

## REDWOOD COUNTY, MINNESOTA

FEBRUARY 8, 2011

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' Room in the Government Center, Redwood Falls, Minnesota.

Present for all or portions of the meeting were Commissioners Lon Walling, John Schueller, Priscilla Klabunde and Al Kokesch; Administrator Vicki Knobloch; Recorder Joyce Anderson; Maintenance Director Loren Gewerth; Public Health Director Genie Simon; Nursing Supervisor Marie Meyers; Part-Time Public Health Nurse Barb Billmeier; Environmental Director Jon Mitchell; Environmental Office Manager Angel Nelson; Human Services Director Patrick Bruflat; Social Worker Angela Schmiesing-Doyle; Mental Health Consumer/Survivor Network of MN Regional Resource Coordinator Teri Herder-Blahnik; Trich Lien; Jennifer Woodbeck and Sharon Hollatz.

Chair Walling called the meeting to order asking for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### **COUNTY DEPARTMENT UPDATES**

- Anderson updated the Board on the 2010 revenues for the Recorder's office, the status of the passport separation of duties and the requirements for the vital statistics recording program put out by the Minnesota Registration and Certification (MR&C) division of the Minnesota Department of Health.
- Gewerth presented a report on the energy grant from the Minnesota Department of Commerce and updated the Board on the status of the Courthouse remodel project, snow removal and other activities in the Maintenance Department.

### **TB, HEPATITIS REFUGEE HEALTH POLICY REVIEW**

- Billmeier, Myers and Simon updated the Board on the Public Health focus to protect the community residents with a pro-active approach to disease prevention and control, including the Tuberculosis screening, and processes taken with high-risk populations. They also informed the Board of the Refugee/Immigrant program which is another part of their core services.

### **5-COUNTY LOCAL ADVISORY COUNCIL (LAC) ON ADULT MENTAL HEALTH**

- Herder-Blahnik presented the draft LAC Handbook, Charter and Bylaws and current unmet needs of the 5-County LAC. Lien, Woodbeck and Blahnik updated the Board on the activities and statistics relating to persons affected by mental illness in the five county area.

### **SOLID WASTE ASSESSMENT DISCUSSION**

- Mitchell and Nelson updated the Board on the current Environmental office procedures relating to the solid waste assessment fees.
- By consensus, the Board requested Mitchell and Nelson explore alternatives to creating a more efficient process.

**EDA REVOLVING LOAN**

- The Board reviewed the balance in the EDA Revolving Loan fund and discussed the possibility of a USDA matching grant.

**VISION OF REDWOOD COUNTY**

- The Board held discussion regarding adjustments in the Board meeting procedures and other visions for Redwood County.

**MINNESOTA VALLEY COOPERATIVE LIGHT & POWER**

- Discussion was held regarding a delegate at the Minnesota Valley Cooperative Light and Power Association annual meeting. Board Chair Walling appointed Dan Holmberg as delegate for Redwood County.

**COMMISSIONERS**

- The commissioners reported on meetings they attended.

Klabunde

- Drug Court
- Broadband Meeting

Schueller

- Conservation Marketplace MN
- Area II

Kokesch

- Broadband Meeting
- MIC

**ADJOURN**

- There being no further business, Chair Walling declared the meeting adjourned at 2:22 p.m.

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Lon Walling, Chair  
Board of County Commissioners

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Vicki Knobloch  
County Administrator