

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
PENNINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH, 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, February 24th, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. Members present: Cody Hempel, Darryl Tveitbakk, Donald Jensen, Neil Peterson, and Oliver “Skip” Swanson. Members absent: None.

The meeting was called to order, beginning with reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Peterson introduced the following resolution and motioned for its adoption; Commissioner Hempel seconded the motion, and upon vote was the motion was unanimously carried.

PROCLAMATION ON GIRLS HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP

WHEREAS, the 2015 Lincoln High School Prowler Girls Hockey Team won the 2015 Minnesota State Class A Hockey Championship on February 21st, 2015 with a 3-1 win over Blake High School; and

WHEREAS, the Pennington County Board of Commissioners is proud of the Prowler Girls Hockey team members and coaches for representing themselves, Lincoln High School, Thief River Falls, and NW Minnesota with tenacity, hard work, athletic ability, and dedication to the sport of the hockey throughout the season.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Pennington County Board of Commissioners congratulate the Thief River Falls Girls Hockey Team and Coaches and recognize their outstanding achievement of being the 2015 Minnesota State Class A Girls Hockey Champions.

Human Services Director Ken Yutzenka presented the consent agenda from the February 17th, 2015 Pennington County Human Services Committee meeting. On a motion by Commissioner Jensen and seconded by Commissioner Hempel, the following recommendations of the Pennington County Human Service Committee for February 17th, 2015 are hereby adopted. Motion unanimously carried.

SECTION A

- I. To approve the January 20, 2015 Human Service Committee meeting minutes.
- II.
 - A. Approval of the CY2015 Supported Employment Purchase of Service Agreement with the Occupational Development Center (ODC) as presented.
 - B. To extend the 2013 - 2014 Health Care Access Services (transportation) Plan pending further direction from Minnesota Department of Human Services.
 - C. To extend the comprehensive and ancillary behavioral health service contracts between Pennington County Human Services and Sanford Health, Thief River Falls until 03/31/2015 pending finalization of new contracts.
 - D. To explore and, if determined feasible, merge the Pennington County Adult Mental Health Local Advisory Council (LAC) with a proposed Region

1 multi-county Local Advisory Council.

SECTION B

I. To approve payment of the agency's bills.

County Engineer Mike Flaagan noted that River Falls Township has submitted a letter of support for bridge replacement in River Falls Township and approved their local match for the project. Motioned by Commissioner Jensen, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, to authorize the County Engineer and County Auditor-Treasurer to advertise for bids for the River Falls Township bridge replacement project with bids to be opened April 14th, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. Motion unanimously carried.

Engineer Flaagan stated that the lease of two tractors for ditch mowing is not an option this year and therefore requests to purchase the two tractors leased from Titan Machinery last year at a price of \$172,000, which includes the trade in of two tractors. Mr. Flaagan noted they received written bids from both Titan Machinery and Evergreen Implement. Motioned by Commissioner Jensen, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, to approve the purchase of two (2) Case-IH Puma 170 DVT tractors with trade-ins from Titan Machinery at a total cost of \$172,000. Motion unanimously carried.

Motioned by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, to purchase a roller/packer from Handy Hitch Mfg, Inc. off the State Bid at a cost of \$27,148. Motion unanimously carried.

Motioned by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, to authorize the County Engineer to include the mill and overlay of Riverbend Trail as a separate bid to be opened at 4:00 p.m. on March 24th, 2015 as requested by Rocksbury Township. Motion unanimously carried.

County Recorder Ken Schmalz presented quotes for a new office copier from Insight Technologies, Inc., Marco, and Xerox. No action was taken and Ken Schmalz will get a quote from Marco and Insight Technologies for an identical HP copier, to be presented at the next County Board meeting.

The County Board gave approval to the County Recorder to increase his change fund to \$250.00.

Bruce Schwartzman, BKV Group, then spoke to the County Board via the speaker phone.

Mr. Schwartzman reviewed the bids opened for the mechanical system upgrade in the Courthouse on February 10th, 2015 and recommended that the low bids be accepted.

Motioned by Commissioner Hempel, seconded by Commissioner Swanson, to award the Asbestos Abatement bid by Twell Environmental for \$35,524 as the best and lowest bid received. Motion unanimously carried.

Motioned by Commissioner Hempel, seconded by Commissioner Swanson, to approve the quote for Air Monitoring and Testing by Brian Byklum - Northwest Services, in an amount not to exceed \$7,500. Motion unanimously carried.

Motioned by Commissioner Jensen, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, to award the Mechanical System bid to Lee Plumbing and Heating in the amount of \$370,284 as the lowest and best bid received. Motion unanimously carried.

Motioned by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Swanson, to award the Electrical bid to Bergstrom Electric in the amount \$36,500 - base bid and \$6,400 - alternate #1 (new electrical panel, 1st and 2nd floor) as the lowest and best bid received. Motion unanimously carried.

A pre-construction meeting for the Mechanical Upgrade was set for 1:00 p.m. on March 4th, 2015.

Bruce Schwartzman then reviewed the options to do a campus upgrade or add an addition to the Courthouse to bring Human Services and Inter-County Nursing back into the Courthouse. There was discussion on hosting another community meeting after the County Board meeting has reduced the options. The County Board will discuss these options at the March 24th, 2015 County Board meeting.

Motioned by Commissioner Jensen, seconded by Commissioner Hempel, to approve the three-year Law Enforcement Lease Agreement and Dispatch/Records Agreement as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

Motioned by Commissioner Hempel, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, to set the County Board of Appeal and Equalization meeting for 5:30 p.m. on June 15th, 2015. Motion unanimously carried.

Motioned by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Hempel, to approve payment of the Auditor & Manual warrants for January, 2015 totaling \$1,362,299.91, the Human Services warrants totaling \$66,604.22, and also the following Commissioner warrants; including the payment of the Natural Resource Block Grant Funds to the Pennington County SWCD. Motion unanimously carried.

WARRANTS

County Revenue	\$36,913.08
Road & Bridge	\$ 5,786.50
Solid Waste Facility	\$ 227.50
Ditch Funds	\$ 44.61

Per diems and meal reimbursements in the amount of \$40.54 were also approved.

Motioned by Commissioner Hempel, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, to approve the Board minutes of February 10th, 2015 as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

Motioned by Commissioner Hempel, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, to adjourn the Board meeting to 10:00 a.m. on March 10th, 2015. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Kenneth Olson, Auditor-Treasurer
Pennington County

Darryl Tveitbakk, Chairman
Board of Commissioners