

REGULAR MEETING AS POSTED
BECKER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
DATE: Tuesday, December 18, 2007 at 8:15 a.m.
LOCATION: Board Room, Courthouse.

Agenda

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the agenda with three changes (1) add the Jail Payroll change request to Human Resources at 10:45 am, (2) add under Commissioners the Economic Development Agency outstanding Statement of Lien for mortgage #367790 and #368146 for the Becker County Housing & Redevelopment Authority, and (3) move #5 and #6 under Commissioners to Human Resources at 10:45 am (Knutson, Salminen), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve the Minutes of December 11, 2007 (Knutson, Salminen), carried.

Commissioners

1. Open Forum: No one wishing to speak.
2. Becker County Housing & Redevelopment Authority - It was moved and seconded to approve the Satisfaction of Liens for mortgage #367790 dated September 1, 1989 and mortgage #368146 dated September 19, 1989, with the indebtedness thereby secured fully paid and satisfied (Salminen, Mulari), carried.
3. Reports & Correspondence:
 - a) Commissioner Nelson Reports:
 - i) Attended the Holiday Train; supports the food pantry.
 - ii) Attended open house at the Library.
 - iii) Building update - the City of Detroit Lakes approved a conditional use permit for a 74 space parking lot.
 - b) Commissioner Knutson Reports:
 - i) Attended the Planning and Zoning meeting. Patty will be in with the recommendations.
 - ii) Attended the Natural Resource meeting. The committee is formulating a plan for the Mountain View property east of Detroit Lakes. The committee held discussion on the OHV Policy Committee, the spring planting of trees and the recreational cabin lease on tax forfeited property.
 - c) Commissioner Bellefeuille Reports:
 - i) Attended the Pelican River Watershed meeting. The committee met with the DNR to discuss flowering rush and guidelines for harvest and control.
 - d) Commissioner Salminen Reports:
 - i) Attended the SCHSAC (State Community Health Services Advisory Committee) meeting in St. Paul. Sanne Magnan is the new State Commissioner of Health. Commissioner Salminen felt she was a good addition to the Department of Health.
 - d) Commissioner Mulari Reports:
 - i) Attended the Economic Development Agency meeting. The six year terms were discussed. The term length is set by the Statute.
 - ii) Attended salary negotiations for elected Becker County officials.
 - iii) Attended the Board on Aging for our region. New membership was discussed.

- iv) Lakeland Mental Health placed an offer on a building.
4. It was moved and seconded to appoint Paul Joyce for the 1st District term on the Economic Development Agency Board which expires on December 31, 2007, (Knutson, Mulari), carried.
 5. It was moved and seconded to approve Resolution 12-07-2A for the 2008 Budgets, Expenditures by Fund \$49,723,746; Revenues by Fund \$43,417,306; Tax Levy by Fund \$16,506,780 and the Becker County Economic Development District special tax levy estimated to be \$175,633 (Salminen, Mulari), carried.
 6. The Recorder's Compliance Report will be rescheduled.

Sheriff

1. It was moved and seconded to approve Resolution 12-07-2G, Approving the 2008-2009 Snowmobile Safety Enforcement Grant for a reimbursement of \$4,425 in 2008 and \$4,425 in 2009 (Mulari, Salminen), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve Amendment Number Four to the Food Service Management Agreement between the County of Becker and A'viands, LLC for one year commencing January 1, 2008 and ending December 31, 2008 with the option to renew in one year increments with a 2 ½% increase (Salminen, Bellefeuille), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to approve the transfer of \$11,759 from the Sheriff Drug and Alcohol Contingency fund to the Sheriff Office to offset costs incurred by Narcotics Investigators via wages (Knutson, Salminen), carried.
4. It was moved and seconded to approve the transfer of \$4,315 from the Sheriff Office contingent fund for offsetting cost incurred via overtime in the Communication Center and to authorize the Auditor-Treasurer to carry the balance of \$5,000 into 2008 in the contingent fund (Mulari, Salminen), carried.

Highway

1. It was moved and seconded to approve Resolution 12-07-2H, 2008 Five Year Construction Improvement Plan 2008-2012 (Salminen, Knutson), carried.

Finance Committee Minutes

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Claims with the addition of the over 90 day approval of Larry Knutson for reimbursement and per diems (Knutson, Bellefeuille), carried.
2. It was recommended by the Finance Committee to approve the Historical Society Budget Request for \$80,000.
3. It was recommended by the Finance Committee to approve Resolution 12-07-2I establishing a 2008 fee structure at the Transfer Station.
4. It was moved and seconded to approve the Extension Service Agreement with Hubbard County to share the Extension Educator services for two days per week (Knutson, Mulari), carried.
5. It was moved and seconded to approve the request to establish a tolerance account for tax payments less than \$5 over and \$3 under (Salminen, Mulari), carried.
6. It was moved and seconded to approve the authorization for purchase of houses for the Parking Lot project by exercising the purchase option, fulfilling the purchase agreements and

granting authority to the Board Chair to sign on the County's behalf (Mulari, Salminen), carried.

Probation

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Becker County – Mahnomen County Probations Services Agreement for January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2009 (Salminen, Knutson), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve Resolution 12-07-2E for the replacement of a part-time Probation Secretary averaging 24 hours per week (Salminen, Bellefeuille), carried.

Natural Resource Management

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Limited Use Permit For Snowmobile Trail with the State of Minnesota Department of Transportation with the right of way of Trunk Highway No. 10 (Salminen, Mulari), carried.

Environmental Services

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the renewals for 2008 Becker County Hauler Licenses pending the filing of the proper paperwork by each hauler (Salminen, Knutson), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve Resolution 12-07-2I, Waste Commodity Prices at the Transfer Station for 2008 (Knutson, Mulari), carried.

State of the County/Commissioner Nelson

1. Commissioner Nelson gave the State of the County address highlighting the accomplishments, challenges, and new projects of the Becker County Team throughout the year. Commissioner Nelson issued a challenge to Becker County, the cities within Becker County, and all the citizens of Becker County to reduce our energy consumption by 10%.

Christmas Tea

1. The Commissioners hosted a Christmas Tea for all the employees and citizens of Becker County. The event was well attended.

Human Resources

1. It was moved and seconded to approve Resolution 12-07-2F, VEBA Plan & Trust contributions to the Active Employees Plan for 2008 (Salminen, Mulari), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve Resolution 12-07-2B, adjusting the County Commissioners compensation for 2008 (Salminen, Knutson), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to approve Resolution 12-07-2C, ratifying the salaries of the County Auditor/Treasurer, Sheriff and Recorder (Bellefeuille, Mulari), carried.
4. It was moved and seconded to approve the Jail Payroll schedule change to allow rotation of weekends off and still maintain 80 hours in the payroll period (Bellefeuille, Salminen), carried.

5. It was moved and seconded to close the meeting for Union Negotiations (Mulari, Knutson), carried.
6. It was moved and seconded to open the meeting (Knutson, Mulari), carried.
7. It was moved and seconded to ratify and accept the tentative agreement for the Teamsters Local 320 Sheriff Confidential unit, and to authorize the Board Chair to sign the final contract (Salminen, Mulari), carried.
8. It was moved and seconded to provide the same general increase for 2008 and 2009 as was just ratified to the non-union personnel and Department Heads and for the elected official in 2009 (Salminen, Mulari), carried.

Planning and Zoning

1. There were no additions to the agenda.
2. Planning Commission Recommendations, December 11, 2007: First Order of Old Business: Fair Hills Inc. It was moved and seconded to concur with Planning and Zoning to approve the conditional use permit to operate a restaurant that would serve both Wildflower Golf Course and the public, as it is consistent with the use of the property located in Lake Eunice Township (Bellefeuille, Mulari), carried.
3. First and Third Order of Business: Aletha Olson (C/O Sandy Olson Tuck). The request for a change of zone from agricultural to residential and approval of a Preliminary Plat (The Plantation) for 6 lots in Lake View Township was tabled.
4. Second Order of Business: Holly and Judith Bergstrom. The request for approval of a Certificate of Survey for 2 parcels in Holmesville Township was tabled.
5. Fourth Order of Business: Highway 10 Storage Condos. It was moved and seconded to concur with Planning and Zoning to approve the final plat of Highway 10 Storage Condos (Knutson, Mulari), carried.
6. Ordinance Amendments. Remove Nonconforming Deck Addition Provision. It was moved and seconded to concur with Planning and Zoning to eliminate the provision for nonconforming deck additions in Section 6 Subdivision 5, Additional Special Provisions (Knutson, Mulari), carried.
7. Ordinance Amendments. Accessory Structure Rear Yard Setback. It was moved and seconded to concur with Planning and Zoning to amend Section 6, Subdivision 3, Height Yard, Area and Lot Width and Depth Requirements requiring a 40-foot dwelling rear yard setback and a 20-foot accessory structure rear yard setback which will not supercede the setback for lake property (Knutson, Salminen), carried.

Human Services

1. It was moved and seconded to approved the agenda with the deletion of the Memorandum of Understanding with White Earth Tribe and the addition of the Community Health Claims (Mulari, Salminen), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to accept the Financial Services Reports (Salminen, Knutson), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to accept the Adult Services Report (Salminen, Mulari), carried.
4. It was moved and seconded to accept the Children Services Report (Mulari, Salminen), carried.

5. It was moved and seconded to approve the Human Services Claims (Salminen, Knutson), carried.
6. It was moved and seconded to approve the Community Health Claims (Knutson, Salminen), carried.
7. It was moved and seconded to accept the 2008 Public Transit Participation Grant Contract with a budget of \$304,000 (Mulari, Salminen), carried.
8. It was moved and seconded to accept the Transit Ridership Report (Mulari, Knutson), 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