

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BIG STONE COUNTY BOARD
December 27, 2007

The Big Stone County Board of Commissioners met in the Commissioner's Room at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, December 27, 2007. Chairman Tomschin called the meeting to order with Commissioners Athey, Sandberg, Olson and Janssen present. Also present was County Auditor Michelle Knutson. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Athey and carried to approve the minutes of the December 11th regular meeting.

Motion by Janssen, seconded by Olson and carried to approve the agenda with noted additions.

Committee reports were presented.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Janssen and carried to authorize County Engineer Nick Anderson to attend the ATSSA conference in New Orleans, LA.

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Olson and carried to authorize \$500 to the Correll Fire Department to burn the old Dexter's Store.

Engineer Anderson reported that the RFP for the roof at Family Services will be advertised in January.

Sheriff John Haukos was present to request authorization to complete the 911 signing in the County. A discussion on the budget was held. The Board was informed that the purchase would be in excess of what was budgeted in 2007 for signage. However, funds were available in the overall Public Safety budget. Motion by Athey, seconded by Sandberg and carried to authorize the purchase of the remaining signs out of the 2007 budget.

County Recorder Elaine Martig informed the Board that she receives requests for real estate filing reports that were previously prepared by Gloria Arndt's abstract company. Motion by Olson, seconded by Sandberg and carried to establish a \$200 annual subscription for the real estate filing report.

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

General	\$ 57,078.03
Highway	9,379.30
Ditch	477.00
BSAG	<u>3,516.82</u>
Total	\$ 70,451.15

Motion by Athey, seconded by Olson and carried to authorize payment of the following ditch loan transactions:

Ditch to General	\$20,198.41
CD #2	\$ 60.00
CD #10/11	\$ 13,898.00
CD #14	\$ 2,124.00
CD #16	\$ 4,116.41
General to Ditch (CD #21)	\$ 1,000.00

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Olson and carried to amend Section E of the GASB 34 Related Policies as presented by Auditor Knutson.

Motion by Janssen, seconded by Olson and carried to execute the agreement with Countryside Public Health for tobacco compliance checks.

Motion by Athey, seconded by Janssen and carried to approve the following tobacco license applications for 2008:

Bill's Super Valu Plus
Bonnie's Hometown Grocery
CHS Inc dba Cenex C-Store (Ortonville)
CHS Inc dba Cenex C-Store (Clinton)
George's Bar & Grill Inc.
Graceville Bar & Lounge
Graceville Country Market
Headquarter's Bar, Inc.
Holiday Stationstore #105
Nebben Country Market
Tri County Coop

Motion by Janssen, seconded by Sandberg and carried to execute the Memorandum of Agreement with the University of MN for support of the 4-H Program Coordinator position at Extension.

Motion by Athey, seconded by Olson and carried to execute the Memorandum of Intent with the University of MN Extension Nutrition Education Program.

Motion by Athey, seconded by Janssen and carried to adopt the following resolution:

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WHEREAS, M.S. 375.055 provides that county commissioners shall receive annual salaries for services rendered while serving as a county commissioner and may receive per diem payments and reimbursement for necessary expenses.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the 2008 salary of the Big Stone County Board of Commissioners shall be \$13,306.02 and the per diem rate shall remain at \$50.00 for service on any board, committee or commission or for the performance of services by individual commissioners when required by law.

Auditor Knutson reported that the 2008 IRS mileage rate will be \$.505 per mile.

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Janssen and carried to authorize the Auditor to pay any claims received by December 31st so they are accounted for in the current year's business.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Sandberg and carried to authorize the following:

General to Highway	\$ 182.44
Ditch to Highway	\$3,441.39
CD #2	\$1,208.67
CD #8	\$ 18.95
CD #10/11	\$ 548.20
CD #13	\$1,433.67
CD #20	\$ 32.90
CD #21	\$ 89.50
JD #4	\$ 109.50

Following break, motion by Athey, seconded by Olson and carried to close the meeting at 9:44 AM to continue discussions on labor negotiation strategy.

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Olson and carried to reopen the meeting at 9:52 AM.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Janssen and carried to authorize HR Director Schultz to present an offer to the non-union employee group.

MCIT Account Executive Bruce Underdahl was present to provide On-Site Risk Management Training on Contracts 101 and Workers' Compensation. Department Heads Sandy Vold, Cindy Nelson, Sue Schultz, Gayle Robinson and Elaine Martig were also present. Chairman Tomschin left the meeting at 10:42 AM.

Vice Chairman Janssen adjourned the meeting at 11:10 AM.

Doug Tomschin, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Michelle R. Knutson, Auditor