

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BIG STONE COUNTY BOARD
December 2, 2021

The Big Stone County Board of Commissioners met in the Commissioners' Room at 6:00 pm on Thursday, December 2, 2021. Chairman Backer called the meeting to order with Commissioners Athey, Klages, Olson and Sandberg present. Also present were Dillon Dwyer of the Ortonville Independent, County Attorney Joe Glasrud, Coordinator Pam Rud and Auditor-Treasurer Michelle Knutson. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Olson and carried to approve the minutes of the November 16th regular meeting as well as the November 23rd special meeting.

Motion by Klages, seconded by Athey and carried to approve the agenda as presented.

There was no one present for the Public Meeting for the 2022 Budget and Levy discussion.

Chairman Backer asked for any items for work session. There were no issues for the work session.

Commissioners reported on the following committees:

Olson – Pioneerland; PrimeWest; Blandin Broadband (2)

Klages – Personnel (2); Blandin Broadband

Backer – Personnel (2); CPT (2); RDC

Athey – Prairie 5; BdSWD; Fair Board

Sandberg – MSI

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

Rod Ehrp	\$ 2,700.00
Nelson Electric	5,207.75
West Con	10,765.38
51 Payments Less Than \$2,000	<u>27,372.25</u>
Total	\$46,045.38

Motion by Olson, seconded by Athey and carried to approve 2022 Tobacco Licenses for the following businesses: Casey's General Store; Dollar General; Holiday Station Stores, Inc.; Jamer's One Stop; Tri-County Co-op.

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Olson and carried to adopt Uniform Guidance Policies and Procedures effective retroactively to January 1, 2021, as presented by Auditor-Treasurer Knutson.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Sandberg and carried to reduce the Change Fund in the Auditor-Treasurer's Office to \$300.00.

Motion by Athey, seconded by Olson and carried to approve the Feedlot Workplan and authorize Environmental Director Darren Wilke to sign the agreement.

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Klages and carried to approve the 2022-2023 Kandiyohi/Big Stone County Dispatch Contract and authorize Sheriff Brown to sign the contract.

Motion by Olson and seconded by Klages and carried to authorize IT Director Matt Anderson to travel to Washington, DC with the Secretary of State Cyber Navigator.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Klages and carried to execute the Employment Agreement with Auditor-Treasurer Michelle Knutson effective January 1, 2022.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Sandberg and carried to set Sheriff Brown's salary for 2022 at \$93,260.00.

Motion by Olson seconded by Sandberg and carried to ratify the TriMin Contract.

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Olson and carried to appoint Commissioner Athey to the Upper MN 1W1P Board with Commissioner Klages as the alternate.

Motion by Athey, seconded by Klages and carried to appoint Michaela Erickson and Brooklyn Conrad to the Extension Committee Board.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Klages and carried to appoint Laura Berger as the Recorder effective January 4, 2022. She will be on Grade 12, Step 1.

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

2021-41

WHEREAS, SAP 006-620-009, SAP 006-625-011, and CP 006-001-021, 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 Central Specialties, Inc. in the amount shown on final pay estimate.

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

2021-42

WHEREAS, CP 006-002-021, 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 project for and on behalf of the County of Big Stone, and authorizes final payment to Central Specialties, Inc. in the amount shown on final pay estimate.

Chairman Backer adjourned the meeting at 6:41 PM.

Jay Backer, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Pam Rud, Coordinator