

**Minutes of Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners Meeting  
Tuesday, April 14, 2009**

The Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, April 14, 2009 at 9:30 a.m. in the Courthouse at Le Center, Minnesota. Those members present were: Joseph Connolly, Robert Culhane, John Grimm, William Stangler and Joe Doherty, Chairman. Also present were Brent Christian and Peggy Donovan.

On motion by Culhane, seconded by Connolly and unanimously approved, the Board approved the amended agenda for the business of the day.

On motion by Grimm, seconded by Connolly and unanimously approved, the Board approved the consent agenda:

- Approval of March 24, 2009 County Board Meeting Minutes
- Approval of 3.2 Beer Licenses for Le Sueur County Mounted Posse Trail Ride, St. Thomas Sportsman Club, and Waterville Baseball Club.
- Accepted the County Ditch #70 repair request and directed the Ditch Inspector to review and report back.

Darrell Pettis, Highway Engineer, gave his monthly Highway Department Report.

On motion by Grimm, seconded by Stangler and unanimously approved, the Board authorized out of state travel for Darrell Pettis, Highway Engineer, to attend the AASHTO Mississippi Valley Conference in Grand Rapids, Michigan from July 15, 2009 to July 17, 2009 with expenses paid for by the state aid account.

On motion by Stangler, seconded by Grimm and unanimously approved, the Board approved a 3.2 Beer License for the St. Peter Valley Archers.

At 10:00 am the Board convened a Public Hearing about proposed camping fees at Lake Washington. Don Reak, Parks Director, gave an overview of what current fees are at surrounding area campgrounds. No one from the public commented on this issue. The Public Hearing was closed at 10:01 am. On motion by Stangler, seconded by Grimm and unanimously approved, the following fees were adopted and will go into effect thirty days after the printing of the minutes (June 1, 2009).

	Current Fee	New Fee
Camping Fee	\$0.00	\$10.00-primitive site
	\$0.00	\$20.00-with electricity

Jim McMillen, Building Maintenance Engineer, appeared before the Board to discuss budgeted building improvements. On consensus motion, the Board approved the budgeted purchase of the Taski 450B auto scrubber at a price of \$4050.00 from AmSan of St. Paul, MN for use in the Sheriff's Department.

Al Gehrke, representing Joe Clark, landowner, appeared before the Board to discuss the issue of which ATF fee would be used on his conditional use permit application-2008 versus 2009. The Board listened to comments by Kathy Brockway, Planning and Zoning Director, and Al Gehrke concerning the timeline of the issue. On motion by Culhane, seconded by Grimm with Commissioners Culhane, Grimm, and Connolly voting aye and Commissioners Doherty and Stangler voting nay, the Board on a 3-2 vote approved the ATF fee based on 2008 rate of \$1046.00 on this CUP application.

On motion by Stangler, seconded by Culhane and approved with Commissioner Grimm abstaining, the Board authorized the Chair, County Attorney, County Coordinator and Director of Public Health to sign the Home and Community-Based Services Contract for the period of February 17, 2009 through September 30, 2010 between Le Sueur County Public Health and Blossom Hill Corporation at their Sunrise Farm facility.

On motion by Connolly, seconded by Culhane and unanimously approved, the Board authorized the Chair, County Attorney, County Coordinator and Director of Public Health to sign the Home and Community-Based Services Contract for the period of April 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010 between Le Sueur County Public Health and Care for the Elderly LLC.

Cindy Shaughnessy, Director of Public Health, introduced the new Public Health Nurse to the Board, Michelle Flaherty.

Lauren Klement, Environmental Resource Specialist, appeared before the Board for approval on two grant agreements. On motion by Stangler, seconded by Grimm and unanimously approved, the Board authorized the Chair to sign the Surface Water Assessment Monitoring Grant between the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency and Le Sueur County for the time period of Spring 2009 through Spring 2011 in the amount of \$31,972.00.

On motion by Culhane, seconded by Connolly and unanimously approved, the Board authorized the Chair to sign the contract between Minnesota State University-Mankato and Le Sueur County for the time period of April 1, 2009 to June 30, 2011 in the amount of \$30,972.00 for the Le Sueur Creek Assessment Project.

On motion by Stangler, seconded by Connolly and unanimously approved, the Board authorized the Chair, County Sheriff and County Auditor to sign the Annual County Boat and Water Safety Grant Agreement between Le Sueur County and the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources for the time period of January 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 in the amount of \$13,291.00.

Cindy Westerhouse, Personnel Coordinator, along with the Employee Recognition Committee Members-Pica Rodriguez, Judy Yokiel, Bill Prepodnik, Dave Struckman, and Commissioner Stangler, appeared before the Board to present the 2009 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter recipients with their certificates and pins for their significant length of service with Le Sueur County. Those employees who were present to receive their awards were Joe

Connolly, 10 years, Commissioner; Todd Waldron, 10 years, Sheriff's Office; Tammy Stewig, 15 years, Public Health; Dave Struckman, 30 years, Sheriff's Office; Cindy Wieland, 20 years, Human Services; and Judy Ykema, 35 years, Human Services.

These individuals were unable to attend the meeting: Melisa Erickson, 10 years, Sheriff's Office; Michael Schmitz, 10 years, Highway Department; Mitch Overn, 10 years, Sheriff's Office; and Gerald Tish, 25 years, Highway Department.

On motion by Connolly, seconded by Culhane and unanimously approved, the Board approved the March transfers:

#1194	Transfer 3,740.66 from Human Services to Revenue
#1195	Transfer 2,170.50 from Human Services to Revenue
#1196	Transfer 88.50 from Human Services to Revenue
#1197	Transfer 1,074.00 from Human Services to Revenue
#1198	Transfer 1,164.00 from Agency to Revenue
#1199	Transfer 18,462.64 from Human Services to Revenue

On motion by Culhane, seconded by Grimm and unanimously approved, the Board authorized the Chair to sign the contract between the Le Sueur County Law Enforcement Center and Independent School District #2397, Le Sueur Henderson for providing adult basic education services to inmates at the jail. This contract commences July 1, 2009 and terminates on July 1, 2010 at an annual fee of \$500.00.

On motion by Culhane, seconded by Stangler and unanimously approved, the Board accepted the quote of Scott's Helicopter Services in the amount of \$26.68 per acre for the 2009 ditch spraying. This is the only quote received for ditch spraying for this year.

On motion by Connolly, seconded by Grimm and approved, the Board adjourned until Tuesday, April 21, 2009 at 9:30 am.

The Board held a Capital Improvement Plan Workshop in the Commissioner's Room with Joe Boettcher, Ron Germscheid, Darrell Pettis, Jim McMillen and Peggy Donovan in attendance.

The Board held a Ordinance Revision Workshop in the Commissioner's Room with Kathy Brockway, Michelle Mettler, Peggy Donovan, Jamie Swenson ( I & S Group) and Brad Potter ( I & S Group) in attendance.

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Le Sueur County Coordinator**                      **Le Sueur County Chairman**