

# AITKIN COUNTY BOARD

December 9, 2014

The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners met this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2014 at 4:36 p.m. with the following members present: Chairperson J. Mark Wedel, Commissioners Laurie Westerlund, Don Niemi, Brian Napstad, County Administrator Nathan Burkett, and Administrative Assistant Sue Bingham. Commissioner Anne Marcotte arrived at 4:37 p.m.

Motion by Commissioner Westerlund, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried (4-0 Marcotte absent) all voting to approve the December 9, 2014 agenda.

Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried (5-0 Marcotte present), all members voting yes to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: A) Correspondence File: November 25, 2014 – December 8, 2014; B) Approve County Board Minutes: November 25, 2014; C) Approve Commissioner Warrants: General Fund \$104,627.67, Road & Bridge \$28,378.98, Health & Human Services \$1,058.38, Trust \$33,359.18, Forest Development \$8,508.18, Agency \$14,553.96, Long Lake Conservation Center \$23,561.99, Parks \$7,041.84 for a total of \$221,090.18; D) Approve November Manual Warrants: General Fund \$45,595.01, Road & Bridge \$252,878.39, Health & Human Services \$1,237.44, State \$75,699.52, Taxes & Penalties \$2,606.00, Long Lake Conservation Center \$795.63 for a total of \$378,811.99; E) Accept \$50 Donation to STS from Aitkin Women of Today; F) Approve Leave of Absence Request – Michael T. Moriarty; G) Approve Duplicate of Lost Warrant – Health & Human Services: Warrant #101772, Lake Country Auto \$697.92; H) Approve Duplicate of Lost Warrants – Treasurer's Office: Warrant #59552, Newshopper \$225.63; Warrant #56777, Aitkin Tire Shop \$259.43; Warrant #55000, Estate of Michael Hartzberg \$20.00; I) Approve 2015 Newspaper Bid Specifications; J) Adopt Resolution – 2015 Liquor License Renewals; K) Approve 2015 Fire Protection Contract for Unorganized Towns of 51-22, 52-22, and 52-24 with Ball Bluff Township; L) Approve Reserving Funds from 2014 Budget – Environmental Health

Under the consent agenda, motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voting yes to approve Leave of Absence from position of Deputy Recorder for Michael T. Moriarty, effective January 5, 2015 pursuant to MN Statutes 3.088 and 382.01.

Under the consent agenda, motion for a resolution by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voting yes to adopt resolution – 2015 Liquor License Renewals:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners agrees to approve the following liquor license for a period from January 1, 2015 thru December 31, 2015:

**“ON”, “OFF” and “SUNDAY” Sale:**

Barnacles Resort of MN Inc., d/b/a **Barnacles** – Wealthwood Township  
This establishment has an address of 36569 State Hwy 18, Aitkin, MN 56431

Cuddler Enterprises Inc., d/b/a **Big Sand Bar Resort** – Workman Township  
This establishment has an address of 51866 224<sup>th</sup> Place, McGregor, MN 55760

Fireside Inn Inc., d/b/a **Fireside Inn** – Jevne Township

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVED  
AGENDA

CONSENT  
AGENDA

LEAVE OF  
ABSENCE  
REQUEST –  
MICHAEL T.  
MORIARTY

RESOLUTION  
120914-071  
2015 LIQUOR  
LICENSE  
RENEWALS

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This establishment has an address of 415 Meadows Dr., McGregor, MN 55760

C.A.T.L. Enterprises Inc., d/b/a **Growlers** – Shamrock Township

**This establishment has an address of 19037 Goshawk St., McGregor, MN 55760**

Chuhanic Inc., d/b/a **The Joint Bennettville MN** – Hazelton Township

This establishment has an address of 26838 US Highway 169, Aitkin, MN 56431

MacDonald Enterprises Inc., d/b/a **The Landing** – Aitkin Township

This establishment has an address of 170 Southgate Drive, Aitkin, MN 56431

Red Rock Bar & Grill LLC, d/b/a **Red Rock Bar & Grill** – Shamrock Township

This establishment has an address of 49463 202<sup>nd</sup> Place, McGregor, MN 55760

**“OFF” Sale:**

KLOMAR LLC, d/b/a **Cave Liquors** – Hazelton Township

This establishment has an address of 22852 US Highway 169, Aitkin, MN 56431

DAM of Aitkin Lakes Inc., d/b/a **Farm Island Store** – Farm Island Township

This establishment has an address of 29037 US Highway 169, Aitkin, MN 56431

TJ’s Liquor Inc., d/b/a **TJ’s Liquor** – Malmo Township

This establishment has an address of 22039 321<sup>st</sup> Ave., Aitkin, MN 56431

Minnewawa Partners Inc., d/b/a **Willey’s Sports Shop & Spirits** – Shamrock Township

This establishment has an address of 46026 State Highway 65, McGregor, MN 55760

**“ON” & “SUNDAY” Sale:**

Zorbaz of Big Sandy Lake Inc., d/b/a **Big Zandy Zorbaz** – Shamrock Township

This establishment has an address of 48760 State Highway 65, McGregor, MN 55760

**“ON” Sale – CLUB:**

VFW 1727, d/b/a **Roberts-Glad Post** – Aitkin Township

This establishment has an address of 36558 410<sup>th</sup> Ave., Aitkin, MN 56431

Under the consent agenda, motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voting yes to approve placing \$5,000.00 from account number 01-390-6620 in reserves for a future automobile.

The Board unanimously agreed to have Dave Unmacht of Springsted, Inc. coordinate the performance evaluation process for the County Administrator at no cost to the County, and to approve use of a new performance evaluation template.

**RESERVE FUNDS  
ENVIRONMENTAL  
HEALTH**

**COORDINATE  
COUNTY  
ADMINISTRATOR  
PERFORMANCE  
EVALUATION**

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Nathan Burkett, County Administrator presented Personnel Committee recommendations to the Board.

Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voting yes to approve 2015 Non-Union Salary Plan as presented.

Motion by Commissioner Niemi, seconded by Commissioner Marcotte and carried, all members voting yes to approve closing the County Offices on Christmas Eve 2014 and authorizing non-union employees to be absent with pay.

Motion for a resolution by Commissioner Westerlund, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voting to adopt resolution – 2015 Elected Officials Salaries:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners set the 2015 salaries of Aitkin County Elected Officials at:

County Auditor, Kirk Peysar	\$ 80,545.30
County Treasurer, Lori Grams	\$ 69,101.70
County Recorder, Mick Moriarty	\$ 62,000.00
County Sheriff, Scott Turner	\$ 92,500.00
County Attorney, Jim Ratz	\$108,854.52

These salaries are based upon responsibilities of the office, duties, skills, qualifications, experience, and performance.

Motion by Commissioner Napstad, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voting to increase employer contribution toward health insurance to three Teamsters units, consistent with the increased Local 49 Road & Bridge unit settlement. Effective January 1, 2015 - \$950.00 per month flat dollar contribution. Effective January 1, 2016 - \$1,000.00 per month flat dollar contribution.

The Board reported on the following: AMC, Fon Du Lac Tribe Clean Air Designation, Enbridge Pipeline, MRCC, Airport, Historical Society.

Motion by Commissioner Westerlund, seconded by Commissioner Marcotte and carried, all members voting yes to adjourn the meeting at 5:53 p.m. until Tuesday, December 23, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.

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J. Mark Wedel, Chairperson  
Aitkin County Board of Commissioners

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Nathan Burkett, County Administrator

**PERSONNEL  
COMMITTEE**

**2015 NON-UNION  
SALARY PLAN**

**CHRISTMAS EVE**

**RESOLUTION  
120914-072  
2015 ELECTED  
OFFICIALS  
SALARIES**

**TEAMSTERS  
HEALTH  
INSURANCE  
CONTRIBUTIONS**

**BOARD  
DISCUSSION**

**ADJOURN**