

REGULAR MEETING AS POSTED
BECKER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DATE: Tuesday, May 12, 2009 at 8:15 a.m.

LOCATION: Board Room, Courthouse

Agenda

1. Meeting presided over by Chair Salminen. Commissioners in attendance, also Administrator, Brian C. Berg and Minute Taker, Kathy Fingalson.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve the Minutes of April 28, 2009 (Knutson, Bellefeuille), carried.

Commissioners

1. Open Forum:
 - a) No one wishing to speak.
2. Reports & Correspondence:
 - a) Commissioner Salminen Reports:
 - i) Attended the Association of Minnesota Counties Legislative Conference in St. Paul April 29, 2009. Reported on the Environment & Natural Resources Policy Committee meeting and discussions with Minnesota Legislators regarding the proposed change to a regional format for Health & Human Services.
 - b) Commissioner Schram Reports:
 - i) Attended the Senior Council on Aging meeting. Discussed 55 Alive courses to be held in Lake Park, the art show at Emmanuel, June 18th retreat at Smokey Hills by Frazee, Senior Month in May, scam reporting by Judy Peterson, Hospice Open House today, and a memory loss seminar June 23rd.
 - ii) The Labor Management Adopt a Highway Program for the employees was held May 7th. It was very successful with good participation.
 - c) Commissioner Nelson Reports:
 - i) Attended the Detroit Lakes Chamber Agri Business meeting. Dallas Flynn, Frazee, gave a presentation on his tunnel greenhouse systems to produce vegetables locally. The State of Minnesota is doing a television special highlighting his business on June 8th. The Fair this year will include a tractor expo.
 - ii) Reported on the high water table at Boyer Lake. Soil & Water, DNR and other departments are looking at programs to stabilize the water level.
 - d) Commissioner Knutson Reports:
 - i) Attended the Parks & Recreation meeting. The election of Board members was held. The Chair and Vice Chair were re-elected. A committee was established to solicit funds for development of an Outdoor Recreation Plan.
 - e) Commissioner Bellefeuille Reports:
 - i) Nothing to report.
3. Appointments
 - a) There were no appointments.

Auditor-Treasurer

1. There were no license and permits.

Finance Committee Minutes

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the Claims with the addition of Harry Salminen expense voucher and the over 90 day claim; Detroit Lakes Disposal for \$125.30, the bill was misplaced through another department of Becker County (Knutson, Schram), carried.
2. It was recommended by the Finance Committee to approve the Sheriff request to apply for the Remote Electronic Monitoring Grant for 2009 through 2011 and to purchase and replace the 1991 Rescue trailer with ATV Grant funds.
3. It was moved and seconded to approve the Information Technology Capital Purchase of 4 hard drives for the Storage Area Network to allow incremental backup of data during the day in the amount of \$2,395 (Bellefeuille, Schram), carried.
4. It was recommended by the Finance Committee to approve the Highway request to remove the bid award for S.P. 03-607-21 as it will be rebid and to approve the Local Road Improvement Funds for Project Number SAP 03-639-016.
5. It was moved and seconded to approve travel by the Veteran Service Officer, Lauri Brooke, to assist with troop reintegration May 26-28th at Fort McCoy, Wisconsin with travel expenses paid for by a State Grant and Becker County to pay for her time (Bellefeuille, Schram), carried.
6. It was moved and seconded to approve travel by the Veteran Service Officer, Lauri Brooke, to travel on June 6-13th to San Diego, California for NACVSO training with travel expenses paid for by a State Grant and Becker County to pay for her time (Schram, Bellefeuille), carried.
7. Brian Berg reported on the status of the new furlough policy.

Assessor

1. The first three abatements were removed from the Abatement list as they had previously been denied and were added in error.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve the abatement PIN 21.0437.000 in Osage Township for \$252 (Bellefeuille, Schram), carried.
3. Presented information on the status of the incinerator project.

Natural Resource Management

1. Presented an update on the recommendation for Forest Land Classification for the Public Hearing tonight.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve Resolution 05-09-1A for Becker County to act as the legal sponsor for the Winter Wonderland and Wolf Pack Trail Systems and approve the applications to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Snowmobile Trail Assistance Program (Schram, Knutson), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to approve the appointment of Arthur Bakker to the Park Board as an At-Large member to run from May 1, 2009 though April 30, 2012 (Schram, Bellefeuille), carried.

Highway

1. It was moved and seconded to approve Resolution 05-09-1B authorizing the County Engineer to reject all bids and to establish and proceed with a new letting date of June 11, 2009 (Knutson, Bellefeuille), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve Resolution 05-09-1C affirming that any cost of the safety scope of the project SAP 03-639-016 in excess of the grant will be appropriated from the funds available to the County of Becker and that any grant monies appropriated for the

project but not required, based on the final estimate, shall be returned to the Minnesota State Transportation Fund (Knutson, Schram), carried.

Sheriff

1. It was moved and seconded to accept Remote Electronic Alcohol Monitoring Grant B27780 for fiscal years effective July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2011 for \$15,000 per year (Schram, Bellefeuille), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve the lowest bid from Newman Manufacturing to replace the current trailer utilized for ATV/Snowmobile rescue equipment in the amount of \$1,724.00 with funding from the current ATV grant (Bellefeuille, Schram), carried.

Human Services

1. It was moved and seconded to approve the addition of the contract amendment for the State of Minnesota for processing Minnesota Care applications to the agenda (Knutson, Bellefeuille), carried.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve the addendum to the Lakeland Mental Health Purchase of Service Agreement (Bellefeuille, Schram), carried.
3. It was moved and seconded to approve the sliding fee scale for Chemical Use Assessments (Bellefeuille, Schram), carried.
4. It was moved and seconded to approve the contract amendment for the State of Minnesota for processing Minnesota Care applications from \$28,057 to \$31,057 (Knutson, Schram), carried.
5. It was moved and seconded to approve the Human Services Claims (Knutson, Bellefeuille), carried.
6. It was moved and seconded to approve the Community Health Claims (Bellefeuille, Schram), carried.
7. It was moved and seconded to accept the Transit Ridership Report (Schram, Bellefeuille), carried.
8. It was moved and seconded to approve the Transit Claims (Bellefeuille, Schram), carried.
9. Presented an update on the H1N1 Influenza and the plan for possible cases in the fall.

Planning and Zoning

1. It was moved and seconded to correct the minutes of April 25, 2006 to read as follows: First Order of Business: Joey Kaiser. It was moved and seconded to concur with Planning and Zoning to approve a conditional use permit for PID numbers 17.0071.000 and 17.0074.000 to allow a commercial use consisting of a bar/restaurant in an agricultural district based on the fact that the property has always had this type of operation; the use would not be detrimental to the surrounding area; and the conditional use permit would correct a situation that should have been taken care of years ago (Knutson, Schram), carried.

Public Hearing

1. The Public Hearing on the Forest Land Classification was attended by approximately 120 residents of Becker County. Input was accepted from 22 parties wishing to speak (rosters will be retained along with documents turned in and short comments reference each presentation). The Natural Resource Committee is recommending to the Becker County Commissioners the "Opt Out" option and to develop its own restrictions on motorized use for all county-administered lands within the White Earth State Forest, Two Inlets State Forest and Smoky Hills State Forest. The Two Inlets and Smoky Hills State Forests will have all forest roads and trails on county-administered lands with the two State Forests designated and managed in a

manner consistent with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resource's "limited" classification. All forest roads and trails on county-administered lands outside of state forest boundaries should temporarily remain open to motorized use unless posted closed pending the completion of an Outdoor Recreation Plan, the preparation of which is necessary for the protection of the forest, a road or trail, or the general public.

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