

## SYNOPSIS OF COUNTY BOARD MEETING

May 1, 2012

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

M/Windschitl, S/Potter, to accept the Minutes of 4-24-2012 and authorize publication of the Synopsis of same, carried.

M/Seeboth, S/Lochner, to schedule a Closed Session for labor negotiation strategy planning to be held in the Commissioners Room 204 of the Brown County Courthouse, New Ulm, MN at approximately 10:30 AM this date 5-1-2012 for the AFSCME Courthouse and Highway Collective Bargaining Units pursuant to MS 13D.03, carried.

M/Lochner, S/Berg, to authorize the payment of General Government claims in the amount of \$206,683.75 as follows: Revenue: \$174,962.71; Public Health: \$2,964.59; Road and Bridge: \$11,883.96; Family Services: \$851.21; Park: \$5,427.61; Ditch: \$87.71; Landfill: \$10,409.66; SCORE: \$96.30, carried.

M/Seeboth, S/Potter, to table consideration of stockpiling clean concrete onsite for the repair and armoring of ditch slopes on JD#30 B&R in Section 4 of Stark Township with the concurrence of the landowner in Section 4 of Stark Township until the 5-15-2012 County Board meeting, carried.

M/Lochner, S/Potter, to approve two (2) Drainage Ditch Repair requests, carried.

M/Potter, S/Lochner, to award the bid for aggregate crushing of maintenance gravel to Hardrock Screening for Class 5 in the amount of \$2.51/cubic yard for an estimated 30,000 cubic yards in the total amount of \$75,300, carried. Additional bids were received from Central Specialties, Inc. and M R Paving & Excavating.

M/Seeboth, S/Potter, to award the contract for the SAP 008-617-008 & 008-636-002 Surface Rehabilitation Projects on CSAH 17 & 36 to Knife River Corp – North Central in the amount of \$469,269.80, carried.

M/Windschitl, S/Potter, to approve the purchase of a rubber tired roller for the Highway Dept. from Swanston Equipment Co. in the state contract amount of \$18,384.38 (includes sales tax and delivery), carried. An additional quote was received from RDO Equipment Co.

Correspondence C-1 thru C-7 were accepted and filed.

County Attorney Hinnenthal reported on the pending Supreme Court decision on Financial Responsibility for the Out-of-Home Placement Costs for S.M. (Family Services case with Nobles County); Windschitl reported on the South Central MN Regional Radio Board meeting on 4-26-2012; Lochner reported on the SCHA meeting on 4-30-2012.

M/Seeboth, S/Lochner, to approve a one time vacation and/or sick leave donation by Brown County employees to be placed in the sick balance of Employee #3285 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 a maximum of up to 30 hours; 3) Recipient will receive 25% of hours donated, carried.

Calendars were coordinated for the next two week period.

At 9:30 AM, Chairman Berg recessed the Regular Meeting to convene a Public Hearing to officially adopt a Redistricting Plan setting Brown County Commissioner Districts for the next ten-year period. A/T Helget noted that the notice of public hearing was published in all five (5) county newspapers and that no redistricting plan had been submitted from the public for County Board consideration. M/Windschitl, S/Lochner, to approve Resolution No. 2012 – 04 adopting the 2012 Redistricting Plan for Brown County effective May 1, 2012, with commissioner districts as follows: Commissioner District 1: City of New Ulm, Ward 1-Precincts 1 and 2, and Ward 4-Precinct 1 (population 5066); Commissioner District 2: City of New Ulm, Ward 3-Precinct 1, and Ward 4-Precinct 2, Cottonwood Township, Linden Township, Sigel Township, Milford Township (population 5565); Commissioner District 3: City of New Ulm, Ward 2-Precincts 1 and 2, and Ward 3-Precinct 2 (population 5064);

Commissioner District 4: City of Evan, City of Sleepy Eye, Eden Township, Home Township, Prairieville Township, Stark Township (population 5087); Commissioner District 5: City of Cobden, City of Comfrey, City of Hanska, City of Springfield, Albin Township, Bashaw Township, Burnstown Township, Lake Hanska Township, Leavenworth Township, Mulligan Township, North Star Township, Stately Township (population 5111), carried.

M/Lochner, S/Potter, to approve the first, second, and third districts to be elected for a four year term in 2012, and the fourth and fifth districts to be elected for a four year term in 2014, carried.

At 9:40 AM, Chairman Berg adjourned the public hearing and reconvened the regular County Board meeting.

M/Potter, S/Lochner, to approve a Lease Agreement with Myron and Marea Mohr for rental of approximately 2.7 acres of land adjoining the Brown County Landfill for the period of 1-1-2012 thru 12-31-2016, carried.

M/Windschitl, S/Seeboth, to accept the quote received from Searles Well Drilling in the amount of \$3,416.00 for the installation of two (2) monitoring wells at the Brown County Landfill to replace two existing wells that are not meeting MN Pollution Control Agency requirements, carried. An additional quote was received from AECOM.

M/Seeboth, S/Berg, to accept the quote in the state contract amount of \$4,563.64 (includes sales tax) from General Office Products Company for office furniture for the Crime Victim Specialist, with funding provided by United Way and Crime Victims Agency funds, carried.

M/Windschitl, S/Seeboth, to table consideration of the request to increase the weekly hours for the Crime Victim Specialist position (from 29 hours to a flexible 32-35 hours/week) on a temporary basis through 2013 until excess funds have been depleted and in addition allow for any unspent balance to be carried over to 2013 per Auditor/Treasurer instructions and direction, with said item tabled until notification is received from the state regarding the level of on-going state grant funding (notice likely to be received by July 2012), motion to table carried.

At 10:31 AM, Chairman Berg convened a Closed Session for Labor Negotiation Strategy Planning, pursuant to M.S.13D.03, for the AFSCME Courthouse and Highway Collective Bargaining Units. This session was attended by Commissioners Seeboth, Berg, Windschitl, Lochner, and Potter, along with County Administrator Enter, County Attorney Hinnenthal, Highway Engineer Stevens, and Personnel Director Tietel. Attorney Frank Madden joined the proceedings by conference call at 10:35 AM. The Closed Session adjourned at 10:57 AM.

There being no further business, Chairman Berg declared the Meeting adjourned at 10:57 AM.

The Official Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 1, 2012 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](mailto:cntyadm@co.brown.mn.us) Home Page Address: [www.co.brown.mn.us](http://www.co.brown.mn.us)