

REGULAR MEETING AS POSTED
BECKER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DATE: Tuesday, June 08, 2004 at 8:15 a.m.

LOCATION: Board Room, Courthouse All Present

Open Meeting

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Agenda as amended (Salminen, Winter), carried.
2. The approval of the Minutes of May 25, 2004 was postponed for review. After review, it was moved and seconded to approve the Minutes of May 25, 2004 as presented (Bristlin, Salminen), carried.

Open Forum

Jerry Sheldon, addressed the Board with a concern of motorized vehicles standing for a number of years giving a Junk Yard appearance to the neighborhood. Commissioner Bristlin suggested he talk with Planning & Zoning for help as there may be an ordinance prohibiting this.

Arlo Dupont, Juggler Lake, asked if their road could be upgraded to a Class D Classification. He was directed to Planning & Zoning as there have been meetings held to set a Forest Management Road Policy.

Finance

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Claims with exceptions (Bristlin, Salminen), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve the Capital Purchase request from Planning & Zoning to purchase a new computer in the amount of \$1,100 (Bristlin, Seaberg), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to approve the Capital Purchase request from the Sheriff's Department of a new computer in the amount of \$1,222 to use at the new Minimum Security Building (Seaberg, Bristlin), carried.
4. Fish Funds. It was moved and seconded to remove the DISH Funds from county accounts and place them into their own account in the amount of \$442.50 (Engebretson, Salminen), carried.
5. It was moved and seconded to accept the Finance Committee Minutes (Salminen, Bristlin), carried.

Auditor

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Gambling Application for the Forest Riders ATV Club for operations at Two Inlets Country Store in Two Inlets Township (Salminen, Engebretson), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to accept from Leonard G. Thelen, Sr, a deed conveying a small narrow tract of land he owns to Becker County. This tract lies under County Road #46 and there is no tax due or past due (Engebretson, Bristlin), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 06-04-1A, to fill a full-time Property Specialist/Election Coordinator position in the County Auditor's Department due to a resignation (Bristlin, Seaberg), carried.
4. It was moved and seconded to approve the motion of reorganization of the Auditor's Office adding supervisory duties to the current Deputy Auditor pending the recommendation of the Review Board (Engebretson, Salminen), carried.

Assessor

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the following Abatements for 2004 (Seaberg, Bristlin), carried.

2004 Tax Payable

Parcel #	Twp/City	Amount	Reason
02.0057.000	Audubon	+\$472	Error
08.1084.000	Detroit	176	Homestead
13.9007.000	GreenValley	+ 66	Error
13.9014.000	Green Valley	66	Error
14.0118.000	Hamdem	252	Classification
16.0034.002	Holmesville	+ 290	Error
17.0389.001	Lake Eunice	202	Homestead
19.0572.000	Lake View	+ 130	Classification
34.0067.000	Two Inlets	526	Error
49.0270.000	Detroit Lakes	686	Classification
49.0871.245	Detroit Lakes	894	Classification

2. It was moved and seconded to approve the following Abatement for 2003 (Engebretson, Salminen), carried.

Parcel #	Twp/City	Amount	Reason
14.0118.000	Hamden	0	Classification

Environmental Services

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Agenda as amended (Bristlin, Salminen), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to accept the bids on the cement work at the HHW Building. Wordage was changed to say accept the lowest “quotes.” Hoban Construction was the low bidder at \$9,890 (Engebretson, Bristlin), carried.
3. An update was given on the Homeland Security Grant. It was moved and seconded to move forward with this grant and authorize the Board Chair and County Administrator to sign on behalf of the County (Bristlin, Salminen), carried.

Highway

1. It was moved and seconded to accept the Highway Construction Status - Updated 6/08/04 (Seaberg, Salminen), carried.

Human Services

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Agenda as amended (Engebretson, Salminen), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to accept the Transit Claims as presented (Engebretson, Salminen), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to approve our share of the Becker County Senior Coordinator Contract in the amount of \$8,800 for 2004 (Engebretson, Salminen), carried.
4. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 06-04-1B, authorizing to fill a full-time Social worker position in the Human Service Department due to an internal transfer from the Merit System Pool List (Salminen, Bristlin), carried.
5. It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 06-04-1C, authorizing to fill an Office Support Vacancy (Salminen, Bristlin), carried.
6. It was moved and seconded to approve a purchase of services contract with Bonnie Storm Group Home (Engebretson, Bristlin), carried.
7. It was moved and seconded to approve a purchase of services contract with Barbara VanOfferen Group Homes (Bristlin, Salminen), carried.
8. It was moved and seconded to approve a purchase of services contract with Terry Gette for PCA and RN Services (Bristlin, Salminen), carried.

9. It was moved and seconded to accept the Family Services, Adult Services and Probation Placement Reports (Salminen, Bristlin), carried.
10. It was moved and seconded to approve the Human Services Claims (Engebretson, Salminen), carried.

Commissioners

1. Reports & Correspondence:
 - a. Regional Economic Development Meeting, Commissioner Engebretson
 - b. Task Force/Association of Minnesota Counties, Commissioner Engebretson
 - c. Negotiation Committee Meeting, Brian C. Berg
2. Appointments:
3. Meeting Attendance by the County Board:
 - a. AMC Conference August 11 – 13, 2004 (Salminen, Engebretson), carried.
 - b. Joint Powers Meeting was discussed.
 - c. WE-Fest Management Meeting, Commissioner Seaberg will attend by Consensus of the Board.
 - d. Ag & Extension Meeting, Thursday, June 24, 2004 at 7:30 a.m., Bremmer Bank, Detroit Lakes, MN. (Bristlin, Engebretson), carried.
4. Commissioner Engebretson asked that the Board be thinking about a question asked by the Association of Minnesota Counties “What is the most Out-Rageous Changes you can see coming in Government in the next years?” She will be bringing these suggestions back to AMC. Commissioner Bristlin felt “Less Government” would be a change.
5. Budget Review: Brian C. Berg, County Administrator held a discussion on the County Budget for 2005. Discussion has started with the Department Heads as noted in the Budget Calendar for 2004, June 08 is the Preliminary.
6. Lightowler, Johnson & Associates, Architects. Steve DeWald, President, and Went Johnson, Sr. Vice-President, attended the meeting. Brian C. Berg, County Administrator, reviewed the last meeting with the Architects. Some costs have risen since the start of the project. Steel costs have gone up considerably and costs for cubicles, hard wall offices, kitchen facilities and a folding divider for the conference room are now added. Bathrooms and firewalls to the elevator are also necessary added costs making a total of approximately \$130,000. Commissioner Engebretson questioned if the Human Services Building could support another floor structurally, and if the old portion of the building would need to be remodeled.
 - a. It was moved and seconded to proceed with authorizing Lightowler, Johnson & Associates to advertise the bid letting of the Human Services Remodeling Project, with the bid opening to be held on July 8, 2004 at 2:00 p.m., in the Board Room

of the Courthouse (Bristlin, Seaberg), carried. Commissioner Engebretson asked where this would be advertised. Steve DeWald, Lightowler, Johnson & Associates, answered that it would be advertised in the local newspapers and building exchanges for three consecutive Sundays. Terry Kalil, in the visiting audience asked when the bids would be awarded. Board Chair, Roger Winter, stated the bids would be awarded at the July 13, 2004 Board Meeting at 9:00 a.m.

Went Johnson, Lightowler, Johnson & Associates, will bring a complete set of plans on Monday for review at the Courthouse.

There being no further business, the meeting was recessed for lunch and will be adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

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

/s/ Roger Winter
Roger Winter
Board Chair