

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BIG STONE COUNTY BOARD
April 15, 2008

The Big Stone County Board of Commissioners met in the Commissioner's Room at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, April 15, 2008. Chairman Janssen called the meeting to order with Commissioners Tomschin, Athey, Sandberg and Olson present. Also present were Elsie Perrine, Mike Swenson of the Ortonville Independent, County Attorney Bill Watson, and County Auditor Michelle Knutson. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Motion by Athey, seconded by Tomschin and carried to approve the minutes of the April 1st regular meeting.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Sandberg and carried to approve the agenda with noted addition.

Committee reports were presented.

Attorney Watson reported that he has reviewed the proposed ordinances prepared by Countryside Public Health that are going to be presented later in the meeting.

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

General	\$66,118.54
Highway	8,220.35
Ditch	96.00
Taxes & Penalties	5.00
State	<u>10.00</u>
Total	<u>\$74,449.89</u>

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

General to Highway	\$ 5,662.65
Ditch to Highway	\$ 641.74
CD #13	\$ 124.11
JD #7	\$ 62.35
JD #24	\$ 455.28
General to Family Services	\$ 44.16
Family Services to General	\$25,371.59

Auditor Knutson reported that one bid had been received for lawn care services and none for snow removal. Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Olson and carried to accept the bid of Ron's Lawn Care. The County will reconsider bidding for snow removal services in the fall.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Tomschin and carried to adopt the Big Stone County Accounting Policies and Procedures Handbook as presented by Auditor Knutson.

Discussion was held on the procedures for putting a question on the ballot.

Countryside Public Health Administrator Liz Auch was present to provide an update on the Agency's activities.

Kris Lee of Countryside Public Health was present to discuss the adoption of a revised Food and Beverage Ordinance and a new Food Manager Ordinance. Motion by

Olson, seconded by Sandberg and carried to hold a public hearing to consider both ordinances. Notices of Intent shall be published with the hearing being set for May 6th at 9:00 AM during the regular meeting of the County Board.

MCIT Account Executive Bruce Underdahl presented the 2008 Member Report.

At 10:00 AM, with various bidders present, County Engineer Anderson opened the following bids on CP 06-0801 for gravel crushing:

BIDDER	AMOUNT
Kingsway Construction	\$110,910
Central Specialties	\$150,570
McNamara Incorporated	\$124,677
Sibson Gravel	\$137,970
Knife River	\$177,810

Engineer Anderson left to review the bids.

Annette Theroux of Pro-West & Associates did a presentation on a project they are working on for MnDOT called Cadastral & Right-of-Way Data Sharing Pilot Project. Motion by Olson, seconded by Sandberg and carried to grant access to the County's information to move forward on the project.

Motion by Athey, seconded by Tomschin and carried to approve the Off Sale Malt Liquor License for Lakeshore RV Park Inc.

On behalf of the Technology Committee, Commissioner Sandberg updated the Board on the IT status at Family Services and the contract with Vertical Solutions. Due to the amount of work yet to be done, motion by Olson, seconded by Sandberg and carried to extend Vertical Solutions contract an additional 3 months at the amount of \$10,000. Family Services Director Gayle Robinson, IT Coordinator Sharon Finke and Curt Johnson from Vertical Solutions were also present for the discussion.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Sandberg and carried to accept the bid from Kingsway Construction for gravel crushing.

Motion by Tomschin, seconded by Athey and carried to execute the contract with Bituminous Paving on SAP 006-635-004.

Steve Schultz and Sandy Christianson from Big Stone II were present to provide an update on the project. They reported on the permitting status. Discussion followed on the surface water permit. Concerns were raised regarding the differences in Minnesota and South Dakota requirements.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Athey and carried to authorize the HR Director to advertise for fill-ins for the Clerk I position at the Extension Office.

HR Director Sue Schultz reported that VSO Richard Johnson will be teaming up with the Lac qui Parle VSO to do outreach during Ortonville's Corn Festival.

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Athey and carried to accept the revised Maintenance Supervisor job description and authorized sending a letter to the union asking them to review the position description and respond to the county's request that the position be designated as non-union.

Chairman Janssen adjourned the meeting at 11:37 AM.

ATTEST: _____

Howard Janssen, Chairman

Michelle R. Knutson, Auditor