

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BIG STONE COUNTY BOARD**  
**June 5, 2007**

The Big Stone County Board of Commissioners met in the Commissioner's Room at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, June 5, 2007. Chairman Tomschin called the meeting to order with Commissioners Athey, Sandberg, Olson and Janssen present. Also present were Mike Swenson of the Ortonville Independent, HR Director Sue Schultz, County Attorney Bill Watson and County Auditor Michelle Knutson. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Athey and carried to approve the minutes of the May 15<sup>th</sup> regular meeting.

Motion by Athey, seconded by Janssen and carried to approve the agenda. Committee reports were presented.

Motion by Olson and seconded by Sandberg to reluctantly, given the constraints of the present policy, execute the Resignation and Settlement Agreement with Family Services Director Dan Hanratty as presented by Attorney Watson. Motion carried with Commissioner Janssen voting Nay.

As a member of the Midstate Computer Coop joint powers organization, motion by Janssen, seconded by Athey and carried to execute a 5-year agreement with Computer Professionals Unlimited Inc. for professional services effective for April 2008–March 2013.

A brief discussion and update was held on the Museum and Chamber. HR Director Schultz is meeting with representatives from both entities on June 6<sup>th</sup> to assist in preparing a letter of understanding regarding the common areas. Discussion was also held on liability concerns.

Attorney Watson left the meeting.

Motion by Athey, seconded by Sandberg and carried to approve the assessing contracts with Randy Arnold, Ronald Sanasack and Michael Schultz and approve a 1-year assessment agreement with Malta Township as presented by County Assessor Sandy Vold.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Janssen and carried to execute the Addendum to Agreement for Recycling Services with Waste Management as presented by Environmental Officer Darren Wilke.

Environmental Officer Wilke presented information on the Conditional Use Permit application for the New Life Christ Center Resort & Conference Center, formerly Mallard Point. Owners Darren and Amy Lang were present to explain the proposed uses and changes planned for the facility. Motion by Athey, seconded by Janssen and carried to approve the application with conditions as recommended by the Planning Commission.

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

General	\$29,581.15
Highway	56,815.86
Ditch	<u>937.72</u>
Total	\$87,334.73

Following break, motion by Olson, seconded by Janssen and carried to authorize HR Director Schultz to begin the hiring process for filling the Family Services Director vacancy.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Athey and carried to authorize hiring an emergency temporary financial worker for 3-5 days at Family Services.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Sandberg and carried to execute the Letter of Understanding with Family Services for On-Call Compensation effective June 1, 2007.

Social Worker Brenda Adelman was present to update the Board on the Consumer Directed Community Supports (CDCS) program for Elderly Waiver services. Board consensus was to allow the County to participate in a video project about CDCS.

Attorney Watson returned to the meeting.

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Olson and carried to close the meeting at 10:20 AM to discuss labor negotiation strategy.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Janssen and carried to reopen the meeting at 10:50 AM.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Athey and carried to authorize repairing the tile on Branch #3 of County Ditch #13 and check into possible reimbursement for faulty installation.

At 11:00 AM, with various bidders and Highway employees present, County Engineer Nick Anderson opened bids on SAP 06-630-03:

<b>BIDDER</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
Redstone Construction Co.	\$1,936,113.50
Robert R. Schroeder Const. Inc.	\$1,929,898.75
Duininck Bros. Inc.	\$2,056,030.07

The bid will not be awarded until approval is received from the State since bids are over the estimate.

Engineer Anderson updated the Board on the trail project. The City of Ortonville approved deeding over their right-of-way. Anderson reported that the project may not be started this year due to an environmental review.

Regional Radio Board Coordinator Tom Hannon and Sheriff John Haukos were present for a discussion on the Central Minnesota Regional Radio Board Joint Powers Agreement. Motion by Olson, seconded by Janssen and carried to execute the Agreement and appoint Commissioner Tomschin to the Board with Commissioner Sandberg as the alternate.

Chairman Tomschin adjourned the meeting at 11:57 AM.

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Doug Tomschin, Chairman

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Michelle R. Knutson, Auditor