

REGULAR MEETING AS POSTED
BECKER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
DATE: Tuesday, March 12, 2002 at 8:30 a.m.
LOCATION: Board Room, Courthouse

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All Present

Agenda

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Agendas as corrected (Seal, Murray), carried.
2. The Minutes of February 26, 2002 were approved as corrected on the Consent Agenda (Seal, Murray), carried.

EDA

1. It was moved and seconded to approve to change 5C of the Enabling Resolution of the Economic Development Authority for Becker County, Minnesota to read: "Before the commencement of the project by the EDA, the governing body of the municipality in which the project is to be located shall, by majority vote, approve the project recommended by the EDA Board."

Open Forum

Wally Fatland, Frazee, MN. discussed the taxes on his business in Frazee. The Chair stated that language will be looked at in the County's present Abatement Policy.

Sheriff

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Agenda with additions (Murray, Winter), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve the replacement of a Sheriff's squad car due to an accident and MCIT Insurance totaled the car (Murray, Johannsen), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 03-02-1D, approving the cooperative agreement and authorizing Sheriff Warren Rethwisch to execute such agreement and amendments as are necessary to implement the project on behalf of the Becker County Sheriff's Department (Murray, Seal), carried.
4. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 03-02-1E, authorizing the Board Chair and the Becker County Administrator to sign on behalf of the County for the Annual County Boat and Water Safety Grant in the amount of \$23,856. Terms of this agreement are from January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2001 (Murray, Seal), carried.
5. Sheriff Rethwisch gave an update on the feasibility of purchasing an existing building to solve some of the crowding issues in the existing Jail. This idea will be brought to the Jail Committee for discussion.
6. Sheriff Rethwisch gave an update on the Tribal Meeting. The County Attorney will review suggested changes. Citizens will be updated by advertising in the local papers.

Auditor

1. It was moved and seconded to approve a Gambling Permit for the Audubon Volunteer Fire Dept. for operations at Tri-Lakes Roadhouse in Cormorant Township (Murray, Seal), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve a Tubing License Renewal for 1-1-02 thru 12-31-02 for Roger Klemm, K & K Tubing, Erie Twp. (Johannsen, Seal), carried.

Finance

1. It was moved and seconded to concur with the Finance Committee to approve the requests from the EDA Office to 1) Purchase a computer for the Finance Person in the amount of \$1,811; 2) Purchase of Lindsey Software Upgrade for \$615; 3) Kim Bromling attending the Public Housing Occupancy Seminar in Minneapolis in the amount of \$680 (Murray, Seal), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve the Highway Department's request to use Reserve Funding in the amount of \$62,000 to purchase a Bi-Directional Tractor and a Used Backhoe (Murray, Winter), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to approve the Treasurer's request for a Computer in the amount of \$1,811 (Murray, Seal), carried.
4. It was moved and seconded to approve the Claims (Murray, Seal), carried.

Finance Officer

1. Al Roder, County Administrator, gave a presentation on the Finance Officer Position.

Highway

1. The Board congratulated Highway Employees on receiving the 2002 Work-Zone Safety Award for the excellent job they do for safety.
2. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. DOH03-02-25, authorizing the County Engineer to advertise for a Secretary/Receptionist position due to a resignation, not to exceed 32 hours (Murray, Seal), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. DOH03-02-22, authorizing the purchase of a Used JD SG Tractor Backhoe in the amount of \$38,090 (winter, Murray), carried.
4. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. DOH02-02-23, authorizing the purchase of a 50-Ton Lowboy Trailer from the State Bid at \$26,701, low bid from Trail-eze, after a trade in allowance of \$13,500 (Winter, Seal), carried. Murray voting nay.
5. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. DOH03-02-26, to authorize the County Engineer to Purchase by use of a 1-year lease with option to buy a (1) Bi-Directional Tractor Loader. John Okeson will research the best plan (Winter, Murray), carried. Johannsen, Engebretson voting nay.

NRM

1. It was moved and seconded to remove Resolution NRM 02-02-01 from the table; see, Board Minutes of February 26, 2002 (Murray, Winter), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to deny Resolution NRM 02-02-01, support for a change to MN Stat. 282.04 (Johannsen, Winter), carried. Engebretson voting nay.

Human Services

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Agenda as presented (Seal, Johannsen), carried.
2. The Transit Claims were approved on the Consent Agenda (Seal, Murray), carried.

3. It was moved and seconded to approve the following Purchase of Service Contracts (Seal, Murray), carried.

Adult Foster home with Delores Ladwid Children's Mental Health Services	Case Management with Meridian Services, Inc. Coordinator with Aging with Emmanuel Nursing
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4. Don Janes presented a Chemical Dependency Report.
5. It was moved and seconded to approve the Human Services Claims (Seal, Murray), carried.
6. It was moved and seconded to accept the Family Services, Adult Services and Probation Placement Reports (Johannsen, Murray), carried.

Environmental Services

1. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 03-02-1B, declaring May 13 to May 18, 2002 to be Amnesty Week at the Becker County Transfer Station, where citizens may bring the following residential items for no charge: 10 passenger car tires per household for the week (tires with rims count double); Major "white" appliances (stoves, microwave ovens, refrigerators, freezers, washers, dryers, dish washers, hot water heaters); 10 box springs and mattresses per household for the week (Seal, Murray), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 03-02-1C, declaring the following schedule of hours for the Becker County transfer Station: Monday - 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Tuesday - 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Wednesday - 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Thursday - 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Friday - 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Saturday - 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; Household Hazardous Waste Facility - Detroit Lakes; Tuesday - Noon to 6:30 p.m.; Transfer Station: Wednesday - 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Murray, Seal), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 02-02-2A, resolving to make this a Negative Declaration that Grand View estates does not have the potential for significant environmental effects and that the impacts from the project are reasonable and expected (Seal, Johannsen), carried.

Citizens for Lawful Government

Several members of the Citizens for Lawful Government presented their concerns to the Board about the Cooperative Law Enforcement Agreement. Ken Pearson, President and spokesperson for the group gave the presentation, with Leonard Roy, Jr. presenting his findings and opinions. The group will send a letter to the County with a request for information from the Cooperative Law Enforcement Agreement between the White Earth Band of Chippewa Indians and Becker County, Minnesota."

Commissioners

1. Reports & Correspondence:
 - a. NACo Conference, Commissioners Seal and Engebretson
2. Appointments:
 - a. It was moved and seconded to appoint Jon Thomsen to the West Central MN Housing Partnership Board (Murray, Winter), carried (Murray, Winter), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 03-02-1F, accepting the updates to the Becker County Fleet Policy (Winter, Murray), carried.

4. It was moved and seconded to approve the contract between Becker County, the Becker County Law Library and Bent Karlsen to employ Mr. Karlsen as an Independent Contractor to maintain the Law Library under the direction of the Law Library Board. The contract is from March 1, 2002 through February 28, 2003 (Murray, Seal), carried.
5. It was moved and seconded to approve any Commissioners attendance at the Forum on Indian Issues on April 11 & 12, 2002 (Winter, Seal), carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

/s/ Al Roder
Al Roder
County Administrator

/s/ Carolyn Engebretson
Carolyn Engebretson
Board Chair