

March 28, 2006

The Lincoln County Commission convened in a Special joint session with the Minnehaha County Commission at 7:00 P.M., March 28, 2006, at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Canton, South Dakota.

Lincoln County Commissioners present were: Dennis Weeldreyer, Burdell Coplan, Michael Poppens, Otto Hagedorn, and Jim Schmidt. The County Auditor was Clerk of the Board.

Minnehaha County Commissioners present were: Robert Kolbe, Anne Hajek, John Pekas, and Carol Twedt. Absent: James Zweep.

Lincoln County Commission Chairman, Dennis Weeldreyer, called the meeting to order.

The meeting was led with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

A Joint Cooperative Agreement for Consolidation of Mental Illness Boards was presented by Mike Nadolski, Lincoln County Deputy State's Attorney and Gordy Swanson, Minnehaha County Chief Civil Deputy State's Attorney. The new Avera McKennan Behavioral Center to be located in Lincoln County has made this action necessary. The agreement will provide for the appointment of co-chairs, one from each county, by the presiding judge of the Second Circuit. Two lay members and alternates would be appointed by each county. The Minnehaha County Mental Illness Board Chairman, Scott Peters, was present to answer questions.

Motion by Schmidt and seconded by Coplan to approve the Joint Cooperative Agreement for Consolidation of Mental Illness Boards with an effective date of April 1, 2006 and a term of one year. Motion carried with all Commissioners voting "Aye". Minnehaha County concurred.

Motion by Poppens and seconded by Coplan to recommend to Second Circuit Presiding Judge Glenn Severson to appoint as Co-Chairs of the Minnehaha and Lincoln County Board of Mental Illness the following: Lincoln County – Vance Myrabo, Co-Chair and Todd Epp, Alternate and Minnehaha County – Scott Peters, Co-Chair, and Deb Sittig, Alternate. Motion carried with all Commissioners voting "Aye". Minnehaha County concurred.

Motion by Schmidt and seconded by Hagedorn to appoint the following lay members of the Minnehaha and Lincoln County Board of Mental Illness: Lincoln County: member: Janae Poppens, and alternates: June Nunsz, Jerry Mundt, and Gloria Rops. Minnehaha County: member: John Davidson, and alternates: Margaret Fortin, Tia Esser, Betsy Koch, and Linda Mellegard. Motion carried with Commissioners Schmidt, Weeldreyer, Hagedorn and Coplan voting "Aye", Commissioner Poppens abstained. Minnehaha County concurred.

Hugh Grogan, Director of Human Services for Minnehaha County, presented an Agreement for Casework Services. Minnehaha County will hire a caseworker to provide services to process applications for poor relief and hospital caseworker services for Lincoln County residents. Lincoln County will pay \$54,364 a year for these services. The agreement will be effective starting April 1, 2006 for a one year term.

Motion by Poppens and seconded by Schmidt to approve the Agreement for Casework Services. Motion carried with all Commissioners voting "Aye". Minnehaha County concurred.

Motion by Schmidt and seconded by Poppens to adjourn until 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, April 4, 2006. Motion carried.

Dennis Weeldreyer, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Paula Feucht
County Auditor