

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ROSEAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

October 6, 2009

The Board of Commissioners of Roseau County, Minnesota met in the Courthouse in the City of Roseau, Minnesota on Tuesday, October 6, 2009 at 8:30 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approval of Manatron training and re-appointment of County Coordinator Trish Klein as Board Clerk were added to the Consent Agenda. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Commissioner Rasmussen, seconded by Commissioner Foldesi and carried unanimously.

COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Foldesi announced that the Law Enforcement TB checks on trucks hauling cattle have been running smoothly.

Commissioner Johnston acknowledged a letter from the MN Association of Wheat Growers regarding rural transportation infrastructure.

Coordinator Klein announced that meetings with all non-union employees have been scheduled.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Commissioner Johnston, seconded by Commissioner Rasmussen and carried unanimously.

The Board, by adoption of its consent agenda, approved proceedings from the September 29, 2009 Board Meeting.

The Board, by adoption of its consent agenda, approved a Joint Powers Agreement between Roseau County and the State of MN Bureau of Criminal Apprehension to enable Roseau County BCA agents to cover Stonegarden shifts.

The Board, by adoption of its consent agenda, approved the Roseau County Prevention Coalition Quarter 1 Fiscal Statistical Report.

The Board, by adoption of its consent agenda, authorized the Sheriff's Office to dispose of circuitry cabinets for the detention center project that were ordered in too large and were replaced. The Board requested the Sheriff's Office attempt one more time to find someone who might be able to use them before they are disposed of.

The Board, by adoption of its consent agenda, authorized a gravelling project in unorganized Pohlitz Township not to exceed \$5,000 and a culvert replacement and ditch cleaning project in unorganized Blooming Valley Township not to exceed \$5,000.

The Board, by adoption of its consent agenda, authorized the Board Chair to sign the Office of Justice Victim Services Program Grant in the amount of \$78,110.00 effective October 1, 2009 to September 31, 2010.

The Board, by adoption of its consent agenda, authorized Manitron-GRM tax system training to be provided by Marilyn Hallstrom in an amount not to exceed \$7,000 to be paid for with Land Records Technology "Modernization" Funds.

The Board, by adoption of its consent agenda, re-appointed County Coordinator Teresa Klein as Board Clerk.

Chair Swanson recessed the Board meeting at 9:00 am. The meeting reconvened at 9:55 am.

DISCUSSION

The Board discussed nomination of a candidate for the One Woman 2010 campaign. The matter was deferred to the next regularly scheduled Board meeting.

The Board reviewed the 2010 Budget and Levy. Commissioner Swanson identified items contributing to the increased budget including \$170,000 for the health insurance premium increase; the addition of a new \$150,000 line item for expenses related to sexually dangerous predators, \$425,000 wage increase which includes a 3.5% previously negotiated salary increase and step increases; and a \$50,000 increase in the election budget. These items alone account for \$795,000 of the \$820,000 negative budget. The Board is also on notice that Roseau County will be unallotted \$170,364 in County Program aid in 2010. Coordinator Klein and Commissioners Walker and Foldesi will be meeting with all employee groups to educate them regarding budget concerns and to request that employees agree to a wage freeze.

Upon motion carried, the Board adjourned the regular meeting at 10:45 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Board is scheduled for October 13, 2009 at 8:30 a.m.

Attest:

Date: _____

Teresa Klein, County Coordinator
Roseau County, Minnesota

Jack Swanson, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners
Roseau County, Minnesota