

SYNOPSIS OF COUNTY BOARD MEETING
May 19, 2009

Members present: Seeboth, Berg, Dove, Lochner, and Potter along with County Administrator Enter and County Attorney Olson.

M/Berg, S/Potter, to accept the Minutes of 5-5-09 and authorize publication of the Synopsis of same, carried.

M/Dove, S/Berg, to authorize Area II MN River Basin Projects, Inc. Representative Commissioner Andrew Lochner to sign Addendum No. 6 to the Area II MN River Basin Projects, Inc. Joint Powers Agreement on behalf of Brown County, which extends the effective period of said Joint Powers Agreement to 9-30-09 with all other terms and conditions of the joint powers agreement remaining unchanged, carried.

M/Lochner, S/Potter, to accept and file the January-April 2009 Budget Report (Cash Basis and Unaudited) which reflects activity at 33.3% of the budget year as follows: expenditures of \$8,059,413.84 or 29.3%, and revenues of \$4,524,674.92 or 16.6%; and the April 2009 Supplemental Budgets Report noting expenditures of \$499,867.63 or 31.1%, and revenues of \$456,085.18 or 26.7% of annual budgeted activity, carried. It was also noted that unbudgeted expenditure activity in accordance with County Board action on 3-24-09 occurred in April paying the LEC Debt Service balance in full with the estimated year-end reserves utilization for the county share being \$785,561.11 after 2009 debt service levy collection and also considering the City of New Ulm having contributed its share in full.

M/Berg, S/Lochner, to authorize the payment of General Government claims in the amount of \$291,483.80, carried.

M/Lochner, S/Potter, to authorize one (1) Drainage Ditch Repair Request, carried.

M/Berg, S/Potter, to accept and file the STS Quarterly Report for the 1st Quarter of 2009 noting an estimated market value of the labor on completed projects in the amount of \$38,280; fines worked off in the amount of \$14,174; and a total of 2,952 hours worked this quarter by inmates, carried.

M/Lochner, S/Dove, to approve the Department of Corrections Amendment No. 2 to P78 0000000B13235 Grant Agreement for a Remote Electronic Alcohol Monitoring (REAM) funding increase in the amount of \$5,000 and authorize the County Board Chairman and Probation Director to sign same on behalf of Brown County, carried. It should be noted this is an ongoing grant that assists DWI offenders with electronic monitoring costs.

M/Dove, S/Berg, to accept and file the April 2009 Monthly Reports of Activity for the Brown County Sheriff's Department, carried.

M/Lochner, S/Potter, to approve regular employee status for Melissa Hoffmann, Regular PT Maternal Child Health Nurse, carried.

M/Berg, S/Potter, to authorize vacation and/or sick donation by Brown County employees to be placed in Lisa Meyer's sick bank due to on going medical issues for her young son as follows: Vacation maximum donation equal to four pay period vacation accruals per employee; Sick – 1) Employee must keep a minimum of 160 hours in own balance; 2) Employee can donate 14.8 hours or 29.6 hours of sick time; 3) Recipient will receive 25% of hours donated, carried.

M/Lochner, S/Berg, to approve the following recommendation for Request For Proposals (RFP) on Health, Life, and STD Insurance from the Health Insurance Committee: Request, thru the formal RFP process, 300, 500, 750, 2500, 3000 deductible Health Insurance Plans both for 2 Tier and 3 Tier Plans; \$10,000 Life Insurance and current Short Term Disability Plans; also request, thru the informal process, Dental, Vision, and Long Term Disability plans, carried. It should be noted that the deadline for RFP responses is 5:00 PM on 7-22-09.

M/Lochner, S/Dove, to accept the resignation of Paul Severson, Regular PT Dispatcher, effective 5-15-09 and authorize filling the vacated position according to policy with posting internally/externally simultaneously, carried.

M/Potter, S/Dove, to approve the Park Commission recommendation to accept donations with thanks from the following local organizations: Fides Lodge #246 of Sanborn-\$2,000; and the MN Waterfowl Association of Springfield-\$1,000 to be used to assist in the development of a handicapped accessible fishing pier at Mound Creek County Park, carried.

M/Potter, S/Berg, to accept the quote received from Dan's Welding in the amount of \$5,302.15 and \$511.20 from Shelter Products for plastic decking material, for a total of \$5,813.35, for construction of the handicapped accessible fishing pier at Mound Creek County Park, carried. The Brown County Highway Department will haul the new pier to the park and install in the same manner as the dock at Lost Dog and Fox Hunter's County Park.

M/Berg, S/Potter, to approve the Conditional Use Permit (CUP) App. #C-00215 by Matt Dorfner, KJLY Radio (Wes Lodes owner) on property described as part of SE4 of SE4 Sec. 31-T110N-R30W & part of NE4 of NE4, Sec. 6-T109N-R30W all in Cottonwood Twp., Brown County, for the purpose of allowing construction of a 110 foot transmission radio tower to be used in a Christian related radio station, with three (3) conditions listed, carried.

M/Lochner, S/Berg, to approve the CUP #C-00217 by Martin & Kristine Sellner on property described as part of the SW4, Sec. 27-T109N-R32W, Stark Twp., Brown County, for the purpose of renewing the current CUP #7664 to continue use of home occupation in an accessory building for a saw & tool sharpening business, with two (2) conditions listed, carried.

M/Lochner, S/Potter, to approve the CUP #C-00218 by Corey Huiras (Christensen Family Farm current owner) on property described as part of the SW4 of SW4, Sec. 17-T110N-R33W, Prairieville Twp., Brown County, for the purpose of amending CUP #C-00132 to continue to allow use of a 51'x477' hog finishing barn with 51'x477'x8' deep concrete hog waste holding pit for up to 936 animal units under new ownership, with eight (8) conditions listed, carried, with Dove abstaining.

M/Potter, S/Berg, to approve the CUP #C-00219 by Ladd Demolition & Aggregates on property described as part of the NE4 of NE4, Sec. 13-T109N-R33W, Leavenworth Twp., Brown County, for the purpose of renewing the current CUP #C-00062 to continue use of property as demolition landfill compliant with MPCA rules for disposal of demolition & earthen material, with three (3) conditions listed, carried.

M/Potter, S/Seeboth, to approve the CUP #C-00216 by Ron & Faith Wels on property described as Lot 15 Lappe's Subdivision in part of the NE4 of SE4, Sec. 27-T110N-R31W, Milford Twp., Brown County, for the purpose of amending current CUP #C-17 to continue to allow use of home occupation for die-cut service, and to add floral shop as a home occupation, with two (2) conditions listed, carried.

M/Berg, S/Dove, to approve CUP #C-00214 by West Milford Partnership on property described as part of Gvmt Lot 2, Gvmt Lot 3, Gvmt Lot 6, Gvmt Lot 7 and that part of Gvmt Lot 1 and Gvmt Lot 8 all in Sec. 31, Twp 110N, R 31W, Brown County, for the purpose of renewing gravel mining as permitted in CUP #C-00113 to continue to allow extraction of sand, gravel etc at the gravel mining area, with four (4) conditions listed, carried.

M/Potter, S/Lochner, to approve the CUP #C-00213 by Kenneth & Linda Lang on property described as the NE4 except Lot A of NE4 & except Outlot B of N2 of NE4 & except RR ROW in Sec. 11, T108N-R35W in Stately Twp., Brown County, for the purpose of renewing gravel mining as permitted in CUP #C-00134 to continue use of property as gravel mining operation to include gravel extraction, processing & screening of materials, with eight (8) conditions listed, carried, with Seeboth dissenting.

M/Berg, S/Potter, to approve the Single lot Final Plat App. #P-00100 by Elred Oren, known as Sarah's Subdivision, on property described as part of the E2 of SW4, Sec. 31-

T108N–R30W, Linden Twp., Brown County, Minnesota. Property being platted is an existing farmstead. Owners would like to separate the building site from the tillable land, carried.

M/Lochner, S/Berg, to authorize the payment of Family Services claims in the amount of \$139,164.68, carried.

At 10:40 AM, Chairman Seeboth convened a Closed Session to consider Social Services Payments, whereupon M/Berg, S/Potter, to authorize the payment of Social Services payments in the amount of \$224,142.15, carried.

M/Lochner, S/Dove, to approve the Addendum to Memorandum of Agreement Between the University of Minnesota and Brown County for providing Extension programs locally and Employing County Extension Staff for 2009, carried.

Correspondence C-1 thru C-18 were accepted and filed.

Berg reported on the South Central Minnesota Regional Radio Board and on the 5-15-09 State Health Advisory Committee meeting; Lochner reported on SCHA matters; Dove reported on the Southern Minnesota Regional Competitiveness Partnership session in Mankato on 5-15-09; the Minnesota River Board meeting on 5-18-09; the Workforce Council meeting on 5-18-09; and with Berg on MVAC matters; Potter reported on the Brown County Economic Development Partners, Inc. and on RCRCAs; and Seeboth reported on the historic marker dedication in Sleepy Eye and on the Blue Earth County Justice Center tour.

Calendars were coordinated for the next two week period.

There being no further business, Chairman Seeboth adjourned the Meeting at 11:25 AM.

The Official Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 19, 2009 are on file in the County Administrator's Office and may be viewed during normal business hours, M-F, 8AM-5PM. Correspondence and requests for additional information may be directed to the County Administrator's E-Mail Address: cntyadm@co.brown.mn.us Home Page Address: www.co.brown.mn.us