

REGULAR MEETING AS POSTED
BECKER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
DATE: Tuesday, September 9, 2008 at 8:15 a.m.
LOCATION: Board Room, Courthouse

Agenda

1. Meeting presided over by Chair Knutson. All Commissioners in attendance, also Administrator, Brian C. Berg and Minute Taker, Kathy Fingalson.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve the agenda (Mulari, Salminen), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to approve the Minutes of August 26, 2008 (Salminen, Bellefeuille), carried.

Commissioners

1. Open Forum: Jean Johnson spoke reference her disappointment with the treatment of Jason Mower of Frazee and the removal of his property by Court Order.
2. Reports & Correspondence:
 - a) Commissioner Knutson Reports:
 - i) Steve Skoog met with MnDot officials regarding two possible collection sites in the eastern part of the County.
 - ii) Attended the Environmental Services meeting. Discussed the incinerator project and the possibility of changes to the collection of recyclables as the current contract expires in March of 2009.
 - iii) Discussed the letter from Citizens for Farmland Preservation regarding water projects and the need for increased involvement by Counties.
 - b) Commissioner Nelson Reports:
 - i) Attended the Watershed Meeting in Mahnomen. Commissioner Nelson has concerns that the program is protecting low land farm land instead of water quality and it is not cost effective.
 - c) Commissioner Bellefeuille Reports:
 - i) Attended the West Central Regional Juvenile meeting; discussed large budget shortages and the possibility of cutting programs. Another meeting is scheduled to discuss usage figures and adjustments to the programs.
 - d) Commissioner Salminen Reports:
 - i) Attended the Counsel on Aging for Commissioner Bellefeuille. Discussion was held on "55 Alive" driving classes, and other programs.
 - e) Commissioner Mulari Reports:
 - i) Attended the Land of the Dancing Sky meeting. Previously a vote was taken on allowing five additional counties in Region Six to join. The Minnesota Board on Aging decided against the addition of the counties.
 - ii) Attended the Winter Trails Committee meeting. Discussed purchasing a drag and brush cutter for the groomers instead of buying a new one at this time. Chip will investigate and report back his results.
 - iii) Commissioner Mulari resigned from the Mahube Committee due to a recently developed conflict of interest.

3. Appointments:

- a) It was moved and seconded to appoint Commissioner Larry Knutson to the Mahube Committee (Mulari, Salminen), carried.
- b) It was moved and seconded to appoint Commissioner John Bellefeuille and Commissioner Harry Salminen to the Canvassing Board and they will serve at the September 11th and November 6th meetings (Mulari, Nelson), carried.

Auditor-Treasurer

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Gambling Permit for T.I.P. Inc. at the County 17 Club Inc., Detroit Lakes, Resolution 09-08-1C (Salminen, Bellefeuille), carried.

Finance Committee Minutes

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Claims including the change of the mileage rate to "car available" for the mileage reimbursement requests on page 5 for Merkins and Miller and the over 90 day claims (1) Lakeland Mental Health, (2) Goodin Company, and (3) RP Ascano (Bellefeuille, Nelson), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve the Economic Development Authority request to establish the Housing & Redevelopment Authority Tax Levy at \$175,633 for 2009 for the purpose of funding housing and economic related activities, Resolution 09-08-1A (Salminen, Mulari), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to approve the Maximum Levy request establishing the 2009 Maximum Levy at \$17,263,004, representing a 4.58% increase, Resolution 09-08-1B (Salminen, Mulari), carried.
4. It was recommended by the Finance Committee to add the Regional Radio Board Grant Match request in the amount of \$7,391.95 to the 2010 Budget.
5. It was moved and seconded to approve the low quote from Lumichron in the amount of \$550 plus tax and shipping to fix the clock in the tower of the Court House including the possible replacement of the hour and minute hand if needed at a cost of \$150 plus tax and shipping (Salminen, Mulari), carried.
6. The July cash comparison and investment summary were presented.
7. It was moved and seconded to approve the Phase I Dakota Electric construction change orders E-003 in the amount of \$9,739 and E-004 in the amount of \$4,856 (Salminen, Nelson), carried.

Assessor

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the abatement PIN 05.0203.001, Carsonville Township for \$(266.00) (Salminen, Nelson), carried.
2. Information was presented on the changes in the Green Acres Property Tax Program.

Highway

1. A construction update was presented.
2. A Road Safety Audit Final Report was presented.

Human Services

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the renewal of the Golden Manor Assisted Living/Memory Care contract and the renewal of the Perham Memorial Home Care contract (Salminen, Bellefeuille), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve the Human Services Claims (Salminen, Bellefeuille), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to accept the Public Health Emergency Preparedness Grant in the amount of \$27,085 (Mulari, Salminen), carried.
4. It was moved and seconded to approve the Community Health Claims (Mulari, Salminen), carried.
5. It was moved and seconded to approve the Transit Claims (Salminen, Bellefeuille), carried.

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