

**Minutes of Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners Meeting
Tuesday, January 12, 2010**

The Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, January 12, 2010 at 9:30 a.m. in the Courthouse at Le Center, Minnesota. Those members present were: Joseph Connolly, Robert Culhane, Joe Doherty, John Grimm and William Stangler. Also present were Brent Christian and Darrell Pettis.

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

On motion by Grimm, seconded by Culhane and unanimously approved, the Board approved the minutes of January 5, 2010 as presented.

Todd Krause from the National Weather Service came before the Board. Mr. Krause acknowledged Le Sueur County's past severe weather efforts and recognized the County as Storm Ready. Storm Ready is a nationwide community preparedness program that uses a grassroots approach to help communities develop plans to handle all types of severe weather. The program encourages communities to take a new, proactive approach to improving local hazardous weather operations by providing emergency managers with guidelines on how to improve their hazardous weather operations.

Jim McMillen, Building Maintenance Engineer, came before the Board with requests for action on the replacement of the windows in the 1974 Court House addition and the replacement of the oven in the jail kitchen, these items are included in the 2010 Building Maintenance budget.

Upon consensus of the Board, Mr. McMillen was directed to obtain quotes for the replacement of 39 windows in the Court House addition and to obtain quotes for the replacement of the oven in the jail kitchen. The quotes will be brought to a future Board Meeting for consideration.

Aaron Wills, Community Wastewater Facilitator from the Cannon River Water Shed Partnership came before the Board to discuss the German – Jefferson Subordinate Sewer District.

On motion by Stangler, seconded by Doherty and approved on a roll call vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays, the Board approved the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED: the Board hereby reinstates the German – Jefferson Lakes Area Sanitary Sewer District Advisory Board, and requests the German – Jefferson Lakes Association to solicit volunteers to serve on the Advisory Board with final membership approval by the County Board.

Joseph Boettcher, Le Sueur County Auditor – Treasurer, came before the Board with the following requests; designation of the 2010 depositories of funds for Le Sueur County and claims to be paid by Auditor / Treasurer.

On motion by Culhane, seconded by Stangler and approved, the Board accepted the recommendation of Joe Boettcher, County Auditor / Treasurer and designated the following financial institutions as depositories of funds for Le Sueur County in 2010 provided they furnish proper & sufficient collateral or surety bond, as needed for such deposits. Those being:

First National Bank	Le Center, MN.
First State Bank	Le Center, MN.
Frandsen Bank & Trust	Montgomery, MN.
First Farmers and Merchants Bank	Le Sueur, MN.
Cornerstone State Bank	Le Sueur, MN.
HomeTown Bank	Cleveland, MN.
Citizens State Bank	Waterville, MN.
Elysian Bank	Elysian, MN.
Wachovia Securities Inc.	Minneapolis, MN.
Magic Fund	Minneapolis, MN.
State Bank of New Prague	New Prague, MN.

On motion by Grimm, seconded by Doherty and approved, the Board delegated their authority to review the below listed claims before payment pursuant to M.S. 375.18, Subd 1b. to the Le Sueur County Auditor / Treasurer. These claims shall be examined in accordance with the established internal accounting and administrative control procedures to ensure the proper disbursement of public funds.

Claims to be paid under the Statute by Auditor/ Treasurer approval include:

- Bills that are discounted when paid in specific time period
- Utilities/Telephone/Sewer & Water
- Contract/Lease Payments
- Employee's Credit Card Reimbursements
- Class Registration/Reservations
- Dues
- Postage
- Drug Investigation Money
- Tax Settlements/Apportionments
- License Fees
- Taxes & Special Assessments
- Bond Payments

Darrell Pettis, County Administrator, came before the Board to request approval of the 2010 Dedicated Reserves.

On motion by Stangler, seconded by Grimm and approved, the Board dedicated reserves in the following funds for cash flow up to 40% of the Total Budgeted Expenditures. This Resolution is retroactive to January 1, 2010.

Revenue Fund -	\$4,237,180
Road & Bridge -	\$4,154,113
Human Services -	\$2,574,519
Environmental-	\$267,723
Victim Witness -	\$26,921
Solid Waste -	1,464,454.94 (actual)
Bond Fund -	\$522,592

Cindy Westerhouse, Personnel Coordinator, came before the Board with one recommendation.

On motion by Culhane, seconded by Grimm, and unanimously approved the Board granted permanent status to Audrey Hoffman, full time Social Worker in Human Services, effective January 6, 2010.

Dave Armstrong, County Assessor, came before the Board to discuss the Le Sueur County Beacon Website Usage. As of February 1, 2010, the free trial period will end for the public.

Lauren Klement, Le Sueur County Environmental Specialist, came before the Board with the following resolution.

On motion by Culhane, seconded by Doherty and unanimously approved the following resolution was adopted:

Resolution to Update the Le Sueur County Comprehensive Water Management Plan

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 103B.301, Comprehensive Local Water Management Act, authorizes Minnesota Counties to develop and implement a local water management plan, and

WHEREAS, the Act requires that a county update and revise their local water management plan on a periodic basis, and

WHEREAS, the Act encourages that a county coordinate its planning with contiguous counties, and solicit input from local governmental units and state review agencies, and

WHEREAS, the Act requires that plans and official controls of other local governmental units be consistent with the local water management plan, and

WHEREAS, Le Sueur County has determined that the revision and continued implementation of a local water management plan will help promote the health and welfare of the citizens of Le Sueur County, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners resolve to revise and update its current local water management plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners delegates update of its plan with all local units of government within the county, and the state review agencies; and will incorporate, where appropriate, any existing plans and rules, which have been developed and adopted by watershed districts having jurisdiction wholly or partly within Le Sueur County into its local water management plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners authorizes the establishment of a Water Management taskforce with the responsibility of revising and updating the plan and who shall report to the County Board on a periodic basis.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners delegates the Environmental Resources Specialist the responsibility of coordinating, assembling, writing and implementing the revised local water management plan pursuant to M.S. 103B.301.

On motion by Culhane, seconded by Grimm and unanimously approved, the Board adjourned until Tuesday, January 19, 2010 at 9:30 am.

ATTEST: _____
Le Sueur County Administrator Le Sueur County Chairman