

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BIG STONE COUNTY BOARD
May 20, 2014

The Big Stone County Board of Commissioners met in the Commissioner's Room at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, May 20, 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, County Attorney Bill Watson and Deputy Auditor Sharon Finke. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Wulff and carried to approve the minutes of the May 6th regular meeting.

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

Commissioners reported on the following committees:

Wulff – Prairie RC&D

Berning – Property

Olson – Pioneerland; Personnel; DREAM for Kids

Sandberg – Property; CBSL

Athey – HRA

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Olson and carried that based upon recommendation from the Land Records Committee members and upon approval from the County Sheriff, the subscription based access to the County's GIS Data be discontinued and all GIS Data information be made available to the public at no charge.

Attorney Watson reported that he had been contacted by Countryside Public Health to assist in preparing a draft ordinance granting their agency the authority to conduct swimming pool inspections or Youth Camp inspections. Without that authority in place, inspection falls back to the State. Commissioner Sandberg requested Attorney Watson check with the local municipality to verify whether they have adopted ordinances in reference to the Ortonville pool.

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Berning and carried to adopt the following resolution:

2014-13

WHEREAS, Big Stone County is a participating member of the Central Minnesota Emergency Services Board (hereinafter the "Board"), a Joint Powers Entity formed pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 403.39 and 471.59; and

WHEREAS, a Joint Powers Agreement creating the Board was approved by the parties to the Agreement comprising the Board, including Big Stone County; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota legislature has amended Minnesota Statute 403.39 by adding a new section entitled "Regional Emergency Communications Boards" that provides authority for Regional Radio Boards to assume responsibility for coordinating regional 911 services; and

WHEREAS, compliance with this amendment to Minnesota statute requires modification of the existing Joint Powers Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Board recommends modification of the Joint Powers Agreement governing the Board to provide for regional coordination of 911 services and public safety broadband data services.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Big Stone County Board of Commissioners approves the modifications to the Joint Powers Agreement recommended by the Board and attached hereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Big Stone County Board Chair is hereby authorized to execute the required addendum to the existing Joint Powers Agreement to implement the authorized modifications.

Motion by Wulff, seconded by Berning and carried to accept Suzanne Kleindl's resignation effective May 30th with sincere appreciation for her years of dedicated service as presented by HR Director Dawn Gregoire.

Motion by Athey, seconded by Wulff and carried to authorize the filling of the open Social Worker Supervisor position due to Kleindl's resignation as requested by HR Director Gregoire.

Lisa Fobbe, Senator Al Franken's representative, was present to listen to any issues and/or concerns that the Board would want relayed to Senator Franken. She had also attended the Department Head meeting on May 13th to listen to their concerns. Items that were discussed included healthcare, Section 8 housing, broadband availability, agricultural programs and infrastructure issues.

County Highway Engineer Nick Anderson presented the following bids received for SAP 006-612-012, SAP 00-615-005 and SAP 006-625-010:

Central Specialties	\$1,349,630.47
Mark Sand & Gravel	\$1,426,623.20
Bituminous Paving	\$1,556,517.98

Motion by Berning, seconded by Athey and carried to award the bid to Central Specialties.

Engineer Anderson provided an on the work that is being completed on Joint Ditch #4.

Following discussion on the bids that were received for the Museum building project, motion by Berning, seconded by Sandberg and carried to ratify the awarding of the bid to Nitz Construction.

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

Aspen Equipment Company	\$ 2,059.24
Barr's-Conroy Electric Inc.	3,981.81
Big Stone SWCD	2,000.00
Computer Professionals	4,139.00
Election Systems & Software, Inc.	3,919.59
Ortonville Independent	4,750.15
Prairie Lakes Youth Programs	5,853.37
Titan Machinery	3,500.00
TrueNorth Steel	6,970.26
Trueman Welters	4,551.33
55 Payments Less Than \$2,000	<u>16,042.43</u>
Total	\$57,767.18

Following a short break Scott Gillespie, the County's representative to the Bois de Sioux Watershed District, arrived at the meeting and provided a detailed report on the activities of the Watershed District since he began his term.

Chairman Olson adjourned the meeting at 10:27 AM.

Brent Olson, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Sharon Finke, Deputy Auditor