

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BIG STONE COUNTY BOARD
June 18, 2019

The Big Stone County Board of Commissioners met in the Commissioner's Room at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, June 18, 2019. Chairman Sandberg called the meeting to order with Commissioners Athey, Backer, Klepel and Olson present. Also present were Dillon Dwyer of the Ortonville Independent, Mary Meyer, Mary Gustafson, HR Director Dawn Gregoire and County Auditor Michelle Knutson. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Backer and carried to approve the minutes of the June 4th regular meeting.

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

Commissioners reported on the following committees:

- Olson – PrimeWest; Countryside
- Sandberg – Museum; ESB; Property
- Athey – Property
- Backer – CPT

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

Contech Engineered Solutions	\$ 12,852.84
Counties Providing Technology	4,943.40
Feldhake Painting & Roofing	4,970.00
Fidlar Companies	2,127.00
GoFasters	5,157.97
Kandiyohi County Sheriff Dept	2,403.99
Kris Engineering	3,828.50
Lac qui Parle County Sheriff	5,571.65
S.W. Inc	3,350.00
56 payments less than \$2,000	<u>17,591.81</u>
Total	<u>\$62,797.16</u>

Motion by Olson, seconded by Klepel and carried to authorize the following internal transactions:

General to Highway	\$ 7,162.15
Family Services to Highway	\$ 884.20
Ditch to Highway	\$ 3,714.96
Joint Ditch 4	\$3,345.71
County Ditch 8	\$ 325.00
County Ditch 30	\$ 44.25

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

Motion by Olson, seconded by Sandberg and carried to execute the audit engagement letter with Abdo Eick & Meyer for the 2019-2021 audits and authorize Auditor Knutson to sign on behalf of the County.

Motion by Athey, seconded by Olson and carried to reappoint Kathy Morrill to the Local Social Services Agency Board for a 2-year term.

Motion by Athey, seconded by Olson and carried to accept the resignation of Social Worker Josie Pruett effective June 21st as presented by HR Director Gregoire.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Backer and carried to authorize HR Director Gregoire to proceed with filling the vacated Social Worker position.

County Engineer Todd Larson provided an update on recent department activities. Larson reported that the Minnesota Statute regarding retainage on a public construction project will be changing August 1st and that the County can longer retain up to 5%, but will now be capped at 1% or \$500, whichever is greater, after 60 days from substantial completion. Discussion was held on the proposed Highway building and funding options including the implementation of a possible wheelage tax.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Backer and carried to authorize the Highway Department to approve temporary road closures for future special events.

Chairman Sandberg requested that the Auditor add a wheelage tax discussion to the next agenda.

Environmental Services Director Darren Wilke presented a proposal for Pictometry for flyovers in 2020 and 2023. They are again offering the 2-flyover option over 6 years at a discount and if signed by June 30th, we will receive higher resolution for the same price. Following discussion, motion by Olson, seconded by Backer and carried to execute the contract with Pictometry for the 2-flyover option and authorize Wilke to sign the contract. Assessor Sandy Vold was also present for the discussion.

Chairman Sandberg adjourned the meeting at 9:35 AM.

Roger Sandberg, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Michelle R. Knutson, Auditor