

SYNOPSIS OF COUNTY BOARD MEETING

April 21, 2015

Members present: Seeboth, Berg, Windschitl, Simonsen, and Potter, along with County Administrator Enter and Assistant County Attorney Rolfsrud.

M/Potter, S/Simonsen, to accept the Minutes of 4-7-2015 and authorize publication of the Synopsis of same; carried.

M/Berg, S/Potter, to authorize payment of General Government claims in the amount of \$234,581.45 as follows: Revenue \$210,098.72; Public Health \$11,513.83; Road and Bridge \$10,062.50; Family Services \$308.54; Park \$441.29; Landfill \$2,081.29; SCORE \$15.28; Forfeited Tax \$60.00; carried.

M/Seeboth, S/Simonsen, to accept the quote received in the amount of \$3,500 annually from Government Management Group (GMG) to prepare Brown County's Central Services Cost Allocation Plans for the fiscal years ending Dec. 31, 2015; 2016; and 2017; carried. An additional quote was received from DeNovo.

M/Berg, S/Simonsen, to accept and file the Redetermination of Benefits and Damages for Drainage Systems brochure as prepared by the County Auditor/Treasurer's Office with said brochure to be sent to landowners involved with the upcoming ditch system redeterminations; carried.

M/Potter, S/Berg, to approve seven (7) Drainage Repair requests; carried.

M/Potter, S/Simonsen, and passed 5-0 to approve Resolution 2015-08 accepting the completed project and making final payment for SP 008-627-027 Flood Repair Project on CSAH 27.

M/Simonsen, S/Seeboth, to set a bid letting date for the SAP 008-599-055 Bridge Replacement and Approach work on 340th Avenue over JD#30 R&B in Prairieville Township for 10:00 AM on 5-27-2015 in Commissioner Room 204 located in the Brown County Courthouse, 14 S. State, New Ulm, MN; carried.

M/Berg, S/Potter, to accept the state bid received in the amount of \$112,378.78 for the purchase of Tandem snowplow truck cab & chassis from International, less trade in of unit 119 (2005 Sterling Tandem axle truck) in the amount of \$38,000, plus sales tax in the amount of \$4,834.62, for a total truck amount of \$79,213.40; and the state bid received for the purchase of a box, hoist, pump, underbody, plow, wing, and pre-wet system from Towmaster in the amount of \$105,139.00; for a combined total truck and equipment cost in the amount of \$184,352.40; carried 5-0. An additional state bid was received for cab & chassis from Freightliner; and for box, plow, and associated equipment from Crysteel.

M/Seeboth, S/Simonsen, to accept and file the Sentence-to-Service (STS) Crew Leaders' and the Juvenile STS Quarterly Reports for 1-1-2015 through 3-31-2015; passed.

M/Berg, S/Simonsen, to approve the plan to replace the employee break room in the Probation Building with estimated materials cost of \$4,500 to be paid out of the Building Fund 14 and utilizing the STS Crew for construction; passed.

M/Simonsen, S/Berg, to accept and order filed the March 2015 Reports of Activity for the Brown County Sheriff's Dept.; carried.

M/Seeboth, S/Simonsen, to designate the County Attorney as the "Responsible Authority" in accordance with MN Data Practices Minnesota Statutes (MS) 13.02 and MS 13.05 effective 4-21-2015, understanding that each elected official is the Responsible Authority for his/her elected office; and designate Data Practices Compliance Officials, in accordance with MS 13.05, Subd. 13, as follows: County Attorney for County Attorney Office and for non-elected official county departments; County Sheriff, Auditor/Treasurer, and County Recorder, for their respective elected office; carried.

M/Berg, S/Potter, to approve the updated County Attorney (as revised in #8), Assistant County Attorney (as revised in #8), and Legal Assistant position descriptions; and refer to PAC for pointing; passed.

M/Seeboth, S/Simonsen, to appoint Summer Maintenance Students for the Highway Dept. as follows: Denver Hertling effective 5-11-2015 at the first year hourly wage of \$9.00; Chase Meyer effective 6-1-2015 at the first year hourly wage of \$9.00; Gideon Bode effective 5-26-2015 at the first year hourly wage of \$9.00; and Brittany Mehlhop effective 5-18-2015 at the second year hourly wage of \$9.50; passed.

M/Potter, S/Berg, to appoint Eugene Ranweiler as PT Housekeeper at the Community Services Building at the hourly rate of \$9.4873 (30 hrs/week; Grade III, Step 4) with start date pending successful completion of pre-employment physical and background check; passed.

M/Potter, S/Berg, to approve Conditional Use Permit (CUP) Application #C-00408 by Dean & Lori Schneider on property described as part of the N2 of NW4 of SW4, Sec01-Twp108N-R31W, Lake Hanska Township for the purpose to renew and amend current CUP C-00319 to expand from 918 AU (3060 Head) to 1582.8 AU (5276 head) by allowing construction of a 102' X 160' Barn with 102' X 160' X 8' deep pit to house the additional 664.8 AU (2216 head) and continued use of two existing barns, 51' X 310' and a 51' X 163', each with 8' deep pits for a total of 1582.8 AU (5276 head) in a hog finishing operation located in the A-1 Ag Protection Zoning District, with nine (9) conditions; passed.

M/Berg, S/Potter, to approve CUP Application #C-00404 by Micade & Tricia Thordson on property described as part of the N2 of NE4, Sec06-Twp108N-R31W, Lake Hanska Township for the purpose to renew and amend current CUP #C-00161 to expand from 900AU (3000 head) up to a maximum of 1800 AU (6000 head) through construction of a new 102' X 240' barn with a 102' X 240' X 8' pit to house the additional 900 AU

(3000 head) and continued use of existing 101.5' X 240' barn with 8' deep pit, for a total of up to 1800AU (6000 head) in a total confinement hog wean to finish operation located in the A-1 Ag Protection Zoning District, with nine (9) conditions; passed.

M/Potter, S/Berg, to approve CUP Application #C-00409 by Chelsey, Lindsey & John Nelson, owner John Nelson LLLP on property described as part of the W2 of NE4 & N2 of NW4, Sec16-Twp108N-R30W, Linden Township for the purpose to allow up to a maximum of 990AU (3300 head) and construction of a new 153' X 185.5' barn with 153' X 185.5' X 8' deep pit in a hog finishing operation located in the A-1 Ag Protection Zoning District, with eight (8) conditions; passed.

M/Potter, S/Seeboth, to approve CUP Application #C00407 by Harold E Portner Trust, Tom Portner representing, on property described as in SE4, Sec23-Twp110N-R33W, Prairieville Township for the purpose to renew existing CUP #C-00081 to continue to allow 470 AU (275 cows, 100 heifers & 50 calves, approx.) in a Dairy Cattle Operation located in the A-1 Ag Protection Zoning District, with six (6) conditions; passed.

M/Potter, S/Simonsen, to approve CUP Application #C00406 by Schwartz Farms Inc on property described as part of the NW4 of SW4, Sec33-Twp109N-R34W, Burnstown Township for the purpose to renew current CUP #C-00089 to continue to allow up to a maximum of 900 AU (3000 head) in a hog finishing operation located in the A-1 Ag Protection Zoning District, with nine (9) conditions; passed.

M/Potter, S/Simonsen, to approve CUP Application #C-00403 by Kurt & Joann Eischen on property described as part of the S2 of S2 of NE4 and N2 of SE4, Sec19-Twp108N-R33W, Mulligan Township for the purpose to allow up to a maximum of 990AU (3300 head) and construction of a new 153' X 185' Barn with 153' X 185' X 8' deep pit in a wean to finish hog operation located in the A-1 Ag Protection Zoning District, with eight (8) conditions; passed.

M/Berg, S/Potter, to approve CUP Application #C-00405 by Curtis Saffert on property described as Lot 1 Block 1 Stern First Subdivision in SE4, Sec23-Twp109N-R35W, North Star Township for the purpose to allow retail sales of merchandise and some manufacturing of all natural lotion products with construction of a 30x40 building to house operation, all located in the A-1 Ag Protection Zoning District, with three (3) conditions; passed.

M/Potter, S/Simonsen, to approve CUP Application #C-00412 by Chris Sturm on property described as part of W2 of SE4, Sec30-Twp109N-R35W, North Star Township for the purpose to allow extraction & storage of sand, gravel etc. in a gravel mining operation located in the A-1 Ag Protection Zoning District, with the following conditions: Owner is responsible for following all conditions placed on the other gravel operations located in North Star Township Sections 29 & 30, Groebner, Scheffler and Geis gravel sites (to be reviewed May 2015); and twelve (12) current conditions; passed.

M/Potter, S/Berg, to approve CUP Application #C-00410 by Peter & Susan Guggisberg on Property described as Lot 1 Block 1 Juni Second Subdivision in Lot 12 & pt of Lot 13, Sec10-Twp110N-R31W, Milford Township for the purpose to allow pet crematory primarily as a service to local veterinary clinics through route pick ups. Equipment will be placed in existing building located in the A-1 Ag Protection Zoning District, with three (3) conditions; passed.

M/Berg, S/Potter, to approve CUP Application #C-00402 by West Milford Partnership, Butch Hoffman representing on property described as part of the N2, Sec31-Twp110N-R31W, Milford Township for the purpose to renew CUP #C-00318 to continue to allow extraction & storage of sand, gravel etc. in the existing gravel mining area located in the A-1 Ag Protection Zoning District, with nine (9) conditions; passed.

M/Potter, S/Simonsen, to approve Final Plat #P-00179, a single lot split by Gerald & MaryLou Mathiowetz, known as Mathiowetz Fifth Subdivision on property described as part of the N2 of NE4, Sec21-Twp108N-R33W, Mulligan Township. Parcel being platted is an existing homesite being split off from tillable land; passed.

Correspondence C-1 thru C-10 were accepted and filed. Seeboth reported on the Brown County Historical Society and on the Highway 14 Task Force. Berg reported on the Public Health Emergency Exercise. Windschitl reported on the Drug Court meeting. Simonsen reported on the Underage Substance Abuse Coalition.

M/Potter, S/Seeboth, to approve renewal of the Redwood-Cottonwood Rivers Control Area (RCRCA) Joint Powers Agreement for the period of 7-1-2015 through 6-30-2017 and authorize the Brown County Board delegate to sign said JPA renewal; carried.

M/Seeboth, S/Simonsen, to accept the low quote of \$2,087.05 from Furniture Gallery, Sleepy Eye, MN to replace the hallway carpeting in the License Bureau Building; passed. Additional quotes were received from Design Home Center Inc., New Ulm and from New Ulm Furniture Company.

M/Berg, S/Seeboth, to accept and file the 2015 1st Quarter (Cash Basis and Unaudited) Budget Report which reflects activity at 25% of the budget year as follows: Expenditures of \$7,158,476.66 or 24.4%, and revenues of \$4,304,614.28 or 14.7%; and the 2015 1st Quarter Supplemental Budgets Report noting expenditures of \$380,658.73 or 13.9%, and revenues of \$266,197.39 or 13.8% of budgeted activity; passed.

M/Seeboth, S/Potter, to approve payment of Family Services administrative claims in the amount of \$102,827.89; carried.

At 10:38 AM, Chairman Windschitl convened a Closed Session to consider Social Services Payments, whereupon M/Seeboth, S/Potter, to authorize the payment of Social Services payments in the amount of \$230,547.38; carried and the Closed Session ended at 10:48 AM.

Calendars were coordinated for the next two week period.

There being no further business, Chairman Windschitl declared the Meeting adjourned at 10:53 AM.

The Official Minutes of the Regular Meeting of 04-21-2015 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