

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE ROSEAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

May 12, 2009

The Board of Commissioners of Roseau County, Minnesota met in the Courthouse in the City of Roseau, Minnesota on Tuesday, May 12, 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, Jack Swanson and Russell Walker.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Property valuation and Community Justice Coordinating Committee were added to discussion. A motion to approve the amended agenda was made by Commissioner Foldesi, seconded by Commissioner Rasmussen and carried unanimously.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion to adopt the consent agenda was made by Commissioner Rasmussen seconded by Commissioner Foldesi and carried unanimously.

The Board, by adoption of its consent agenda, approved proceedings from the May 5, 2009 Board Meeting.

The Board, by adoption of its consent agenda, approved a fee of \$50.00 for the purchase of a precious metal license.

The Board, by adoption of its consent agenda, approved two applications for abatement.

The Board, by adoption of its consent agenda, approved payment of bills as follows:

**WARRANTS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT 4/30/2009**

<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>VENDOR NAME</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>VENDOR NAME</b>
1351.58	ASSURANT EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	523.24	CANON FINANCIAL SERVICES INC
1047.12	BRIAN HARDWICK P.A.	20000.00	ICS,INC
55412.50	CLAIRE KJERSTEN	2475.81	MN ENERGY RESOURCES
1631.11	MN MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE	640.00	MN NCPERS GROUP LIFE INS
1230.00	NATHAN SEEGER LAW OFFICE	946.49	RIVERSIDE BAIT & TACKLE INC
438.94	ROSEAU ELECTRIC COOP INC	375.00	TOWN OF LAKE
444.65	VERIZON WIRELESS		

**24 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$300      1,390.88**

\*\*\*\* **FINAL TOTAL..... \$87,907.32 \*\*\*\***

**WARRANTS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT 5/01/2009**

<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>VENDOR NAME</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>VENDOR NAME</b>
1050.00	WYNNE CONSULTING INC		

**0 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$300      .00**

\*\*\*\* **FINAL TOTAL..... \$1,050.00 \*\*\*\***

**WARRANTS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT 5/07/2009**

<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>VENDOR NAME</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>VENDOR NAME</b>
1862.92	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	2154.55	CAPITAL GUARDIAN TRUST CO

896.34 CENTURYTEL	750.00 MARK HAUGEN PHD LP
18584.50 CLAIRE KJERSTEN	700.20 LAW ENFORCEMENT LABOR SERVICES
7463.75 MII LIFE-VEBA	837.83 MN CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTE
5074.50 MN DEPT OF FINANCE-TREAS	3242.48 NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT SOLUTION
30276.00 ROSEAU CO TRAILBLAZERS	9270.00 ROSEAU ROOFING & REMODELING
<b>16 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$300 5,254.26</b>	
**** <b>FINAL TOTAL..... \$86,367.33</b> ****	

**WARRANTS APPROVED ON 5/12/2009 FOR PAYMENT 5/15/2009**

<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>VENDOR NAME</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>VENDOR NAME</b>
416.18	ACE HARDWARE-ROSEAU	362.17	AMERICAN SOLUTIONS FOR BUSINES
839.77	BALLARD MOTOR CO	734.41	BEAR GRAPHICS INC
575.30	STEVE BERGSTROM	905.25	CDW GOVERNMENT INC
1085.32	COAST TRUE VALUE	403.44	CONSTRUCTION BULLETIN MAGAZINE
332.07	COUNTRYSIDE TIRE	362.29	CREATIVE FORMS & CONCEPTS
300.38	CULLIGAN	430.51	D & E SPORT SHOP-ROSEAU
6648.00	DEPT OF EMPLOYMENT & ECONOMIC	645.29	TONY DORN INC
450.00	DW MECHANICAL	779.58	FARM & HOME PUBLISHERS LTD
1763.29	FARMERS UNION OIL CO-LK BRNSN	3185.87	FARMERS UNION OIL CO-WARROAD
6628.19	FRONTIER PRECISION INC	383.01	GEROYS BUILDING CENTER
1211.43	DAVE GRAFSTROM	1805.00	H & L MESABI INC
528.10	INTOXIMETERS INC	4218.42	JOHNSON OIL CO INC
1690.40	M & R SIGN CO INC	30478.95	MAR-KIT LANDFILL
3152.45	MN COUNTIES COMPUTER COOP	2697.00	MN DEPT OF EMPLOYMENT
466.72	MULTI OFFICE PRODUCTS INC	400.00	NORTH COUNTRY WEBSITES
10887.61	NORTHERN RESOURCES COOPERATIVE	1549.40	NORTHLAND COMM & TECH COLLEGE-
1423.00	NORTHLAND COMMUNITY & TECHNICA	4274.79	NORTHLAND TIRE
302.18	NOVOTNY'S OVERHEAD DOOR SALES	1878.75	NW CONCRETE PRODUCTS INC
1431.36	OCCUPATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CTR I	430.00	JEFF PARKER
483.44	PEART & ASSOCIATES INC	366.15	GLENDA PHILLIPE
1923.69	POWER PLAN	437.50	PRO-WEST & ASSOCIATES INC
934.79	QUILL CORPORATION	652.69	RATWIK, ROSZAK & MALONEY, PA
2273.20	RIVERFRONT STATION	2143.60	ROSEAU CITY
461.14	ROSEAU CLEANING SYSTEMS	733.18	ROSEAU CO CASH FUND
5121.07	ROSEAU CO COOP ASSN	350.93	ROSEAU CO TREASURER
1038.97	ROSEAU DIESEL SERVICE INC	554.18	SAY SECURITY NORTH COUNTRY
2320.00	SIMPLEX GRINNELL LP	2435.25	SJOBORG'S INC
1125.00	STOSKOPF REDI MIX ROSEAU INC	2673.37	SWANSTON EQUIPMENT CORPORATION
1363.59	THE TRIBUNE	2853.04	TW VENDING INC
1500.00	UND FORENSIC PATHOLOGHY	326.25	WIKSTROM TELECOM-INTERNET
<b>47 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$300 6,098.98</b>			
**** <b>FINAL TOTAL..... \$134,225.89</b> ****			

**COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. Commissioner Swanson will be attending a Futures Meeting in St. Paul May 13-14, 2009.
2. Coordinator Klein will publish a press release regarding increased collaboration between Roseau and Lake of the Woods Counties.
3. Coordinator Klein will send out a letter to the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources expressing opposition to the proposed wetland exemption rules change.
4. Coordinator Klein notified the Board of a request from Mr. Stan Meek to attend a zoning meeting on May 19, 2009 at the Rural Municipality of Piney, Vassar, Manitoba.

**ROSEAU COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

Museum Curator Charlene Haugen met with the Board to request funding to purchase shelving for the County Museum's storage area. Ms. Haugen provided a power point presentation and presented a quote from TC Storage Solutions in the amount of \$3,640. Ms. Haugen noted that the Minnesota Historical Society has minimum requirements for shelving and added that the estimate presented meets those requirements and is the Minnesota Historical Society selected vendor. Commissioner Foldesi asked what specifications are

required and if it is possible that other shelving might meet the requirements. Commissioner Rasmussen asked if military surplus shelving would work. Commissioner Foldesi offered to research shelving options to determine if it could be purchased or made locally for less. A motion was made by Commissioner Johnston, seconded by Commissioner Foldesi and carried by a 4-1 vote to adopt the following resolution, with Commissioners Swanson, Johnston, Foldesi, and Rasmussen in favor and Commissioner Walker opposed.

2009-05-01

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board does hereby approve the purchase of shelving for the Roseau County Historical Society in an amount not to exceed \$3,640.

## **ROSEAU COUNTY TRAILBLAZERS**

Terry Sizemore, Trail Administrator for the Roseau County Trailblazers met with the Board and presented the Certificates of Satisfactory Grooming 4<sup>th</sup> Benchmarks for Pelan Trail and BISF Section 1 Trails for approval. A motion was made by Commissioner Johnston, seconded by Commissioner Rasmussen, and carried unanimously to adopt the following resolution:

2008-05-02

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board does hereby approve Pelan Trail and BISF Section 1 Trails Certificate of Satisfactory Grooming Benchmark 4.

Mr. Sizemore requested the Board once again serve as sponsor and fiscal agent for the Roseau County Trailblazers maintenance and grooming application to the DNR Trails & Waterways through the Minnesota Snowmobile Trails Assistance Program. A motion was made by Commissioner Johnston, seconded by Commissioner Foldesi, and carried unanimously to adopt the following resolution:

2009-05-03

BE IT RESOLVED that Roseau County agrees to act as legal sponsor for funding received from the State of Minnesota Department of Natural Resources for maintenance and grooming of the Pelan and Beltrami Island State Forest Section 1 Snowmobile Trails by the Roseau County Trailblazers, Inc.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon approval of its application by the state, Roseau County may enter into an agreement with the State of Minnesota and will comply will all applicable federal and state laws and regulations and conditions as stated in the agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Roseau County hereby agrees to serve as the fiscal agent for the Pelan and Beltrami Island State Forest Section 1 Snowmobile Trails maintained and groomed by the Roseau County Trailblazers, Inc. and authorizes the Board Chair to sign all related documents on behalf of Roseau County.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Commissioner Foldesi reported on the following committee meetings: Soil and Water Conservation District meeting, 5/12/09: Discussed market sales, cost of living and tree sales.

Commissioner Johnston reported on the following committee meetings: Association of Minnesota Counties Transportation Policy Committee meeting, 4-29-09: Discussed initiatives and priorities, role of MnDot ombudsman, stimulus projects, and legislative update. Association of Minnesota Counties Board of Directors meeting April 30, 2009: Discussed Health & Human Services bill, Minnesota re-design, healthcare for incarcerated inmates and healthcare reform.

Commissioner Rasmussen reported on the following committee meetings: Minnesota Rural Counties Caucus, 5/7/09: Discussed land acquisition plans and transit funding.

Commissioner Swanson reported on the following committee meetings: Minnesota Rural Counties Caucus: 4/28/09: Discussed session issues. Association of Minnesota Counties Legislative Conference: 4/29/09: Discussed issues affecting Roseau County; Association of Minnesota Counties Legislative Conference: 4/30/09: Discussed issues affecting Roseau County; Roseau River Watershed District, 5/6/09: Discussed elected versus appointed Board Managers and Haycreek and Norland Road flood control projects; Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee, 5/6/09: Discussed mental health initiative and youth chemical dependency in Roseau County; Northern Counties Land Use Coordinating Board, 5/7/09: Discussed Oberstar/Feingold Clean Water Restoration Act and talked about public hearings on the wetland conservation rules; KaMar Board meeting, 5/11/09: Discussed prospect of bringing Lake of the Woods County into KaMar as a member or contracting with them to become a member; Roseau River Watershed Board and City of Roseau Watershed Assessment meeting, 5/11/09: Facilitated discussion of the watershed assessment for the west interceptor.

Commissioner Walker reported on the following committee meetings: DNR Elk Depredation meeting, 5/5/09: Discussed elk depredation and funding. PILT payment meeting with Marty Vadis, Director of the DNR Land and Minerals, 5/6/09: Discussed land sales and restructuring of PILT program. Meeting with Senator Stumpf regarding sale of Con Con land, 5/6/09: Discussed public land sales. Meeting with Joe Martin and Ted Radintz, 5/6/09: Reviewed TB situation in northern Minnesota; discussed production of beef cattle in Roseau and surrounding counties.

Chair Swanson recessed the Board meeting at 9:45 a.m. The meeting reconvened at 10:00 a.m.

## **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

Roseau County Engineer Brian Ketring and District Representative Lou Tasa attended the Board meeting to open bids for Project No. SP 68-609-17, CSAH #9 Overlay Project. Three bids were received.

1. Minn-Dak Asphalt

**Bid Amount:** \$1,676,074.70

423 Zea Street

Thief River Falls, MN 56701

2. Knife River

**Bid Amount:** \$1,608,188.85

4101 Bemidji Ave. N

Bemidji, MN 56601

3. Central Specialties, Inc.

**Bid Amount:** \$1,875,790.16

6325 County Road 87 SW

Alexandria, MN 56308

Mr. Ketring notified the Board that after the State has reviewed and approved the bids, he will return to the Board for approval.

**DISCUSSION**

Commissioner Swanson asked the Board to consider funding lunch for the Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee meetings. These meetings are held from noon to 1:00 p.m. once a month as this is the best time for all members to attend. For the past five months Commissioner Swanson has supplied the committee with lunch. Lunches for the future would be supplied by Aviaids' at a cost of \$2-\$3 per person. Coordinator Klein will research this matter.

The Board discussed concerns expressed by constituents regarding increases in valuation. It was noted that valuation is determined by statute based on land classification and the local market. The county must stay within the 90% to 105% range or the Department of Revenue will override local assessments and adjust them. Coordinator Klein will invite Assessor Allen Heim to the next Board meeting to review the property valuation process and answer the Board's questions and concerns.

Upon motion carried, the Board adjourned the regular meeting at 11:20 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Board is scheduled for May 26, 2009 at 8:30 a.m.

Attest:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Teresa Klein, County Coordinator  
Roseau County, Minnesota

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