

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ISANTI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Monday, December 29th, 2008; 9:00 a.m. - Government Center Boardroom

Members Present: Chairperson Larson; Commissioners Pagel, Southerland, Morris
Members Absent: Commissioner Daudt
Others Present: B Wendorf, M DeLage, J Forner, S Klocksein, J Laciskey, J Schleicher, T Schibilla,
R Monson, J Edblad (Reporters: Kytonen, Christensen)

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

08/12-63 Motion by Morris, seconded by Southerland to approve the agenda with an addition. Motion carried.

08/12-64 Motion by Pagel, seconded by Morris to approve the MEDICA Health Plan and Plan C for 2009. Motion carried.

08/12-65 Motion by Pagel, seconded by Morris to authorize the carry over of \$82,755 from Parks 2008 reserve fund balance. Motion carried.

08/12-66 Motion by Morris, seconded by Southerland to approve the carry of \$10,000 remaining 2008 budget balance to be added to the Parks 2009 Special Projects budget line. Motion carried.

o0o Barry Wendorf, Parks Director presented a request to the County Board to support the Greater Minnesota Regional Parks and Trail "Position Statement". Wendorf indicated that in order for non metro and non state parks and trails providers to receive a portion of the funding via the Clean Water, Land & Legacy Amendment there needs to be a general consensus presented to the legislature.

08/12-67 Motion by Southerland, seconded by Pagel to endorse the Greater Minnesota Regional parks and Trails Clean Water, Land and Legacy Position Statement. Motion carried.

08/12-68 Motion by Southerland, seconded by Pagel to approve the carry over of 2008 Isanti County Emergency Services Council Planning and Advisory Committee funds of \$3577.95 to the 2009 budget. Motion carried.

08/12-69 Motion by Morris, seconded by Southerland to ratify the hire of Floyd Pinotti as intermittent part time bus driver, effective 12-22-08. Motion carried.

o0o Sam Klocksein, Oak Wilt Forester, presented a final report on Oak Wilt, indicating that on oak wilt sites treated there were 38 landowners involved with total footage plowed of 32,763 feet, noting a cost share of \$18,380. Klocksein further noted that on the diseased tree removal cost share there were 31 landowners involved with a total cost share of \$13,442. Klocksein further indicated to the Board that the MN ReLeaf Grant Amendment added an additional \$18,000 for monitoring, which will end on 12-31-11, noting that if we continue monitoring, we would possibly be able to get more funds, if available. The Board commended Klocksein on his hard work as the Oak Wilt Forester.

o0o John Laciskey, Treasurer of the Long Lake Improvement District appeared before the Board to request consideration to advance the necessary funds (\$25,000-\$35,000) for spraying to control pondweed, with said spraying to be done late April or May.

08/12-70 Motion by Pagel, seconded by Southerland to approve the request of the Long Lake

Improvement District to advance the necessary funds (\$25,000-\$35,000) for spraying to control pondweed. Motion carried.

08/12-71 Motion by Morris, seconded by Southerland to ratify the hire of Lorrie Houtsma, Assessor Adm III, effective 1-5-09. Motion carried.

08/12-72 Motion by Pagel, seconded by Southerland to approve Contract #0801 (CSAH #4) final voucher to Knife River in the amount of \$18,230.67. Motion carried.

08/12-73 Motion by Southerland, seconded by Morris to approve the following 2008 carry over funds for the maintenance budget: Snow removal: \$10,000; building improvements: \$25,000; and Equipment and Machinery: \$6000. Motion carried.

08/12-74 Motion by Morris, seconded by Pagel to authorize the Sheriff's Department to begin process to fill the vacant sergeant position. Motion carried.

08/12-75 Motion by Southerland, seconded by Morris to authorize cell phones for all attorneys in the County Attorney's office, per County policy. Motion carried.

08/12-76 Motion by Morris, seconded by Pagel to move to closed session to discuss union negotiations (9:35 a.m.). Motion carried.

08/12-77 Motion by Pagel, seconded by Southerland to move out of closed session (9:58 a.m.). Motion carried.

08/12-78 Motion by Southerland, seconded by Pagel to approve the following Union Contracts: LELS (Deputies), and the 49rs (Hwy). Motion carried.

08/12-79 Motion by Pagel, seconded by Morris to approve the following claims and warrants:

Crossroads Agency	\$ 229.00	RLK	\$ 11,094.72
Don Hansen	2,686.00	Don Hansen	800.00
MCCC	46,021.22	MCCC	7,150.00
Chisago Heartland	10,769.33	Election Systems	6,024.37

TOTAL CLAIMS AND WARRANTS: \$ 84,774.64
Motion carried.

08/12-80 Motion by Morris, seconded by Southerland to reconvene to Friday, January 2nd, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

o0o The County Board of Commissioners reconvened on Friday, January 2nd, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. Members in attendance were Board Chairperson Larson; Commissioners Pagel, Southerland and Morris. Commissioner Daudt was present per conference call and communicated through speaker phone.

08/12-81 Commissioner Larson stepped down as Chairperson and motioned to authorize to offer the position of County Administrator to Kevin VanHooser; further that each commissioner was polled by their district as follows: Commissioner Larson (District 1) yes; Commissioner Southerland (District 2) yes; Commissioner Pagel (District 3) yes; Commissioner Daudt (District 4) yes; Commissioner Morris (District 5) yes.

08/12-82 Motion by Pagel, seconded by Morris to adjourn (9:55 a.m.). Motion carried unanimously.

Jerry T Tvedt, Isanti County Coordinator

George I Larson, County Board Chairperson
By: Barbara E Baar, Deputy County
Coordinator