

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
PENNINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, JANUARY 22ND, 2019, 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 22nd, 2019 at 5:00 P.M. Members present: Cody Hempel, Donald Jensen, Bruce Lawrence, Neil Peterson and Darryl Tveitbakk. Members absent: None.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lawrence and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Bryan Malone, Pennington County SWCD, presented the Fiscal Year 2019 MPCA SSTS Grant Agreement for approval. Total amount of the grant is \$18,600.00 with no match required. Moved by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, to approve the Fiscal Year 2019 State of Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources MPCA SSTS Program Grant Agreement as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

Bryan Malone then reviewed the Aquatic Resource Delineation Report for the new bridge crossing over the Red Lake River at CSAH #8 location. A total of 2.82 acres of wetland have been identified in the proposed project corridor. Moved by Commissioner Jensen, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, to approve the Red Lake River Bridge Project Wetland Delineation and authorize the chairman to sign the Minnesota Wetland Conservation Act Notice of Decision. Motion unanimously carried.

County Sheriff, Ray Kuznia, requests the County Board extend the lease of the Armory kitchen to February 28th, 2019 at the same rate. Moved by Commissioner Jensen, seconded by Commissioner Tveitbakk, to approve leasing the kitchen in the Thief River Falls Armory to February 28th, 2019. Motion unanimously carried.

Sheriff Kuznia then presented bids for a new squad/transport vehicle and a new squad car. Quotes were received from Northern Motors, Thief River Ford, and Westside Motors:

2019 Dodge Durango Pursuit	\$32,453.00
2019 Dodge Charger Police Package	\$23,975.00

Commissioner Jensen moved, seconded by Commissioner Tveitbakk, to approve to purchase the following vehicles from Westside Motors as the lowest and best prizes received. Motion unanimously carried.

County Engineer, Mike Flaagan, presented a Deficient Bridges Requiring Replacement or Rehabilitation Resolution.

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

DEFICIENT BRIDGES REQUIRING REPLACEMENT OR REHABILITATION

Whereas, the County of Pennington has determined that the following deficient of functionally obsolete bridges on the CSAH, County Road and Township systems are a high priority and require replacement or rehabilitation within the next five (5) years, and

Old Bridge No.	Road No.	Estimated Project Cost	Town Bridge	Bridge Bonding	Proposed Year
93203	CR 65	\$ 20,000		\$ 20,000	2023
L0264	CR 75	\$ 123,000		\$ 123,000	2020
90441	CR 52	\$ 250,000		\$ 250,000	2023
N/A	CSAH 7	\$ 250,000			2019
57501	CSAH 22	\$ 1,000,000		\$ 900,000	2022
N/A	CR 62	\$ 184,000		\$ 140,000	2019

Whereas, local roads play an essential role in the overall state transportation network and local bridges are the critical component of the local road systems, and

Whereas, State support for the replacement or rehabilitation of local bridges continues to be crucial to maintaining the integrity of the local road systems and is necessary for the County and the Townships to proceed with the replacement or rehabilitation of the high priority deficient bridges described above, and

Whereas, Pennington County intends to proceed with replacement or rehabilitation of these bridges as soon as possible when State Transportation Bond Funds are available.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that Pennington County commits that it will proceed with the design and contract documents for these bridges immediately after being notified that funds are available in order to permit construction to take place within one year of notification.

County Engineer, Mike Flaagan, then requested to advertise for 2019 fuel supplies, equipment rental, and culvert supplies. Moved by Commissioner Jensen, seconded by Commissioner Tveitbakk, to authorize the County Engineer and County Auditor-Treasurer to advertise for bids for 2019 fuel supplies, culvert supplies, and equipment rental to be opened March 12th, 2019. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hempel, seconded by Commissioner Tveitbakk, to approve purchases of three new personal desktop computers for the Highway Department. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hempel, seconded by Commissioner Tveitbakk, to approve purchase of a Tough Book laptop computer for the County Highway Department. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Tveitbakk, seconded by Commissioner Hempel, to purchase a new HP printer for the Highway Department Accountant for a price of \$700.00. Motion carried.

The County Board then took up the matter of the appointment to the Northwest Regional Library Board. Mary Cullen, current Chair of the Thief River Falls Library Board submitted a letter of recommendation to appoint Glenice Johnson for the position.

Commissioner Hempel made a motion to appoint Glenice Johnson to the Northwest Regional Library Board. The motion died for lack of a second.

The County Board will hold off on any appointment until a future date.

The Falls DAC has provided a cleaning agreement for the public areas and restrooms in the Justice Center effective January 21st, 2019 to April 30th, 2019. Moved by Commissioner Jensen, seconded by Commissioner Tveitbakk, to approve the cleaning agreement with the Falls Diverse Abilities Corporation, Thief River Falls, as presented. Motion carried.

Commissioner Peterson moved, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, to send a letter to the St. Paul District Corps of Engineers supporting granting permits to build the new Enbridge Line 3. Motion unanimously carried.

County Auditor-Treasurer, Ken Olson, reviewed the Pennington County Human Service Committee Consent Agenda. On a motion by Commissioner Hempel, and seconded by Commissioner Tveitbakk, the following recommendations of the Pennington County Human Service Committee for January 15th, 2019 are hereby approved. Motion carried.

SECTION A

- I. To approve the December 18, 2018 Human Service Committee meeting minutes.
- II. To approve the agency's personnel actions.
- III. A. To approve the CY 2019 Children's Mental Health Purchase of Service Agreement between Pennington County Human Services and Northwestern Mental Health Center, Inc. as presented.

SECTION B

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

Motioned by Commissioner Tveitbakk, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, to approve payment of the Human Services warrants totaling \$67,065.17, the Auditor and Manual warrants for September, October, and November 2018 totaling \$8,036,908.54, and also the following Commissioner warrants. Motion carried.

WARRANTS

County Revenue	\$ 82,828.57
Road & Bridge	\$ 267,652.20
Solid Waste Facility	\$ 7,178.25
Ditch Funds	\$ 22,750.00

Per diems and meal reimbursements in the amount of \$295.00 were also approved.

Moved by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, to approve the minutes of January 8th, 2019 as written. Motion carried.

Commissioner Tveitbakk noted that he had a discussion with the electrical engineer for the Justice Center and Jail Project and provided him with information regarding the amount of electrical loads that we are seeing at the Justice Center and Law Enforcement Center. He has agreed to review the information and determine if the back up generator could handle the elevator so that we would not need the battery lowering units.

Commissioner Jensen moved, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employee Minnesota Council 65, Local Union#3452 (AFSME) and Pennington County, regarding the resignation and termination of Amanda Lara effective January 2nd, 2019. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Tveitbakk, seconded by Commissioner Hempel, to approve issuance of a replacement warrant for lost warrant #18187 issued to Tiffany Tureson on September 28th, 2018 in the amount of \$27.66 without issuance of an indemnifying bond. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hempel, seconded by Commissioner Jensen, that upon mutual agreement the following committee appointments be changed. Motion carried.

- Inter County Nursing Service Board - Commissioner Lawrence
- Land of the Dancing Sky Area Agency Committee - Commissioner Tveitbakk
- Alternate remains as Commissioner Jensen

The AMC Executive Director has asked Commissioner Jensen to Chair the Transportation Work Group for AMC.

Commissioner Tveitbakk has attended his first AMC Director’s meeting filling in for retired Kittson County Commissioner Joe Bovette.

Motioned by Commissioner Tveitbakk, seconded by Commissioner Jensen to adjourn the Board meeting Tuesday, February 12th, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Kenneth Olson, Auditor-Treasurer
Pennington County

Bruce Lawrence, Chairman
Board of Commissioners