

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BIG STONE COUNTY BOARD
November 4, 2014

The Big Stone County Board of Commissioners met in the Courtroom at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, November 4, 2014. Chairman Olson called the meeting to order with Commissioners Athey, Berning, Sandberg and Wulff present. Also present were Mike Swenson of the Ortonville Independent and County Auditor Michelle Knutson. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Berning and carried to approve the minutes of the October 21st regular meeting.

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

Commissioners reported on the following committees:

Sandberg – Collaborative; Safety; Museum; Property

Athey – Prairie 5

Olson – Personnel; Insurance; RDC

Wulff – Toqua Park

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

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| Hancock Concrete Products | \$ 2,151.40 |
| Kandiyohi County Sheriff | 29,722.18 |
| Kris Engineering | 2,214.98 |
| M-R Sign Co | 3,470.58 |
| Sanford Health | 3,266.76 |
| Traverse County Sheriff | 3,380.00 |
| Twin Valley Tire | 16,256.91 |
| William J Watson | 4,370.42 |
| 41 Payments Less Than \$2,000 | <u>14,131.17</u> |
| Total | \$78,964.40 |

Discussion was held on the membership of the committee established to recommend an economic development service provider. No changes were made to the committee, other than to ask Vince Robinson to serve as an advisor.

VSO Dan Meyer provided information on the office's activities during the past month for the Board's review.

Cheryl Glaeser, Program Officer for the Southwest Initiative Foundation (SWIF), arrived at the meeting and presented an update on SWIF's activities. Ms. Glaeser also thanked the Board for their past and continued support. Becky Parker, recipient of the SWIF Award this past year, was also present and reported on her selection of the Big Stone Arts Council as the grant recipient relating to her award.

Motion by Wulff, seconded by Sandberg and carried to adopt the following resolution as presented by County Engineer Nick Anderson:

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WHEREAS, CP 006-601-014 has in all things been completed and the County Board being fully advised in the premises.

NOW THEN BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby accepts said completed project for and on behalf of the County of Big Stone, and authorize final payment to Bituminous Paving, Inc. in the amount shown on final pay estimate.

Engineer Anderson reported that only the center line will be striped on County Road 6 this year. The other striping will be done next year.

Engineer Anderson also reported that he is waiting for the agreement from the DNR on the County Ditch 2 weir project and that part of Joint Ditch 7's buffer strip will need to be reseeded again, which will be at the landowner's expense.

Motion by Wulff, seconded by Athey and carried to authorize up to the maximum amount allowed to remove silt on Combined Ditch 10/11.

Motion by Berning, seconded by Sandberg and carried to execute the contract with Hasslen Construction for the Courthouse and Government Building remodeling project as presented by Facilities Technician Jared Heck.

Discussion was held on the installation of a window in the Assessor's Office. Consensus was to proceed with the installation.

Discussion was held on skirting for the Sheriff trailer. Consensus was for Facilities Technician Heck to look into other options.

Family Services Director Pam Rud was present to update the Board on the electronic health records requirement. Cost is estimated at \$5,070 for the first year. Motion by Berning, seconded by Wulff and carried to authorize the purchase of Valent Medical Solutions for the electronic health record program.

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Berning and carried to accept the resignation of Karin Mack as the Community Resources Program Coordinator effective December 31, 2014, as presented by HR Director Dawn Gregoire.

Following a short break, the meeting was closed for the purpose of conducting performance evaluations of Department Heads Terry Ocaña, Sandy Vold, Pam Rud and Dawn Gregoire pursuant to MN Statute 13D.05 subd.3(a).

The meeting was re-opened at 12.20 PM and Chairman Olson declared it adjourned.

Brent Olson, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Michelle R. Knutson, Auditor