

REGULAR MEETING AS POSTED

BECKER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DATE: Tuesday, September 13, 2005 at 8:15 a.m.

LOCATION: Board Room, Courthouse All Present

Agenda

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Agenda as presented (Bristlin, Nelson), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve the Minutes of August 23, 2005 as presented (Bristlin, Mulari), carried.

Commissioners

1. Open Forum:
  - (1) Clarence Suvanto thanked the Board for doing work on County Roads 40 and 39. He also asked about the name of the DL Airport and wondered why it wasn't named DL/Becker County Airport as the county shared in the costs of the airport.
  - (2) Leonard Heletemes talked about a recent City Council Meeting concerning questions about the airport. He hopes that remarks made don't keep the airport from getting a fair hearing. Commissioner Salminen said that minutes are taken airport meetings and placed in Commissioner's mail boxes.
2. Reports & Correspondence:
  - a. Highway Committee, Commissioner Knutson
  - b. Extension Committee, Commissioner Nelson
  - c. Annual Conference/New Ulm, Commissioner Salminen
  - d. Becker County Goal Review, Commissioner Salminen
  - e. Comprehensive Plan, Commissioner Salminen
  - f. Space Needs, Commissioner Salminen
  - g. Winter Trails Committee, Commissioner Mulari
3. Appointments:
  - a. It was moved and seconded to table making the DL Airport Committee appointments until the next Board Meeting (Sept. 27) (Knutson, Nelson), carried.
  - b. It was moved and seconded to appoint Commissioner Nelson to the White Earth Weed & Seed Steering Committee (Bristlin, Mulari), carried.
4. It was moved and seconded to approve any Commissioner's attendance at the AMC Annual Conference December 5-7, 2005 (Mulari, Knutson), carried.

## Auditor

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Agenda as amended (Bristlin, Knutson), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve a Gambling Permit for the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Minnesota Chapter, for operations at Curley's on Cotton Lake, License Renewal for Jan. 1, 2006 through Dec. 31, 2007 (Bristlin, Mulari), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to approve a Gambling Permit for the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Minnesota Chapter, for operations at Northern Inn, License Renewal for Jan. 1, 2006 through Dec. 31, 2007 (Knutson, Bristlin), carried.
4. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 09-05-1F, directing that a hearing take place on Tuesday, September 20, 2005 at the County Board Room, Becker County Court House (Knutson, Bristlin), carried. The motion was amended to set the time for the hearing at 8:30 a.m. (Nelson, Bristlin), carried.

## Finance

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Claims with an addition (Nelson, Bristlin), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve the Becker County Attorney's Office Lease with the Lincoln Professional Center for fixed rent for two years beginning January 1, 2006 and ending on December 31, 2007. A provision is included whereby we could terminate the lease upon 90-days notice with an effective date of any time after June 30, 2007 for the sum of \$26,700, payable in monthly installments of \$2,225 on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of each month beginning January 1, 2006 (Mulari, Nelson), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to approve the Parking Lot Lease with First Lutheran Church for two years beginning on October 1, 2005 and terminating on September 30, 2007 at 12:00 midnight calculated for the use and occupancy of 30-parking spaces for \$270 per month payable \$1,620 semi-annually on October 1, 2005 and March 1, 2006 and on each October 1 and March 1 thereafter, during the term of this lease (Mulari, Bristlin), carried.
4. The Cash Comparison and Investment Summary was reviewed.
5. The IRS made a mid-year increase to mileage reimbursement bringing it to \$.485/mile. The increase was announced on September 9, retro to September 1, 2005.
6. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 09-05-1C resolving that the proposed tax levy for 2006 is established as follows: Total Maximum Levy = \$14,268,181. This represents 3.90% as the maximum levy increase (Knutson, Mulari), carried.

7. It was moved and seconded to concur with the Environmental Committee's recommendation to decrease the solid waste fee for non-commercial parcels to \$0 (Knutson, Mulari), carried.
8. Sheriff Items later on Agenda.
9. IT Department requested Capital Purchases of 20-Computers, 2-Laptops, and 32-Monitors. 15-Human Services computers will be paid for out of the 2005 IT Budget (Bristlin, Nelson), carried.
10. Natural Resources Management. A \$4,000 check will be sent to start production of tracks for the trail groomer. Total cost of the tracks is \$12,225 and will be paid from the Snow Trails Budget.
11. It was moved and seconded to move forward to the final phase of the Human Services Parking Lot and recommend to advertise for bids (Bristlin, Mulari), carried.

#### EDA

1. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 09-05-1A approving a Housing & Redevelopment Authority Tax Levy in the amount of \$175,633. in the 2006 Budget for the purpose of funding housing and economic related activities of the Becker County Economic Development Authority (Mulari, Nelson), carried.

#### Sheriff

1. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 09-05-1E, to reclassify a part-time 32 hour dispatcher position to a full-time 40 hour dispatcher position in the County Sheriff's Department, and if filling of the full-time position results in a part-time vacancy to hire a permanent part-time 24 to 28 hour Dispatcher from the applicant pool list (Bristlin, Mulari), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to accept the bids for the Squad Car Purchase and award the bid to Phelps Ford (Perham), low bidder at the cost of \$22,577.50 each for (3) Units for a total of \$67,732.50 (Mulari, Nelson), carried.

#### Human Services

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Agenda as amended (Bristlin, Nelson), carried.
2. MFIP/CCSA Service Agreement. This was discussed as information only and will be brought back to the October 11, Board Meeting.

3. It was moved and seconded to approve to submit the Child Care Assistance Plan that covers the Basic Sliding Fee Child Care Grant and child care for our MFIP recipients (Mulari, Nelson), carried.
4. It was moved and seconded to approve the Waubun Mental Health Contract, a joint venture with the Waubun School, Mahnomen County Mental Health Collaborative, the Special Ed District and Becker County with our share being \$4,365—which is reimbursed by Medical Assistance (Bristlin, Mulari), carried.
5. It was moved and seconded to approve the following Purchase of Services Contracts (Mulari, Nelson), carried.

Smith Group Home (Home and Community Based Waiver Services)  
 Ghost Runner Errand Services (Non-Medical Services for Waiver Programs)  
 CK Home Health Care, Inc (Home Care)  
 Greenwood Connections (Home Care)  
 St. Mary's Regional Health Care (Home Care)

6. Don Janes, Supervisor, Becker County Children's Mental Health and Children's Disabilities gave an overview on Children's Mental Health.
7. It was moved and seconded to approve the Human Services Claims (Mulari, Knutson), carried.
8. It was moved and seconded to approve the Community Health Claims (Mulari, Knutson), carried.
9. It was moved and seconded to approve the Transit Claims as approved by the Committee (Bristlin, Mulari), carried.

#### West Center CEDS Report

Kim Embretson, Nancy Straw and Paul Sukke gave the 2004 Report and it was moved and seconded to approve the request for a Resolution of Support to approve the 2005 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for West Central Minnesota (Nelson, Bristlin), carried.

#### NRM

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Agenda as amended (Mulari, Bristlin), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve the Request for Bids—Tree Seedling Purchase for the Spring of 2006 (Knutson, Mulari), carried.

3. The U of M Study: Evaluating the Financial and Economic Impacts of Retention and Disposal Policies for County Tax-Forfeit Land in Northern Minnesota. No motion was made at this meeting but this will be addressed again at the next Board Meeting.
4. It was moved and seconded to authorize Chip Lohmeier to form a temporary committee to assist the department in the layout and design of the 70-mile ATV/OHM Trail Project recently awarded to Becker County and to authorize the List: Larry Knutson, Commissioner; Karen Mulari, Commissioner; Mark “Chip” Lohmeier, Land Commissioner; Tim Gordon, County Sheriff; Brad Grant, Soil & Water Conservation District; Martin Wiley/Kent Wolf, MN-DNR, Forestry; Ruth Bergquist, Resource Stewardship Assn. (Bristlin, Nelson), carried.
5. It was moved and seconded to approve a \$12,000. agreement between the State of Minnesota and Becker County for operation and maintenance of the Wolf Pack Trails for the 2005 Season; and a \$65,000. agreement between the State of Minnesota and Becker County for the operation and maintenance of the Winter Wonderland Snowmobile Trails for the 2005 Season (Bristlin, Knutson), carried.

Highway

It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 09-05-1B adding deficient bridges to the list of high priority bridges and Becker County intends to replace, rehabilitate, or remove these bridges as soon as possible when funds are available (Nelson, Bristlin), carried.

Brad Wentz, County Engineer, gave a construction update on county roads.

The meeting was recessed until 2:00 p.m. and re-convened at the Human Services Open House. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

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

/s/ Harry Salminen  
 Harry Salminen  
 Board Chair