

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BIG STONE COUNTY BOARD

June 21, 2022

The Big Stone County Board of Commissioners met in the Commissioners' Room at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, June 21, 2022. Chairman Klages called the meeting to order with Commissioners Sandberg, Olson, Backer and Athey present. Also present were Dillon Dwyer of the Ortonville Independent, County Attorney Maggie Kluver and Coordinator Pam Rud. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Athey and carried to amend and approve the minutes of the May 17th regular meeting to include ordinance summaries.

Motion by Backer, seconded by Athey and carried to approve the minutes of the June 7th regular meeting.

Motion by Athey, seconded by Backer and carried to approve the agenda.

Commissioners reported on the following committees:

Sandberg – Public Safety, Museum, MSI

Olson – AMC, Pioneerland

Backer – CPT (4), CareerForce

Athey – SWCD, 1W1P, UMRWD

Klages – Personnel, CMESB, Public Safety, PdTJPB

Motion by Athey, seconded by Sandberg and carried to authorize payment of the following claims as presented by Auditor-Treasurer Knutson:

Audio & Security Engineers	\$ 4,803.92
CPT	5,837.00
Marco	8,054.05
Ortonville Independent	3,902.99
Ronglien & Sons Excavating	2,122.50
Security 101 Minneapolis	13,675.54
Stevens County	5,218.90
Superior Caulking	16,896.68
Tri County Co-Op Oil	2,669.16
Tureman-Welters	2,648.18
Waste Management	11,989.28
West Con	12,549.40
49 Payments Less Than \$2,000	<u>21,008.41</u>
Total	\$111,376.01

County Engineer Todd Larson provided an update on projects at the Highway Department. Motion by Backer, seconded by Athey and carried to approve the final payment for the 2022 sealcoat project. Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Olson and carried to make final retainage payment to Hasslen Construction contingent on the release of warranty.

Family Service Director Laura Laub provided an update on Family Service activities. Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Backer and carried to approve payment of the warrants. Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Backer and carried to approve the DHS mental health respite grant. Motion by Olson, seconded by Sandberg and carried to amend the Children and Families Procurement resolution as follows:

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The Minnesota Department of Human Services has published a Request for Proposals (RFP) to provide health care services to recipients of Families and Children Medical Assistance (MA) and Minnesota Care in 80 Minnesota counties including Big Stone County; and

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Department of Human Services has requested County evaluations and recommendations regarding the Request for Proposals from each respective county; and

WHEREAS, PrimeWest, Medica, UCare, United Healthcare and Blue Plus submitted proposals to provide managed health care services in Big Stone County; and

WHEREAS, The Big Stone County Family Services Director reviewed and evaluated each proposal submitted; and

WHEREAS, Prime West's proposal was found to be far superior to the others in meeting Big Stone County's needs, based on known provider partnerships in managing care and accountability for health, quality and consumer satisfaction. Big Stone County believes consistency in managed care is better for the people we serve and believes that a single plan is better for all entities involved in the process. Considering the differences in scores, Big Stone County believes that the disparity in scores indicates that only one plan serves the population in Big Stone County in the way the individuals deserve.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the Big Stone County Board of Commissioners supports the recommendation of the Big Stone County Family Service Director by approving PrimeWest as the *one and only* managed care organization that should provide managed health care services for Families and Children Medical Assistance (MA) recipients in Big Stone County.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the Big Stone County Board of Commissioners supports the recommendation of the representatives of Big Stone County Family Services Director approving PrimeWest and UCare for Minnesota Care recipients as required by the Affordable Care Act.

The County Board supports the recommendation of the Big Stone County Family Service Director for PrimeWest and UCare to be the only providers for Minnesota Care recipients to avoid disruption in health care to current recipients that are currently enrolled in managed health care services for Minnesota Care.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the Big Stone County Board of Commissioners support the recommendation of the Big Stone County Family Service Director approving PrimeWest and UCare for Minnesota Care recipients as required by the Affordable Care Act.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That the Big Stone County Board of Commissioners believes that single-plan arrangements in rural counties does enhance integration and coordination of health care services, resulting in cost savings.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Backer and carried to approve the resignation of Stephanie Sigler effective August 19, 2022. Motion by Backer, seconded by Athey and carried to approve the hiring of a social worker to fill the vacancy.

Work session included discussion on the dilapidated structure policy.

Commissioner Klages adjourned the meeting at 6:50 PM.

ATTEST:

Jeff Klages, Chairman

Pam Rud, Coordinator