

# LE SUEUR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING AGENDA COMMISSION CHAMBERS September 22, 2015

1. 9:00 am Agenda and Consent Agenda (5 min)

RE: September 15, 2015 Minutes and Summary Minutes

RE: CD 38 Repair Request

2. 9:05 am Pam Simonette (5 min)

RE: License Bureau Over/Under Policy

3. 9:10 am Justin Lutterman, GIS (10 min)

**RE: Pictometry** 

- 4. 9:20 a.m. Human Resources (10 min.)
- 5. 9:30 am Darrell Pettis, Administrator (5 min)

RE: Award Bid

**RE: State Government Finance Letter** 

6. **9:35 am Miranda Rosa (10 min)** 

RE: Drug Court

7. 9:45 am John Bruender (30 min)

RE: German-Jefferson concerns

**Future Meetings** 8.



**Tuesday, September 22, 2015 Board Meeting** 

### Item 1

9:00 am Agenda and Consent Agenda (5 min)

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#### Minutes of Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners Meeting September 15, 2015

The Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, September 15, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Courthouse at Le Center, Minnesota. Those members present were: Steve Rohlfing, Lance Wetzel, Dave Gliszinski, John King and Joe Connolly. Darrell Pettis and Brent Christian were also present.

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

On motion by Gliszinski, seconded by King and unanimously approved, the Board approved the consent agenda:

- Approved the September 1, 2015 County Board Minutes and Summary Minutes
- Approved the CD #36 and #68 Repair Requests

On motion by King, seconded by Rohlfing and unanimously approved, the following cases and claims were approved:

Soc Serv: \$ 108,117.93 Financial: \$ 28,918.54

Sue Rynda, Human Services Director, appeared before the Board to give the monthly Human Services Report. This presentation covered Finance, Income Maintenance, Child Support, Family Services, and Mental Health.

The County Administrator announced that the subsequent meeting for the adoption of the final levy and the final 2016 budget will be held in the Commissioner's Room of the Le Sueur County Courthouse on Tuesday, December 15, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. Public testimony on the levy and / or the budget will be allowed as part of this hearing.

On motion by Rohlfing, seconded by Gliszinski and unanimously approved, the Board adopted a preliminary levy of \$17,341,013.

FUND	TAXES	PROGRAM	TOTAL
		AID	
Revenue	8,856,656	512,639	8,344,017
Road & Bridge	3,073,329	512,639	2,560,690
SS & PA	2,573,655		2,573,655
PA & GA	1,064,573		1,064,573
Fair	26,331		26,331
Building	190,000		190,000

Extension Services	184,028		184,028
Park	235,191		235,191
German/Jefferson	168,990		168,990
Bonded Indebtedness	1,977,440		1,977,440
Water Planning	12,836		12,836
Victim Witness	3,262		3,262
TOTAL	18,366,291	1,025,278	17,341,013

2016 PROPOSED LEVY \$ 17,341,013 2015 FINAL LEVY \$ 16,077,551 INCREASE IN LEVY \$ 1,263,462 INCREASE OF 7.9%

Jim McMillen, Maintenance and Scott Gerr, MIS appeared before the Board with two items for discussion and approval.

On motion by King, seconded by Rohlfing and unanimously approved, the Board approved the installation of parking lot cameras by Technical Solutions in the amount of \$22,249.96.

On motion by Gliszinski, seconded by Connolly and unanimously approved, the Board approved the purchase of a Smart TV for behind the information desk with a \$600 maximum cost.

Justin Lutterman, GIS appeared before the Board with two items for discussion and approval.

On motion by Gliszinski, seconded by King and unanimously approved, the Board approved the implementation and training for the new GIS software by Pro-West & Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$32,340.

The Board tabled a decision on a contract request with Pictometry until the September 22, 2015 meeting.

Mike Schultz with Le Sueur County Soil and Water came before the Board with one item for approval.

On motion by King, seconded by Rohlfing and unanimously approved, the Board approved the Gravel Tax Request for a Le Sueur County Rice Lake WPA Wetland Restoration project in the amount of \$10,388.

Melissa Schaefer came before the Board to discuss German-Jefferson concerns.

Cindy Westerhouse, Human Resources came before the Board with several items for discussion and approval.

On motion by King, seconded by Rohlfing and unanimously approved, the Board approved the recommendation to end employment with employee 1872, effective September 4, 2015.

The Board discussed notifying the Reclassification Committee when an employee is let go.

On motion by Connolly, seconded by Gliszinski and unanimously approved, the Board approved the recommendation to promote Tricia Christensen, full time Administrative Assistant II in Public Health to a full time Administrative Assistant III in Public Health, as a Grade 5, Step 3 at \$17.30 per hour, effective September 21, 2015.

On motion by Rohlfing, seconded by King and unanimously approved, the Board approved the recommendation to grant regular status to Kelly Wroe, full time Deputy Auditor-Treasurer II – Motor Vehicle Specialist, in the Auditor-Treasurer Office, effective September 9, 2015. Kelly has completed the six-month probationary period. Jody Brown, Deputy Auditor-Treasurer III – Accounting Specialist/Motor Vehicle Supervisor, recommends granting regular status to Kelly.

On motion by Gliszinski, seconded by King and unanimously approved, the Board approved to table the recommendation to advertise for a part time Deputy Sheriff, as a Grade 10, Step 1 at \$21.55 per hour.

On motion by Rohlfing, seconded by Connolly and unanimously approved, the Board approved the recommendation to post and advertise for a full time Deputy Auditor-Treasurer II – Motor Vehicle Specialist, in the Auditor-Treasurer Office, as a Grade 6, Step 1 at \$17.07 per hour.

On motion by Gliszinski, seconded by Rohlfing and unanimously approved, the Board approved the recommendation to accept the resignation request from Shannon Miller, full time Agency Social Worker in Human Services, effective September 25, 2015. Shannon has been an employee with Le Sueur County since July 2012.

On motion by King, seconded by Gliszinski and unanimously approved, the Board approved the recommendation to post and request the merit list for a full time Agency Social Worker, in Human Services, as a Grade 10, Step 1 at \$21.55 per hour.

Kathy Brockway, Planning & Zoning Administrator appeared before the Board with three requests for action.

On motion by Rohlfing, seconded by Connolly and approved via roll call vote 5-0, the Board granted a Conditional Use Permit to CHRISTOPHER SEELY, CLEVELAND, MN, (APPLICANT/OWNER): Request that the County grant a Conditional Use Permit to allow grading, excavating, and filling of 500 cubic yards of material outside the shore impact zone in a Special Protection "SP" District, on a Natural Environment "NE" lake, Lake Henry. Property is located in the Government Lot 1, Section 34, Cleveland Township & Government Lot 3, Section 3, Cleveland Township. Findings are on file at the Planning and Zoning Office.

On motion by Gliszinski, seconded by Rohlfing and approved via roll call vote 5-0, the Board granted a Conditional Use Permit to STEVEN HELMSTETTER, KASOTA, MN, (APPLICANT/OWNER): Request that the County grant a Conditional Use Permit to allow grading, excavating, and filling of 1439 cubic yards of material in a Urban/Rural Residential "R1" District. Property is located in the NE 1/4 SW 1/4, Section 9, Kasota Township. The application was approved with the following conditions and findings are on file at the Planning and Zoning Office:

- 1. Work in the bluff should be restricted to remain within the driving path that has been used to access the lowland area
- 2. The trench must be filled in immediately once the pipes have been installed.
- 3. The disturbed soils within the trench should be compacted to reduce the chances of washout
- 4. Silt fence needs to be correctly installed (staked and keyed into the ground) to protect the wetland and sloped areas should be covered with erosion control blanket.
- 5. Once work is done, the entire area should be seeded with native vegetation to stabilize the area and reduce colonization from noxious weeds.
- 6. Special attention should be payed to the weather forecast to reduce the chance of washout while work is done within the bluff.

On motion by King, seconded by Connolly and approved via roll call vote 5-0, the Board granted a Conditional Use Permit to ERIC SOLHEID CONSTRUCTION, NEW PRAGUE, MN, (APPLICANT); JOEL & DEBBIE SOLHEID, NEW PRAGUE, MN, (OWNER): Request that the County grant a Conditional Use Permit to allow grading, excavating, and filling of 330 cubic yards of material outside the shore impact zone in a Special Protection "SP" District, on an unnamed stream. Property is located in the W 1/2 NW 1/4, Section 3, Derrynane Township. Findings are on file at the Planning and Zoning Office.

Darrell Pettis, Administrator appeared before the Board with several items for discussion.

On motion by King, seconded by Rohlfing and unanimously approved, the following claims were approved for payment:

Warrant #	Vendor Name	Amount
37498	AAA Striping Service Co.	\$ 22,145.76
37499	Advanced Correctional Healthcare Inc.	\$ 2,201.92
37502	American Engineering Testing	\$ 19,691.35
37507	Baker, Tilly, Virchow & Krause, LLP	\$ 2,674.00
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23 Claims paid mo	ore than \$2,000.00:	\$283,023.88
176 Total all claims	paid:	\$335,843.33

On motion by Connolly, seconded by King and unanimously approved, the Board adjourned until Tuesday, September 22, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

ATTEST:		
	Le Sueur County Administrator	Le Sueur County Chairman

#### Summary Minutes of Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners Meeting, September 15, 2015

- This is only a summary publication per MN Statutes 375.12 and 331A.01 sub. 10. The complete minutes are on file in the Le Sueur County Administrator's Office at 88 S Park Ave. Le Center, MN and are available at www.co.le-sueur.mn.us.
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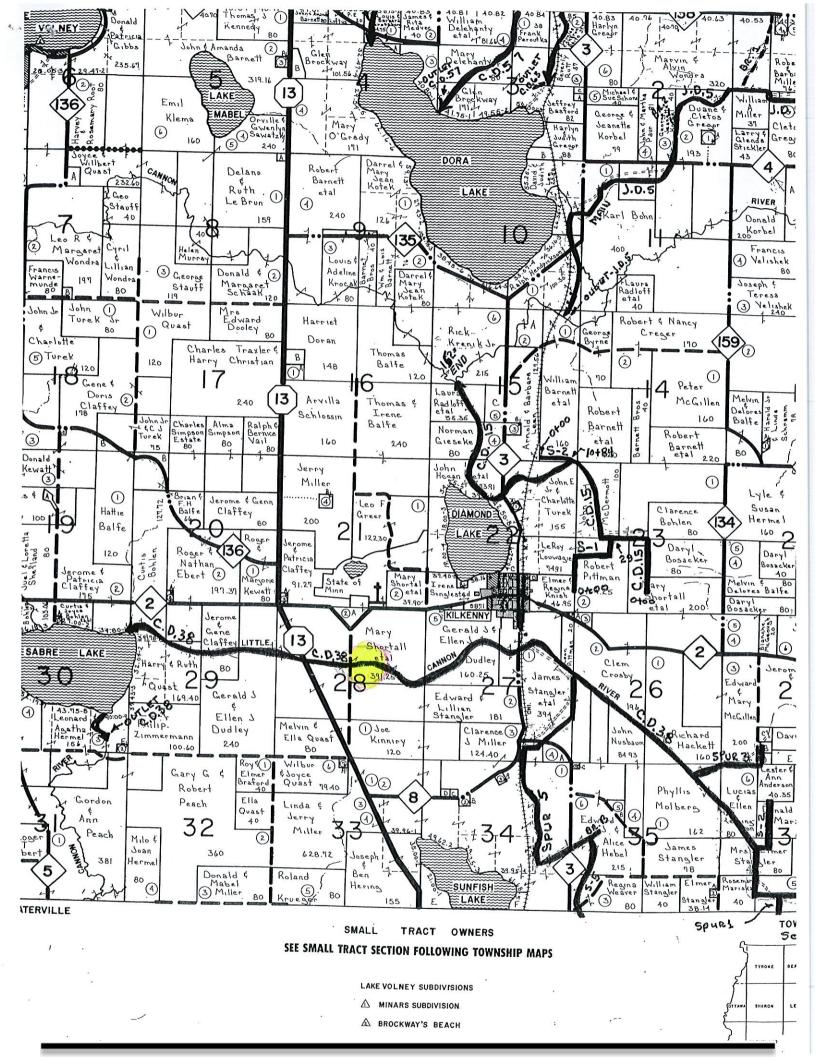
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ATTEST: Le Sueur County Administrator Le Sueur County Chairman

# REPAIR REQUEST

We, the undersigned land owners; d	o hereby request the Le Suem County
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**Tuesday, September 22, 2015 Board Meeting** 

Item 2

9:05 am Pam Simonette (5 min)

RE: License Bureau Over/Under Policy

#### Le Sueur County License Bureau Over/Under Fund Policy

The Over/Under Fund account will have an opening balance of \$25.00.

Any amount in excess of \$5.00 will be refunded to the purchaser, if known, otherwise will be receipted into the Over/Under Fund account.

Any amount of \$5.00 and under will be receipted into the Over/Under Fund account.

The Over/Under Fund account will be reconciled weekly and reviewed monthly by the Motor Vehicle Supervisor. When the balance exceeds \$50.00, the money in excess of the \$25.00 will be turned over to the Le Sueur County Auditor-Treasurer. When the Over/Under Fund is depleted, approval will be needed from the Finance Director and the County Auditor-Treasurer, or any delegates assigned to deposit back in to return to \$25.00 balance.

Any daily shortage over the amount remaining in the balance of the Over/Under Fund will be pulled directly from the Revenue Fund with the approval needed from the Finance Director and the County Auditor-Treasurer, or any delegates assigned.

An Incident Log will be used to track any shortage over the amount remaining in the Over/Under Fund that will be pulled directly from the Revenue Fund. This log will also be reviewed monthly by the Motor Vehicle Supervisor.



**Tuesday, September 22, 2015 Board Meeting** 

Item 3

9:10 am Justin Lutterman, GIS (10 min)

**RE: Pictometry** 



**Tuesday, September 22, 2015 Board Meeting** 

Item 4

9:20 a.m. Human Resources (10 min.)



### **Human Resources**

88 SOUTH PARK AVENUE • LE CENTER, MINNESOTA 56057 Telephone: 507-357-8517 • Fax: 507-357-8607 Cindy Westerhouse – Human Resources Director

### HUMAN RESOURCES AGENDA ITEMS September 22, 2015

Recommendation to grant regular status to Laura De Loach, full time Eligibility Worker, in Human Services, effective September 23, 2015. Laura has completed the six-month probationary period. Deb Serich, Financial Assistance Supervisor I, recommends granting regular status to Laura.

Recommendation to promote Meghan Houlihan to a full time, regular Sheriff Administrative Assistant in the Sheriff's Office, as a Grade 6, Step 1 at \$17.07 per hour, effective October 5, 2015.

Recommendation to advertise for a part time Deputy Sheriff, as a Grade 10, Step 1 at \$21.55 per hour. The position was held by Leroy Thelemann who recently passed away. The position duties involve boat and water, transports and other duties as needed.

Recommendation to approve the Public Employees Retirement Association - Police Officer Declaration for Jamie Scherf.

Recommendation to extend the Employment Agreement between Le Sueur County and Darrell Pettis to serve as the County Administrator/County Engineer, effective September 30, 2015.

Recommendation to approve the 2016 employer contribution of \$846.30 per month to all benefits eligible employees for the single coverage group health insurance plan.

Recommendation to approve the 2016 employer contribution of \$1240.40 per month to all benefits eligible employees for the family coverage group health insurance plan.

Equal Opportunity Employer



**Tuesday, September 22, 2015 Board Meeting** 

### Item 5

9:30 am Darrell Pettis, Administrator (5 min)

RE: Award Bid

**RE: State Government Finance Letter** 



### **TABULATION OF BIDS** SP 040-070-003 Minn Proj No. HSIP 4015(2833)

HSIP Curve Signing Improvements					Engineer's Estimate		A & H Co., Inc.		JAKK LLC	
Le Sueur County, Minnesota						22400 Iverson R	oad	31774 356th Street		
SEH No.: LESUR 128502						Ironton, MN 5645	55	Le Sueur, MN 56	6058	
Bid Date: 1:00 p.m., Friday, September 11, 2015				\$70,615.00		\$33,400.00		\$33,545.60		
			Est.							
Item No.	Item	Unit	Quantity	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	
2021.501	Mobilization	LS	1	\$6,500.00	\$6,500.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	
2104.523	Salvage Sign Type C	Each	29	45.00	1,305.00	15.00	435.00	10.00	290.00	
2563.601	Traffic Control	LS	1	3,000.00	3,000.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	
2564.531	Sign Panels Type C	SF	1704	35.00	59,640.00	17.25	29,394.00	18.90	32,205.60	
2564.537	Install Sign Type C	Each	1	170.00	170.00	71.00	71.00	50.00	50.00	
TOTAL BID PRICE					\$70,615.00		\$33,400.00		\$33,545.60	



#### **TABULATION OF BIDS**

HSIP Curve	Signing Improvements	Warning Lites of Minnesota, Inc.		H & R Const. Co.		Safety Signs LLC			
Le Sueur County, Minnesota				4700 Lyndale Avenue North		PO Box 756		19784 Kenrick Avenue	
SEH No.: LESUR 128502				Minneapolis, MN	I 55430	Dalton, MN 5632	24	Lakeville, MN 55	6044
Bid Date: 1:00 p.m., Friday, September 11, 2015				\$48,584.00		\$57,919.00		\$62,033.00	
			Est.						
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2104.523	Salvage Sign Type C	Each	29	10.00	290.00	66.00	1,914.00	45.00	1,305.00
2563.601	Traffic Control	LS	1	5,000.00	5,000.00	7,600.00	7,600.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
2564.531	Sign Panels Type C	SF	1704	23.50	40,044.00	26.25	44,730.00	32.00	54,528.00
2564.537	Install Sign Type C	Each	1	250.00	250.00	575.00	575.00	200.00	200.00
TOTAL BID PRICE			\$48,584.00		\$57,919.00		\$62,033.00		

#### Sarah Anderson State Representative District 44A **Plymouth**



# Minnesota House of Representatives

COMMITTEES: CHAIR, STATE GOVERNMENT FINANCE COMMERCE AND REGULATORY REFORM TAXES WAYS AND MEANS

September 17, 2015

Pam Simonette 88 S Park Avenue Le Center, MN 56057

County Auditors and County Board Chairs:

It has come to my attention that the Office of the State Auditor (OSA) has sent out another letter requesting counties to sign engagement letters agreeing to three years of auditing services by the end of September. The second is compared on the payment we have a second approximately the control of the contr The Mark Bridge of the epoch of the grade of the following engine with

As I have previously written to you in July, no county is under a legal obligation to sign a threeyear agreement with the OSA due to recent changes in state law. Additionally, the OSA has requested that counties provide written responses as to why they are choosing not to sign the engagement letter. Counties are again under no legal obligation to provide the OSA with their reasoning in writing. Beginning on August 1, 2016, counties will have the option of selecting the OSA or choosing a CPA firm that meets all the requirements and standards of the OSA.

I understand that there has been much confusion with the OSA changing the length of the agreements set out in their engagement letters. To help clarify the many uncertainties surrounding this policy change from the OSA, I called a meeting of the Minnesota House's State Government Finance Committee on August 18th to listen to county concerns and have the State Auditor or her staff answer the numerous questions that have gone unanswered. 

Despite two written invitations well in advance of the committee meeting, the State Auditor declined to attend or to send any members of her staff. Our committee appreciated the input that was provided to us by several county officials, but we left that hearing with more questions than answers. Unfortunately, the letter the State Auditor sent to the committee after we had adjourned did not answer the outstanding questions from that hearing.

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As a result, the State Government Finance Committee sent a letter on August 19<sup>th</sup> to the State Auditor requesting responses to eleven questions pertaining to the changes in county audit agreements that were left unanswered during that public hearing. As of today, I have yet to receive a response to any of those questions.

I understand the frustration that has come with the confusing demands from the OSA, but I would like to emphasize again that you are under no legal obligation to sign the three-year engagement letters or to respond in writing with your reasoning for not signing. I've also enclosed a memo from our non-partisan House Research staff that should help clarify the recent changes to state law concerning county audits.

I appreciate the work you do on behalf of Minnesota taxpayers, and I share your interest in making sure our government is transparent and accountable. Please do not hesitate to reach out to my office should you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,

Sarah Anderson

Chair, State Government Finance Committee

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### **Research Department**

Patrick J. McCormack, Director

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# Minnesota House of Representatives

September 17, 2015

TO:

Interested Legislators

FROM:

Mark Shepard, Legislative Analyst

RE:

New Law Governing County Audits

I have received a number of questions about a new law enacted by the 2015 legislature governing county audits. The new law is codified as Minnesota Statutes, section 6.481, and is available on the legislature's web site:

https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=6.481

#### Key points of the law are:

- A county must have an annual financial audit. Under the new law, a county may choose
  to have the audit performed by the State Auditor, or may choose to have the audit
  performed by a CPA firm.
- A county that plans to change to or from the State Auditor and a CPA firm must notify
  the State Auditor of this change by August 1 of an even-numbered year. A county that
  changes to or from the State Auditor must have two annual audits done by the new
  agency.
- The new law is effective August 1, 2016. If a county currently audited by the State Auditor gives notice by August 1, 2016 of intent to use a CPA firm, 2017 will be the first year's records that will be subject to audit by the CPA firm.

Please let me know if you have questions.

MS/sk



**Tuesday, September 22, 2015 Board Meeting** 

Item 6

9:35 am Miranda Rosa (10 min)

RE: Drug Court

### **Le Sueur County Drug Court**

As of 9/14/15 the drug court has 10 participants with a combined 1,073 days of sobriety!!

Graduations: First projected for August 2016 Number of children of drug court participants: 18

Terminations: 1 Number of children in formal Out of Home Placement: 0

**Types of Criminal Cases Referred & Accepted** 

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### **Drug Court Admissions by Month**

Average Days from Arrest to Referral	Average Days from Violation Filing to Referral	Average Days from Referral to Acceptance/ Denial Decision	Average Days from Acceptance to Admission		
Previous Quarter: 8	Previous Quarter: N/A	Previous Quarter: 5	Previous Quarter: 22		
Overall: 26	Overall: 2	Overall: 7	Overall: 23		
Average days from	arrest to admission:	Average days from probation violation filing			
		to admission:			
Previous (	Quarter: 32	Previous Quarter: N/A			
Over	all: 45	Ove	erall: 28		

# Participants Testing Positive for Alcohol & Other Drugs

### **Jail Sanction Days**

	New Charges by Active Drug Court Participants in the program under 90 days										
Jan. '15	Feb. '15	March '15	April '15	May '15	June '15	July '15	Aug. '15	Sept. '15	Oct. '15	Nov. '15	Dec. '15
N/A	None	None	2	2	None	None	1				

Thefts by Check, 5<sup>th</sup> Degree Controlled Substance, Driving after Revocations

	New Charges by Active Drug Court Participants in the program after 90 days										
Jan. '15	Feb. '15	March '15	April '15	May '15	June '15	July '15	Aug. '15	Sept. '15	Oct. '15	Nov. '15	Dec. '15
N/A	None	None	None	None	None	None	None				



**Tuesday, September 22, 2015 Board Meeting** 

Item 7

9:45 am John Bruender (30 min)

RE: German-Jefferson concerns



**Tuesday, September 22, 2015 Board Meeting** 

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**Future Meetings** 

### **Future Meetings 2015**

September 22, 2015 Board Meeting, 9:00 a.m.

September 24, 2015 Le Sueur County Officials Meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Le

Center Legion

September 29, 2015 No Board Meeting

\*Initial Meeting of the Le Sueur/Scott Joint Ditch

Authority, JD #1 Lat #2, 9:00 a.m. at the Scott County

Government Center in Shakopee

October 6, 2015 Board Meeting, 9:00 a.m.

October 8, 2015 P&Z Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

**Environmental Services Building** 

October 13, 2015 No Board Meeting

October 15, 2015 Board of Adjustment Meeting, 3:00 p.m.

**Environmental Services Building** 

October 20, 2015 Board Meeting, 9:00 a.m.

October 27, 2015 Board Meeting, 9:00 a.m.

\*Nicollet/Le Sueur Joint Meeting, 12:00 in the President's Dining Room at the Student Center at

Gustavus College in St. Peter

November 3, 2015 Board Meeting, 9:00 a.m.

November 10, 2015 No Board Meeting

November 11, 2015 Offices closed for Veteran's Day

November 12, 2015 P&Z Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

**Environmental Services Building** 

November 17, 2015	Board Meeting, 9:00 a.m.
November 17, 2015	Le Sueur – Waseca Community Health Board (CHB) 1:30pm in the Waterville City Council Chambers
November 19, 2015	Board of Adjustment Meeting, 3:00 p.m. Environmental Services Building
November 24, 2015	Board Meeting, 9:00 a.m.
November 26-27, 2015	Offices Closed for Thanksgiving
December 1, 2015	Board Meeting, 9:00 a.m.
December 8, 2015	No Board Meeting
December 10, 2015	P&Z Meeting, 7:00 p.m. Environmental Services Building
December 15, 2015	Board Meeting, 4:30 p.m. *Final Levy and Budget Public Hearing, 6:00 p.m. at the LSC Courthouse in the Commission Chambers
December 17, 2015	Board of Adjustment Meeting, 3:00 p.m. Environmental Services Building
December 22, 2015	Board Meeting, 9:00 a.m.
December 24, 2015	Offices Close at Noon for Christmas
December 25, 2015	Offices Closed for Christmas
December 29, 2015	No Board Meeting