

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ISANTI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Wednesday, July 2nd, 2008; 9:15 a.m. - Government Center Boardroom

Members Present: Vice Chair Daudt; Commissioners Southerland, Pagel, Morris
Members Absent: Commissioner Larson
Others Present: R Heilman, C Vita, J Hancuch, B Carlson, M Everett, J Rostberg, J Edblad, B Wendorf, M Bolen, K Anderson (Reporters: Kytonen, Christensen)

o0o Vice Chairperson Daudt convened the meeting and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

08/07-01 Motion by Pagel, seconded by Southerland to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

08/07-02 Motion by Southerland, seconded by Morris to approve the minutes of the June 18th, 2008 County Board Meeting. Motion carried.

08/07-03 Motion by Pagel, seconded by Morris to approve the minutes of the June 17th, 2008 County Board of Appeal and Equalization. Motion carried.

08/07-04 Motion by Morris, seconded by Southerland to approve the following Health Board Actions: Sliding Fee Scales effective 7-1-08 to 6-30-09 for the following programs: C&T Clinic; Dental Varnish; Water Test Kits; Radon Test Kits; Health Education Fees; and miscellaneous. Motion carried.

08/07-05 Motion by Morris, seconded by Southerland to approve payment to John Engblom in the amount of \$1900 for work completed on the St. John's Historical Church. Motion carried.

08/07-06 Motion by Southerland, seconded by Pagel to approve the following position evaluations; effective 7-3-08: Maternal Child Hlth Clinic Aide; and WIC Administrative Assistant. Motion carried.

08/07-07 Motion by Morris, seconded by Pagel to approve the following comparable worth committee recommendations, effective 12-4-08: Probation Case Aide from Grade 12 to 13; Public Health Account Clerk from Grade 11 to 12; Financial Worker from Grade 13 to 14; and Collection Services Supervisor from Grade 19 to 21. Motion carried.

08/07-08 Motion by Pagel, seconded by Southerland to approve an exempt permit for lawful gambling activity including pull-tabs; tipboards, paddlewheel; and bar bingo to the Mystic Riders snowmobile Club; said activities to be conducted at the Mystic Inn, located in Spencer Brook Township, Isanti County; further that the waiting period be waived. Motion carried.

08/07-09 Motion by Southerland, seconded by Pagel to approve the following claims and warrants:

Wright Express	\$ 9,722.53	Northern Air Corp	\$ 10,457.53
MARCO	17,011.53	Blue Wave Scuba	3,920.41
Region 4 ATOD Prev Crt	30.00	NCS Pearson	315.51
Emergency Automotive Tech	16,371.63	American Solutions for Business	5,800.26
MN Prevention Resource	5.00	John Tuttle	94.94
Chisago Heartland	45,598.67	Tafco Corp	33,600.00
Darrell Wistrom		198.18 You Have the Power	
			95.00
Upper Valley Trails Alliance	200.00	Voss Signs	145.00

TOTAL CLAIMS AND WARRANTS: \$ 145,566.28
Motion carried.

08/07-10 Motion by Pagel, seconded by Southerland to approve the following utility permits: CenterPoint Energy for a buried gas service along CSAH #5; and to East Central Energy for a buried communication cable along CSAH #6. Motion carried.

o0o Richard Heilman, County Highway Engineer presented a Detailed Abstract of Bids for Contract #00803 asphalt pavement and aggregate shouldering. Heilman indicated there were 2 bids, recommending the low bid from Knife River Corp in the amount of \$277,778.58 which was 7.22% under the engineers estimate (bids on file).

08/07-11 Motion by Morris, seconded by Southerland to award the bid for Contract #00803 to Knife River Corp in the amount of \$746,099.05. Motion carried.

o0o Richard Heilman, County Highway Engineer presented a Detailed Abstract of Bids for Contract #00804 maintenance asphalt patching and aggregate shouldering. Heilman indicated there were 2 bids, recommending the low bid from Knife River Corp (on file).

08/07-12 Motion by Southerland, seconded by Pagel to award the bid for Contract #00804 to Knife River Corp. Motion carried.

o0o Richard Heilman, County Highway Engineer presented a request to authorize to advertise for bids on Highway Project SAP 30-612-12; Bridge No. 7234 replacement (CSAH #13) with a proposed letting date of August 11th, 2008.

08/07-13 Motion by Southerland, seconded by Morris to authorize the County Highway Department to advertise for bids on Highway Project SAP 30-612-12; Bridge No. 7234 replacement with a letting date of August 11th, 2008. Motion carried.

o0o Richard Heilman, County Highway Engineer presented an update from MNDot on future road projects in District 3.

o0o At this time a Public Hearing was held to consider an abatement request for economic development to Isanti Retail Meats. Jerry T Tvedt, County Coordinator read the following published public notice into the record: NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ISANTI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS-ABATEMENT - Pursuant to M.S. 469.1813. PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Isanti County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, July 2nd, 2008 at 9:30 a.m. in the County Board room of the Isanti County Government Center, 555 18th Avenue SW, Cambridge, Minnesota 55008. The purpose of this hearing will be to consider granting a property tax abatement, pursuant to Minnesota Statute 469.1813 (for Economic Development) to Isanti Retail Meats, which will be a newly created business owned by Jo Demo. This business will be located at 30 West Main Street, northeast quadrant of First Avenue and main street in the City of Isanti. The abatement is scheduled to run for a total of five years and the estimated total amount of the abatement for Isanti County for all five years is \$2875.64. Interested persons are encouraged to attend the public hearing and will be given an opportunity to express their opinions regarding this proposal. Those persons who are unable to attend, may submit their comments in writing prior to the public hearing to: Jerry T Tvedt, Isanti County Coordinator, 555 18th Avenue SW, Cambridge, MN 55008. By order of the Isanti County Board of Commissioners this 4th day of June, 2008. There were no written comments received. Carla Vita appeared on behalf of the City of Isanti and indicated they are supporting this project.

08/07-14 Motion by Pagel, seconded by Southerland to close the public hearing (9:35 a.m.). Motion carried.

08/07-15 Motion by Pagel, seconded by Morris to approve the abatement for economic development to Isanti Retail Meats, located at 30 West Main Street in Isanti City, Isanti County; further the abatement will run for a total of 5 years with an estimated amount of \$2875.64. Motion carried.

o0o J Hancuch, Probation Director presented a request to the Board, effective 8-31-08 to terminate LCTS contract for Truancy Response Services and request to fund existing probation officer effective 9-1-08. The Board questioned if this issue should go before the Personnel Committee.

08/07-16 Motion by Pagel, seconded by Morris to refer the request to terminate the LCTS contract for Truancy Response Services to the personnel committee. Motion carried.

08/07-17 Motion by Morris, seconded by Southerland to recognize Probation, Parole and Community Supervision Week (July 13th to July 19th, 2008) with the following Proclamation. WHEREAS, the Isanti County Probation Department is an essential part of the justice system; and WHEREAS, the Isanti County Probation Department professionals uphold the law with dignity, while recognizing the right of the public to be safe-guarded from criminal activity; and WHEREAS, the Isanti County Probation Department professionals are responsible for supervising adult and juvenile offenders in the community; and WHEREAS, the Isanti County Probation Department professionals are trained professionals who provide services and referrals for offenders; and WHEREAS, the Isanti County Probation Department professionals work in partnership with community agencies and groups; and WHEREAS, the Isanti County Probation Department professionals promote prevention, intervention and advocacy; and WHEREAS, the Isanti County Probation Department professionals provide services, support, and protection for victims; and WHEREAS, the Isanti County Probation Department professionals advocate community and restorative justice; and NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Isanti County Board of Commissioners do hereby proclaim July 13-19, 2008 as Isanti County Probation, Parole and Community Supervision Week. Motion carried.

o0o J Hancuch, Probation Director presented the Agency's 2007 Annual Report. Hancuch indicated that in 2007 they had 1155 adult offenders (1390 cases); and 1213 juvenile offenders. Hancuch further indicated that Out of Home Placement Costs were \$451,000, which is significantly lower than in 2000. Hancuch also noted that they have instituted some new programs such as the Shoplifting Program; Bullying Prevention Program; and also the Bail Evaluations in which a fee is charged.

o0o Bill Carlson, Active Living by Design presented a request to the Board to attend the Active Living Conference in Portland, Oregon. Carlson indicated that Lisa Perlick, Active Living; Barry Wendorf, Parks Director and himself would be attending, noting that the expenses are paid through the Active Living Grant. Carlson further requested that the limits on meals, taxis, etc be lifted, due to higher costs in large cities.

08/07-18 Motion by Morris, seconded by Southerland to approve Bill Carlson, Lisa Perlick and Barry Wendorf attending the Active Living Conference in Portland Oregon; further that the meal and expense caps be lifted; further that the total costs of this conference will be paid by the Active Living Grant (Robert Wood Foundation). Motion carried. Voting Yes: Southerland, Daudt, Morris. Voting No: Pagel.

o0o Mary Everett, Lake and Pines, introduced a Ten-year Plan to end homelessness in 14 counties through the Central Continuum of Care which is a collaborative of over 30 organizations working to keep Central Minnesota families housed. Everett is asking for a Resolution in Support of this Ten Year Plan.

08/07-19 Motion by Southerland, seconded by Pagel to approve the following Resolution in Support of the 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness for the 14-County Central Minnesota Region. WHEREAS, the Central Continuum of Care has presented a Plan to the Isanti County Board to end rural homelessness in the 14-County Central Minnesota Region consisting of Benton, Cass, Chisago, Crow Wing, Isanti, Kanabec, Mille Lacs, Morrison, Pine, Sherburne, Stearns, Todd, Wadena and Wright Counties, setting forth goals and a plan to follow in preventing rural homelessness that mirrors the State of Minnesota's Business Plan to End Homelessness. WHEREAS, Isanti County supports this proposed Plan; and WHEREAS, the proposed Plan addresses the concerns and needs of the County of Isanti and WHEREAS, the citizens of Isanti County will benefit by supporting the collaborative effort to reduce homelessness in their community. WHEREAS, the County anticipates that with the combined efforts of various housing agencies, non-profits, along with others, this Plan will be successful. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Isanti County Board supports the 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness for the 14-County Central Minnesota region. Motion carried.

08/07-20 Motion by Morris, seconded by Southerland to approve the 2008 SMART Grant (Victim Services). Motion carried.

o0o Jim Rostberg, Veteran's Service Officer updated the County Board on his attendance at an out of state conference for county veteran's service officers. Rostberg indicated that in order to access veteran's electronic records, he needed to be accredited, and in order to be accredited he had to pass a test. Rostberg noted that to continue to be accredited, he needs 16 hrs of training each year, which is given at these annual conferences. Rostberg further indicated that he is working on a grant for next year's out of state conference (2009) and the conference in Minneapolis (2010), and is asking for the Board's permission to write this 2 year grant.

08/07-21 Motion by Morris, seconded by Southerland to authorize Jim Rostberg, Veteran's Service Officer to write a 2 year grant (2009, 2010) to cover costs for attendance at out of state and local Veteran's conferences to maintain Veteran's Service Officer accreditation. Motion carried.

o0o Barry Wendorf, Parks Director presented quotes for asphalt seal coating at the Springvale County Park (on file), recommending the low quote from KAB Seal Coating in the amount of \$6845.

08/07-22 Motion by Morris, seconded by Southerland to award the bid to KAB Seal Coating to do asphalt seal coating at the Springvale County Park.

o0o The Board briefly discussed the seal coating and asked that the Parks Director talk to the County Highway Engineer before they award the bid. Motion was withdrawn by Morris and Southerland.

o0o Barry Wendorf, Parks Director presented quotes for resurfacing of the Road and Parking lots at the Becklin Homestead Park/WMA, recommending low quote from Leaf Construction (on file).

08/07-23 Motion by Southerland, seconded by Pagel to approve the quote from Leaf Construction in the amount of \$4800 for resurfacing of the road and parking lot; said monies to come from Parks Capital Improvement Fund. Motion carried.

08/07-24 Motion by Pagel, seconded by Southerland to approve the following abatements: P Gearhart, PID 13-028-2000, Reason-classification error, Yr payable-2007, Tax Adjustment \$274; Yr Payable-2006, Tax Adjustment \$254. Motion carried.

08/07-25 Motion by Southerland, seconded by Morris to approve the request of the Compliance Committee, to authorize \$20,000 for the purpose of the County Surveyor to set county GPS coordinates at

section corners. Motion carried.

o0o Jerry Tvedt, County Coordinator informed the Board that due to budget reductions in the State Public Defenders Office, they will not longer provide attorneys for CHIPS and TPR cases, and the result of this is that the County will probably end up paying attorney's fees when they are appointed by the Courts in these types of cases. Tvedt indicated that for the County the most fiscally responsible thing would be to advertise for Proposals for 2 contracts, one being primary and then secondary. Tvedt further recommends a 10 month contract to next June, 2009.

08/07-26 Motion by Southerland, seconded by Pagel to authorize to advertise for bids for attorneys to represent partys in CHIPS and TPR Cases, with said bids being due on July 22nd, 2008; further that at the time of awarding these bids, that there will be a separate contract for a primary and secondary appointment. Motion carried.

08/07-27 Motion by Pagel, seconded by Morris to adjourn (11:00 a.m.). Motion carried.

Jerry T Tvedt, Isanti County Coordinator

George I Larson, County Board Chairperson

By: Barbara E Baar, Deputy County Coordinator