

TODD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

*Minutes of the Meeting of the Todd County Board of Commissioners held on
December 16, 2014*

Call to Order

The Todd County Board of Commissioners met in the Commissioner's Board Room in the City of Long Prairie, MN on the 16th day of December, 2014 at 9:00 AM. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Kneisl. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Kircher was absent.

Approval of Agenda

On motion by Neumann and second by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote. To approve the agenda as presented.

Routine Business

On motion by Becker and second by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the December 2, 2014 Commissioner Board Meeting Minutes as read.

On motion by Erickson and second by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the Auditor Warrants number 224009 thru 224283 in the amount of \$2,810,692.17.

On motion by Neumann and second by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the Commissioner Warrants number 39375 thru 39516 in the amount of \$152,256.21 and HHS Commissioner Warrants in the amount of \$35,632.64

On motion by Becker and second by Erickson, the following resolution was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote:

GAMBLING PERMIT FOR NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERATION (STRUTTIN BLACK BEARDS)

WHEREAS, the Todd County Board of Commissioners are establishing their approval for a Gambling Permit for the National Wild Turkey Federation (Strutting Black Beards) through this resolution; NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners approve a one day Gambling Permit for the National Wild Turkey Federation (Strutting Black Beards) to hold a raffle at the Hub Supper Club in Burnhamville Township at the address 30905 County 13, Burtrum, MN on January 31, 2015.

On motion by Neumann and second by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the contract with Peters and Churchwell for public defender services in Todd County for 2015.

Assessors' Office

On motion by Becker and second by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve abatements for the year 2013 and 2014 for Connie Runston in the amount of \$108.00.

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Initiative Foundation

Eric Stommes from the Initiative Foundation presented on the 2014 Annual Report.

Public Works

On motion by Erickson and second by Becker, the following resolution was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote:

BID REJECTION FOR SP 077-595-001 (STAPLES DEPOT RESTORATION)

WHEREAS, sealed bids were received on December 5th, 2014 by the Todd County Engineer for SP 077-595-001, said project for the Restoration of the Staples Depot in the City of Staples, and;

WHEREAS, the following sealed bids were received:

Vercon Inc.	Menahga, Minnesota	\$712,131.00
Eagle Construction Co., Inc.	Little Falls, Minnesota	\$734,000.00

and:

WHEREAS, the total available capped funds allocated for this project are \$505,150.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners does hereby reject both bids received and instruct the County Engineer to continue to work with Staples Historical Society on the Restoration of Staples Depot known as SP 077-595-001.

Sheriff's Department

On motion by Kircher and second by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the Take Heart Program of the CentraCare Heart & Vascular Center at the St. Cloud Hospital donation of an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) to the Todd County Sheriff's Office.

Todd County Soil & Water District

On motion by Erickson and second by Becker, the following resolution was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote:

FY 2015 NATURAL RESOURCES BLOCK GRANT AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota acting through the Board of Soil and Water Resources and Todd County, and;

WHEREAS, The Laws of Minnesota 2009, Chapter 37, Sec. 3, Subd. 2, and Sec. 5, appropriated funds for the Natural Resources Block Grants (NRBG), to assist with the implementation of comprehensive local water plans, the wetland conservation act, Shoreland, and county feedlot permit programs

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 103B.101 subd. 9 (1), and 103B.3369, subd. 5, authorize the Board to award grants, and;

WHEREAS, BWSR has determined Todd County to be eligible and has selected the grantee to participate in NRBG, and the grantee has agreed to appropriate the required local match (\$66,421) and the grantee represents that it is duly qualified and agrees to perform all services described in this grant contract to the satisfaction of the State,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners accept the \$160,854 in NRBG funding, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that they accept responsible for specific duties as required by the agreement relating to match, reporting and compliance.

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On motion by Neumann and second by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the fund transfers as three transfers requested to appropriate the above funds into SWCD's fund to be used as specified in the NRBG grant agreements: 1) Transfer \$21,641 from 01-611-000-0000-6872 to 79-603-564-0000-5301. 2) Transfer \$68,789 from 01-603-000-0000-6872 to 79-603-551-0000-5301. 3) Transfer \$14,676 from 01-607-000-0000-6872 to 79-603-563-0000-5301.

Todd County Planning & Zoning

On motion by Erickson and second by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve Conditional Use Permit for a residential subdivision located in Staples Township to be known as "First Addition to Ivan Addition". Plat consists of two lots. Lot 1, Block 1 containing 2.37 acres and Lot 1, Block 2 containing 2 acres. Lots meet the minimum size requirements for Residential-2 zone. Use Permit is required for all subdivisions located in Residential-2 zoned property. Applicant Larry I Hansen, 48787 277th Avenue, Staples, MN 56479. First Addition to Ivan Addition, Lot 1, Block 1 and Lot 1, Block 2, Section 12/13, Twp 122N, Range 33W, Staples Township, Todd County. The existing wetland violation on parcel 22-0012700 be resolved to the satisfaction of the Todd County Wetlands Officer prior to approval of the final plat.

On motion by Erickson and second by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: Rezoning application to change the current zoning of the below described property from Ag/Forestry-1 to Ag/Forestry-2. John Grutsch, PO Box 115, Avon, MN 56310. Property owner: Harold and Patricia Rhode, 33649 Co 2, Grey Eagle, MN 56336. Rezoning application to change the current zoning of the below described property from Ag/Forestry-1 to Ag/Forestry-2. (40 acres) NW4 of NE4, Section 23, Twp 127, Range 32, Grey Eagle Township, Todd County. Parcel #11-0033900. Approved with condition this wording is added to the C.U.P. "This property is located in an agricultural area, and consequently there will be from time to time, sights, sounds and smells associated with the operation of farming. No land owner shall bring action of Law, against any farming operation because of such farming activities, as long as such farming activity complies with state and federal regulations and Todd County Ordinances."

On motion by Erickson and second by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: Rezoning application to change the current zoning of the below described property within the platted land that is zoned Commercial to Residential-2 to make all the zoning within each lot consistent with the use. Larry Hansen, 48787 277th Avenue, Staples, MN 56479. : Rezoning application to change the current zoning of the below described property within the platted land that is zoned Commercial to Residential-2 to make all the zoning within each lot consistent with the use. Granted contingent to plat finalized and recorded.

Health & Human Services

On motion by Neumann and second by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the South Country Health Alliance 2014 Community Reinvestment Program grant contract.

Auditor Treasurer

On motion by Becker and second by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by majority vote with Neumann voting against:

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A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE 2015 COUNTY BUDGET

On a motion by Becker and second by Erickson, the following was adopted by majority vote with Neumann voting against:

WHEREAS, the Todd County Board of Commissioners are required to adopt an annual budget and certify it to the County Auditor, and;

WHEREAS, the County Board of Commissioners have had an opportunity to discuss the operations costs and revenues of the County for fiscal year 2015;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Todd County Board of Commissioners hereby approve the following as the 2015 Budget for the County of Todd, Minnesota and directs that it be forwarded to the County Auditor.

	2015 Budget	2014 Budget
REVENUES		
Property Tax	13,232,781	11,973,145
State General Purpose Aid	1,323,059	1,331,866
Other Taxes	621,000	106,055
Licenses & Permits	133,540	124,190
Federal Grants	2,869,346	2,774,635
State Aids	6,200,094	6,436,825
Local Grants	0	0
Charges for Service	2,299,731	2,355,773
Misc. Revenue	1,221,234	1,123,860
Interest on Investments	65,200	85,200
Other Financing Sources	224,026	200,000
Transfers	30,000	30,000
Total Revenue & Other Source	28,220,011	26,541,549
EXPENDITURES		
General Government	4,680,912	4,477,483
Public Safety	3,513,069	3,260,762
Highway/Construction	3,654,732	3,915,615
Streets & Highways(Excl. Constr)	2,969,122	2,943,805
Human Services	7,521,205	7,513,019
Health	2,782,092	2,776,731
Culture and Recreation	337,497	319,804
Conservation of Nat. Resources	946,744	710,354
Economic Development	79,790	83,700
Gen Debt Service	592,624	647,900
Capital Outlay	840,384	574,273
Transfers	301,840	310,247
Other Fiscal Charges	0	0
Total Expenditures & Other		
Uses	28,220,011	27,533,693
Budget Balance	0	992,144

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On a motion by Erickson and second by Becker, the following was adopted by majority vote with Neumann voting against:

WHEREAS, the laws of the State of Minnesota direct that the Todd County Board of Commissioners are required to approve by resolution a final levy no later than December 30th annually; and

WHEREAS, the Todd County Board of Commissioners have considered the financial situation of the County and had an opportunity to deliberate the levying of property taxes upon property owners within the County.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Todd County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the following as the 2015 levy for the County of Todd, Minnesota for property taxes payable in 2015 and directs that it be forwarded to the County Auditor.

	Certified Levy	Program Aid	Local Levy
General Revenue	7,400,416.00	790,104.00	6,610,312.00
Road & Bridge	2,224,728.00	500,000.00	1,724,728.00
Welfare	3,578,723.00		3,578,723.00
Public Health	364,120.00		364,120.00
Comp Water	4,777.00		4,777.00
Regional Library	329,797.00		329,797.00
Bonded Indebtedness	592,624.00		592,624
County Fair	20,000.00		20,000.00
Parks & Trails	7,700.00		7,700.00
Total	14,522,885.00	1,290,104.00	13,232,781.00

Auditor Treasurer Report

Nothing at this time

Commissioner's Report

There will be a facilities meeting Friday 12/19/2014 at the Historic Courthouse. AMC Conference was held in St. Cloud December 8 & 9, 2014.

Commissioner Kneisl recessed the meeting until December 30, 2014.

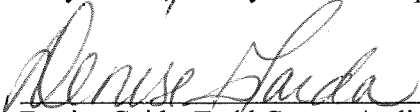
On a motion by Becker and second by Erickson, the preceding minutes of the County Board meeting held December 16, 2014 were duly approved by a unanimous vote of the Todd County Board of Commissioners at the Regular Board Meeting held on December 30, 2014.

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Witness my hand and seal:



Gary Kneisl, County Board Chairperson



Denise Gaida, Todd County Auditor-Treasurer