

SYNOPSIS OF COUNTY BOARD MEETING

June 20, 2017

Members present: Borchert, Berg, Windschitl, Simonsen, and Potter, along with County Administrator Enter and County Attorney Hanson.

M/Berg, S/Potter, to accept the Minutes of 6-6-2017 and authorize publication of the Synopsis of same; carried.

M/Borchert, S/Berg, to approve and order filed the minutes of the 6-12-17 meeting of the Brown County Board of Appeal and Equalization; passed.

M/Windschitl, S/Borchert, to accept and order filed the May 2017 Reports of Activity for the Brown County Sheriff's Dept.; carried.

M/Potter, S/Berg, to approve twenty-three (23) Drainage Repair requests and the payment of said repairs; carried.

M/Windschitl, S/Simonsen, to accept the quote received for buffer strip seeding of CD#1 between Sleepy Eye and New Ulm in Milford and Home Townships; CD#33 south of Sleepy Eye in Albin and Mulligan Townships; and CD#75 between Sleepy Eye and New Ulm in Milford Township from Erosion Control Plus in the amount of \$13,504.04; carried. One other bid was received Next Level Services.

M/Potter, S/Berg, to approve the request from the City of Comfrey to close a portion of CSAH 36 (Brown St & White St) between Ochre St and Broad St on 7-7-2017 from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM for a parade and to close a portion of CSAH 36 from Field St to Broad St on 7-7-2017 from 8:00 PM to 1:00 AM on 7-8-2017 for a street dance; carried.

At 9:15 AM, the County Board considered the Minnesota Statute that allows the county to increase the wheelage tax from \$10 up to \$20 starting 1-1-2018. After considerable discussion, M/Potter, S/Borchert, and on a roll-call vote of 3-2 (Windschitl and Simonsen dissenting), the County Board approved Resolution No. 2017-20 authorizing an increase in the Wheelage Tax from \$10 to \$20 as provided for in Minnesota Law for the year 2018 and in subsequent years thereafter.

At 9:32 AM, the County Board considered enforcement of the new state buffer law. Concerns were expressed questioning future state funding, enforcement & penalty options, ordinance drafting & adoption, and lack of payment to landowners. After considerable discussion, M/Windschitl, S/Potter, and on a roll-call vote of 4-1 (Simonsen dissenting), the County Board approved Resolution No. 2017-21 Waiving Buffer Enforcement, thereby waiving Brown County's jurisdiction to carry out compliance provisions of Minnesota Statutes 103B.101, subdivision 12a and 103F.48.

M/Potter, S/Berg, to approve the State of MN Grant Agreement #124874 for Caseload/Workload programming for FY 2018 in the amount of \$62,750 and for FY 2019 in the amount of \$62,750; and authorize the County Board Chair and Probation Director to sign same on behalf of Brown County; carried.

M/Windschitl, S/Potter, to approve payment of Human Services administrative claims in the amount of \$161,058.25; carried.

At 10:09 AM, Chairman Simonsen convened a Closed Session to consider Social Services Payments, whereupon M/Windschitl, S/Borchert, to authorize the payment of Social Services payments in the amount of \$272,801.95; carried and the Closed Session ended at 10:17 AM.

M/Potter, S/Berg, to approve Conditional Use Permit (CUP) Application #C-0053 by Christensen Farms Midwest LLC (On property owned by Gary & Laureen Tauer) on the property described as the North 450' of the South 690' of the SE ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 17, Township 108N, Range 33 W, Mulligan Township, Brown County, MN, to allow a new swine finishing operation with a maximum capacity of 2,800 head (840 AU) through construction of a 41' 2" X 539' 8" Total Confinement Barn with an 8' deep concrete pit, all located in the A-1 Ag Protection Zoning District, with eight (8) conditions; carried on a vote of 3-1, with Borchert dissenting and Simonsen abstaining.

M/Berg, S/Simonsen, to approve CUP Application #C-0055 by Thomas Byro on the property described as Outlot A, Halvorson's Second Subdivision, Section 14, Township 108 N, Range 30 W, Linden Township, Brown County, MN, to renew an existing CUP to continue to allow a Maximum of 3,000 Finishing Swine (900 AU) and 400 Head of Dairy Calves (80 AU) for a site maximum of 980 AU all located in the A-1 Ag Protection Zoning District, with eight (8) conditions; carried.

M/Potter, S/Berg, to approve Preliminary Plat Application P-0020 for a single lot split (7.15 acres) by Richard Bruns on the property described as Part of Government Lots 1 and 8, Section 19, Township 109 N, Range 31 W, Sigel Township, Brown County, MN; Parcel being platted is an existing farm site being platted off from the tillable land; carried.

M/Windschitl, S/Borchert, to approve Preliminary Plat Application P-0021 a single lot split (7.13 acres) by Cathy Hauer on the property described as Part of the S ½ of the SE ¼, Section 30, Township 108N, Range 32W, Albin Township, Brown County, MN; Parcel being platted is an existing farm site being platted off from the tillable land; carried.

M/Potter, S/Simonsen, to approve Preliminary Plat Application P-0022 a single lot split (5.49 acres) by Roger & Sharon Kral on the property described as the NW ¼ of the SW ¼, Section 26, Township 109N, Range 32W, Stark Township, Brown County, MN; Parcel being platted is an existing farm site being platted off from the tillable land; carried.

M/Windschitl, S/Berg, to approve Preliminary Plat Application P-0023 a single lot split (2.5 acres) by Dale Domeier on the property described as the SE ¼ of the SE ¼, Section 19, Township 109N, Range 32W, Stark Township, Brown County, MN; Parcel being platted is currently tillable land; carried.

M/Windschitl, S/Berg, to accept and file the Public Health Update 6-20-17 on Measles; Mental Well Being Learning Community; Dental Care for Children; Reviewing Mass Dispensing of Medication During an Emergency; Summer Bugs; and the Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes 04-12-17; passed.

M/Berg, S/Simonsen, to approve the Memorandum of Agreement with Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter, MN, to provide clinical experience for nursing students in Public Health beginning 8-1-17; passed.

M/Potter, S/Windschitl, to appoint Johanna Larson, Brown County Part-Time Public Health Account Technician, at the hourly rate of \$15.1403 (Grade VIII, Step 1), effective 6-22-17 up to 7-19-17 in addition to her current duties and schedule in the Public Health Dept. to assist with License Bureau customer transactions due to the upcoming state-wide software conversion and employee leave of absences; carried.

M/Borchert, S/Simonsen, to approve the appointment of Derek Gjestson as an IPT Dispatcher at \$18.1681/hour (Grade XI, Entry) contingent on the passage of the pre-employment evaluations and physicals with effective hire date to be determined pending results; passed.

M/Borchert, S/Windschitl, to approve the appointment of DeAnna Aufderheide as FT Social Worker - Seniors & Physically Disabled Adults in the Human Services Dept. at the hourly rate of \$26.7062 (Grade XIV, Step 10) due to directly related experience, with a start date of 6-30-17 contingent on the passage of the pre-employment screenings; carried.

M/Borchert, S/Berg, to approve the premium rates for the 2018 Health Partners Insurance Plans: HP 4500/9000 w/HSA, Single \$756.61 and Family \$2,042.65; HP 2700/5400 w/ HSA (base plan), Single \$883.34 and Family \$2,384.81; HP 500/1000, Single \$1,049.58 and Family \$2,833.62; and HP 300/600 Single \$1,133.60 and Family \$3,060.44 with payment of County share/employee share according to Personnel Policy and Union Contracts; carried 4-0, with Windschitl abstaining.

M/Windschitl, S/Berg, to approve the change of the part-time 0.60 FTE Legal Assistant (Shirlene Hvinden) position to a 1.0 FTE position effective 6/23/17; carried.

M/Borchert, S/Simonsen, to approve the position description for a new Information Technology Administrative Assistant and refer to the Personnel Advisory Committee for pointing; carried.

M/Windschitl, S/Berg, to accept and order filed the MN Counties Intergovernmental Trust (MCIT) Annual Report to Members as presented by MCIT Risk Management Consultant Robert Goede; carried.

M/Borchert, S/Windschitl, to accept and file the May 2017 Budget Report (Cash Basis and Unaudited) which reflects activity at 41.7% of the budget year as follows: expenditures of \$11,032,098.27 or 30%, and revenues of \$11,663,273.91 or 31.7%; and the May 2017 Supplemental Budgets Report noting expenditures of \$1,137,419.24 or 40.6%, and revenues of \$349,850.29 or 13.5% of annual budgeted activity; passed.

M/Windschitl, S/Potter, to approve the contract between the State of MN, Dept. of Administration; the United States General Services Administration; and Brown County as it relates to purchasing federal/state surplus property; authorize the Board Chair to sign the Application For Eligibility to Receive Federal/State Surplus Property (FMR 102-37) and Nondiscrimination Assurance, and designated county staff to sign the Eligibility Identification card to select and remove Federal and/or State Surplus Property from the Minnesota Surplus Services Distribution Center in Arden Hills, MN; and authorize the Board Chair and County Administrator to approve future renewal documents conditioned upon renewal with comparable contract conditions; carried.

Correspondence C-1 thru C-10 were accepted and filed. Borchert reported on the Workforce Joint Powers Board; Berg reported on Public Health, the Safety Committee meeting on 6-15-17, and the State Community Health Services Advisory Committee; Simonsen reported with Commissioner Potter on the Extension Committee meeting.

Calendars were coordinated for the next two week period.

There being no further business, Chairman Simonsen declared the Meeting adjourned at 12:50 PM.

The Official Minutes of the Regular Meeting of 6-20-2017 are on file in the County Administrator's Office and may be viewed during normal business hours, M-F, 8AM-4:30PM. 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