

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BIG STONE COUNTY BOARD
September 5, 2017

The Big Stone County Board of Commissioners met in the Commissioner's Room at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, September 5, 2017. Chairman Backer called the meeting to order with Commissioners Athey, Berning, Olson and Sandberg present. Also present were County Assessor Sandy Vold, County Attorney Joe Glasrud, County Auditor Michelle Knutson and Deputy Auditor Holly Wellendorf. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Motion by Berning, seconded by Sandberg and carried to approve the minutes of the August 15th regular meeting.

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

Commissioners reported on the following committees:

Sandberg – MSI; CBSL

Athey – Prairie 5

Backer – BdSWD

Olson – RDC

Attorney Glasrud provided an update on his office's activities.

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

Crop Production Services	\$17,257.81
Ronglien & Sons Excavating	5,771.25
Yellow Medicine County Jail	3,550.00
54 Payments Less Than \$2,000	<u>20,406.19</u>
Total	<u>\$46,985.25</u>

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

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

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WHEREAS, SAP 006-635-007 and SAP 006-634-006 have 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 projects for and on behalf of the County of Big Stone, and authorizes final payment to Bituminous Paving, Inc. in the amount shown on final pay estimate.

Discussion was held on the Local Update of Census Addresses (LUCA). Board consensus was that the County will not be registering due to the IT concerns.

Tessia Melvin, representative from David Drown Associates, provided an update on the comp study process and timeline. HR Director Dawn Gregoire, Treasurer Cindy Nelson, Recorder Elaine Martig, Family Services Director Pam Rud, Assessor Sandy Vold and IT Director Terry Ocaña were present for the update and discussion. Some department heads expressed concerns about the wording in the job descriptions and inconsistent formatting. Corrections are already being made and will be forwarded to employees and department heads for an additional review.

Beau Peterson and Tammy Neubauer from the Big Stone SWCD were present to discuss the District's 2018 budget request and grant match.

IT Director Ocaña provided an update on his department.
The remainder of the meeting was spent reviewing the 2018 budget and the strategic planning goals that were set.
Chairman Backer adjourned the meeting at 10:24 AM.

Jay Backer, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Michelle R. Knutson, Auditor