

AITKIN COUNTY BOARD

July 24, 2012

The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners met this 24th day of July, 2012 at 10:23 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.

CALL TO ORDER

Motion by Commissioner Marcotte, seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried, all members voting yes to approve the July 24, 2012 agenda.

**APPROVED
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: July 10, 2012 – July 23, 2012; B) Approve County Board Minutes: July 10, 2012; C) Approve Auditor Warrants – June Sales and Use Tax: General Fund \$825.77, Road & Bridge \$1,901.94, Health & Human Services \$43.52, State \$7,321.00, Trust \$7.31, Forest Development \$36.02, Long Lake Conservation Center \$36.52 for a total of \$10,172.08; D) Approve Resolution – 2013 Commissioner Salaries; E) Schedule Maven Perspectives Workshop – August 14, 2012 at LLCC; F) Approve Resolution – Set Timber Auction Date; a) Approve Commissioner Warrants: General Fund \$96,196.80, Road & Bridge \$34,349.42, Special Revenue \$1,078.81, Health & Human Services \$574.35, State \$4,342.60, Trust \$12,838.44, Forest Development \$32,142.27, Agency \$25,385.48, Long Lake Conservation Center \$34,466.67 for a total of \$241,374.84; b) Approve Resolution – Exempt Permit LG220 Jacobson Landing; c) Approve Riverboat Days Outdoor Movie on Courthouse Property; d) Approve Aitkin Airport – 2 Purchase Agreements, FAA Grant Resolution

**CONSENT
AGENDA**

Under the consent agenda, motion for a resolution by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voting yes to approve resolution – 2013 Commissioner Salaries:

**RESOLUTION
072412-081
2013
COMMISSIONER
SALARIES**

BE IT RESOLVED, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners set the 2013 County Commissioner's salary at \$28,644.00.

Under the consent agenda, motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voting to schedule a workshop with Maven Perspectives on August 14, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. at Long Lake Conservation Center in the Northstar Lodge.

**MAVEN
PERSPECTIVES
WORKSHOP**

Under the consent agenda, motion for a resolution by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voting yes to approve resolution – Set Timber Auction Date:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that certain tracts of timber on tax-forfeited land in Aitkin County will be offered for sale on a sealed bid public auction, without the sale of land on August 22, 2012 at 1:00 pm in the Aitkin County Board Room in the courthouse in Aitkin, Mn. 56431.

**RESOLUTION
072412-082
SET TIMBER
AUCTION DATE**

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 Jacobson Landing:

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BE IT RESOLVED, The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners agree to approve the Application for Exempt Permit – Form LG220 – of the Jacobson Landing Recreation Area, at the following location – Jacobson Landing Recreation Area, which has an address of Highway 65 & 198th Ave., Jacobson, MN 55752 – Ball Bluff Township. (Note: Date of activity for Bingo – August 25, 2012).

**RESOLUTION
071712-079
EXEMPT PERMIT
LG220
JACOBSON
LANDING**

Under the consent agenda, motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voting yes to approve request by Riverwood Healthcare to hold Riverboat Days outdoor movie on August 3, 2012 on Courthouse property.

**RIVERBOAT
DAYS OUTDOOR
MOVIE**

Under the consent agenda, motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voting to approve two Aitkin Airport purchase agreements – Marva and Marvin Hansen – 8.45 acre easement for \$8,450.00, and Richard and Penny Fannemel – 20.22 acres of land for \$36,500.00.

**AITKIN AIRPORT
PURCHASE
AGREEMENTS**

Under the consent agenda, motion for a resolution by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all voting yes to approve resolution – 2012 FAA Grant Application:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the State of Minnesota/Federal Aviation Administration Grant Agreement for 2012-2013 Airport Improvement Projects for Obstruction Removal, Land Acquisition, and Public Fuel Facility at the Aitkin Municipal Airport, including project closeout and administrative costs, design and construction engineering, is accepted.

**RESOLUTION
071712-080
2012 FAA GRANT
APPLICATION**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board and the County Attorney are authorized to execute the Agreement and any amendments on behalf of Aitkin County.

Motion by Commissioner Marcotte, seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried, all members voting yes to approve funding of the Minnesota County Information Systems Strategic Planning Initiative at a cost not to exceed \$50,835.93 over three years. Source of funding will be the technology fund, which is not property tax dollars.

**MCIS
STRATEGIC
PLANNING
INITIATIVE**

Mike Dangers, County Assessor discussed property tax programs for disaster relief with the Board.

**DISASTER
RELIEF
PROGRAMS**

Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voting yes to approve the following Aitkin County Tourism grants:

**AITKIN COUNTY
TOURISM GRANT
APPROVAL**

\$1,000.00 – Aitkin Area Retail Committee
\$2,500.00 – Aitkin Area Chamber of Commerce
\$1,000.00 – Tamarack Hey Day Committee
\$4,500.00

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The 2012 Second Quarter Revenues and Expenditures report was postponed until the August 7, 2012 County Board meeting.

County Attorney Jim Ratz discussed his opinion on Young v Jesson, and Health & Human Services contracts with the Board.

Motion by Commissioner Westerlund, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voting yes to approve Mitel 5000 phone system for Long Lake Conservation Center - \$9080.44.

The ATV Trail Flood Related Damages presentation was postponed until the August 7, 2012 County Board meeting.

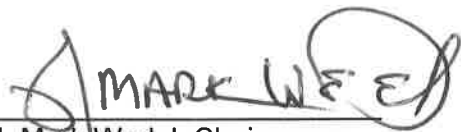
The flood related expenditures discussion was delayed until the August 7, 2012 County Board meeting.

Patrick Wussow, County Administrator discussed the Slow-No Wake Zone issues on Aitkin County lakes with the Board. Residents from area lakes voiced their concerns. The Board chose to take no further action. All wake restrictions imposed by the County Board have expired. Notification will be placed on the County website and emailed to the Lake Association group.

Nancy Karjalahti, Aitkin County resident discussed her request to establish a Lake Improvement District (LID) policy with the Board. The Board asked that this be brought back for further discussion at the August 7, 2012 Board meeting, and that a draft policy be brought before the Board at the September 25, 2012 County Board meeting.

During the meeting the Board discussed: i) LMC, ii) CMCC, iii) AC Tourism, iv) FEMA, v) DAC, vi) Mille Lacs Watershed, vii) LLCC, viii) HRA, ix) ARDC, x) BSLA, xi) LMA, xii) EQB, xiii) ACAT, xiv) Joint Powers Board, xv) PILT

Motion by Commissioner Marcotte, seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried, all members voting yes to adjourn the meeting at 2:09 p.m. until Tuesday, August 7, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.



J. Mark Wedel, Chairperson
Aitkin County Board of Commissioners



Patrick Wussow, County Administrator

**2nd QUARTER
REVENUES &
EXPENDITURES**

**COUNTY ATTY
OPINION**

**LLCC PHONE
SYSTEM**

**FLOOD
RELATED
DAMAGES –
ATV TRAILS**

**FLOOD
RELATED
EXPENDITURES**

**SLOW-NO WAKE
ZONES**

**LAKE
IMPROVEMENT
DISTRICT
POLICY**

**BOARD
DISCUSSION**

ADJOURN