

# AITKIN COUNTY BOARD

September 11, 2012

A remembrance of September 11, 2001 was held from 8:45 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.

The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners met this 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2012 at 9:17 a.m. with the following members present: Chairperson J. Mark Wedel, Commissioners Laurie Westerlund, Don Niemi, and Brian Napstad. Commissioner Anne Marcotte was absent. County Administrator Patrick Wussow, and Administrative Assistant Sue Bingham were also present.

Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried (4-0 Marcotte absent), to approve the September 11, 2012 agenda.

Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried (4-0 Marcotte absent), all members voting yes to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: A) Correspondence File: September 4, 2012 – September 10, 2012; B) Approve County Board Minutes: September 4, 2012; C) Approve August Manual Warrants: General Fund \$50,217.87, Road & Bridge \$1,158,402.23, Health & Human Services \$1,864.75, State \$43,966.47, Trust \$478.69, Forest Development \$-165.00, Taxes & Penalties \$74.78, Long Lake Conservation Center \$705.97 for a total of \$1,255,545.76; D) Approve Commissioner Warrants: General Fund \$67,561.66, Road & Bridge \$80,715.08, Trust \$18,108.38, Forest Development \$16,499.24, Long Lake Conservation Center \$1,798.37 for a total of \$184,682.73; E) Approve Final Plat of Rabbit Lake Cemetery; F) Update – Flood Related Expenditures; G) Approve Resolution – Fund Transfer – Road & Bridge

Under the consent agenda, motion for a resolution by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried (4-0 Marcotte absent), all members voting yes to approve resolution – Fund Transfer – Road & Bridge:

**WHEREAS**, \$2,260,000 of general fund balance was approved at the November 23, 2010 County Board meeting to be used for additional construction projects to be constructed in 2011 and future years, and

**WHEREAS**, due to the delayed construction of several projects, \$750,000 of the anticipated \$2,260,000 amount was transferred in 2011, and

**WHEREAS**, the balance of that amount is needed at this time.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that \$1,510,000 is hereby authorized to be transferred from the General Fund reserves to the Road and Bridge Fund.

Carroll and Joy Janzen of the Persian Gulf Support Group updated the Board on the status of the Veterans Eagle monument, and discussed the proposal for new sidewalk and lighting surrounding the new All Veterans Memorial. The Board agreed to move forward with the sidewalk and lighting project for the new All Veterans Memorial, and to fund the project using reserves from the general fund.

**REMEMBERING  
SEPTEMBER 11**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**APPROVED  
AGENDA**

**CONSENT  
AGENDA**

**RESOLUTION  
091112-096  
FUND TRANSFER  
– ROAD & BRIDGE**

**VETERANS  
MEMORIAL**

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Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried (4-0 Marcotte absent), that the Aitkin County Board as the Animal Control Authority finds the evidence presented against the dog named "Kaiser" is sufficient. The Animal Control Authority therefore upholds the potentially dangerous dog designation.

**POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS DOG PUBLIC HEARING - KAISER**

Motion for a resolution by Commissioner Westerlund, seconded by Commissioner Napstad and carried (4-0 Marcotte absent), all members voting yes to approve resolution – Award Bid S.P. 001-601-019, etc:

**WHEREAS**, S.P. 001-601-019, etc. is a flood repair project for repairs to various county state-aid highways and county roads throughout Aitkin County and, and

**RESOLUTION 091112-097 AWARD BID S.P.001-601-019, ETC.**

**WHEREAS**, sealed bids were opened for this project at 2:00 pm on Monday, September 10, 2012 with a total of (6) six bids received, and

**WHEREAS**, DeChantel Excavating of Brainerd, MN was the lowest responsible bidder in the amount of \$418,446.66.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that DeChantel Excavating be awarded the contract for construction of S.P. 001-601-019, etc.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Chairperson of the Aitkin County Board and the Aitkin County Auditor are hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract on behalf of Aitkin County with said low bidder upon presentation of proper contract documents.

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Break: 10:10 a.m. to 10:22 a.m.

**BREAK**

Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried (4-0 Marcotte absent), all members voting to set Tuesday, December 4, 2012 at 6:05 p.m. in the Aitkin County Courthouse, as the date, time, and location to hold the 2013 Public Budget Hearing.

**2013 PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING SET**

Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried (4-0 Marcotte absent), to approve the requests for additional appropriations of \$2,000.00 from C.A.R.E. (for a total 2013 appropriation of \$37,900.00) and \$7,000.00 from Aitkin Airport (for a total 2013 appropriation of \$14,107.00), and to approve resolution – 2013 Preliminary Levy:

**ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the preliminary Aitkin County tax levy for payable 2013 be set at \$11,900,000.00.

**RESOLUTION 091112-098 2013 PRELIMINARY LEVY**

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Break: 11:29 a.m. to 11:33 a.m.

During the meeting the Board discussed: i) Airport, ii) Park Board, iii) Flood Relief/C.A.R.E., iv) NCLUCB, v) Library, vi) MAC, vii) Diversion Channel

Commissioner Don Niemi left at 11:38 a.m.

Motion by Commissioner Westerlund, seconded by Commissioner Napstad and carried (3-0 Marcotte/Niemi absent), all members voting yes to adjourn the meeting at 12:09 p.m. until Tuesday, September 25, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.

**BREAK**

**BOARD  
DISCUSSION**

**NIEMI LEAVES**

**ADJOURN**



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J. Mark Wedel, Chairperson  
Aitkin County Board of Commissioners



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Patrick Wussow, County Administrator