

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
PENNINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, MARCH 13TH, 2012, 10:00 A.M.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Pennington County Board of Commissioners met in the Pennington County Board Room in Thief River Falls, MN, on Tuesday, March 13th, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. Members present: Cody Hempel, Donald Jensen, Neil Peterson, and Oliver “Skip” Swanson. Members absent: Darryl Tveitbakk.

County Engineer Mike Flaagan presented the bids for equipment rental, culvert supplies, and fuel for 2012. The bids were opened at 10:00 a.m. as duly advertised and the name of each bidder was read aloud. Motioned by Commissioner Jensen, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, to have the County Engineer tabulate the bids and return next meeting with an abstract and recommendations for approval. Motion unanimously carried.

The following resolution was introduced by Commissioner Jensen, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, and upon vote was unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Contract No. 1102 has in all things been completed, and the County Board being fully advised in the premises;

NOW THEN, BE IT RESOLVED, that we do hereby accept said completed project for and in behalf of the Pennington County Highway Dept. and authorize final payment as specified herein.

County Engineer Mike Flaagan discussed the Right-of-Way needed for the CSAH#31 project. He presented a list of comparable sales and the price per acre being paid in this area for the past two years. Motioned by Commissioner Hempel, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, to set the price for Right-of-Way acquisition at \$1,300/acre for SAP 57-631-05. Motion unanimously carried.

County Attorney Alan Rogalla presented a Full Satisfaction of Judgment in favor of the County of Pennington and Leah M. Nelson against Robert Gordon Wold and asked for a motion to approve the Satisfaction of Judgment and authorize the Chairman to sign the same. Motioned by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Hempel, to approve the Full Satisfaction of Judgment as presented and authorize the Chairman to sign the same on behalf of Pennington County. Motion unanimously carried.

County Engineer Mike Flaagan noted that the Public Informational Meeting on SAP 57-631-05 (CSAH#31) is to be held on Thursday, March 15th, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Joint Use Facility meeting room. He also noted that the project is ready to go as soon as the Right-of-Way is acquired.

Motioned by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Hempel, to hold a hearing on April 10th, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. to present information on the County Ditch #70 and SAP 57-631-05 projects. Motion unanimously carried.

Motioned by Commissioner Jensen, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, to advertise for bids for the striping of County State Aid Highways, with bids to be opened on April 10th, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. Motion unanimously carried.

Motioned by Commissioner Hempel, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, to approve the minutes of February 28th, 2012 as written. Motion unanimously carried.

Motioned by Commissioner Hempel, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, to authorize the County Auditor to advertise for applicants to fill the vacant Deputy Auditor position. Motion unanimously carried.

Motioned by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Hempel, to approve payment of the Human Services warrants totaling \$174,339.74, the February Auditor and Manual warrants totaling \$925,233.72, and also the following Commissioner warrants. Motion unanimously carried.

WARRANTS

County Revenue	\$71,500.56
Road & Bridge	\$32,206.70
Solid Waste Facility	\$ 902.50

Per diems and meal reimbursements in the amount of \$1,700.01 were also approved.

The County Board discussed the meeting Commissioners Jensen and Tveitbakk had with the Heritage Center regarding their financial position. After further discussion, Commissioner Jensen motioned, seconded by Peterson, to appropriate up to \$5,000 to the Heritage Center, \$1,000 to the Goodridge Senior Center, and \$1,000 to the St. Hilaire Senior Center upon each of these organizations raising matching amounts from a new fund-raising effort and also formulating plans to sustain themselves in future years. Motion unanimously carried.

The County Board discussed the L.E.C. Building lease with the City of Thief River Falls. No further correspondence has been received.

It was noted that the Pennington County Township Association Annual meeting is scheduled for March 22nd, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Joint Use Facility meeting room.

Motioned by Commissioner Hempel, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, to adjourn the Board meeting to March 27th, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Kenneth Olson, Auditor
Pennington County

Oliver Swanson, Chairman
Board of Commissioners