

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BIG STONE COUNTY BOARD**  
**April 16, 2024**

The Big Stone County Board of Commissioners met in the Commissioners' Room at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, April 16, 2024. Chairman Sandberg called the meeting to order with Commissioners Olson, Zimmel, Klages and Athey present. Also present was Coordinator Pam Rud. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Zimmel and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the April 2<sup>nd</sup> regular meeting.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Klages and carried unanimously to approve the agenda.

Commissioners reported on the following committees:

Athey – UMRWD, HRA  
Klages – Woodland, CPT, ESB, PdTRA  
Olson – PW, CPH  
Sandberg – Woodland, Museum, EOC

Countryside Public Health Administrator Liz Auch was present to provide a summary of 2023 and the various events and activities of our local public health.

Layne Kockelman from Abdo presented a summary of the 2023 financial statement audit for Big Stone County. Motion by Athey, seconded by Klages and carried unanimously to accept the 2023 financial statements and order their publication.

Motion by Athey, seconded by Olson and carried unanimously to authorize payment of claims as prepared by Auditor-Treasurer Michelle Knutson. Vendors, excluding Family Services, receiving payments in excess of \$2,000 are as follows:

American Solutions for Business	\$ 3,319.55
Bob Walsh Enterprises	47,000.00
CPT	6,698.00
Insight Public Sector	3,041.61
Kandiyohi County Sheriff Dept	40,014.63
L&O Acres Transport	2,534.13
Ortonville Independent	2,853.96
Regents of U of MN	20,162.00
Stevens County	5,583.91
Tessier's	11,737.00
TrueNorth Steel	40,515.88
Twin Valley Tire	2,280.00
Waste Management	12,056.57
West Central Communications	24,263.25
West Con	2,044.00
40 Payments Less Than \$2,000	<u>17,645.57</u>
Total	\$241,750.06

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

Motion by Zimmel, seconded by Athey and carried unanimously to approve the on-sale liquor license for the Graceville Golf Club.

Josh Humberg and Todd Langston with Ottertail Power Company presented an update on the BSSA project.

Family Services Director Laura Laub presented a department update.

County Engineer Jordan Roggenbuck presented a department update and notified the Board of a grant award for the CR 68 project.

Rud reported that Kiarra Rodacker has been hired as the new social worker at Family Services. She will start on June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Motion by Klages seconded by Zimmel and carried unanimously to accept the resignation of Highway Maintenance Worker Shane Maas and to hire for the position. Shane's last day will be April 25<sup>th</sup>.

Rud presented a letter of support for SF 3886 and HF 3992 for EMS services. Motion by Klages, seconded by Athey and carried unanimously to send the letter of support on behalf of the board.

Work session included discussion on SF 3808 from the last meeting and Klages shared information on Nova Clean Energy.

Chairman Sandberg adjourned the meeting at 10:19 AM.

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Roger Sandberg, Chairman

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Pam Rud, Coordinator