

REGULAR MEETING AS POSTED
BECKER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
DATE: Tuesday, December 27, 2005 at 8:15 a.m.
LOCATION: Board Room, Courthouse All Present

Agenda

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Agenda with an addition: Set January 10, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. for a Goal Setting Session (Bristlin, Nelson), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve the Minutes of December 13, 2005 (Knutson, Bristlin), carried.

Commissioners

1. Open Forum:
Lester Ristinen discussed a recent court ruling and asked a question of the Board and County Administrator. Commissioner Nelson reminded him that Open Forum was for bringing information to the County Board not for decision making.
2. Reports & Correspondence:
Soil & Water Meeting, Commissioner Nelson
Sunnyside Care Center, Commissioner Nelson
Zoning Ordinance Review Committee, Commissioner Nelson
Sheriff's Committee Meeting, Commissioner Bristlin
Planning & Zoning, Commissioner Knutson
ATV Trails Committee, Commissioner's Knutson, Mulari
NRM Committee Meeting, Commissioner Salminen
3. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 12-05-2A, determining a schedule of meetings for 2006 attended by the County Board of Commissioners (Nelson, Mulari), carried.
4. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 12-05-2C, resolving that on January 01, 2006 the Becker County Board of Commissioners annual salary will be established at: \$19,979, and that the Chair of the Board be compensated at \$600 more than the above annual salary for a total of \$20, 579 on January 01, 2006. The per diem for meeting attendance, other than regular Commission Meetings will be \$50 (Bristlin, Mulari), carried.

Auditor

1. Bids for Publication: It was moved and seconded to award the Detroit Lakes Tribune (Sunday) as the legal publishing newspaper for 2006 (Bristlin, Mulari), carried.

2. Bids for Publication: It was moved and seconded to award for second publication of the Becker County Delinquent Tax List to the Frazee Forum (Mulari, Knutson), carried.
3. Commissioner Mulari asked for a change of wordage on the Local Equipment Plan, December 27, 2005, II, E. Each precinct in the county will utilize *a compatible* model and version of vote counting equipment and assistive voting technology equipment. It was moved and seconded to approve the amendments of the Local Equipment Plan from the State of Minnesota Optical Scan Voting Equipment Grant Application and Agreement and approval of the signatures of the Board Chair and County Auditor (Knutson, Mulari), carried.
4. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 12-05-2B, adding Wenzel & Associates, as Agent, ING, as product provider, and authorizes execution of such agreements and contracts as are necessary to expand the Deferred Compensation Program at no cost to Becker County (Mulari, Nelson), carried.

Finance

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Claims with the following qualifications (Mulari, Bristlin), carried.
 - Change payment to MCCC for Attorney software from \$1,250 to \$2,550 due to software maintenance cost change.
 - Claims in Excess of 90 days
 - a) Payment to Mesabi Academy for prisoner boarding, written explanation included (pg 23.)
2. Sheriff. It was moved and seconded to approve the Jail Food Service Contract with A'Viands, LLC starting January 01, 2006 through December 31, 2006, representing a 2.5% increase from \$2.70 to \$2.76 per meal (Knutson, Mulari), carried.
3. Sheriff. It was moved and seconded to approve the purchase of equipment for the dispatch remodeling project in the amount of \$29,263 from 9-1-1 funding (Bristlin, Mulari), carried.
4. Sheriff. It was moved and seconded to approve to utilize the Drug and Alcohol contingency for covering overtime attributed to investigations (Bristlin, Nelson), carried.
5. Sheriff. It was moved and seconded to approve to utilize \$3,067 of current balance to cover the cost of a part-time drug enforcement officer (Bristlin, Nelson), carried.
6. The Cash Comparison and Investment Summary were presented and discussed.

7. The Final Budget was discussed and it was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No.12-05-2D adopting and approving the following budgets (Knutson, Mulari), carried.

**RESOLUTION
BECKER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION NO. 12-05-2D**

WHEREAS, the Becker County Board of Commissioners has considered the services to be provided by Becker County in 2006 and the expenditures and revenues necessary; and

WHEREAS, the Becker County Board of Commissioners held a "Truth in Budgeting Hearing" on December 1, 2005 as required by law; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following budgets are hereby adopted and approved for Fiscal Year 2006; and

EXPENDITURES BY FUND	2006 Adopted
GENERAL	6,162,135
DESIGNATED	
RESERVES	2,738,450
PUBLIC SAFETY	5,763,390
HIGHWAY	11,612,922
RESOURCE	
DEVELOPMENT	103,200
HUMAN SERVICES	12,025,157
COMMUNITY HEALTH	877,494
PUBLIC TRANSIT	326,947
RECREATION	293,640
ENVIRONMENTAL	
AFFAIRE	1,662,816
DEBT SERVICES	462,840
DITCHES	300
FORFEITED LANDS	367,428
GRAVEL TAX	170,000
TOTAL	42,566,718

REVENUES BY FUND	2006 Proposed
GENERAL	6,162,134
DESIGNATED	
RESERVES	2,880,000
PUBLIC SAFETY	5,763,390
HIGHWAY	11,612,922

RESOURCE	
DEVELOPMENT	123,600
HUMAN SERVICES	12,025,157
COMMUNITY HEALTH	877,494
PUBLIC TRANSIT	331,000
RECREATION	316,400
ENVIRONMENTAL	
AFFAIRS	1,756,800
DEBT SERVICE	0
FORFEITED LANDS	273,400
DITCHES	0
GRAVEL TAX	170,000
TOTAL	<u>42,292,297</u>

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the following tax levy be certified to the County Auditor for collection for the Year 2006

Fund	Gross
GENERAL	1,804,562
TAX ABATEMENT	28,000
LIBRARY	191,914
PUBLIC SAFETY	2,963,177
JAIL	2,024,872
HIGHWAY	2,163,922
HUMAN SERVICES	5,091,734
HUMAN SERV	
SPEC	0
RECREATION	0
DEBT SERVICE	<u>0</u>
TOTAL	<u>14,268,181</u>

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the Becker County Economic Development District is hereby authorized to levy a tax in the maximum amount allowed by law, and that special tax levy be certified to the County Auditor for collection for the year 2006 is estimated to be \$175,633.

Duly adopted this 27th day of December 2005 at Detroit Lakes, Minnesota.,
COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BECKER COUNTY, MINNESOTA

ATTEST:

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

/s/ Harry Salminen
Harry Salminen
Board Chair

State of Minnesota)
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County of Becker)

I, the undersigned, being the duly appointed and qualified County Administrator for the County of Becker, State of Minnesota, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution passed, adopted and approved by the County Board of Commissioners of Becker County, assembled in regular session on the 27th day of December 2005 as recorded in the record of proceedings.

Brian C. Berg
County Administrator

- 8. Human Services. Recommend to approve a Personnel request.
- 9. Human Services. It was moved and seconded to approve a Capital Purchase Request for a Laptop Computer for Family Planning in the amount of \$1,394.82 (Bristlin, Mulari), carried.
- 10. Probation Office. Recommend to approve a Personnel request.
- 11. Insurance Report. The County Auditor made a presentation on the cost/benefit analysis of changing from full coverage to liability only on passenger vehicles and squads. It was determined that at this time not to drop any benefits.

Assessor

- 1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Abatement on the following Parcels: R02.0143.000, Audubon, \$518, Classification Error; R02.0104.000, Audubon, + \$46, Classification Error; and R02.0107.000, Audubon, + \$46, Classification Error (Bristlin, Knutson), carried.
- 2. It was moved and seconded to approve the following Abatements (Knutson, Mulari), carried.

Parcel No.	Tax District	Amount	Reason
M08.8619.000	Detroit	\$146 (deny)	Homestead
R09.0054.000	Eagle View	No deduction	Disaster Credit
M20.8130.000	Maple Grove	14 (deny)	Assessment Error

R49.0234.000	Detroit Lakes	484 (approve)	Assessment Error
R49.0235.000	Detroit Lakes	416 (approve)	Assessment Error

Sheriff

Sheriff Tim Gordon gave an update to the Board on the Becker County Jail System (Maximum and Minimum).

NRM

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the request for advertising for bids for Winter Shearing (Knutson, Mulari), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve the Base Stumpage Prices for 2006 as supplied by the NRM Office (Knutson, Bristlin), carried.

Mahube

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Long-Term Homeless People Living in Northwestern Minnesota Letter of Agreement to participate in “Support Service Funds for Long-Term Homeless People” from the Department of Human Services, in collaboration with a multi-county consortium consisting of Becker County, Beltrami County, Cass County, Hubbard County, Mahnommen County and Polk County (Mulari, Nelson), carried.

Human Services

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Agenda as amended by adding a. Training Contract and b. MSHO (Mulari, Bristlin), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve the Lakeland Mental Health Center Contract in the amount of \$227,115 to cover Outpatient Services for Becker County residents for 2006 (Bristlin, Nelson), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to move ahead with approving having Don Janes, Children’s Mental Health Supervisor do training for some Northwestern Counties on a pilot project they will be implementing for children’s mental health services. Contract terms would be \$100 per hour for a maximum of 48 hours of training and preparation (Bristlin, Mulari), carried.
4. It was moved and seconded to approve the Human Services Claims (Mulari, Bristlin), carried.

Community Health

5. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 10-05-2E to authorize to fill a full-time Community Health Nurse in the Human Service Department due to a vacancy, and to fill this position from the Merit System Pool (Mulari, Nelson), carried.
6. Minnesota Senior Health Options (MSHO) was discussed to update the County Board.
7. It was moved and seconded to approve the Community Health Claims (Knutson, Mulari), carried.

Transit

8. It was moved and seconded to approve the Transit Claims (Mulari, Knutson), carried.

Human Resources

1. Environmental Services Director Request. It was moved and seconded to carry-over 103 hours of vacation for Dean Haverkamp of the Transfer Station (Nelson, Knutson), carried.

Probation

1. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 12-05-2E, converting a full-time Secretary position to two (2) part-time Secretary positions in the Probation Office due to a vacancy (Knutson, Bristlin), carried.

Other Business

1. Brian C. Berg, County Administrator gave an update of the Courthouse Remodeling. He will meet with Lightowler Johnson & Assoc. this Friday to review the plans.
2. It was the Consensus of the Board to meet to review the County Goals on January 10, 2006 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Human Services Conference Room.

Planning & Zoning

1. Planning Commission (PC) recommendations of December 20, 2005:
 - 1) FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS: Jason Sjostrom. The denial stands.
 - 2) SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS: Bruce Walla. Tabled.
 - 3) THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS: Craig Lindstrom, Forest Twp. It was moved and seconded to concur with the findings and recommendations of the PC to deny a two-story garage that would exceed 18 ½ ft. in height (proposed garage would be 25 ft. high on the lakeside and 14 ft. on the roadside) based on the fact that the application is not in compliance with the Zoning Ordinance (Knutson, Nelson), carried.

- 4) **FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS:** Gary & Carolyn Heitkamp, Erie Twp. It was moved and seconded to concur with the findings and recommendations of the PC to approve a commercial storage unit, 72 ft. by 96 ft. in size, based on the fact that it would be compatible with the surrounding area and would not be detrimental to the surrounding area, with the stipulation that the entrance to the storage facility is worked out with the County Highway Engineer (Knutson, Mulari), carried.
 - 5) **FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS:** Steven Pachel, Carsonville Twp. It was moved and seconded to concur with the PC findings and recommendations to approve a conditional use permit to allow a commercial operation consisting of a cabinetry business and commercial storage based on the fact that it would not be detrimental to the surrounding area (Knutson, Nelson), carried.
 - 6) **SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS:** J Dennis Nelson, Cormorant Twp. It was moved and seconded to concur with the PC findings and recommendations to approve a change of zone from agricultural to residential and approve the certificate of survey allowing two tracts of land, 2.18 acres in size and 2.34 acres in size based on the fact that the request is compatible with the surrounding area (Bristlin, Mulari), carried.
 - 7) **SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS:** James Runger, Lake Eunice Twp. It was moved and seconded to not concur with the PC to deny; but to motion to approve the request for a conditional use permit as the Board felt it was compatible with the surrounding area and did not hamper any neighbors view (Bristlin, Mulari), carried. Knutson and Salminen voting nay.
 - 8) **EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS:** Verizon Wireless c/o Buell Consulting, Richwood Twp. Tabled.
 - 9) **NINTH ORDER OF BUSINESS:** Verizon Wireless c/o Buell Consulting, Callaway Twp. Tabled.
 - 10) **TENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS:** Verizon Wireless c/o Buell Consulting, Shell Lake Twp. Tabled.
 - 11) **ELEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS:** Verizon Wireless c/o Buell Consulting, Audubon Twp. Tabled.
 - 12) **TWELVTH ORDER OF BUSINESS:** Final Plat of Chateau Ridge, Gary & Cheryl Kittleson, Developers. It was moved and seconded to approve the Final Plat of Chateau Ridge (Mulari, Nelson), carried.
 - 13) The next meeting will be March 21, 2006, as there are no meetings in January or February.
2. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. PZ 12-05-2B, resolving that the Board of Commissioners make this a Negative Declaration, based on stipulations listed in the Resolution, that Bambi's Resort, CIC Conversion, Toad Lake Twp. , Sec. 3, with EAW Committee stipulations does not have the potential for significant environmental effects and that the impacts from the project are reasonable and expected (Bristlin, Mulari). It was moved and seconded to amend the motion to read: If the developers want more than (6) or (7) lots or changes to the resolution, an EIS would have to be done (Bristlin, Mulari), carried. The amended motion was carried.
 3. It was moved and seconded to approve the Final Plat of Sweeney's Corner, Detroit Twp. (Bristlin, Knutson), carried.

The State of the County was given by Becker County Board Chair, Harry Salminen.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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

/s/ Harry Salminen
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Board Chair