

SWIFT COUNTY REGULAR BOARD MINUTES
MARCH 19, 2024

Chairman P. Peterson called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

All members were present.

Also present: County Administrator Tesa Tomaschett, Trista Nelson, Environmental Service Director Scott Collins, Parks, Drainage, and Wetland Supervisor Kody Fossum, and members of the public.

There were no citizen comments.

Chairman P. Peterson asked if there were any changes to the agenda, there were none.

Commissioner Hendrickx moved, and Commissioner E. Pederson seconded to approve the agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

- Consider approving the March 5, 2024, Commissioner Board Minutes.
- Consider approving Resolution 24-03-24 Amending Resolution for Swift County SSTS Upgrades 11 Clean Water Partnership Project Loan Program.
- Consider approving the updated 2024 Organizational Chart.
- Greater Minnesota Family Services Family Based Services Contract 2024.

Chairman P. Peterson requested to remove item (e) Consider approving Resolution No. 24-03-25 Appointing the Interim Director of Emergency Manager from the consent agenda for discussion.

Commissioner Hendrickx moved, and Commissioner Rudningen seconded to approve items (a,b,c, and d). The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman P. Peterson's concern with item (e) Consider approving Resolution No. 24-03-25 Appointing the Interim Director of Emergency Manager from the consent agenda was Bill McGear's retirement and wondering if the board has to approve the letter of resignation.

Administrator Tomaschett informed the board that past practice has never approved resignations and that HR did receive written, verbal, and email notifications of his retirement on April 11 2024.

Commissioner Mahoney moved, and Commissioner Rudningen seconded to approve consent agenda item (e) Consider approving Resolution No. 24-03-25 Appointing the Interim Director of Emergency Manager. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner warrants are as follows:

178,538.97	County General Revenue
158,011.81	Solid Waste Fund

27,091.63	County Road & Bridge
166.49	Human Services
5,277.50	County Ditches Fund
1,980.00	County health insurance

Abdo Financial Solutions LLC	13,457.36
Advanced Correctional Healthcare Inc	5,706.58
Albany Recycling Center	2,613.76
Andrew Bouta & Thonvold Excavating, LLC	16,930.00
Apex Equipment, LLC	98,704.00
Bouwman/Barry	2,000.00
City of St Cloud/Cashier	5,592.27
CliftonLarsonAllen LLP	2,625.00
Counties Providing Technology	7,491.00
DM Electric, LLC	3,006.08
Domat's Family Foods	2,600.66
Geyer Recycling	6,800.00
Kandiyohi County Sheriffs Dept	2,985.00
Kerkhoven Banner	23,611.96
Lexipol LLC	2,500.24
Lincoln National Corporation	3,033.00
MN Dept Of Transportation	11,144.56
Motorola	11,975.04
Pflipsen Trucking LLC	13,300.96
Pioneerland Library System	39,275.00
Powerplan	5,882.55
Riley Johnston & Thonvold Excavating,LLC	5,800.00
Safe Avenues	3,250.00
Southside Body Shop & Glass	2,712.25
Sun Life Financial-246468	2,369.33
VanHeuveln/Kirby	5,077.50
Waste Management Of WI-MN	7,316.84
Widseth Smith Nolting & Assoc Inc	11,403.11
Ziegler Inc.	15,627.16
75 Payments less than \$2000	36,275.19

Final Total: 371,066.40

Commissioner Hendrickx moved, and Commissioner Rudningen seconded to approve both item (a) Commissioner Warrants and item (b) Auditor Warrants paid on March 11, 2024. The motion carried unanimously.

Otter Tail Power Company's Manager of Transmission Project Development Jason Weiers provided the board with an update on the BSSA lines and a projected project timeline.

Parks, Drainage, and Wetlands Supervisor Kody Fossum requested approval from the board of the Drafted Notice for Swift County Ditch No. 8 Re-Establishment of Records.

Mr. Chairman P. Peterson- I, Commissioner Rudningen, move to approve the draft final hearing notices for County Ditch No. 8, Re-Establishment of Records, and direct the county administrator and drainage inspector to coordinate to issue the

final hearing notices consistent with the requirements of Statutes, chapter 103E. I Commissioner Hendrickx Seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Environmental Service Director Scott Collins addressed the board about Swift County's Wind Energy Ordinance and Swift County's Solar Power Ordinance and if this needs to be changed or updated.

The board discussed that these issues should go to the Planning and Zoning Committee but, after further discussion, decided that Collins work with the County Attorney to draft a moratorium for the board to review at the next meeting on April 2, 2024. By having a moratorium in place, it will give Planning and Zoning time to review the proper updates needed to be made to the wind and solar ordinances.

Administrator Tomaschett requested approval from the board for an extension on the contract with Abdo Financial Solutions to help get the new Auditor-Treasurer trained in and help execute the work plan.

Commissioner Rudningen moved and Commissioner E. Pederson seconded to approve the contract with Abdo Financial Solutions through August 31, 2024, but not to exceed the amount of \$15,000 expenditure and it should come out of the board discretionary funds at this time based on having a full-time employee in the Financial Department.

Commissioner Rudningen reported on the Enhancing the Organization (ETO) Committee, 6W Corrections, AMC-EMS, Well-Being, and Building Committee meetings. Also, Congratulations to KMS and Benson BPA Students who competed this past weekend. Commissioner Hendrickx reported on the Building Committee, 6W Corrections, PrimeWest, Health and Human Services, and Revolving Loan Fund meetings. Commissioner Mahoney reported on PrimeWest, Pomme de Terre Joint Powers Board, and a Mild Drying Plant in Stevens County. Commissioner E. Pederson reported on the Final Ditch Hearing Group 3, RDA, and Soil Water Conservation District. Chairman P. Peterson reported on Countryside Public Health,

Administrator Tomaschett reported on Donna Weber from Human Services retiring at the end of April, Pathways, AMC, Kandiyohi, Chippewa, and Swift County Administrators and Engineers meet with Dooley's today March 19, 2024, to discuss the pipeline project, and Swift County Employees attended the Benson High School Job Fair.

There was no other business.

The board meeting adjourned at 10:57 AM.

WITNESSED:
 Peter Peterson, Chair

ATTEST:
 Tesa Tomaschett, County Administrator
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