

BOARD MEETING AS POSTED

BECKER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DATE: TUESDAY, April 16, 2024, at 8:15 am

LOCATION: Board Room, Courthouse

1. Meeting was brought to order by Board Chair Okeson. Commissioners in attendance: Okeson, Meyer, Vareberg, Jepson and Nelson, Interim County Administrator Carrie Smith, and minute taker Peggy Martin.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda/Minutes:

1. Agenda – Motion and second to approve agenda with the addition of 2024 Tax Abatements Clerical Errors under County Administrator (Meyer, Jepson) carried.
2. Minutes – Moved and second to approve minutes of April 2, 2024, with the requested changes (Meyer, Jepson) carried.
3. Minutes – Moved and second to approve minutes of April 9, 2024 (Nelson, Jepson) carried.
4. Motion and second to approve and accept the Consent Agenda (Meyer, Nelson) carried.

Commissioners:

1. Open Forum:
 - None.
2. Reports and Correspondence: Reports were provided on the following meetings:
 - Commissioner Jepson – Human Services, WE Committee, Sr Council.
 - Commissioner Nelson – Sheriff, Courthouse.
 - Commissioner Meyer – Courthouse, Sheriff, Historical Society, Finance.
 - Commissioner Vareberg – Human Services, WE Committee.
 - Commissioner Okeson – Union Negotiations.
3. Appointments
 - None.

County Administrator – Human Resources: presented by Carrie Smith.

1. Frazee Economic Development – presented by Karen Pifher.
 - Update on the developments in the City of Frazee.
 - Board did not act on request for funding by Cornerstone.

- Wannigan Park can contact Jim Olson at Highway and come back to the Public Hearing in December to request to be designated as a sales tax project.
 - Commissioner Jepson appointed to Cornerstone Board.
2. ECDF Funding Request – presented by Tammy Anderson and Natalie Bly.
 - Bring request to the EDA Board for input and bring the recommendation back to a future board meeting.
 3. Report.
 - WE Committee – next meeting April 25 in Mahanomen.
 - Interviews for Assistant County Attorney are upcoming.
 - Department Head Meeting tomorrow.
 - i. Job Description Template for review.
 4. Office Chairs for Boardroom discussion.
 5. Proposal for Training.
 - Bring back to the board with more information regarding time commitment.
 6. Abatement Corrections.
 - Motion and second to approve Abatement Corrections in the net amount of \$27,598 (add 68 homestead credits and remove 8 homestead credits) (Jepson, Nelson) carried.

Auditor-Treasurer: presented by Mary Hendrickson.

1. Motion and second to approve Temporary 1-4 Day On-Sale Liquor License – Detroit Lakes Lions Club (at We Fest) – Jim Granger – July 31, 2024-August 3, 2024 (Meyer, Okeson) carried.
2. Motion and second to approve On/Off Sale w/Sundays – Renewal for Toad Lake Store – Cynthia Knoll – Toad Lake Twp and Charlie’s Place – Jeffrey Duggar – Height of Land Twp (Jepson, Meyer) carried.
3. Motion and second to approve On-Sale Liquor License w/Sunday Sales – Renewal – We Fest – Raymond Midthune – Lakeview Twp (Okeson, Meyer) carried.
4. Motion and second to approve Tobacco License – Renewal – Two Inlets Country Store – Robert Peterson – Two Inlets Twp (Jepson, Nelson) carried.

Information Technology: presented by Judy Dodd.

1. Motion and second to upgrade the All Call System with Revolution All Call using LATCF Funds in the amount of \$15,700 (Jepson, Meyer) carried.

Attorney: presented by Brian McDonald.

1. Retention Pay/Bonuses for Assistant County Attorneys discussion.
 - Bring back details to a future board meeting.
 - Motion and second to table (Nelson, Jepson) carried.
2. Motion and second to approve a Summer Paid Intern up to \$7,000 (Nelson, Meyer) carried.

Sheriff: presented by Todd Glander.

1. Motion and second to approve Resolution 04-24-2A – 2024 Federal Boating Safety Supplemental Patrol Grant in the amount of \$5,500 (Jepson, Meyer) carried.

Planning & Zoning: presented by Kyle Vareberg.

1. Motion and second to acknowledge and approve the Planning Commission Recommendation for Richard & Darci Strand – Request a Final Plat to be known as Strand Subdivision (Nelson, Meyer) carried.
2. Comprehensive Plan Update presented by Bolten & Menk – Mojra Hauenstein and Dylan Edwards.
 - Informal Work Session after May 21st Board Meeting.

Motion to close the meeting at 10:51 am pursuant to Minn. Stat. Section 13D.03 Subd. 1(b) The governing body of a public employer may by a majority vote in a public meeting decide to hold a closed meeting to consider strategy for labor negotiations, including negotiation strategies or developments or discussion and review of labor negotiation proposals, conducted pursuant to sections 179A.01 to 179A.25 (Nelson, Meyer) carried.

Motion and second to come out of closed session at 11:38 am (Nelson, Meyer) carried.

Being no further business, Chair Okeson adjourned the meeting at 11:38 am.

<u>/s/ Carrie Smith</u> Carrie Smith Interim County Administrator	<u>/s/ John Okeson</u> John Okeson Board Chair
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