

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BIG STONE COUNTY BOARD
November 19, 2024

The Big Stone County Board of Commissioners met in the Commissioners' Room at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, November 19, 2024. Chairman Sandberg called the meeting to order with Commissioners Olson, Klages, Athey and Zimmel present. Also present were Dillon Dwyer of the Ortonville Independent and Coordinator Pam Rud. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Athey and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the November 5th regular meeting.

Motion by Zimmel, seconded by Olson and carried unanimously to approve the agenda as presented.

Commissioners reported on the following committees:

Zimmel – BSAG, Work Session
Athey – Fair Board, Work Session, SWCD
Klages – PW, PdTRA, Work Session
Olson – PW, CPH, Work Session, Personnel
Sandberg – Personnel

Motion by Athey, seconded by Sandberg and carried unanimously to authorize payment of claims as prepared by Auditor-Treasurer Michelle Knutson. Vendors, excluding Family Services, receiving payments in excess of \$2,000 are as follows:

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| CDW Government | \$ 2,917.60 |
| CPT | 7,598.00 |
| H&H Car Care | 2,626.90 |
| MMB Treasury | 2,433.50 |
| Nelson Electric | 7,112.61 |
| Nuss Truck & Equipment | 10,297.89 |
| Ortonville Independent | 3,239.58 |
| SafeAssure Consultants | 5,808.83 |
| Sis Insulation | 13,750.00 |
| Sitter Excavating | 16,997.00 |
| Stevens County | 3,606.45 |
| Traverse County Sheriff | 2,475.00 |
| True North Steel Surveys | 42,750.00 |
| Twin Valley Tire | 2,920.00 |
| 45 Payments Less Than \$2,000 | <u>16,733.80</u> |
| Total | \$141,267.16 |

Knutson asked for questions and/or comments on the year-to-date financial information provided for the Board's review.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Athey and carried unanimously to execute the agreement with Countryside Public Health for tobacco compliance checks.

County Engineer Jorden Roggenbuck requested final payment to Sitter Excavating for the JD 4 ditch repairs. Motion by Olson, seconded by Athey and carried unanimously to make final payment to Sitter Excavating in the amount of \$16,997.00.

Building Maintenance Supervisor Jared Heck presented a change order for the Courthouse HVAC project to install a fully recessed ceiling unit heater instead of the

horizontal unit as originally planned. Motion by Klages, seconded by Olson and carried unanimously to approve the change order as presented. Heck presented an additional change order to move a water line for the recessed heating unit. Motion by Zimmel, seconded by Klages and carried unanimously to approve the change order as presented.

Rud presented the 2025-2027 University of Minnesota Extension MOU. Motion by Athey, seconded by Olson and carried unanimously to approve the MOU as presented.

Rud presented the 2025 rates from Rinke Noonan Law Firm to provide legal services in its capacity as the public drainage authority. Motion by Athey, seconded by Klages and carried unanimously to accept the 2025 rates.

Discussion was held on the reorganization that has been happening within some County Departments. Motion by Klages, seconded by Athey and carried unanimously to commit to the reorganization work within the County.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Athey and carried unanimously to accept the resignation of Deputy Emergency Management Director, Val Seifert.

Chairman Sandberg adjourned the meeting at 8:50 AM.

Roger Sandberg, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Pam Rud, Coordinator