

**SYNOPSIS OF COUNTY BOARD MEETING**  
**May 18, 2010**

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

M/Potter, S/Lochner, to accept the Minutes of 5-4-10 and authorize publication of the Synopsis of same, carried.

M/Lochner, S/Dove, to authorize the payment of General Government claims as amended in the amount of \$314,825.33, carried.

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

M/Potter, S/Berg, to award the contract to Central Specialties Inc. in the amount of \$4,002,210.80 for the SAP 008-605-016, 008-625-005, 008-627-024 & 008-628-004 Surfacing Projects on CSAH 5 from the south county line to Springfield; CSAH 25 from CSAH 13 to TH 15; CSAH 27 from CSAH 8 to Sleepy Eye; and CSAH 28 from the west county line to TH 68, carried. Additional bids were received from Knife River Corp.-North Central; and OMG Midwest Inc., d/b/a/ Southern MN Const. Co., Inc.

M/Potter, S/Lochner, to accept the quote received from Veenstra & Son LLC in the amount of \$38,850 for an estimated 15,000 cubic yards of aggregate crushing for maintenance gravel, carried. Additional quotes were received from M R Paving; and from Southern Minnesota Construction.

M/Berg, S/Potter, to set the bid letting date for the SAP 08-599-49 Bridge Replacement and Approach work on 330<sup>th</sup> Avenue over an unnamed stream in Mulligan Township for 10:00 AM on 6-23-10 in the Commissioner's Room 204 of the Brown County Courthouse, carried.

M/Berg, S/Lochner, to approve the appointment of Mike Lieb to the Brown County Economic Development Partners, Inc. Board of Directors to complete the term through 12-31-12 in the place of retiring Director Chloe Klinkner, carried.

M/Dove, S/Potter, to approve the appointment of Anthony Mathiowetz as Summer Maintenance Intern, contingent on passage of the pre-placement physical, at the hourly rate of \$8.00, carried.

M/Berg, S/Dove, to approve the appointment of Michelle Phillips as a FT Financial Worker for the Family Services Dept., at the annual salary of \$37,321.00 (Grade XI, Step 3) contingent on passage of the pre-placement physical and with a projected start date of 6-14-10, carried.

M/Lochner, S/Dove, to accept and file the following Public Health Update: Performance Improvement Plan; Community Health Assessment and Action Plan (CHAAP) Meeting with Brown County Hospitals/Clinics; The Public Health Standards; Health Care Homes; Homemaker Program Transition Committee Developed; Adult and Adolescent Immunization Campaign; Emergency Response Tier Assessment; Regional Exercise 6-30-10, carried.

M/Dove, S/Lochner, to approve a Juvenile Detention Center proposal which would reduce the facility from a twelve bed long-term hold to a 5-8 bed eight day hold and include prorated budget expense involving eight counties, with Brown County's proposed share being \$28,128 for July to Dec., 2010, carried.

M/Berg, S/Dove, to approve Amendment No. 1 to I-186 to the Sentencing to Service Contract for FY 2010 and 2011 and authorize County Board Chairman Seeboth and Probation Director Schultz to sign same on behalf of Brown County, carried.

M/Lochner, S/Berg, to accept the quote received from Treat's Home Center in the amount of \$1,149.54 (includes sales tax; plus labor) to replace flooring in the LEC Dispatch Center, carried. An additional quote was received from New Ulm Furniture.

M/Potter, S/Dove, to approve an intern position at the rate of \$10.50/hour (not to exceed \$16,913) on an as needed basis for the duration of the Brown County Water Monitoring Programs to assist the Water Plan Administrator with Surface Water Assessment Grants through 12-31-11, carried, with Seeboth dissenting.

M/Lochner, S/Potter, to approve the Conditional Use Permit Application #C-00246 by Rural Cellular Communications by Pro Source Technologies on property described as part of N2 of NW4, Sec. 35-T108N-R34W, Bashaw Township, Brown County for the purpose of allowing construction of a 250 foot cellular tower and a 12x14 equipment shelter to be used by Rural Cellular Communications/Unicel, with two (2) conditions listed, carried.

M/Berg, S/Dove, to approve the Preliminary Plat #P-00117 a single lot split by Lon Ahlness for Lynn Ahlness known as Ahlness Fourth Subdivision, on property described as part of SW4 Sec. 13-T108N-R31W, Lake Hanska Township, Brown County. Property being platted is an existing farmstead, with one (1) condition listed, carried.

M/Potter, S/Berg, to approve the Final Plat #P-00115 a single lot split by Charles Tews for Tews Farms Inc. known as Tews First Subdivision, on property described as part of NE4, Sec. 30-T108N-R34W, Bashaw Township, Brown County, carried.

M/Lochner, S/Berg, to approve the purchase of three (3) Motorola model XTX2500 (recommended by Alpha Wireless) 800 MgH (ARMER) handheld radios in the state contract amount of \$2,540 each for a total amount of \$7,620 (plus sales tax) with funding provided by remaining Participation Plan funds, carried. It should be noted these radios would be identical to the radios listed in the Assistance to Fire-fighter Grant.

M/Potter, S/Dove, to accept the Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) in the amount of \$13,790 for federal funding assistance through the MN Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management for federal FY 2010 for the Brown County Emergency Management Program and authorize Chairman Seeboth and Emergency Management Director Sletta to sign same on behalf of Brown County, carried.

M/Berg, S/Lochner, to approve the FY 2010 State of MN Board of Water and Soil Resources Competitive Grants Program Grant Agreement in the amount of \$10,000 for the Clean Water Fund for the period of 1-1-10 thru 12-31-11; designate Assistant Zoning Administrator Hohenstein as the authorized representative for this grant; and authorize Board Chairman Seeboth to sign same on behalf of Brown County, carried. It should be noted this is a 75% cost-share grant with the 25% cash match provided by the landowner/operator receiving the funding.

M/Berg, S/Dove, to approve the proposed Contract for Pickup and Disposal of Recyclable Materials in Brown County for the New Ulm and surrounding area (excluding Albin Township) as recommended by the Solid Waste Advisory Committee, and set a bid acceptance deadline for said contract for 5:00 PM on 7-15-10 at the Brown County Solid Waste Office, carried.

M/Potter, S/Lochner, to approve the proposed Contract for Pickup and Disposal of Recyclable Materials in Brown County for the Sleepy Eye and Springfield and surrounding areas (including Albin Township) as recommended by the Solid Waste Advisory Committee, and set a bid acceptance deadline for said contract for 5:00 PM on 7-15-10 at the Brown County Solid Waste Office, carried.

M/Lochner, S/Berg, to approve Res. No. 2010-15 approving Amendment No. 3 to Loan Agreement No. SRF 0172 to extend the Middle MN Watershed septic loan agreement for one year thru 7-27-11, carried.

M/Lochner, S/Potter, to approve the use of the County Attorney's forfeiture funds for Assistant County Yost to attend at a Drug Task Force Conference scheduled to be held at the Grandview Lodge 5-26/28-2010, carried.

M/Berg, S/Potter, to authorize the payment of Family Services Administrative claims in the amount of \$124,038.04, carried.

At 10:54 AM, Chairman Seeboth convened a Closed Session to consider Social Services Payments, whereupon M/Lochner, S/Seeboth, to authorize the payment of Social Services payments in the amount of \$205,727.14, carried. The Closed Session ended at 11:00 AM.

M/Lochner, S/Berg, to approve no general wage increase for 2011 for Brown County non-union employees in the Brown County Salary Administration Plan. Employees eligible for step increases will be granted such increases upon meeting the requirements of the Personnel Policy. For 2011 only, employees eligible for step increases in steps 6 through 8 will receive a 1.0% lump sum payment as of the date of their step increase and employees eligible for step 9 through 26 increases will receive a 1.25% lump sum payment as of the date of their step increase. The one time lump sum payment will not be included on the base salary; and to approve for non-union employees effective 1-1-11 that the health insurance base plan shall be the high deductible with HSA plan (currently HP \$2,500, HSA) and continue the formula that the Employer and employee shall equally split the increase cost in the health insurance premium for single and family coverage for the high deductible basic plan, and also continue the \$1,100 annually in two equal installments into the HSA. Effective 1-1-11, veterans not eligible to participate in the HSA shall receive the \$1,100 annual payment in monthly installments to be added to the Employer's contribution for the cost of health insurance premiums, carried.

Correspondence C-1 thru C-19 were accepted and filed. Berg reported with Dove on the MVAC meeting on 5-17-10; Lochner reported on Detox, the JD#30 R&B meeting, SCHA, and with Potter on Clean Water Partnership; Potter reported on the RCRCRA meeting on 5-17-10; Seeboth reported on BCHS matters and the Local Health Board conference; Dove reported on AREA II, the recent Drug Court graduation, Minnesota River Board, and the Workforce Council.

At 11:25 AM, Calendars were coordinated for the next two week period.

There being no further business, Chairman Seeboth adjourned the Meeting at 11:27 AM.

The Official Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 18, 2010 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: [cntyadmn@co.brown.mn.us](mailto:cntyadmn@co.brown.mn.us) Home Page Address: [www.co.brown.mn.us](http://www.co.brown.mn.us)