

REGULAR MEETING AS POSTED
BECKER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
DATE: Tuesday, June 12, 2007 at 8:15 a.m.
LOCATION: Board Room, Courthouse, All Present

1. Agenda – As Posted
2. It was moved and seconded to approve the Minutes of May 22, 2007 (Knutson, Salminen), carried.

Commissioners

1. Open Forum:
 - a. Clarence Suvanto extended a thank you for the following: Hiring help for Lori at Veterans Services, Highway Engineering moving forward with rumbles. He expressed concern that all Sunnyside Nursing home employees should be receiving the same benefits as County employees. He believes any roads that have calcium chloride applied to them should be identified by the County. Clarence stated Patty Swenson would be well qualified for Environmental. He stated he is disturbed to see a blanket increase on townships and believes the County Assessors should have their work randomly checked. Should property be assessed at face value? Clarence believes County rules are being ignored. Rules should be monitored and enforced by the County. He also stated that constituents do not feel comfortable challenging their town boards. Now that the city of Detroit Lakes is replacing stop signs with yield signs, Becker County should look into doing the same. Clarence would like to extend a thank you to all who participated in the Ronald McDonald Run; there were 791 motorcycles that participated.

2. Reports & Correspondence:

Commissioner Mulari Reports:

- a. Frazee Task Force Meeting: Moving forward with the sale of the swift plant.
- b. Environmental Meeting: Clean up at Mower residence is complete.

Commissioner Bellefeuille Reports:

- a. Commissioner Bellefeuille and Commissioner Salminen were cooks for the Fish Committee cookout at the Courthouse.
- b. Defer to Commissioner Nelson reference Sunnyside report.

Commissioner Nelson Reports:

- a. Proposed a statement for Environmental; single point collection is very expensive so Steve is investigating sharing collection with Ottertail County.
- b. Sunnyside meeting: A Administrator has not been selected.

Commissioner Salminen Reports:

- a. AMC meeting in Fergus Falls: Reviewed Legislative vote reference transportation bill. Feed Lot Specialist discussed Feed lot concerns.

Commissioner Knutson Reports:

- a. Park and Recreation Meeting: Dell Bergseth was voted new chair. Discussed walking trail.
- b. Environmental Meeting: Discussed new construction and repairs on some buildings.
- c. Fair Board Meeting: Board is concerned regarding water hook ups for hockey camps.

3. Appointments – None at this time.

4. Letter of support for the expansion of the Heartland Trail

- a. Guy Fisher presented a letter for approval to Ms. Jayne Rankin, the Capital Budget Coordinator for the Minnesota Department of Finance, in support of the efforts by the City of Detroit Lakes to obtain \$9.5 million in bond funds for extending the Heartland Trail. It was moved and seconded to approve the letter to be sent to the Department of Finance (Salminen, Mulari), carried.

5. County Administrator Personnel Request

- a. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 06-07-1B, to hire a temporary part-time Administrative Assistant, Millie Kallinen, for the County Administrator's office due to a leave of absence (Salminen, Knutson), carried.

6. Building Update: Brian Berg

- a. The Courthouse project is advancing well. The foundation walls have been completed. The basement floor is being poured this week. Support steel is being hung. Shoring on East side slowed the project. Weather has not been much of a factor. There are a few change orders involved, will be discussed under Finance Minutes.
- b. Transit building: When digging the footings, there was bad fill found, fill had to be removed and replaced. The floor has been poured but there was a problem with the concrete. A grinding will be done on the floor and an epoxy will be applied to the surface. Steel beams for rafters are up.

Board of Reviews and Equalization

1. The regular Board Meeting was recessed from 8:50 to 11:40 in order to conduct Board of Appeals and Equalization.

Human Services

1. Agenda Additions - None at this time.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve the Fraud Prevention Plan and Grant Application in the amount of \$73,500 to include the counties of Mahnommen and Clearwater (Salminen, Bellefeuille), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to approve the Cooperative Agreement with John Heydt for process serving for the Child Support Unit at the rate of \$30.00 per Service and \$.50 per mile and \$20.00 per Attempted Service and \$.50 per mile (Salminen, Knutson), carried.
4. It was moved and seconded to approve the Minnesota Care (MCRE) Processing Contract at a reimbursement rate to the agency of \$30.00 per application with a contract amount of \$21,057.00 per year (Salminen, Knutson), carried.
5. It was moved and seconded to approve the renewal of the Lakes Homes and Program Development in the amount of \$52,599.00 (Salminen, Knutson), carried.
6. It was moved and seconded to approve the Human Service Claims with a clarification that the claims thought to be doubled were to transport multiple clients at different times (Salminen, Mulari), carried.
7. It was moved and seconded to approve the Community Health Reports (Salminen, Mulari), carried.
8. It was moved and seconded to approve the Community Health Claims (Salminen, Bellefeuille), carried.
9. It was moved and seconded to approve the Transit Claims (Salminen, Knutson), carried.
10. Sam Pierson the Financial Support Manager gave a brief update on her units, Financial Services and Child Support.

NRM

1. It was moved and seconded to designate the Mountain View Recreation area a non-motorized and non-hunting area (Salminen, Bellefeuille), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to advertise for tree seedlings for planting in the spring of 2008 and 2009 (Knutson, Salminen), carried.

Assessor/Environmental Services

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the following Abatements (Salminen, Mulari), carried.

PIN/Amount	Tax Dist.	Request for Abatement	Amount	Recommendation
R 02.0171.000	Audubon	Assessment error (2006)	\$ 260	
R02.0171.000	Audubon	Assessment error (2007)	\$ 258	
R02.0171.002	Audubon	Assessment error (2006)	\$(198)	
R02.0171.002	Audubon	Assessment error (2007)	\$(218)	Church building was assessed on the wrong parcel.
P20.9046.000	Maple Grove	Tribal Lease	\$ 2	This is a tribal lease and should not be assessed as a personal property tax.
P20.9059.000	Maple Grove	Tribal Lease	\$ 8	This is a tribal lease and should not be assessed as a personal property tax.

2. It was moved and seconded to accept the quote from Dan Schlauderaff for \$1,385 for a sludge containment box for the collection of runoff liquids coming from the transfer area (Salminen, Knutson), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to accept the quote from R A Bristlin for \$7,462 for building repairs and an added canopy to the Transfer building (Salminen, Knutson), carried.
4. The White Goods Processing Building will be brought back to Finance and presented to the Board of Commissioners at a later date.
5. It was moved and seconded to purchase a set of two-way radios up to \$960 and to purchase a filter cabinet up to \$500 for the Transfer Station (Salminen, Bellefeuille), carried.

Finance Committee Minutes

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Finance Claims (Salminen, Knutson), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to issue a \$25 change fund for the Tramway system (Bellefeuille, Salminen), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to replace the jail kitchen door at an estimated value of \$1,255 (Salminen, Mulari), carried.
4. It was moved and seconded to approve a change order to JP Structures in the amount of \$6,236 for fill replacement and \$1,245.75 to repair a damaged waterline during construction for the Transit Building (Salminen, Bellefeuille), carried.

5. It was moved and seconded to approve pending change orders up to \$8,000 for water and sewer connections on the Transit Building (Salminen, Knutson), carried.
6. It was moved and seconded to approve an additional request of \$720 for concrete forms and \$530.69 for the cutting of an IT dedicated power line at the Courthouse (Salminen, Nelson), carried.
7. It was moved and seconded to approve the State Plumbing Code changes up to the amount of \$20,000 (Salminen, Bellefeuille), carried.
8. It was moved and seconded to put the Swift Plant up for sale in the amount of \$500 plus fees (Mulari, Salminen), carried.

Highway

1. It was moved and seconded to approve an Agenda addition to set meeting with Township Officials, The City Street Department, Bob Beckerus and any Commissioners (Mulari, Salminen), carried.
2. Construction update – Grading should start this week on County Highway 56 and should take 3-4 weeks. Graveling will take place this fall. Overlays by Ponsford will be started in July. Highway 54 and Highway 10 are being regraded during the realignment project. The Highway 22 and Highway 24 projects will be completed this week.
3. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution DOH 06-07-1A, for the beaver control agreement renewal, rates are unchanged (Salminen, Knutson), carried.
4. It was moved and seconded to facilitate and attend a meeting for any Commissioner that wishes to partake with four Townships, The City Street Department, and The Highway Department to discuss increased traffic on multi jurisdiction township road. This will be a published meeting set for July 16, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. (Mulari, Salminen), carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

/s/ Brian C. Berg
Brian C. Berg
County Administrator

/s/ Barry Nelson
Barry Nelson
Board Chair