

REGULAR MEETING AS POSTED  
BECKER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
DATE: Tuesday, January 12, 2010 at 8:15 a.m.  
LOCATION: Board Room, Courthouse

Agenda

1. Meeting presided over by Chair Bellefeuille. Commissioners in attendance, also Administrator, Brian C. Berg and Minute Taker, Kathy Fingalson.
2. Sheriff Gordon gave an update to the Board on the Settlement Hearing in Duluth yesterday.
3. It was moved and seconded to approve the Agenda with the addition of the Recreational Plan Update (Knutson, Schram), carried.
4. It was moved and seconded to approve the Minutes of December 22, 2009 (Schram, Nelson), carried.
5. It was moved and seconded to approve the Minutes of January 5, 2010 (Knutson, Schram), carried.

Commissioners

1. Open Forum:
  - a) Willis Mattison, representing Becker County Citizens for Responsible Recreation, expressed his concern for the use of our forests in Becker County in regards to the current Recreational Plan process.

Commissioners

1. Reports & Correspondence:
  - a) Commissioner Schram Reports:
    - i) Attended the Sunnyside Care Center meeting with Commissioner Nelson; discussed the census, overtime, occupancy level, and audit concerns.
    - ii) Attended the Historical Society meeting; discussed the Christmas event participation; appointment of officers, and welcomed new members.
  - b) Commissioner Nelson Reports:
    - i) Attended the Highway and Environmental meeting; discussed the possible facility to the east and construction costs for a new building at the location.
    - ii) Attended the Lake Agassiz Regional Library meeting.
    - iii) Attended the Sunnyside Care Center meeting with Commissioner Schram.
  - c) Commissioner Knutson Reports:
    - i) Attended the Highway and Environmental meeting; both will be in today regarding the meeting. Environmental met with State Representative Paul Marquart to discuss opportunities for the new Transfer Station.
  - d) Commissioner Bellefeuille Reports:
    - i) Attended the City, County, School, Chamber meeting this morning; the City of Detroit Lakes wants to be involved in the Detroit Mountain process and there is concern about availability of funds for the Heartland Trail Project and the lack of a Master Plan.
  - e) Commissioner Salminen Reports:
    - i) Nothing to report.
2. Appointments:
  - a) It was moved and seconded to approve the 2010 Commissioner Committee Assignments (Nelson, Knutson), carried.

Auditor-Treasurer, Mary Hendrickson presented.

1. There were no licenses or permits.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve Resolution 01-10-1A designating the Detroit Lakes Tribune published on Wednesday as the official county newspaper for 2010 in which the notice and list of real estate taxes remaining delinquent on the first Monday of January 2010 shall be published; the proceedings and other notices of the County Board be published; and the first publication of the financial statement be published and the Frazee Forum is designated as the newspaper which the second publication of the financial statement will be published (Nelson, Schram), carried.

Finance Committee Minutes, Brian Berg presented

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Claims from December 29, 2009 with the addition of five over 90 days claims; Sherry Walz for \$412.94 due to size of claims, Swanson Repair for \$73.06 due to misplaced invoice, Lakeland Mental Health for \$401.00 due to method of reimbursement; Huntington Promotion for \$820.19 due to misplaced invoice; and DM Propane for \$24.69 due to misplaced invoice (Knutson, Nelson), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve the Claims from January 8, 2010 with the addition of one over 90 days claim; Harry Salminen for \$296.20, and the Auditor's Warrants for 12/22/09 in the amount of \$222,282.02; 12/29/09 in the amount of \$1,484.63; 12/30/09 in the amount of \$564.00; and 1/05/10 in the amount of \$40,320.87 (Nelson, Salminen), carried.
3. The Human Services claims were reviewed and it was recommended to approve as presented.
4. It was moved and seconded to approve the Maintenance request to accept the low quote of \$1,195 from Marks Electric for baseboard heaters in the upper floor of the Human Services building (Nelson, Salminen), carried.
5. It was moved and seconded to approve the Maintenance request to accept the low quote for the new addition of \$1,390 from Manning Mechanical for new plumbing for the current water softener and to accept the low quote for the original courthouse of \$2,448 from Culligan in Fargo, North Dakota for a water softener and the low quote of \$2,336 from Manning Mechanical for installation (Nelson, Salminen), carried.
6. It was recommended by the Finance Committee to approve the Natural Resource Management's request to accept the bid for 2011 seedling production from PRT Dryden.
7. It was recommended by the Finance Committee to approve Highway's request to approve the final payment for SAP 03-612-04 & 03-631-09, Resolution 01-10-1C; to approve the transfer of municipal funds to regular funds, Resolution 01-10-1D; to authorize highway construction bids to be advertised, Resolution 01-10-1E; and to authorize the County Engineer to solicit bids for roadside mowing and gravel road maintenance, Resolutions 01-10-1F & 01-10-1G.
8. It was recommended by the Finance Committee to approve Human Services' request to purchase two vehicles off the State Bid Listing.
9. It was recommended by the Finance Committee approve Environmental's request to continue the process for the incinerator project.
10. It was recommended by the Finance Committee to Auditor-Treasurer's request to approve Resolution 01-10-1A for the local newspaper bids.

Natural Resource Management, Mark Lohmeier presented

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the removal from the agenda of Setting Public Oral Auction Dates for Timber Sales, Resolution 01-10-1B (Nelson, Schram), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve the low bid from PRT Dryden for 60,000 Red Pine; 50,000 Jack Pine; and 50,000 White Spruce for a total of \$21,365.00 for tree seedling production for 2011 (Salminen, Knutson), carried.

3. It was moved and seconded to approve signing the State Trail Permit for Wolf Pack Snowmobile Trails as the local sponsor (Knutson, Salminen), carried.

Union Negotiations, Nancy Grabanski presented

1. It was moved and seconded to close the session for Union Negotiations (Salminen, Knutson), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to open the session concluding the Union Negotiations (Nelson, Salminen), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to accept and ratify the tentative agreements with the Teamster Local 320 Human Service Unit, Courthouse Unit, Dispatch/Jailer Unit and the Confidential Unit and to authorize the Board Chair to sign all contracts (Nelson, Salminen), carried.
4. It was moved and seconded to approve a 1% general increase for the 2010 year to all non-union personnel and for the County Sheriff, County Auditor-Treasurer and County Recorder (Salminen, Schram), carried.

Resource Stewardship Association, Ruth Bergquist presented

1. Ruth Bergquist of the Resource Stewardship Association presented information to the Board on the County's policy on cutting White pine and clear cutting Norway pine with a request for corrective action to not allow the removal of either tree in timber contracts and to follow the State's recommendations for preservation.

Human Services, Nancy Nelson presented

1. It was moved and seconded to add to the agenda Resolution 01-10-1I Grant application to West Central Initiative, Resolution 01-10-1H to support that the State of Minnesota strengthens the Child Support Program, Addendum to United Behavioral Health (Medica) contract, and Addendum to Purchase of Service Agreement between Becker County Human Services and White Earth Tribal Mental Health (Salminen, Knutson), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve acceptance of Foster Adoptive Recruitment Grant in the amount of \$33,800 for the grant period of December 31, 2009 to June 30, 2011 to recruit potential adoptive and foster families that reflect the ethnic and racial diversity for whom foster and/or adoptive homes are needed (Salminen, Knutson), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to approve increase in site capacity at DAC from 75 persons to 99 and to combine the Annex location and the main location into one license (Salminen, Schram), carried.
4. It was moved and seconded to approve the purchase of two new vehicles for the agency pool; a 2010 Impala at a cost of \$17,406.45 and a 2010 Grand Caravan at a cost of \$17,142 off the State Contract List (Salminen, Knutson), carried.
5. It was moved and seconded to approve the Grant Application to West Central Initiative, Resolution 01-10-1I in the amount of \$5,000 to purchase additional telephone equipment to take advantage of the telephone interview waiver of the Food Support program (Salminen, Schram), carried.
6. It was moved and seconded to approve Resolution 01-10-1H to Support that the State of Minnesota Strengthens the Child Support Program (Salminen, Schram), carried.
7. It was moved and seconded to approve the Addendum to United Behavioral Health (Medica) Contract to allow billing for mental health/substance abuse assessments (Salminen, Knutson), carried.
8. It was moved and seconded to approve the Addendum to Purchase of Service Agreement between Becker County Human Services and White Earth Tribal Mental Health that waives sovereign immunity in regards to enforcement of this specific agreement (Salminen, Schram), carried.
9. It was moved and seconded to approve the Human Services Claims (Salminen, Nelson), carried.
10. It was moved and seconded to approve the Community Health Claims (Salminen, Nelson), carried.

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

Environmental Services, Steve Skoog presented

1. It was agreed by consensus to move forward with the Prairie Lakes Municipal Solid Waste Authority Joint Powers Agreement and to incorporate one addition to Article 5 to keep control of this agreement with the four charter members.

Highway, Brad Wentz presented

1. It was moved and seconded to approve Project Acceptance and final payment for S.A.P. 03-612-04 in the amount of \$3,682.06 and S.A.P. 03-613-09 in the amount of \$4,575.90 contracted with Midwest Contracting, Resolution 01-10-1C (Salminen, Schram), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve Transfer of Excess Municipal Funds to Regular Funds in excess of two years apportionment (Schram, Nelson), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to approve Notice of Annual Highway Construction Advertisements with the initial advertisements in the Detroit Lakes Tribune stating the intent to utilize internet advertising; all highway construction advertising for 2010 will be placed on the official Becker County web page and on the MNDOT site [www.dot.state.mn.us/stateaid](http://www.dot.state.mn.us/stateaid) using the EAdvert link, Resolution 01-10-1E (Salminen, Schram), carried.
4. It was moved and seconded to approve Roadside Mowing Maintenance Contracts Bid Letting for six area contracts from May 1, 2010 to November 11, 2012, Resolution 01-10-1F (Schram, Knutson), carried.
5. It was moved and seconded to approve Maintenance Contract Bid Letting, Gravel Road Maintenance to advertise for bids for the several area gravel road maintenance contracts for the period April 1, 2010 to March 31, 2011 (Salminen, Schram), carried.

County Recreational Plan, Brian Berg presented

1. The minutes from the County Recreational Plan Committee meeting were reviewed. There will be a meeting January 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. for the interest groups, resorts, and lake associations.

2010 Commissioner/Department Head Planning Session

1. A presentation was made reference the 2010 goals for Becker County. A continuation meeting was scheduled for 1:00 p.m. after the January 26, 2010 Board Meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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

/s/ John Bellefeuille  
John Bellefeuille  
Board Chair