

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BIG STONE COUNTY BOARD
July 5, 2022

The Big Stone County Board of Commissioners met in the Commissioners' Room at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, July 5, 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 and Coordinator Pam Rud. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Motion by Backer, seconded by Olson and carried to approve the minutes of the June 21st regular meeting.

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Olson and carried to approve the minutes of the CBAE meeting.

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

Commissioners reported on the following committees:

Sandberg – Public Safety

Backer – CPT

Athey – P5, Fair Board

Klages – Public Safety, Property

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

CDW Government	\$ 2,174.69
Kandiyohi County Recycling	2,000.00
Lac qui Parle Sheriff	5,367.42
Northland Business Systems	3,598.78
Traverse County Sheriff	2,220.50
West Con	40,235.73
Yellow Medicine County Jail	5,039.00
27 Payments Less Than \$2,000	<u>9,757.71</u>
Total	\$70,393.83

Sheriff Mark Brown presented a JPB agreement regarding the Minnesota evidential breath test instrument. Motion by Olson, seconded by Backer and carried to adopt the following resolution.

2022-26

WHEREAS, the County of Big Stone on behalf of its Sheriff desires to enter into Joint Powers Agreement with the State of Minnesota, Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension to utilize applicable state and federal laws.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED but the County Board of Big Stone County, Minnesota as follows:

1. That the State of Minnesota Joint Powers Agreement by and between the State of Minnesota acting through its Department of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, and the County of Big Stone on behalf of its Sheriff are hereby approved. Copies of the Joint Powers Agreement are attached to this Resolution and made a part of it.
2. That the Sheriff, Mark Brown or his successor, is designated the Authorized Representative for the Sheriff. The Authorized Representative is also authorized to sign any subsequent amendment or agreement that may be required by the State of Minnesota to maintain the County's connection to the systems and tools offered by the State.
3. The Jeff Klages, the Chair of the County of Big Stone, and Pam Rud, the County Board Clerk, are authorized to sign the State of Minnesota Joint Powers Agreements.

Motion by Backer, seconded by Athey and carried to approve the 2022 DNR Boat and Water Grant and authorize Sheriff Brown to sign the application.

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Athey and carried to approve the hiring of Ethan Streich and Robert Newstrand as part-time Deputies at Grade 10, step 2.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Backer and carried to authorize Sheriff Brown to add up to two Deputies to the SWAT team and purchase required equipment contingent on County Attorney review and approval of the agreement.

Family Service Director Laura Laub was present to share the results of the Children and Families procurement. Motion by Olson, seconded by Backer and carried to authorize Laura to enter into mediation with DHS regarding procurement.

Motion by Backer, seconded by Sandberg and carried to adopt the following resolution.

2022-27

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes 353.64, Subdivision 2, permits the governing body of a governmental subdivision to declare that a position is that of a police officer and that the person who holds said position on a part-time basis is to be covered by the Police and Fire retirement plan if the following employment duties and qualification requirements are met.

1. The position requires a license by the Minnesota peace officer standards and training board and the employee is so licensed;
2. The primary (over 50%) duty of the position is to enforce the general criminal laws of the state;
3. The position charges the employee with the prevention and detection of crime;
4. The position gives this employee the full power of arrest, and
5. The position is assigned to a designated police or sheriff's department.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Big Stone County Board of Commissioners hereby declares that the position of Part-time Deputy Sheriff in the Big Stone County Sheriff Department satisfies all of the requirements listed above and declares its desire to provide all future employees holding said part-time law enforcement position with coverage under the Police and Fire plan; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this governmental unit will provide a copy of this resolution to PERA each time it provides Police and Fire membership to a person who is hired to said part-time position and will indicate the name of the employee eligible for such coverage.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Sandberg and carried to contract with DDA Inc. for ongoing maintenance of the county's compensation study as well as provide organizational structure assistance for departmental review and implementation.

Motion by Athey, seconded by Backer and carried to adopt the following resolution.

2022-28

BE IT RESOLVED by Big Stone County enter into a Grant Contract with the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs (MDVA) to conduct the County Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant Program. The grant must be used to provide outreach to the County's veterans; to assist in the reintegration of combat veterans into society; to collaborate with other social service agencies, educational institutions, and other community organizations for the purposes of enhancing services offered to veterans; to reduce homelessness among veterans; and to enhance the operations of the County

Veterans Service Office, as specified in as specified in Minnesota Statutes 197.608 and Minnesota Laws 2021, 1st Special Session, Chapter12, Article 1, Section 37, Subdivision 2. This Grant should not be used to supplant or replace other funding. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by Big Stone County that County Veterans Service Officer Ward Odom be authorized to execute the attached Grant Contract for the above-mentioned Program on behalf of the County.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Backer and carried to approve the SHIP grant award for the lactation room at the Courthouse.

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Backer and carried to authorize 40.00 per staff to use towards county logo clothing.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Sandberg and carried to increase the credit card limit to 2500.00 for the maintenance department.

Commissioner Klages adjourned the meeting at 9:01 AM.

Jeff Klages, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Pam Rud, Coordinator