

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ROSEAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

January 9, 2007

The Board of Commissioners of Roseau County, Minnesota met in the courthouse in the City of Roseau, Minnesota on Tuesday, January 9, 2007 at 8:30 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by County Board Chair Jack Swanson. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call was taken. Commissioners present were Alan Johnston, Mark Foldesi, Orris Rasmussen, Jack Swanson, and Russell Walker.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approval of the Roseau County Trail Blazers Certificates of Trail Completion 1st Benchmark, discussion of the Highway Department Employees Association contract, and discussion on county monitoring of alarms was added to the agenda. A motion to adopt the consent agenda was made by Commissioner Walker, seconded by Commissioner Rasmussen, and carried by unanimous vote.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Board, by adoption of its consent agenda, acknowledged Roseau County Attorney's Office Commendation of Lenny Johnson.

The Board, by adoption of its consent agenda, acknowledged Roseau County Attorney's Office Commendation of Arnold Pederson.

The Board, by adoption of its consent agenda, approved the hire of Nathan Adams as Investigator effective December 31, 2006.

The Board, by adoption of its consent agenda, approved benefit pay out to Lisa Hanson in the amount of \$3,808.17.

The Board, by adoption of its consent agenda, approved benefit pay out to Pam Grand in the amount of \$981.03.

The Board, by adoption of its consent agenda, approved the two-year FY08 and FY09 Sentence to Serve Income Contract in the amount of \$71,613 for the provision of Sentence to Serve services in Roseau County.

The Board, by adoption of its consent agenda, approved the Roseau County Trail Blazer Certificate of Trail Completion, 1st Benchmark, for the Pelan Trail and Beltrami Island State Forest Performance Based Grants in the amounts of \$29,670 and \$4,400.

The Board, by adoption of its consent agenda, received and approved payment of bills as submitted by the Auditor's Office as follows:

WARRANTS APPROVED ON 1/09/2007 FOR PAYMENT 1/12/2007
AMOUNT VENDOR NAME AMOUNT VENDOR NAME

760.34	ACE HARDWARE-ROSEAU	450.00	NATHAN ADAMS
2271.00	ALPHACARD SYSTEMS	7322.00	ASSN OF MN COUNTIES
450.00	KEVIN BECKER	450.00	TOBI EIDSMOE
1974.89	FARMERS UNION OIL CO-LK BRNSN	450.00	STEVE GUST
450.00	KELLY GUSTAFSON	450.00	JULE HANSON
927.66	LISA HANSON	1385.00	HEPPNER CONSULTING INC
499.30	HOLIDAY COMMERCIAL	9568.87	KAYWAY INDUSTRIES INC
8950.00	LAKE OF THE WOODS CO SHERIFF	950.00	LAKE SUPERIOR COLLEGE
450.00	CHAD MAURSTAD	721.00	TODD MILLER
75185.62	MN COUNTIES COMPUTER COOP	245687.00	MN COUNTIES INSURANCE TRUST
16947.25	MN DEPT OF CORRECTIONS STS	600.00	MN OFFICE OF ENTERPRISES TECH
1379.40	MN SHERIFF'S ASSN	1855.00	MN TRANSPORTATION ALLIANCE
400.00	NATIONAL ASSN OF COUNTIES	450.00	JEFF NELSON
2420.72	NORTHLAND TIRE	450.00	AARON PHILLIPE
831.23	POWER PLAN	404.59	QUILL CORPORATION
450.00	MATT RESTAD	1475.98	RIVERFRONT STATION
722.52	ROSEAU AUTO VALUE	473.45	ROSEAU CLEANING SYSTEMS
2435.25	SJOBERG'S INC	1950.00	VOYAGEURS COMTRONICS CORP
492.64	ZIEGLER INC		

51 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$300 7,325.89

**** **FINAL TOTAL..... \$400,416.60** ****

And the summary of auditor warrants and forthwith payments, as follows:

December 29, 2006	\$111,743.17
January 5, 2007	\$113,739.06

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Board heard the following committee and other meeting reports: i.) KaMaR Advisory Board; ii) Association of Minnesota Counties Legislative Steering Committee.

The Board discussed changing the status of Environmental Officer Jeff Pelowski from an ad-hoc committee member to a voting member on the KaMaR Board. A motion was made by Commissioner Swanson, seconded by Commissioner Foldesi, and carried by unanimous vote to adopt the following resolution:

2007-01-05

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board does hereby make Jeff Pelowski a voting member of the KaMaR Advisory Board.

DISCUSSION

The Board discussed the Highway Department Employee Association contract negotiation. The Board directed the Negotiation Committee to return to the Association with a clarification of the county's counter-proposal and to request a paper ballot vote on the proposal.

The Board discussed the decision to discontinue monitoring of alarms. No action was taken.

The Board discussed the county's need for a storage location for salt after their discontinuation of collaboration with MnDot. Commissioner Swanson advised the Board that he had spoken to MnDot supervisor Curt Larson who assured him that MnDot would like to continue providing salt storage to the county but that the key issue is capacity. Commissioner

Swanson stated that Mr. Larson would like to work toward a solution that will work for all parties. The Highway and Ditch Committee will discuss this matter further.

DAVE GRAFSTROM APPOINTMENT

Dave Grafstrom met with the Board to discuss the possibility of the county's involvement in a bio-diesel project. Grafstrom explained the different possibilities of using our local agriculture resources to provide sustainable energy. Mr. Grafstrom specifically discussed the process of creating B-20 bio-diesel and the idea of forming a joint powers agreement between other potential users to experiment with this concept. The Board advised Mr. Grafstrom that they would be interested in further discussion.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Engineer Brian Ketring met with the Board. Mr. Ketring requested Board approval of the final payout on four FEMA ditch projects. A motion was made by Commissioner Johnston, seconded by Commissioner Foldesi and carried by unanimous vote to adopt the following resolution:

2007-01-06

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board does hereby approve final payment to Olson Construction in the amount of \$16,391.14 on FEMA PW No. 246, County Ditch No 95 – Lateral 1.

A motion was made by Commissioner Johnston, seconded by Commissioner Foldesi and carried by unanimous vote to adopt the following resolution:

2007-01-07

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board does hereby approve final payment to Goulet Construction in the amount of \$25,642.35 on FEMA PW No. 258, County Ditch No 23 – Main Ditch.

A motion was made by Commissioner Johnston, seconded by Commissioner Foldesi and carried by unanimous vote to adopt the following resolution:

2007-01-08

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board does hereby approve final payment to Wright Construction in the amount of \$14,234.15 on FEMA PW No. 275, County Ditch No 91 – Lateral 3.

A motion was made by Commissioner Johnston, seconded by Commissioner Foldesi and carried by unanimous vote to adopt the following resolution:

2007-01-09

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board does hereby approve final payment to Holthusen Construction in the amount of \$18,201.25 on FEMA PW No. 275, County Ditch No 91 – Lateral 4.

Engineer Ketring requested the Board approve a call for bids on a federal highway construction project. A motion was made by Commissioner Foldesi, seconded by Commissioner Rasmussen, and carried by unanimous vote to adopt the following resolution:

2007-01-10

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board does hereby authorize a call for bids on SP 68-606-10, CSAH No. 6 on February 27, 2007 at 11:00 am.

DISCUSSION CONTINUED

The Board discussed the renewal of the professional service contract with Laure Johnson for custodial services. A motion was made by Commissioner Johnston, seconded by Commissioner Swanson, and carried by unanimous vote to adopt the following resolution:

2007-01-11

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board does hereby approve the renewal of a professional services contract with Laure Johnson for the term of December 31, 2006 through December 31, 2007 at a monthly rate of \$2,053.49 to cover all time necessary to complete the duties as indicated in the contract.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board approves forthwith payment of \$1,993.68 to Laure Johnson for services provided.

The Board discussed the Information Technology position. A motion was made by Commissioner Johnston, seconded by Commissioner Foldesi, and carried by unanimous vote to adopt the following resolution:

2007-01-12

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board does hereby approve establishment of an Information Technology Specialist position and authorizes advertisement for this position as a regular, full-time, Grade 6, position.

Upon motion carried, the meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m. The Board will convene its next regular meeting at 8:30 a.m. on January 23, 2007.

Attest:

Date: _____

Teresa Klein
County Coordinator

Jack Swanson
Board Chairman