## Aitkin County Board of Commissioners Request for County Board Action/Agenda Item Cover Sheet



To: Chairperson, Aitkin County Board of Commissioners Date: 11-21-12
Via: Patrick Wussow, County Administrator
From: Patrick Wussow, County Administrator
Title of Item:
Addendum for County Administrator's Employment Agreement
Requested Meeting Date: Estimated Presentation Time:
Presenter: Patrick Wussow, County Administrator
Type of Action Requested (check all that apply)
For info only, no action requested Approve under Consent Agenda
For discussion only with possible future action Adopt Ordinance Revision
Let/Award Bid or Quote (attach copy of basic bid/quote specs or summary of complex specs, each bid/quote received & bid/quote
comparison)  _X_ Approve/adopt proposal by motion Approve/adopt proposal by resolution (attach draft resolution)
Authorize filling vacant staff position
Request to schedule public hearing or sale Other (please list)
Request by member of the public to be heard
Item should be addressed in closed session under MN Statute
Fiscal Impact (check all that apply)
Is this item in the current approved budget? Yes No(attach explanation)
What type of expenditure is this? Operating Capital Other (attach explanation)
Revenue line account # that funds this item is:
Expenditure line account # for this item is:
Staffing Impact (Any yes answer requires a review by Human Resources Manager before going to the board)
Duties of a department employee(s) may be materially affectedYesNo
Applicable job description(s) may require revisionYes No
Item may impact a bargaining unit agreement or county work policyYes No
Item may change the department's authorized staffing levelYes No
Supporting Attachment(s)
X Memorandum Summary of Item
Copy of applicable county policy and/or ordinance (excerpts acceptable)
Copy of applicable state/federal statute/regulation (excerpts acceptable)
Copy of applicable contract and/or agreement
<ul> <li>Original bid spec or quote request (excluding complex construction projects)</li> <li>Bids/quotes received (excluding complex construction projects, provide comparison worksheet)</li> </ul>
Bid/quote comparison worksheet Draft County Board resolution
Plat approval check-list and supporting documents
Copy of previous minutes related to this issue
X Other supporting document(s) (please list) Proposed Addendum, etc.

Provide (1) copy of supporting documentation <u>NO LATER THAN Wednesday at Noon</u> to make the Board's agenda for the following Tuesday. (If your packet contains colored copies, please provide (4) paper copies of supporting documentation as we do not have a color printer or copier.) Items <u>WILL NOT</u> be placed on the Board agenda unless complete documentation is provided for the Board packets.

## AITKIN COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

**Aitkin County Courthouse** 

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TO: Aitkin County Board of Commissioners

FROM: Patrick Wussow, Aitkin County Administrator

RE: Proposed Addendum for County Administrator's Employment

Agreement - Two Weeks of Furlough (unpaid) for 2013 Resulting in

**Budget Reduction** 

DATE: November 19, 2012

The attached document is a proposed addendum to the employment agreement for the County Administrator for 2013. On separate occasions in the past the County Board and Administrator agreed to modify the employment agreement which resulted in a savings to the County. This proposal is for an <u>addendum</u> which would result in approximate \$4,500.00 savings to the County, and conveying (unpaid) furlough for two separate weeks, during the 2013 calendar year, to the County Administrator

This proposal was discussed with the Personnel Committee in October and agreed upon unanimously. The comments from the Personnel Committee were that the two weeks of furlough (unpaid) would be chosen at the discretion of the County Administrator and would not conflict with any regularly scheduled County Board meeting. It was noted that this is for the year 2013 only.

This is being proposed at this time so that if approved staff will be able to incorporate the changes to the proposed 2013 budget.

The following information is attached as background – Employment Agreement with County Administrator, 2010 Aitkin County Salary Schedule, and relevant minutes from County Board meeting.

### Addendum "A"

This agreement between the Aitkin County Board and the Aitkin County Administrator is an addendum to the existing employment agreement between the two parties starting in August of 2007 and as modified since.

The two parties agree that the County Administrator is volunteering to take two weeks of furlough (unpaid) in 2013. Each week will be chosen by the County Administrator based upon limiting the conflict with regularly scheduled County Board meetings and his work load.

Signed by:	
Mark Wedel, Aitkin County Board Chairman	Date
Patrick Wussow. Aitkin County Administrator	Date

### April 27, 2010

### AITKIN COUNTY BOARD

Patrick Wussow, County Administrator discussed with the Board the updated State Funding STS FUNDING Reductions for Sentence to Serve. It was the consensus of the Board to move forward and UPDATE negotiate with CMCC in an effort to maintain the STS program. Patrick Wussow, County Administrator presented Personnel Committee recommendations. **AUTHORIZE** FILLING **POSITIONS** Scott Turner, Sheriff addressed the concerns and need to fill the Jailer position. Motion by Commissioner Westerlund, seconded by Commissioner Napstad and carried, all members voting ves to approve the staff recommendation to fill the Jailer position. Tom Burke, H&HS Director, addressed the concerns and need to fill an Income Maintenance position. Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Wedel and carried, all members voting yes to approve the staff recommendation to fill the H&HS Income Maintenance position. Tom Burke also requested the Board authorize filling an Office Support Specialist position if one opens due to an internal hiring for the H&HS Income Maintenance position. Motion by Commissioner Wedel, seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried (4-1 vote, Napstad) to approve filling the position if it becomes vacant due to an internal promotion. Another request was brought to the Board to increase a part-time position in MIS to a full-time position. Steve Bennett, MIS Coordinator discussed the concerns and need for this change. Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Westerlund and carried, all members voting yes to approve increasing the part-time position to a full-time position. Motion by Commissioner Bailey, seconded by Commissioner Napstad and carried, all members LABOR voting yes to approve the 49'ers Road & Bridge Labor Contract Agreement effective January 1, CONTRACT 2010 through December 31, 2012. AGREEMENT Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Wedel and carried, all members FREEZE COUNTY voting ves to approve the new Memorandum of Agreement to the County Administrator's **ADMINISTRATOR** Employment Agreement. SALARY During the meeting, the Board heard updates on the following committees: i) Lakes & Pines; ii) **COMMITTEE** Association of Townships; iii) CMCC; iv) Onanegozie; v) HRA; vi) FAC; vii) BWSR; viii) **UPDATES** Personnel; ix) BSLA; x) Extension; xi) Park Board; xii) MRCC; xiii) AEOA; xiv) Mississippi Headwaters Motion by Commissioner Westerlund, seconded by Commissioner Wedel and carried, all **ADJOURN** members voting yes to adjourn the meeting at 3:25 p.m. until Tuesday, May 4, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. Paul Bailey, Chairperson Aitkin County Board of Commissioners Patrick Wussow, County Administrator

# Aitkin County Board of Commissioners Request for County Board Action/Agenda Item Cover Sheet



To: Chairperson, Aitkin County Board of Commissioners Date: 4-22-10
Via: Patrick Wussow, County Administrator
From: Patrick Wussow, County Administrator
Title of Item:
County Administrator's Employment Agreement - Freeze Salary
Requested Meeting Date: 4-27-10 Estimated Presentation Time: 15 min
Presenter: Patrick Wussow
Type of Action Requested (check all that apply)
For info only, no action requested Approve under Consent Agenda
For discussion only with possible future action Adopt Ordinance Revision
Let/Award Bid or Quote (attach copy of basic bid/quote specs or summary of complex specs, each bid/quote received & bid/quote
comparison)  X Approve/adopt proposal by motion  Approve/adopt proposal by resolution (attach draft resolution)
Authorize filling vacant staff position
Request to schedule public hearing or sale Other (please list)
Request by member of the public to be heard
Item should be addressed in closed session under MN Statute
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Duties of a department employee(s) may be materially affectedYesNo
Applicable job description(s) may require revisionYes No  Item may impact a bargaining unit agreement or county work policyYes No
Item may change the department's authorized staffing levelYes No HR Review
Supporting Attachment(s)
X Memorandum Summary of Item
Copy of applicable county policy and/or ordinance (excerpts acceptable)
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Original bid spec or quote request (excluding complex construction projects)
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Bid/quote comparison worksheet
Draft County Board resolution
Plat approval check-list and supporting documents
Copy of previous minutes related to this issue  X Other supporting document(s) (please list) <u>Memorandum of Agreement, etc.</u>

Provide eleven (11) copies of supporting documentation <u>NO LATER THAN Wednesday at 8:00am</u> to make the Board's agenda for the following Tuesday. Items <u>WILL NOT</u> be placed on the Board agenda unless complete documentation is provided for mailing in the Board packets. (see reverse side for details)

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TO:

**Aitkin County Board of Commissioners** 

FROM:

Patrick Wussow, Aitkin County Administrator

RE:

Agreement to Freeze the County Administrator's Salary for 2010 and

2011 at his Current Salary.

DATE:

April 21, 2010

At the January 12, 2010 County Board meeting Commissioners Wedel and Napstad were appointed to negotiate a revision to the County Administrator's employment agreement. Following several discussions the attached memorandum of agreement was drafted for the Boards consideration at the April 27, 2010 County Board meeting. First of all we need to apologize for the delay in bringing this agreement back to the County Board, but being short staffed this revision was not given a high priority.

The revised agreement freezes the County Administrator's salary until January 1, 2012 at the current rate of \$88,795.00. The Commissioners felt that a freeze is needed due to the current poor economy.

Additionally, we reviewed benefits being provided to other Aitkin County employee groups under contact and additional revisions are proposed with this agreement. The other revisions to the agreement include adding four personal days, adding the ability to cash up to 80 hours of vacation time in the year 2010, and providing the employee twelve months of Health Insurance at no cost to the employee if he is terminated. There are other benefits like long term disability and that are <u>still</u> not provided to the County Administrator. But both sides felt this proposal was fair considering the current economy.

This is the second revision to the County Administrators employment agreement. The first revision is included for your review, in summary in 2009, after receiving an average ranking of "very good", the Administrator agreed to reduce his salary \$1,913.00 for the year 2009. The salary adjustment was the only adjustment made in 2009. With this <a href="mailto:new Memorandum of Agreement">new Memorandum of Agreement</a> the County Administrator's salary will be reduced an additional \$4,638.00 for the year 2010 and an expect \$8,965.00 for 2011.

Please review the proposed agreement and contact me if you have any questions.

#### MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

This Memorandum of Agreement is entered into between the County of Aitkin and the County Administrator, Patrick Wussow, as an addendum to the County Administrator Employment Agreement Dated July 17, 2007 and amended January 13, 2009.

Whereas, on January 12, 2010 the County Board conducted the performance review for the County Administrator and he earned an average of "very good", and

Whereas, the Administrator's employment agreement requires him to receive at least a satisfactory performance review to move up on the wage chart, and

Whereas, The Aitkin County Board and the Aitkin County Administrator understand that the County is facing a poor economy as evidenced by the actions of the Governor in December 2008 by reducing the County's program aid in an amount of approximately \$184,000.00, and again in 2009 the Governor "un allotted" County Program aid, and

Whereas, both parties agree that it is appropriate to revise the employment agreement to the following, from the current salary of \$88,795.

Therefore be it resolved that effective January 1, 2010 the following is in effect:

(grade G, step 7 + 1 yr)	(grade G, step 8) (assuming no	\$97,760.00 (grade G, step 8 + 1 yr) (assuming no general adjustment)
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**Revised Agreement** 

January 1, 2010	January 1, 2011	January 1, 2012
\$88,795.00	\$88,795.00	\$97,760.00
(Modified)	(Modified)	(grade G, step 8 + 1 yr)

Additional revision for the existing Agreement

11.5 Duration. In the event that the employee is terminated, for a reason other than gross misconduct, the County Board agrees to provide up to twelve months of single Health insurance coverage, or up to a maximum of \$15,500 towards family health insurance coverage, from the date of termination. The County's contributions will cease prior to twelve months (single coverage) or \$15,500 (family coverage) if the employee becomes eligible for coverage under another employer's group health insurance plan.

- 14.5 Vacation. In the event the employee takes at least 80 hours of vacation during the calendar year 2010 he may elect to take straight time pay in lieu of a maximum of 80 hours of earned vacation.
- Personal Leave. Employee shall be granted four days of personal leave each year, which is not to be accumulated and cannot be cashed out for pay.

The revised salary amount stipulates that the Administrator will be back on schedule with the wage chart by January 1, 2012 if he receives at least a satisfactory performance evaluation during the next two years.

Patrick Wussow, County Administrator

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