

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BIG STONE COUNTY BOARD
August 15, 2006

The Big Stone County Board of Commissioners met in the Commissioner's Room at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, August 15, 2006. Chairman Athey called the meeting to order with Commissioners Tomschin, Janssen, and Swigerd present. Absent was Commissioner Olson. Also present were Elsie Perrine, Mike Swenson of the Ortonville Independent, HR Director Sue Schultz, and Clerk Laura Berger. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Motion by Swigerd, seconded by Janssen and carried to approve the minutes of the August 1st regular meeting and the August 8th Highway 5-year plan meeting.

Motion by Tomschin, seconded by Swigerd and carried to approve the agenda. Committee reports were presented.

Motion by Swigerd, seconded by Janssen and carried to authorize payment of the following claims as presented by Auditor Michelle Knutson:

General	\$15,206.62
Highway	10,355.07
Ditch	<u>16,259.81</u>
Total	\$41,821.50

Motion by Tomschin, seconded by Janssen and carried to hire the firm of Hildi Inc. to complete an actuarial study of Big Stone County's OPEB liability for retiree benefits.

Motion by Swigerd, seconded by Tomschin and carried to approve an amendment to the Nationwide Deferred Compensation Plan Document to make loans available to participants.

HR Director Schultz reported that the Maintenance Worker/Engineering Technician Job position was classified at a Grade 17. Motion by Janssen, seconded by Swigerd and carried to approve the job classification as recommended and post the position.

HR Director Schultz reported on the County Recorder's Office job description reviews. Motion by Tomschin, seconded by Janssen and carried to approve the following job classification changes, retroactive to January 1, 2006:

Chief Deputy Recorder	Grade 12 to 13
Deputy Recorder	Grade 11.5 to 12

Following a break, Countryside Public Health Administrator Liz Auch reviewed the Agency's 2006 activities and 2007 budget.

Big Stone County Fair Board representative Bruce Wellendorf presented the 2006 fair report. Discussion followed on the 2007 fair appropriation.

Diana Anderson and Becky Parker from the SW Initiative Foundation presented an update on the Foundation and made a formal request for their 2007 funding.

John Houlahan of Pioneerland Library was present to review the Library's 2007 budget request.

Following a break, the Board continued their review of the preliminary 2007 County budget.

Motion by Tomschin, seconded by Janssen and carried to approve the application of Clinton Cards for an On-Sale Malt Liquor License for a softball

tournament on Labor Day weekend at Toqua Park, upon receipt of the required paperwork.

Chairman Athey adjourned the meeting at 12:05 PM.

Wade Athey, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Laura Berger, Clerk