

REGULAR MEETING AS POSTED
BECKER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
DATE: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 at 8:15 a.m.
LOCATION: Board Room, Courthouse.

Agenda

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the agenda (Salminen, Nelson), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve the Minutes of February 12, 2008 (Nelson, Salminen), carried.

Commissioners

1. Open Forum: Gary Larsen spoke reference questions regarding the new ordinance change coming for agricultural lots below 20 acres and junk yards within shoreline impact districts.
2. Open Forum: Ray Vlasik and Matthew Davis (North Country Trail Association) spoke reference Certification of approval for the North Country National Scenic Trail on public land. Six miles of the trail will be completed this year. By consensus, the Commissioners authorized Mark Lohmeier, Parks and Recreation Administrator, approval to sign the Certification on behalf of Becker County. The Commissioners requested the Association submit their request for support in 2009 to Park and Recreation Committee.
3. Reports & Correspondence:
 - a) Commissioner Mulari Reports:
 - i) Attended Lakeland Mental Health annual meeting in Fergus Falls. Their financial picture is good. They are funded primarily with fees from insurance, MA, some private pay and some grants but no one is refused service based on their ability to pay. Teleconference is currently in operation for providers and clients with good acceptance of the new method for communication.
 - ii) The Mahube audit has been completed, also acceptable.
 - iii) The Land of the Dancing Sky has five counties south of our region that want to join. The Board of Aging is reviewing the request. There are already 21 counties in our region.
 - b) Commissioner Nelson Reports:
 - i) Building Committee update – construction is in progress for the main entrance to the building. The entrance is required for occupancy by the end of May. The bid for Phase II will be discussed in Finance. The Berean Baptist Church house was moved yesterday and demolition will begin soon. The bid for the asbestos removal is \$12,000 for both homes. It will cost \$20 – \$21,000 for demo and fill in for both homes.
 - ii) Attended Lakeland Mental Health meeting with Commissioner Mulari.
 - c) Commissioner Knutson Reports:
 - i) Attended the Fair Board meeting. The Fair Board will no longer have a 4-H Auction. Instead they will have a Youth Auction. They are changing the Auction format because the State is requesting 20% of the proceeds from the 4-H youths who auction their animals at the 4-H Auction and the Fair Board would like the 4-H youths to keep all the proceeds themselves.

- ii) The Timber Auction was held last week. Prices were good.
- d) Commissioner Salminen Reports:
 - i) Attended the Building Committee meeting with Commissioner Nelson.
 - ii) Attended the State Community Health Services Advisory Committee (SCHSAC) in St. Paul. The State is investigating new ways for doctors to teleconference with patients to answer questions regarding health issues.
- e) Commissioner Bellefeuille Reports:
 - i) Attended the Historical Society meeting. They are nearing the end of their feasibility study. They hired a new manager, Carrie Johnston, for 20 hours per week. The Historical Society is looking into obtaining blocks from the Berean Baptist Church to use around their building for planters.
 - ii) Attended a Pelican River Watershed meeting. They plan to present to the Board of Commissioners with a completed Sally/Mellissa, Floyd Lake sewer and water supply study.
- 4. It was moved and seconded to approve the appointment of Phil Majerus to the Becker County Planning Commission representing District 4 for a three year term (Salminen, Mulari), carried.
- 5. It was moved and seconded to approve Resolution 02-08-2I, Court House Construction, Phase II Bid Review awarding the contract to the lowest bidder, Bob Bristlin & Son in the amount of \$1,473,000 plus Alt. 2 for \$11,186 (Nelson, Bellefeuille), carried.
- 6. It was moved and seconded to approve the authorization of the Building Committee to approve change orders up to \$10,000 on the Phase II project (Nelson, Knutson), carried.
- 7. The Furniture Bid Request will be advertised in the Detroit Lakes Papers on Sundays, March 2 & 9, 2008. The bids will be opened on March 20, 2008.

Auditor-Treasurer

- 1. It was moved and seconded to approve Resolution 02-08-2E, Gambling Permit for Cormorant Lions Club on May 10, 2008 at the Cormorant Community Center (Nelson, Salminen), carried.
- 2. It was moved and seconded to approve Resolution 02-08-2F, Gambling Permit for Cormorant Lions Club on September 26, 2008 at the Cormorant Community Center (Nelson, Bellefeuille), carried.
- 3. It was moved and seconded to approve Resolution 02-08-2H, Gambling Permit for the Frazee Lions Club Annual Lease for Lawful Gambling at Curley's on Cotton Lake (Salminen, Nelson), carried.

Finance Committee Minutes

- 1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Claims with the addition of one over 90 day claim, Midwestern Mat Rental and Supply (Salminen, Nelson), carried.
- 2. It was moved and seconded to approve the purchase of shelving up to an amount of \$2,220 plus tax for the Household Hazardous Waste Building (Salminen, Mulari), carried.
- 3. It was moved and seconded to approve the Highway cell phone package update request for two cell phones (800 minute plus data), two cell phones (government plan), and one cell phone (government plan for engineering aide) (Salminen, Bellefeuille), carried.

4. It was moved and seconded to approve renewal of the MCCC Joint Powers Agreement (Salminen, Nelson), carried.
5. It was recommended by the Finance Committee to continue the process by the Human Resource Department to hire temporary assistance due to a vacancy.
6. It was moved and seconded to approve the low bid for the demolition of the buildings at 1016 & 1029 Lake Avenue by Feldt Plumbing in the amount of \$20,920 and the low bid for the asbestos abatement from EBN Contractors in the amount of \$12,350 (Salminen, Nelson), carried.

Assessor

1. It was moved and seconded to approve (1) the Abatement for PIN 49.2524.226, Detroit Lakes in the amount of \$528 and PIN 49.1093.000, Detroit Lakes in the amount of \$(158) for a homestead change total amount of \$370 (Salminen, Nelson), carried.

Emergency Management

1. It was moved and seconded to approve Resolution 02-08-2A, Becker County All Hazard Mitigation Plan (Bellefeuille, Salminen), carried.

Recorder

1. It was approved by consensus of the Commissioners to digitize the Recorder's books in the basement from 1872 – 1918 by the Latter Day Saints of Utah for free and they will retain a copy for their use in Utah. The Latter Day Saints will come to Becker County and copy the books without taking them apart and Becker County will receive a copy. The Minnesota Historical Society will also receive a copy. The County Attorney has reviewed the process and given his approval.

Human Resources

1. It was moved and seconded to approve Resolution 02-08-2G, Personnel Request to hire an emergency temporary part-time HR assistant due to a vacancy (Salminen, Nelson), carried.

Human Services

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Contract – Neighbor to Neighbor (Salminen, Mulari), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve the Contract Amendment – LSS of Frazee (DBA Frazee Care Center) (Salminen, Mulari), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to accept the Adult Services Report (Salminen, Nelson), carried.
4. It was moved and seconded to accept the Financial Assistance Reports (Mulari, Salminen), carried.
5. It was moved and seconded to approve the Human Services Claims (Salminen, Nelson), carried.
6. It was moved and seconded to approve the Community Health Claims (Salminen, Bellefeuille), carried.

7. It was moved and seconded to approve the Transit Claims (Mulari, Salminen), carried.
8. Information was shared regarding the Emergency Planning meeting. There is a need for education of the staff as to what would be expected of them in an Emergency.

U.S. Fish and Wild Life

1. It was moved and seconded to approve Certification of the Purchase of 76.63 acres from Clayton and Joann Schott by the Fish and Wildlife Service (Nelson, Bellefeuille), failed.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve Certification of the Purchase of 76.63 acres from Clayton and Joann Schott by the Fish and Wildlife Service with the request by the Board to have Fish and Wild Life send a letter of notification to the City of Detroit Lakes (Larry Remmen, Larry Buboltz and Bob Louiseau) allowing the City their input into the sale (Salminen, Mulari), carried.
3. Don Kleven requested input on old business reference a Land Exchange. The Commissioners requested Mr. Kleven take the matter to the Highway Department Committee again for their action.

Highway

1. It was moved and seconded to approve amended Resolution 02-08-2B to purchase “one new tandem truck” in the amount of \$83,000 (Bellefeuille, Salminen), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve Resolution 02-08-2C, changes to the Highway Department Drug and Alcohol Policy Update (Mulari, Salminen), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to approve Resolution 02-08-2D Final Acceptance for Project SAP 03-637-17; SP 03-596-01; SP 03-743-01 in the amount of \$59,687.14 (Salminen, Nelson), carried.
4. Discussion was held on the Transportation Funding Bill which passed the State Legislature and projected implications for Becker County.

Planning and Zoning

1. There were no additions to the agenda.
2. Planning Commission Recommendations, February 19, 2008: First Order of Business: Steven Anderson and James Schaefer, PID 02.0159.005, Audubon Township. It was moved and seconded to concur with Planning and Zoning to rescind the change of zone, as recorded in Document Number 550253, reverting the zone of this parcel to commercial (Bellefeuille, Salminen), carried.
3. Second Order of Business: Daniel Thompson and David Thompson, PID 16.0192.000, Rock Lake. The request for a conditional use permit to construct a second dwelling on the property and maintain the existing dwelling as a guest cottage was tabled by the applicant prior to the Board meeting.
4. Third Order of Business: Bryon Nolan, PID 10.0236.001, Erie Township. It was moved and seconded to concur with Planning and Zoning to approve a change of zone from agricultural to residential for the five-acre tract based on the fact that the residential zone is compatible with the current residential use of the surrounding area (Salminen, Mulari), carried.
5. Fourth Order of Business: Gary and Lynette Dahl, PID 18.0105.000, Lake Park Township. It was moved and seconded to concur with Planning and Zoning to approve a conditional use

permit to allow five horses on the property without an active farming operation based on the fact that there is an adequate plan for feeding of the animals and manure removal and the use would not be detrimental to the surrounding area (Nelson, Bellefeuille), carried.

6. Fifth Order of Business: Ronald Lass, PID 06.0962.000. The request for a conditional use permit to replace existing retaining walls with new timber retaining walls and native plantings and construct/provide a safe walkway using existing cuts to the hillside to provide access to the lake for the property was tabled by the applicant prior to the Board meeting.
7. Sixth Order of Business: The next information meeting will be held on Friday, March 14 at 8:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Board Room in the Court House. The meeting will be published for the public to attend.
8. It was moved and seconded to approve all Commissioners to attend a published information meeting of Planning and Zoning to be held on Friday, March 14 at 8:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Board Room in the Court House (Nelson, Mulari), carried.
9. It was moved and seconded to refund the fee of \$308 for the Conditional Use Permit for the Lindemans (Salminen, Mulari), carried.
10. Discussion was held on the proposed fee for the Mitigation Compliance Site Evaluations. Consensus of the Commissioners was to wait and consider all options before making a final decision.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

/s/ Brian C. Berg
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County Administrator

/s/ Larry Knutson
Larry Knutson
Board Chair