

# AITKIN COUNTY BOARD

March 13, 2012

The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners met this 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: Chairperson J. Mark Wedel, Commissioners Laurie Westerlund, Don Niemi, Brian Napstad, County Administrator Patrick Wussow, and Administrative Assistant Sue Bingham. Commissioner Anne Marcotte arrived at 9:01 a.m.

Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried, all members voting yes to approve the March 13, 2012 agenda.

Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voting yes to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: A) Correspondence File: March 6, 2012 – March 12, 2012; B) Approve Minutes: March 6, 2012; C) Approve February Manual Warrants: General Fund \$71,528.78, Road & Bridge \$395,087.46, Health & Human Services \$4,895.67, State \$31,359.32, Forest Development \$29.99, Long Lake Conservation Center \$-15,548.97 for a total of \$487,352.25; D) Approve Commissioner Warrants: General Fund \$161,242.45, Road & Bridge \$40,027.58, Health & Human Services \$124.73, State \$360.00, Trust \$18,943.20, Forest Development \$9,208.02, Taxes & Penalties \$760.00, Long Lake Conservation Center \$2,871.22 for a total of \$233,537.20; E) Approve \$450.00 Donation – Fleming Township to Sentence to Serve; F) Approve Vehicles for Public Auction – Sheriff's Department

Under the consent agenda, motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voting yes to approve on-line public auction for the following Sheriff's Department vehicles - 2005 Ford Taurus, 2008 Ford Pickup, and four DWI forfeitures - 2004 Ford Superduty truck, 1997 Toyota Camry, 1994 Ford Explorer, and 1986 Chevrolet Camero.

Representatives from MnDot, ARDC, and Toward Zero Deaths discussed the proposed 2013-2016 Area Transportation Improvement Program and road safety with the Board.

Motion for a resolution by Commissioner Westerlund, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voting yes to approve resolution – MnDot Detour Agreement No. 00674:

**IT IS RESOLVED**, that Aitkin County enter into Mn/Dot Agreement No. 00674 with the State of Minnesota, Department of Transportation for the following purposes:

To provide for payment by the State to the County for the use of CSAH Nos. 28 and 12 as a detour route during the contract construction to be performed upon, along and adjacent to, Trunk Highway No. 18 approximately 6.5 miles east of Trunk Highway No. 169 under State Project No. 0102-23 (T.H. 18=157).

**IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Aitkin County engineer is authorized to execute the Agreement and any amendments to the Agreement.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**APPROVED  
AGENDA**

**CONSENT  
AGENDA**

**SHERIFF'S DEPT  
VEHICLES -  
ON-LINE PUBLIC  
AUCTION**

**MnDOT  
PRESENTATION**

**RESOLUTION  
031312-020  
MnDOT DETOUR  
AGREEMENT NO.  
00674**

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Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried, all members voting yes to move forward with the project and to accept quotes for construction of Aitkin Salt Storage Shed: \$90,800.00 for material from Wheeler Lumber, \$16,000.00 for engineering services agreement from Wheeler Lumber, and \$78,450.00 for material installation from Nelson's Agri Service. The cost of wall construction will be brought before the Board for final approval, after bids have been received.

**AITKIN SALT  
STORAGE SHED**

John Welle, County Engineer discussed the 2012-2017 Capital Road Improvement Program with the Board.

**2012 – 2017  
CAPITAL ROAD  
IMPROVEMENT  
PROGRAM**

Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voting yes to approve the Highway Department's Proposed 2012 Construction Program.

**HWY DEPT 2012  
CONSTRUCTION  
PROGRAM**

Break: 11:16 a.m. to 11:26 a.m.

**BREAK**

Robert Goede, MCIT Risk Management Consultant reviewed the 2011 MCIT Annual Report with the Board.

**MCIT ANNUAL  
REPORT**

Motion for a resolution by Commissioner Marcotte, seconded by Commissioner Napstad and carried, all members voting to set the 2012 salary for the County Attorney at \$103,200.00.

**RESOLUTION  
031312-021  
2012 ATTORNEY  
SALARY**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners set the 2012 salary of Aitkin County Attorney James Ratz at \$103,200.00 based upon market, budget, experience, and duties of the office.

Motion for a resolution by Commissioner Marcotte, seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried, all members voting to set the 2012 salary for the Sheriff at \$81,932.00.

**RESOLUTION  
031312-022  
2012 SHERIFF  
SALARY**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners set the 2012 salary of Aitkin County Sheriff Scott Turner at \$81,932.00 based upon market, budget, experience, and duties of the office.

Motion for a resolution by Commissioner Marcotte, seconded by Commissioner Napstad and carried, all members voting to set the 2012 salary for the County Recorder at \$69,268.66.

**RESOLUTION  
031312-023  
2012 RECORDER  
SALARY**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners set the 2012 salary of Aitkin County Recorder Diane Lafferty at \$69,268.66 based upon market, budget, experience, and duties of the office.

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Motion for a resolution by Commissioner Marcotte, seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried, all members voting to set the 2012 salary for the County Auditor at \$76,121.50.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners set the 2012 salary of Aitkin County Auditor Kirk Peysar at \$76,121.50 based upon market, budget, experience, and duties of the office.

Motion for a resolution by Commissioner Marcotte, seconded by Commissioner Napstad and carried, all members voting to set the 2012 salary for the County Treasurer at \$65,175.40.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners set the 2012 salary of Aitkin County Treasurer Lori Grams at \$65,175.40 based upon market, budget, experience, and duties of the office.

Bobbie Danielson, Human Resources Manager discussed placing the Elected Official's salaries on the County's regular salary schedule and implementing it in 2013 for setting Elected Official's salaries. The Board asked for more detailed information. No action was taken.

Steve Bennett, IT Director gave the Board a demonstration on the use and features of the iPad.

During the meeting, the Board heard updates on the following committees: i) Economic Development, ii) FAC, iii) Pine County Wetlands, iv) MAC, v) ECRL, vi) Forest Advisory, vii) Managing Black Ash

Patrick Wussow, County Administrator discussed General Government Legislation with the Board.

Motion by Commissioner Niemi, seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried, all members voting yes to adjourn the meeting at 1:40 p.m. until Tuesday, March 27, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.

**RESOLUTION  
031312-024  
2012 AUDITOR  
SALARY**

**RESOLUTION  
031312-025  
2012 TREASURER  
SALARY**

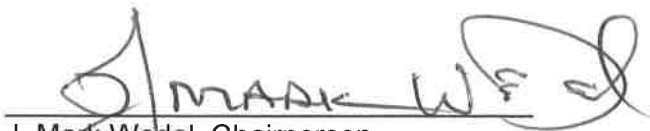
**SALARY  
SCHEDULE FOR  
ELECTED  
OFFICIALS**

**iPAD  
DEMONSTRATION**

**COMMITTEE  
UPDATES**

**GENERAL  
GOVERNMENT**

**ADJOURN**



J. Mark Wedel, Chairperson  
Aitkin County Board of Commissioners

  
Patrick Wussow, County Administrator