

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BIG STONE COUNTY BOARD
May 7, 2024

The Big Stone County Board of Commissioners met in the Commissioners' Room at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, May 7, 2024. Chairman Sandberg called the meeting to order with Commissioners Zimmel, Athey and Klages present. Commissioner Olson was absent. Also present were Dillon Dwyer of the Ortonville Independent, County Attorney Rebecca Trapp and Coordinator Pam Rud. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Motion by Athey, seconded by Zimmel and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the April 16th regular meeting.

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

Commissioners reported on the following committees:

Zimmel – BdSWD, Western Probation, RDC

Athey – P5

Klages – CPT, Woodland, PW

Sandberg – SWEMS, Insurance, Woodland, Food Shelf, Collaborative, Museum

Motion by Athey, seconded by Klages 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:

Abdo	\$ 16,000.00
Big Stone Lake Sno Riders	7,995.99
Black Hills Ammunition	3,955.50
CDW Government	2,329.94
Cloudpermit	2,700.00
CPT	6,032.00
Granicus	3,531.00
HP Inc	5,710.90
Insight Public Sector	5,243.32
M-R Sign Co	5,715.72
Nelson Electric	5,647.89
Ortonville Area Health Services	2,568.00
The Shop	2,141.54
Tri County Co-op Oil	3,256.50
West Con	27,724.33
White Cap	3,600.00
63 Payments Less Than \$2,000	<u>24,615.11</u>
Total	\$128,767.74

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

Rud introduced Randy Stuckey, the Seasonal Groundskeeper at Toqua Park to the Board.

Erick Hedman with Prairie 5 Nutrition presented information about the various programs and people served in the county.

Josh Humburg with Ottetail Power Company presented information on the BSSA project and informed the Board of upcoming public meetings to discuss the proposed routes.

County Engineer Jordan Roggenbuck requested approval to award SP 006-607-016 for the CSAH 7 Mill and Overlay project to Central Specialties for \$2,074,316.21. Motion by Athey, seconded by Zimmel and carried unanimously to award the bid to Central Specialties and authorize the County Attorney and Engineer to enter into a contract with them to perform the work.

Roggenbuck requested permission to begin advertising for SP 006-600-006 for the Ben Heins State Park Road Project. Motion by Klages, seconded by Athey and carried unanimously to advertise for the project as presented.

Extension Educator Suzanne Souza and Regional Extension Director Trisha Sheehan presented information on the various Extension programs being offered in Big Stone County and how many children are being served.

Environmental Director Darren Wilke requested that the low-income Sewer Grant Policy be amended to allow for 75% project cost for extremely low and very low-income applicants and 50% for low-income applicants. Motion by Zimmel, seconded by Klages and carried unanimously to change the policy as presented.

Wilke presented candidates for the Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment. Wilke recommended that Michael Trulson be reappointed to another 3-year term on the Board of Adjustment and Charlie Maanum be appointed to a 3-year term on the Planning Commission. Don Diekmann has resigned after 21 years and was thanked for his service. Motion by Athey, seconded by Zimmel and carried to appoint the members as presented.

Motion by Athey, seconded by Zimmel and carried unanimously to authorize the payment of \$4500 and an additional \$1,000 asbestos removal for the dilapidated structure application for Dale and Shaunna Stein, parcel 17-0066-000.

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Klages and carried unanimously to appoint Commissioner Klages to the Western Prairie Board.

Chairman Sandberg adjourned the meeting at 9:49 AM.

Roger Sandberg, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Pam Rud, Coordinator