

# PROCEEDINGS OF THE ROSEAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

July 14, 2015

The Board of Commissioners of Roseau County, Minnesota met in the Courthouse in the City of Roseau, Minnesota on Tuesday, July 14, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

## CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Board Chair Jack Swanson. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Commissioners present were Roger Falk, Mark Foldesi, Todd Miller, Glenda Phillipe, and Jack Swanson.

## APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A discussion to consider a property tax forfeiture re-purchase was added to the Auditor's Office Department Report. A motion to approve the amended Agenda was made by Commissioner Phillipe, seconded by Commissioner Miller and carried unanimously.

## COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Swanson reminded the Board about the County Fair Booth sign-up sheet; Coordinator Pelowski reminded the Board of DNR Commissioner Landwehr's visit on July 21, 2015, and the Great Northern Transmission Line Environmental Impact Statement Public Hearing in Roseau on July 15, 2015.

## APPROVAL OF BILLS

A motion was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Foldesi and carried unanimously to approve the payment of the following bills:

### Warrants Approved For Payment 6/25/2015

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
AFLAC	4,020.24
HAUGEN PHD LP/MARK L	2,102.50
RIVERFRONT STATION	3,092.30
12 Payments less than 2,000.00	6,584.29
<b>Final Total:</b>	<b>15,799.33</b>

### Warrants Approved For Payment 6/30/2015

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
RFCC LLC	4,500.00
<b>Final Total:</b>	<b>4,500.00</b>

### Warrants Approved For Payment 7/02/2015

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
DEARBORN NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE	2,496.55
JOHNSON/LAURE A	4,006.88
MN DEPT OF FINANCE –TREAS	2,228.00
NW MN SERV COOP-BLUE CROSS BLUE S	84,029.00
PRUDENTIAL	2,152.58
6 Payments less than 2,000.00	3,627.42
<b>Final Total:</b>	<b>98,540.43</b>

**Warrants Approved For Payment 7/09/2015**

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
CENTURYLINK	3,279.70
14 Payments less than 2,000.00	7,048.29
<b>Final Total:</b>	<b>10,327.99</b>

**Warrants Approved On 7/14/2015 For Payment 7/17/2015**

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
ACS	5,212.57
CDW GOVERNMENT INC	6,829.31
DELL MARKETING LP	8,999.17
FARMERS UNION OIL CO-LK BRNSN	3,183.21
FARMERS UNION OIL CO-WARROAD	7,369.08
FERGUSON SEALCOATING	17,800.00
H & S MANUFACTURING INC	19,590.00
JOBS HQ	3,718.20
MAR-KIT LANDFILL	41,073.00
MSOP-MN SEX OFFENDER PROGRAM-D	4,228.40
NORTHERN RESOURCES COOPERATIVE	59,194.92
NORTHLAND TIRE	2,855.60
PRO-WEST & ASSOCIATES INC	2,500.00
REGENTS OF U OF MINNESOTA	16,882.50
RELIANCE TELEPHONE SYSTEMS	2,650.00
SJOBERG'S INC	2,668.25
WARROAD READY MIX	8,170.00
ZIEGLER INC	233,626.83
86 Payments less than 2,000.00	34,781.09
<b>Final Total:</b>	<b>481,332.13</b>

In addition, the Board approved forthwith payments to: Mark Beito, in the amount of \$860.00, for beaver, beaver dam removal and dam inspection; O'Neil Lund, in the amount of \$890.00, for beaver removal and dam inspection; Mark Wojciechowski, in the amount of \$450.00, for beaver dam removal; and, Terry Ingalls, in the amount of \$11,750.00, for ditch brushing.

**BOARD APPOINTMENTS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS**

UND Forensic Pathologist and Roseau County's Medical Examiner, Dr. Mary Ann Sens, met with the Board to provide notification of a recent amendment to MN Statutes Section 390.11 Subdivision 2b, which allows for religious objection to an autopsy. The new legislation also states that a Coroner or Medical Examiner in the State of Minnesota must maintain and make publicly available a statement of policy or principles to be used for communicating this information with families during a death investigation. Dr. Sens distributed a brochure that includes a statement of policy and asked that this be available on the County website. In addition, Dr. Sens stated that it is not yet known what the additional costs may be for this change in policy and will keep the Board informed as the new changes are implemented.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Falk and carried unanimously. The Board, by adoption of its Consent

Agenda, approved the June 23, 2015 Board Proceedings; approved the 2015 Board of Appeal and Equalization meeting minutes; approved a Payroll Change Notice for Veterans Service Officer Martin Howes (7A – 7B); approved a OHV Trails Assistance Program request for reimbursement, in the amount of \$4,739.57, for the Roseau/Lake of the Woods Sportsman's Club; approved advertising for two positions on the Warroad River Watershed Board; approved a Vanguard Commercial Property Reappraisal Contract Addendum; approved Resolution #2015-07-01 in support of the Northern Access Dental Center expansion; and, approved a contract with Emergitech, in the amount of \$125,000.00 (plus \$9,000.00 for 2<sup>nd</sup> year maintenance) for the next generation 911 equipment and maintenance costs.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

### **AUDITOR'S OFFICE**

#### Colleen Hoffman – Hoffman, Phillip and Knutson

Colleen Hoffman met with the Board in order to provide them with the required Audit Planning Letter to Governance.

#### Tax-Forfeited Land Re-purchase

Auditor Monsrud met with the Board to request a Resolution approving the re-purchase of tax-forfeited land. A motion was made by Commissioner Foldesi, seconded by Commissioner Falk and carried unanimously to adopt the following Resolution:

#### 2015-07-02

WHEREAS, an application for the re-purchase of tax-forfeited lands, submitted by Gregory Wojciechowski, described as:

A parcel of land located in the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Thirty-one (31), Township One Hundred Sixty-one (161) North, Range Forty-two (42) West of the Fifth Principal Meridian in Minnesota, according to the United States Government Survey thereof, described as follows, to-wit:

The Westerly Five Hundred Twenty-eight (528) feet of the Easterly Two Thousand One Hundred Twelve (2,112) feet of the Southeast Quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) LESS the Northerly One Thousand Five Hundred Eighty-four (1,584) feet of the Southeast Quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Thirty-one (31), Township One Hundred Sixty-one (161) North, Range Forty-two (42) West. Subject to easements, reservations and restrictions of record.

has been presented to the Roseau County Board of Commissioners, and

WHEREAS, Gregory Wojciechowski does make the statement in the application for re-purchase that hardship due to family health issues contributed to his inability to pay real estate taxes which lead to the tax forfeiture of said land; and

WHEREAS, the re-purchase of said land by the applicant will promote and best serve the public interest because he will be able to maintain upkeep on the land;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Roseau County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the application for re-purchase of said tax-forfeited lands as submitted by Gregory Wojciechowski and acknowledges that the statements made therein are true and correct;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that approval of this application is subject to the payment in full of all delinquent taxes, penalty, interest, costs, and other charges required for the issuance of a State Deed for a total of \$1,277.90, payable to the Roseau County Treasurer by cash or cashier's check, on or before July 28, 2015;

## **COUNTY BOARD ITEMS**

### Commissioner Committee Reports

Commissioner Falk reported on the following committee(s): Safety Committee meeting, 6/25/15; Solid Waste Planning Committee, 6/30/15; Operations/Committee of the Whole meetings, 7/7/15.

Commissioner Foldesi reported on the following committee(s): Various constituent meetings.

Commissioner Miller reported on the following committee(s): MnDOT/Paul Bunyan Transit meeting, 6/24/15; U.S. Senator Amy Klobuchar visit, 7/2/15; Operations/Committee of the Whole meetings, 7/7/15; Northern Counties Land Use Coordinating Board, 7/8/15; Drainage Work Group, 7/9/15.

Commissioner Phillipe reported on the following committee(s): Public Health Committee, 6/23/15; MnDOT Paul Bunyan Transit meeting, 6/24/15; Warroad River Watershed Board, 6/24/15; Land of the Dancing Sky Area Agency on Aging, 6/29/15; Retired Senior Volunteer Program meeting, 6/30/15; Operations/Committee of the Whole meetings, 7/7/15.

Commissioner Swanson reported on the following committee(s): Public Health Committee, 6/23/15; Roseau County Committee on Aging, 6/24/15; Roseau Economic Development Authority, 6/24/15; Safety Committee, 6/25/15; Solid Waste Committee, 6/30/15; Roseau School Board, 6/30/15; Community Justice Coordinating Committee, 7/1/15; U.S. Senator Amy Klobuchar visit, 7/2/15; Northland Community & Technical College meeting, 7/2/15; Roseau City Council, 7/6/15; Operations/Committee of the Whole meetings, 7/7/15; Association of Minnesota Counties, County Program Aid Task Force, 7/8/15; Statewide Emergency Communications Board Finance Committee, 7/9/15; National Association of Counties Annual Conference, 7/10-7/13/15.

Upon motion carried, the Board adjourned the Regular Meeting at 11:40 a.m. The next Regular Meeting of the Board is scheduled for July 28, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

Attest:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Jeff Pelowski, County Coordinator  
Roseau County, Minnesota

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Jack Swanson, Board Chair  
Board of County Commissioners  
Roseau County, Minnesota