

REGULAR MEETING AS POSTED

BECKER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DATE: Tuesday, January 24, 2006 at 8:15 a.m.

LOCATION: Board Room, Courthouse All Present

Agenda

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Agenda (Salminen, Knutson), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve the Minutes of January 10, 2006 (Bristlin, Nelson), carried.

Commissioners

1. Open Forum

Clarence Suvanto congratulated Karen Mulari on being the new Board Chair. He asked what has happened on the ATV Trail Meetings. Karen will give a report later on the agenda.

2. Reports & Correspondence:

- a. EDA Meeting, Commissioner Salminen: Met the new employee Guy Fisher.
- b. ATV Committee Update, Commissioner Mulari: ATV Committee feels best location for the trail is in Round Lake Twp.
- c. DAC Meeting, Commissioner Mulari: Looking at putting on an addition to their building.
- d. Annual Lakeland Mental Health Meeting on February 27, at 11:00 a.m. at the Big Wood Event Center, Fergus Falls, MN, Commissioner Mulari
- e. Sunnyside Care Center Board Meeting, Commissioner Bristlin: Audit Report went well.
- f. Fair Board Meeting, Commissioner Knutson: They want to do a survey of the economic impact of the Fair in Becker County.
- g. Lake Agassiz Regional Library Meeting, Commissioner Nelson: The appropriation for 2006 was discussed.
- h. Highway Costs Up, Commissioner Nelson

3. Appointments:

- a. It was moved and seconded to re-appoint the following individuals to the Sunnyside Care Center Board (Nelson, Bristlin), carried.
Janet Ashmore
Lucille Lorsung
Brad Grant
- b. It was moved and seconded to re-appoint Ray Thorkildson to the Planning & Zoning Committee (Knutson, Salminen), carried.

- c. It was moved and seconded to re-appoint Don Skarie to the Planning & Zoning Committee (Bristlin, Nelson), carried.
 - d. It was moved and seconded to re-appoint Jim Bruflo to the Planning & Zoning Committee and the Board of Adjustments (Salminen, Bristlin), carried.
4. It was moved to table approval of the Becker County Commissioners Committee List for 2006 until the next board meeting (Knutson). Commissioner Knutson withdrew the motion.
 5. It was moved and seconded to approve the Becker County Commissioners Committee List for 2006, with the option that the County Commissioners could switch assignments and bring this back to the next board meeting if there are any changes (Salminen, Knutson), carried.

Assessor

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the addition of the Legal Code of Ethics for Licensed Minnesota Assessors to the Agenda (Salminen, Bristlin), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to adopt the Code of Conduct and Ethics for Licensed Minnesota Assessors for Becker County (Salminen, Nelson), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to approve the following Abatements (Salminen, Bristlin), carried.

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| M20.8131.000 | Maple Grove | \$ 14 | Personal Prop Assmt |
| R 52.0108.000 | Ogema | 1,654 | Disaster/Fire |

Auditor

1. It was moved and seconded to approve a Gambling Permit to the Height of Land Sportsmen's Club for operations at the Height of Land Sportsman's Club in Height of Land Twp. (Salminen, Knutson), carried.

Finance

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Claims (Salminen, Bristlin), carried.
2. Highway Capital Requests: Computer purchases were deferred until the second quarter bulk computer purchase; recommended to approve the camera system for the striper truck.
3. Central Services Personnel Request was recommended to continue the process.

4. Transit/Human Services request to purchase a Transit Bus was recommended to approve.
5. Environmental Services request to purchase Express Lane Dump Boxes. It was moved and seconded to approve this request to purchase six “express lane boxes” from Attachment International for \$2,250 each for a total of \$13,500 (Bristlin, Knutson), carried.
6. Environmental Services request to purchase a D7 Caterpillar unit was recommended. It was moved and seconded to approve the purchase of a “solid waste” equipped D7 CAT or equivalent. Dan Holm is authorized to purchase up to the amount of \$100,000; and if goes over this amount, to refer back to his committee and the Finance Committee (Bristlin, Knutson), carried.
7. Keith is going to analysis the MCIT Insurance coverage process and make a recommendation as to how to ensure all capital assets are covered.
8. It was moved and seconded to authorize the Finance Committee review, select and contract with an auditing firm to conduct the 2005-2008 Becker County Audit and authorize the Board Chair and County Auditor to sign the agreement (Bristlin, Knutson), carried.

NRM

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the bid for the Winter Shearing Project from Dennis & Girtz at \$144 per acre (Salminen, Bristlin), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 01-06-2A, Public Oral Auction Dates for the Sale of Timber Stumpage from Tax-Forfeited Lands: Friday, February 24; Friday, July 21; and Friday, October 20 (Salminen, Knutson), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 01-06-2B, approving the Amendment No.001 for CFMS Grant No’s A80148 and A80150 to Snowmobile Grants for Winter Wonderland and Wolf Pack Snowmobile Trails to increase the amount of the grants by 20% (Knutson, Bristlin), carried.

Human Resources

1. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution 01-06-2H to approve a Temporary Emergency Personnel Request to hire Blane O’Callaghan as the emergency full-time Maintenance Supervisor due to a leave of absence (Bristlin, Salminen), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to ratify the Human Services Supervisors Contract (Salminen, Nelson), carried.

Human Services

1. At their Annual Meeting, our Shared Care Dakota Medical Foundation: Becker County, Dakota and Merit Care Clinics, St. Mary's Hospital and Lakeland Mental Health received the Star Award. A four minute program was presented to the County Board to explain the project and the Board Chair congratulated the group.
2. It was moved and seconded to accept the Public Assistance Applications (Salminen, Nelson), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to approve the Human Services Claims (Salminen, Bristlin), carried.
4. It was moved and seconded to approve the Community Health Claims (Salminen, Nelson), carried.
5. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 01-06-2J, authorizing the purchase of a new transit bus from Grande American Bus Sales in the approximate amount of \$53,000 (Salminen Bristlin), carried.
6. It was moved and seconded to approve the Transit Claims (Salminen, Knutson), carried.
7. A Transit Building Update was given by Matt Casey.

US Fish & Wildlife Service

It was moved and seconded to approve an easement for waterfowl management rights from Joseph E. Erickson, a single person, of Pelican Rapids, Minnesota. Land is located in Cormorant Twp. (Bristlin, Salminen), carried.

Highway

1. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 01-06-2D, authorizing the County Engineer to purchase a camera system for the striper truck in the amount of \$2,500 (Bristlin, Knutson), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 01-06-2E, to identify the responsibilities of the US Fish & Wildlife Service and the County for the establishment and management of a County mitigation land bank located adjacent to the Helliksen Prairie WPA. This agreement is established for the administration of the mitigation bank, to meet the County's responsibilities under 50 CFR 26.41 c, dealing with minor expansions to existing rights of way (Salminen, Bristlin), carried.

3. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 01-06-2F, authorizing the County Engineer to enter into a joint powers agreement with the Soil & Water Conservation Service to apply for a \$5,000 grant for beaver control (Salminen, Nelson), carried.
4. Brad Wentz, County Engineer, gave an update on County Road 143 & 124.
5. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 01-06-2G, resolving that Becker County does agree to the terms and conditions of the grant consistent with MN Stat., Sec. 174.52, Subdivision 5, and will pay additional amount by which the cost exceeds the estimate and will return to the Minnesota State Transportation Fund any amount appropriated for the road project, but not required (Knutson, Bristlin), carried.

Environmental Services

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the following 2006 Solid Waste Hauling Licenses:

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| Jon and Sons Disposal | Aune Sanitation |
| Minnkota Recycling | Ballard Sanitation |
| Hough Inc. | Metro Disposal |
| Waste Management | |

And to include White Earth Sanitation and Fuchs Sanitation in the approval when the proper documentation is received (Bristlin, Knutson), carried.

Planning & Zoning

Patty Johnson, Administrator, Planning & Zoning, gave an activity report for 2005, including Zoning & Site Permit Application’s Year-End Report; EAW/EIS Committee Report, Zoning & Subdivision Ordinance Advisory Committee Report and Legal Case Report.

The meeting was recessed until 1:30 p.m., to be re-convened at the Human Services Conference Room.

Goal Review and Revision Session

1. Commissioner Bristlin was absent from this session. It was attended by Commissioners: Mulari, Nelson, Salminen and Knutson, and County Department Heads.
2. Discussion was held concerning Goal review and revision for Becker County. There were no motions offered and no votes taken.
3. There was a strong consensus the Goals for 2006 were on track.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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

/s/ Karen Mulari
Karen Mulari
Board Chair