

AITKIN COUNTY BOARD

March 6, 2012

The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners met this 6th day of March, 2012 at 9:02 a.m. with the following members present: Chairperson J. Mark Wedel, Commissioners Laurie Westerlund, Don Niemi, Brian Napstad, Anne Marcotte, County Administrator Patrick Wussow, and Administrative Assistant Sue Bingham.

Motion by Commissioner Westerlund, seconded by Commissioner Marcotte and carried, all members voting yes to approve the March 6, 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: February 28, 2012 – March 5, 2012; B) Approve Minutes: February 28, 2012; C) Approve Resolution – Exempt Permit LG220 of the Long Lake Conservation Foundation; D) Approve Resolution – Support for Legislation Modifying Wetland Replacement Requirements

Under the consent agenda, motion for a resolution by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voting yes to approve resolution – Exempt Permit LG220 of the Long Lake Conservation Foundation:

BE IT RESOLVED, The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners agree to approve the Application for Exempt Permit – Form LG220 – of the Long Lake Conservation Foundation, at the following location – Long Lake Conservation Center, which has an address of 28952 438th Ln., Palisade, MN 56469 – Fleming Township. (Note: Date of activity for Raffle – August 25, 2012)

Under the consent agenda, motion for a resolution by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voting yes to approve resolution – Support for Legislation Modifying Wetland Replacement Requirements:

WHEREAS, State Representative Anzels has authored legislation modifying wetland replacement requirements in counties with 80% or more of their pre-settlement wetland remaining, officially known as House File No. 2105, and

WHEREAS, Aitkin County has in excess of 80% of their pre-settlement wetlands remaining, and

WHEREAS, current state law regulating replacement of wetlands affected by building activities creates undue hardship for economic development activities in Aitkin County, and

WHEREAS, modification of wetland replacement requirements in Aitkin County would enhance local economic development, and

WHEREAS, the provisions of HF 2105 are in full compliance with statutory requirements that Minnesota retain an overall no net loss of wetlands policy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Aitkin County supports House File No.

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVED
AGENDA

CONSENT
AGENDA

RESOLUTION
030612-017
EXEMPT PERMIT
LG220 OF THE
LONG LAKE
CONSERVATION
FOUNDATION

RESOLUTION
030612-018
SUPPORT FOR
LEGISLATION
MODIFYING
WETLAND
REPLACEMENT
REQUIREMENTS

2105, modifying wetland replacement requirements, as proposed by State Representative Anzelc.

Beth Leaf, Executive Director CARE discussed the services provided by CARE, and reviewed the 2011 Year End Report with the Board.

Carroll and Joy Janzen, Aitkin Area Persian Gulf Support Group presented new drawings to the Board for the proposed Veterans Memorial in front of the Courthouse, and set Sunday, July 1, 2012 for the dedication.

Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried, all members voting to set the dates of April 10, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. and April 24, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. for Public Hearings for Redistricting of Aitkin County Commissioner Districts. Both Public Hearings will be held in the Boardroom of the Aitkin County Courthouse.

Mark Jacobs, Land Commissioner conducted a Public Hearing for Land Classification of Tax-Forfeited Lands. There were no public comments other than two letters of support. Motion for a resolution by Commissioner Marcotte, seconded by Commissioner Napstad and carried, all members voting yes to approve resolution - Classification of Lands Forfeited to the State for Taxes:

WHEREAS, under Statute 282, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners, is acting on behalf of the state under laws allowing the county board to classify and manage tax-forfeited lands held by the state in trust for the local units, and

WHEREAS, parcels of land becoming the property of the state in trust under law declaring the forfeiture of lands to the state for taxes must be classified by the county board of the county in which the parcels lie as conservation or nonconservation. In making the classification the board has considered the present use of adjacent lands, the productivity of the soil, the character of forest or other growth, accessibility of lands to established roads, schools, and other public services, their peculiar suitability or desirability for particular uses, and the suitability of the forest resources on the land for multiple use and sustained yield management. The classification, furthermore, must: (1) encourage and foster a mode of land utilization that will facilitate the economical and adequate provision of transportation, roads, water supply, drainage, sanitation, education, and recreation; (2) facilitate reduction of governmental expenditures; (3) conserve and develop the natural resources; and (4) foster and develop agriculture and other industries in the districts and places best suited to them, and

WHEREAS, a public meeting was held on March 6th, 2012 at the regular county board meeting and that prior to meeting for the purpose of classifying or reclassifying tax-forfeited lands, the county board gave notice of its intent to meet for that purpose in postings, on the web site, and in the local newspaper, in addition to sending letters to any township or city in which the properties were located, and

WHEREAS, at the meeting, no objections were raised on any of the attached parcels.

CARE UPDATE

VETERANS MEMORIAL UPDATE

PUBLIC HEARING DATES SET FOR REDISTRICTING

10:00 A.M. PUBLIC HEARING - CLASSIFICATION OF LANDS FORFEITED TO THE STATE FOR TAXES

RESOLUTION 030612-019 CLASSIFICATION OF LANDS FORFEITED TO THE STATE FOR TAXES

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following parcels be classified as follows:

#	Parcel ID	Legal Desc	Tw p	Rge	Sec	Classify Code	Classification
1	02-1-066102	Bridge Park - Pt Lot 15 W of Hwy 65 and N of Hwy 200	52	23	9	1D	Non-Conservation
2	02-1-075100	Hay U Lot 5	52	23	26	1D	Non-Conservation
3	10-0-047100	NW-SE	49	22	28	8R	Conservation
4	11-0-033700	NW-NW	45	27	13	7X	Non-Conservation
5	15-0-012500, 15-0-012000, 15-0-011400	SW-NE, W 1/2- SE, NE-SW	47	25	7	2D	Non-Conservation
6	16-0-008400	1/4 ac Lot in Bk 118 DDS Page 503	44	25	5	1D	Non-Conservation
7	16-0-050800	3 ac in NW-NW in Bk 99 D Page 435	44	25	35	1D	Non-Conservation
8	20-0-006901	N 1/2-NW (Lots 3 and 4)	51	26	5	1D	Non-Conservation
9	20-0-007700 & 20-0-007900	S 1/2-SE, NE- SE	51	26	5	6R	Conservation
10	20-1-062800	County Auditor's Plat of Swatara Lot 12 Blk 3	51	26	20	1D	Non-Conservation
11	21-0-042700 & 21-0-042800	SE-SW	45	25	26	6R	Conservation
12	25-0-026400	E 1/2-NW-NE	44	23	17	1D	Non-Conservation

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13	29-0-043200	1.54 Ac of that part of NW-SE lying W of Hwy 65 in B 108 D p 77, Docs 182190 and 364233	49	23	19	1D	Non-Conservation
14	29-1-202700	Sheshebe Point Lot 598	49	23	21	1D	Non-Conservation
15	29-1-271200	Sheshebe Point Third Addn Lot 3 Blk 33	49	23	27	1D	Non-Conservation
16	29-1-293100	Sheshebe Point Third Addn Lot 20 Blk 45	49	23	27	1D	Non-Conservation
17	29-1-305900	Sheshebe Point Third Addn Lot 14 Blk 52	49	23	27	1D	Non-Conservation
18	29-1-307100	Sheshebe Point Third Addn Lot 8 Blk 53	49	23	27	1D	Non-Conservation
19	29-1-355900	Big Sandy Lk Highlands Lot 62	49	23	3	1D	Non Conservation
20	30-0-052800	NE-NW	47	23	32	6D	Non-Conservation
21	31-0-004400	Und 1/6 int in Lot 1	47	26	3	7X	Non-Conservation
22	31-0-004900	Und 1/6 int in Lot 2	47	26	3	7X	Non-Conservation
23	31-0-006400	Und 1/32 int in Lot 1	47	26	3	7X	Non-Conservation
24	31-0-006900	Und 1/32 int in Lot 2	47	26	3	7X	Non-Conservation
25	32-1-066600	Big Sandy Lake Highlands 5th Addn Lots 82 and 83	50	23	34	1D	Non-Conservation
26	36-0-009900	NE-NE	45	26	7	7X	Non-Conservation
27	36-0-028300	SE-NW	45	26	18	6X	Non-Conservation
28	41-0-073800	SE-SE	44	22	28	6X	Non-Conservation

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<p>29 57-1- Bucks Addn to 019900 Hill City Lot 12 Blk 14 52 26 14 1D Non-Conservation</p>	
<p>Mark Jacobs, Land Commissioner and Patrick Wussow, County Administrator discussed General Government Legislation with the Board.</p>	<p>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</p>
<p>Break: 10:52 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.</p>	<p>BREAK</p>
<p>During the meeting, the Board heard updates on the following committees: i) Airport, ii) P&Z, iii) Environmental Natural Resources Policy Meeting, iv) Pine County Wetlands, v) NEMOJET, vi) EDA, vii) AMC</p>	<p>COMMITTEE UPDATES</p>
<p>Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried, all members voting yes to adjourn the meeting at 11:38 a.m. until Tuesday, March 13, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.</p>	<p>ADJOURN</p>
<hr/> <p>J. Mark Wedel, Chairperson Aitkin County Board of Commissioners</p>	
<hr/> <p>Patrick Wussow, County Administrator</p>	