

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BIG STONE COUNTY BOARD
May 7, 2013

The Big Stone County Board of Commissioners met in the Family Services Board Room at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, May 7, 2013. Chairman Berning called the meeting to order with Commissioners Athey, Olson, Sandberg and Wulff present. Also present were Mike Swenson of the Ortonville Independent, 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 April 16th regular meeting.

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Wulff and carried to approve the agenda.

Commissioners reported on the following committees:

Olson – PrimeWest; Pioneerland; P&Z

Sandberg – CBSL; Property

Wulff – Toqua Park

Athey – Prairie 5; Fair Board; Extension; SWCD; P&Z

Attorney Watson presented the Court Data Services Subscriber Amendment to CJDN Subscriber Agreement with the BCA which will allow eCharging and covers Court data. Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Olson and carried to adopt the following resolution and execute the Amendment as presented:

2013-16

WHEREAS, the County of Big Stone, on behalf of its County Attorney, desires to enter into a Court Data Services Subscriber Amendment to CJDN Subscriber Agreement with the State of Minnesota, Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension to use systems and tools available over the State's criminal justice data communications network and State Court System for which the County is eligible. The Joint Powers Agreement, and its amendments thereto, further provide the County with the ability to add, modify and delete connectivity, systems and tools over the five-year life of the agreement and obligates the County to pay the costs for the network connection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Big Stone, State of Minnesota, as follows:

1. That the Court Data Services Subscriber Amendment to CJDN Subscriber Agreement by and between the State of Minnesota acting through its Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension and the County of Big Stone on behalf of its County Attorney is hereby approved. A copy of the Amendment is attached and made a part of this Resolution.
2. That County Attorney William J. Watson, or his successor, is designated the Authorized Representative for the County Attorney. That Sheriff John Haukos, or his successor, is designated the Authorized Representative for the Sheriff's Office. The Authorized Representative is also authorized to sign any subsequent amendment or agreement that may be required by the State of Minnesota to maintain the County's connection to the systems and tools offered by the State.
3. That Joseph J. Berning, Chairman of the Big Stone County Board of Commissioners, and Michelle R. Knutson, Auditor, are authorized to sign the Court Data Services

Subscriber Amendment to CJDN Subscriber Agreement with the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, Big Stone County Attorney and State Court Administrator's Office.

Discussion was held on a couple of issues concerning the building of the Beardsley Shop. A sewer easement will be needed and the zoning may need to be updated.

Attorney Watson left the meeting.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Wulff and carried to approve the temporary partial closing of County Hwy 28 and Main Avenue in the City of Odessa on July 20, 2013, from noon to midnight for a celebration.

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

Amchar Wholesale Inc	\$ 2,610.00
Computer Professionals	4,034.07
Dallas I Hanson Construction	2,100.00
GHA Technologies Inc	2,910.21
Hitesman & Wold	4,996.00
MacQueen Equipment	4,847.51
Midstates Supplies Inc	20,427.46
William Watson	4,253.72
West Con	35,756.34
45 Payments Less Than \$2,000	<u>11,959.45</u>
Total	\$93,894.76

Auditor Knutson asked for questions and/or comments on the year-to-date financial information provided for the Board's review.

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Olson and carried to execute the agreement with Larry's Refrigeration for the rental of a water softener for the Courthouse.

Motion by Athey, seconded by Olson and carried to execute the Maintenance Cooperative Agreement with the State of Minnesota for the Minnesota River State Trail from Big Stone Lake to the Big Stone National Wildlife Refuge effective upon full execution and expiring December 31, 2013.

VSO Dan Meyer provided information on his office's activities during the past month for the Board's review. Admin Assistant Liane Rausch presented her recent activities in the office. Commissioner Sandberg read a letter the Board received from Mary Gustafson expressing gratitude for the help she received from VSO Meyer.

Motion by Athey, seconded by Sandberg and carried to execute the contract with Nitz Construction for the Beardsley Shop presented by County Engineer Nick Anderson contingent upon the approval of Attorney Watson once the issues addressed earlier have been resolved.

Engineer Anderson reported that he and Maintenance Supervisor Darby Karsky have received an invitation to attend a Government Programs Training by Catepillar in Little Rock, AR on May 20-23, 2013. Motion by Wulff, seconded by Olson and carried to authorize their attendance at the training.

Discussion was held on issues with the sidewalk cement work in Graceville along CSAH 18.

Dawn Koch, Emergency Management Assistant, arrived at the meeting to present the Emergency Management agenda items.

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Athey and carried to execute the Hedgehog Grant Application for \$5,000 to assist with funding for the costs of updating the All-Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Motion by Athey, seconded by Wulff and carried to execute the Contract for Professional Services with the RDC for assistance in preparing the County's All-Hazard Mitigation Plan update.

Environmental Officer Darren Wilke presented information regarding the Conditional Use Permit (CUP) application from Tom Fridgen for an additional gravel pit site. Motion by Athey, seconded by Wulff and carried to approve the application as recommended by the Planning Commission.

HR Director Dawn Gregoire asked for clarification as to who supervises the EMD position. Consensus was to continue to have the EMD report directly to the Board.

HR Director Gregoire requested the Board to authorize a summer and fall social worker internship at Family Services. Social Services Supervisor Suzi Kleindl was present to provide information on the internships. Motion by Olson, seconded by Athey and carried to authorize the temporary hiring of the following interns for 140 hours each at \$10/hour:

Summer Intern	Tracy Kellen
Fall Intern	MacKenzie Moen

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Wulff and carried to authorize the addition of a Social Worker position for the waiver program as a result of new state requirements.

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Athey and carried to authorize the hiring of Emily Rademacher for the Mental Health Social Worker position at Grade 11 Step 1 effective May 28, 2013.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Sandberg and carried to approve switching to Madison National Life effective July 1, 2013, for the County's disability insurance carrier as presented by HR Director Gregoire.

HR Director Gregoire provided an update on various HR items.

Discussion was held on the possible changes to county program aid.

Chairman Berning adjourned the meeting at 9:40 AM.

Joseph J. Berning, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Michelle R. Knutson, Auditor