area Coordinator for Digital Television appeared before the Board regarding digital TV transition outreach. Kleinwachter indicated that the new trend is towards digital, which frees up more spectrum use for the Public Safety Network, and under the consumer level, the digital signal allows for better picture and sound with more variety of programming. Kleinwachter further indicated that there are 2 options for consumers: buy converter box or buy a digital TV. Kleinwachter noted that she is here to reach out to viewers, raise awareness and encourage applying for coupons.

o0o Jim Rostberg, Veteran's Service Officer updated the County Board on 2008 grants his department has received totaling \$43,932.

o0o Randy Engel, Buetow and Associates presented plans for remodeling the Isanti County Government Center with an estimated cost of \$960,000, which includes Commissioner and Administrative Offices.

08/12-18 Motion by Daudt, seconded by Morris to authorize advertising for bids on the County Government Center remodeling project, setting January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2009 as bid opening date. Motion carried unanimously.

08/12-19 Motion by Daudt, seconded by Morris to approve the final plat of Earle Stoeckel Estate (legal desc: NE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 except the S 655' of the East 654' of said NE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Sec 22, Twp 34, Rg 25, Stanford Twp). Motion carried unanimously.

o0o Harold Skjelbostad, Planner and Tim Anderson, Zoning Administrator appeared before the Board to discuss the Isanti County Comprehensive Plan.

08/12-20 Motion by Morris, seconded by Southerland to move to closed session to discuss union negotiations (12:56 p.m.). Motion carried unanimously.

08/12-21 Motion by Southerland, seconded by Daudt to move out of closed session (1:05 p.m.). Motion carried unanimously.

08/12-22 Motion by Morris, seconded by Daudt to adjourn (1:06 p.m.). Motion carried unanimously.

Jerry T Tvedt, Isanti County Coordinator

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George I Larson, County Board Chairperson

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By: Barbara E Baar, Deputy County Coordinator