

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS**  
**PENNINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**TUESDAY, JANUARY 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2015, 5:00 P.M.**

Pursuant to adjournment, the Pennington County Board of Commissioners met in the Pennington County Board Room in Thief River Falls, MN, on Tuesday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. Members present: Donald Jensen, Neil Peterson, Darryl Tveitbakk, and Oliver “Skip” Swanson. Members absent: Cody Hempel.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Ken Yutrzenka, Human Service Director presented the Human Services Committee Consent Agenda from the January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Human Service Committee meeting. Motioned by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Swanson, to approve the consent agenda. Motion unanimously carried.

SECTION A

- I. To approve the December 16, 2014 Human Service Committee meeting minutes.
- II. Approval of the Agency’s personnel actions, as presented.
- III. A. To approve the Business Contract with Tri-Valley Opportunity Council to provide transportation services via T.H.E. (Tri-Valley Heartland Express) Bus.  
B. To approve the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Employment and Training Contract with the Minnesota Department of Economic Development as presented.  
C. To adopt (subject to formal approval by the Minnesota Department of Human Services) the Pennington County Human Services Disability Waivers Resource Management Policy and Procedures.

SECTION B

- I. To approve payment of the agency’s bills.

Commissioner Swanson reported on the pre-bid meeting held with companies interested in bidding on the mechanical system upgrades, electrical, and asbestos removal.

County Engineer Mike Flaagan asked to advertise for fuel, equipment rental, and culvert supplies for 2015. Motioned by Commissioner Jensen, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, to authorize the County Engineer and County Auditor to advertise for bids on fuel, equipment rental, and culvert supplies for 2015, with bids to be opened at 10:00 a.m. on March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Motion unanimously carried.

The County Engineer discussed SAP 57-599-022, placement of a box culvert in CD #62 under a River Falls Township road. Funding is being applied for the project from the Town Bridge Account. River Falls Township would need to approve appropriating \$4,900 as their part of the project.

Engineer Flaagan presented the State of Minnesota Dept. of Transportation and Pennington County Detour Agreement for Trunk Highway No. 1 Detour.

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

**RESOLUTION**

**IT IS RESOLVED** that Pennington County enter into MnDOT Agreement No. 07424 with the State of Minnesota, Department of Transportation for the following purposes:

To provide payment by the State to the County for the use of County State Aid Highway No. 22 and No. 7 as a detour route during the contract construction to be performed upon, along, and adjacent to Trunk Highway No. 1 from Reference Point 49+00.406 to Reference Point 56+00.389 under State Project No. 5702-45 (T.H.1=170).

**IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County Board Chairman and the County Engineer are authorized to execute the Agreement and any amendments to the Agreement.

Engineer Flaagan noted that a meeting was held with River Falls Township to discuss turn back of specified County Roads. A hearing could be possibly held sometime in April.

The County State Aid Highway #3 project plans submitted to MnDOT in St. Paul have been approved. Next meeting the County could set a date to advertise for bids to be let for the project.

Motioned by Commissioner Jensen, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, to approve the Professional Services Agreement with Cheryl Peterson to provide services of a Contractor, as a Secretary for the County Coroner effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 and continuing through the appointment of County Coroner Scott Petrescue. Motion unanimously carried.

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

**RESOLUTION**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Pennington County Board of Commissioners approve the Human Services Agreement between the Pennington and Red Lake County Board of Commissioners.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the agreement shall become effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015 with an automatic renewal unless the parties replace this agreement with a new agreement or it is terminated.

Motioned by Commissioner Swanson, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, to appoint Glenice Johnson as Pennington County’s representative on the Board of Directors of the Red River Valley Development Association effective March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Motion unanimously carried.

County Sheriff Ray Kuznia presented a quote of \$8,171.00 from Paint and Glass Interiors to provide and install commercial grade carpet and vinyl base in the offices at the Law Enforcement Center. Motioned by Commissioner Swanson, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, to approve the quote from Paint and Glass Interiors of \$8,171.00 for carpet replacement in the Law Enforcement Center. Motion unanimously carried.

Sheriff Kuznia discussed replacement of the current dispatch recorder as it will not be capable of recording Armer calls. After a study of where the recorder should be placed it was recommended to place it in the basement and run a new 25 pair telephone cable at an approximate cost of \$3,500. Motioned by Commissioner Jensen, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, to install the new recorder in the basement and run a new 25 pair cable at a cost not to exceed \$3,500 and purchase a new Uninterruptible Power Source (UPS) for \$1,200. Motion unanimously carried.

Cost of the light system to be installed in the Drug Task Force vehicle by Stone’s Mobile Radio Inc. is \$2,440.82. Motioned by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, to approve the installation of the light system and siren in the Drug Task Force vehicle by Stone’s Mobile Radio, Inc. Motion unanimously carried.

The County Sheriff discussed the need for more help to do transports as they are increasing in number.

Jennifer Maleitzke – Enbridge Community Relations Consultant, and Dan Plume – Enbridge Project Director, met with the County Board to discuss replacement of Line 3 in Pennington County. The current Line 3 pipe, a 34” crude oil pipeline, will be permanently deactivated but remain in place after a new 36” crude oil pipeline is installed. Construction could start in 2016 and be completed in 2017. Enbridge will need to file appropriate applications, hold public meetings and hearings on the project. The new 36” pipeline is estimated to generate an additional \$1,000,000 in property tax. The County Board noted that they appreciate Enbridge keeping them informed about the project.

Motioned by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, to approve payment of the Auditor and Manual warrants for December, 2014 in the amount of \$997,466.84, the Human Services warrants totaling \$190,081.33, and also the following Commissioner warrants. Motion unanimously carried.

WARRANTS

County Revenue	\$164,543.05
Road & Bridge	\$ 22,730.43
Solid Waste Facility	\$ 7,521.50

Ditch Funds	\$ 41,373.20
Capital Improvement	\$ 1,188.92

Motioned by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Swanson, to approve the Board minutes of December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014 as written. Motion unanimously carried.

Motioned by Commissioner Jensen, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, to approve the Board minutes of January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015 as written. Motion unanimously carried.

Motioned by Commissioner Jensen, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, to appropriate \$5,000 to the City of Goodridge to be used for the Goodridge Centennial expenses. Motion unanimously carried.

Motioned by Commissioner Jensen, seconded by Commissioner Swanson, to appropriate \$1,000 to the Goodridge Historical Society. Motion unanimously carried.

Motioned by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, to adjourn the Board meeting to 10:00 a.m. on February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Kenneth Olson, Auditor-Treasurer  
Pennington County

Darryl Tveitbakk, Chairman  
Board of Commissioners