

**SWIFT COUNTY REGULAR BOARD MINUTES
OCTOBER 15, 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: Administrator Tesa Tomaschett, Assistant County Attorney Frank Gustafson, Parks, Drainage, Wetlands Supervisor Kody Fossum, Parks and Drainage Technician Devon Savage, County Engineer Tyler Baumchen, Environmental Service Director Scott Collins, Trista Nelson, and members of the public.

Citizen comments: Several members of the public addressed the board about the Wind and Solar Ordinance.

There were no other citizen comments.

Chairman P. Peterson added to the regular agenda item (b1) discussion on Judicial Ditch 7.

Commissioner Rudningen moved, and Commissioner Mahoney seconded to approve the agenda with the addition of item (b1) to the regular agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Hendrickx brought it to everyone's attention that the attachment for Resolution No. 24-10-43 was the previous year's Resolution and the correct one was presented at the meeting.

- Consider approving the October 1, 2024, board minutes.
- Consider approving Resolution No. 24-10-41 Health Insurance Premiums, County Contributions, and COBRA rates effective January 1, 2025.
- Southwest Mental Health Consortium Joint Powers Agreement 2024.
- Consider approving Woodland Centers 2025 Purchase of Services Agreement.
- Consider approving Resolution 24-10-43: Establishing Personnel Administration System for Swift County.

Commissioner Mahoney moved, and Commissioner Hendrickx seconded to approve the consent agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Warrants are as follows:

462,855.31	County General Revenue
51,129.90	Solid Waste Fund
395,806.46	County Road & Bridge
979.00	County Ditches Fund

Advanced Correctional Healthcare Inc	5,706.58
Ascherman Oil	2,912.06
Brennan Construction of MN Inc.	293,071.01
CliftonLarsonAllen LLP	7,297.50
Counties Providing Technology	6,704.00
Don's Flooring LLP	3,455.00
Election Systems & Software Inc	6,454.38
Glacial Plains Cooperative	2,671.36
Joe Riley Construction, Inc.	340,539.85
JOHNSON CONTROLS FIRE PROTECTION	6,726.31
JW Waterproofing and Concrete	49,500.00
Lincoln National Corporation	3,073.36
O'Malley & Kron Land Surveyors Inc	4,233.33
Pflipsen Trucking LLC	15,740.96
Pomp's Tire Service	3,490.90
Renville County Sheriff's Dept	2,335.66
SeaChange Printing & Marketing Services	7,699.55
Sun Life Financial-246468	2,167.96
Tiffany Barth & T&K Excavating, Inc.	19,819.36
Truck Center Companies - Marshall	4,390.29
University Of Minnesota	5,735.84
Waste Management Of WI-MN	12,204.15

West Central Communications	7,451.04
Widseth Smith Nolting & Assoc Inc	30,565.53
Wold Architects & Engineers	31,869.03
86 Payments less than 2000	34,955.66
Final Total:	910,770.67

Commissioner Rudningen moved, and Commissioner E. Pederson seconded to approve the Commissioner warrants and the Auditor Warrants Paid on 9/30/2024 and 10/10/2024. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion of potential emergency interim zoning ordinance declaring an emergency moratorium on large solar energy systems and wind energy conversion systems. Chairman P. Peterson presented to the public and the board the wind and solar discussions and motions from previous meetings so everyone was aware of the steps that have been taken in the matter of wind and solar.

Commissioner Mahoney motioned to set the hearing date for the implementation of an interim zoning ordinance declaring an emergency moratorium on wind energy conversion systems.

Chairman P. Peterson called for a second three times, there was not a second to Commissioner Mahoney's motion. Motion fails with lack of a second vote.

Jillian Reiner Project Manager for WIDSETH Architects, Engineers, Scientists, and Surveyors, along with Parks, Drainage, and Wetlands Supervisor Kody Fossum presented to the board the Appleton OHV Park EDA Masterplan.

Fossum discussed with the board the addition item (b1) Judicial Ditch 7 and that he will need to be setting a Hearing Date for discussion for land owners on JD 7. Fossum has an estimate of \$250,000 for the cost of the pipe only.

Fossum and Parks and Drainage Technician Devon Savage presented the 2025 Parks, Drainage, and Wetlands Recap and the five and ten-year plan.

County Engineer Tyler Baumchen requested approval from the board for the Highway Department stockpile site lease renewal.

Commissioner Rudningen moved and Commissioner Mahoney seconded to approve renewal of the Highway Department stockpile site lease. The motion carried unanimously.

Baumchen requested approval for Resolution No. 24-10-42, 2024 Final payment for county-wide gravel processing.

Commissioner Rudningen moved, and Commissioner Mahoney seconded to approve Resolution No. 24-10-42, 2024 final payment for county-wide gravel processing. The motion carried unanimously.

Auditor/Treasurer Katie Foley presented the board with a quarterly financial report.

Commissioner Rudningen reported on 6W Corrections, the ETO, Policy, and Well-Being Committee meetings. Commissioner Hendrickx reported on 6W Corrections, PrimeWest, and AMC Coordinating Committee meetings. Commissioner E. Pederson reported on SWCD, and South West Minnesota Adult Mental Health meetings. Commissioner Mahoney reported on the ETO and the Pomme de Terre Watershed meetings. Chairman P. Peterson reported on Countryside Public Health, Policy, and GraMar meetings.

Administrator Tomaschett reported on the Merit System, the basement construction wrapping up, MACA, ETO, Health and Human Services, and the highway building.

Chairman P. Peterson adjourned the meeting at 11:15 AM

WITNESSED:
P. Peterson, Board Chair

ATTEST:
Tesa Tomaschett, County Administrator
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