

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING AS POSTED
BECKER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DATE: Tuesday, January 6, 2009 at 8:30 a.m.

LOCATION: Board Room, Courthouse.

1. The Meeting was brought to order by Ryan Tangen, Becker County Auditor-Treasurer. All Commissioners in attendance, also Administrator, Brian C. Berg and Minute Taker, Kathy Fingalson.
2. Honorable Judge Evans presided at giving the Oath of Office to Commissioner Barry Nelson, Commissioner Larry Knutson and Commissioner Gerry Schram
3. Election of the Board Chair was ordered by Ryan Tangen, Auditor-Treasurer. It was moved by Commissioner Nelson to nominate Commissioner Salminen as Chair to the County Board for 2009. There were no other nominations. It was moved and seconded to cease nominations and unanimously elect Commissioner Salminen as Chair for 2009 (Nelson, Knutson), carried.
4. Commissioner Salminen recognized the outgoing Board Chair, Commissioner Knutson, with a plaque for his service during 2008.
5. Commissioner Salminen, newly elected Board Chair, called for nominations for Vice-Chair. Commissioner Knutson nominated Commissioner Bellefeuille as Vice-Chair to the County Board for 2009. There were no other nominations. It was moved and seconded to cease nominations and to unanimously elect Commissioner Bellefeuille as Vice-Chair for 2009 (Knutson, Nelson), carried.

Organizational Strategy for 2009

1. A presentation on the Organizational Strategy for 2009 was given with input from the Department Heads. The Commissioners and County Department Heads met for 2 ½ hours to review County goals, discuss the current economic atmosphere, and establish a plan to pro-actively deal with reduced revenues keeping in mind the Vision and Mission of Becker County government. It was decided the Department Heads would meet Tuesday, January 13th at 1:00 p.m. to brainstorm ideas to deal with the economic concerns. It was also agreed the Commissioners and Department Heads would meet again on February 10th at 1:00 p.m. to formulate a pro-active plan of action for the future.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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

/s/ Harry Salminen
Harry Salminen
Board Chair