

BOARD MEETING AS POSTED

BECKER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DATE: TUESDAY, April 2, 2024, at 8:15 am

LOCATION: Board Room, Courthouse

1. Meeting was brought to order by Board Chair Okeson. Commissioners in attendance: Okeson, Meyer, Vareberg, Jepson and Nelson, Interim County Administrator Carrie Smith, and minute taker Peggy Martin.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda/Minutes:

1. Agenda – Motion and second to approve agenda (Jepson, Meyer) carried.
2. Minutes – Moved and second to approve minutes of March 19, 2024, with the requested changes (Jepson, Meyer) carried.
3. Motion and second to approve the Consent Agenda and remove the Environmental Services Capital Purchase Request – Floor Sweeper & Scrubber to vote on separately (Nelson, Meyer) carried.
4. Motion and second to approve the Environmental Services Capital Purchase Request – Floor Sweeper & Scrubber from Tennant Company in the amount of \$25,083.75 (Vareberg, Meyer) carried.

Commissioners:

1. Open Forum:
 - None.
2. Reports and Correspondence: Reports were provided on the following meetings:
 - Commissioner Jepson – Crow Wing Watershed, EDA, MPR.
 - Commissioner Meyer – DAC, Lakes Country Services Co-op, Fair Board, Sheriff, Sunnyside.
 - Commissioner Nelson – NRM, MPR, Sunnyside, Sheriff, LARL, Becker County Soil & Water, Employee Recognition, Lakeland Mental Health.
 - Commissioner Okeson – Employee Recognition, Pelican River Watershed, Airport, White Earth Public Hearing, Negotiations, Environmental, Fair Board, PLMSW, 1W1D.
 - Commissioner Vareberg – NRM, EDA.

- Motion and second to approve per diem for Commissioner Jepson and Vareberg for a new tribal relations committee to be formally named later by the Board Chair (Nelson, Meyer) carried.
3. Appointments
 - Motion and second to reappoint Mary Seaberg to District 3 Planning Commission (Okeson, Jepson) carried.
 4. Presentation of BeckerBay contributions of \$2391 to the Becker County Food Pantry.

County Administrator – Human Resources: presented by Carrie Smith.

1. Detroit Lakes High School Career Academy Information: presented by Vern Schnathorst and Aaron Swenson.
2. Report
 - Hiring pools have increased.
 - Today is the closing day for the Assistant County Attorney position.
 - Amanda will be at the Career Fair tomorrow and later at the White Earth Career Fair.
 - Project 412 Bentonville Trip attendees will be Steve Skoog & Mitch Lundeen.
 - Annual Township Meeting on Thursday.
3. Special Board Meeting – April 9, 2024 at 8:15 am
 - Liza from DDA will be online via Teams to finalize the Administrator search parameters prior to the discussion with the White Earth Tribal Leaders.
 - White Earth Tribal Leaders have provided 2 agenda items for the meeting
 - i. Discussion around marijuana.
 - ii. Comprehensive Planning.
 - White Earth Forest Land Transfer Legislation.
 - No Open Forum will be held.
4. Hosting other counties for the WE Committee on April 9, 2024 at 1:00 pm

Auditor-Treasurer: presented by Mary Hendrickson.

1. Motion and second to approve Resolution – 04-24-1A – Minnesota Flyers Gymnastics, MFG Gambling Permit at Frazee Golf Course Inc in Burlington Twp (Nelson, Jepson) carried.
2. Motion and second to approve Combination On/Off Sale w/Sundays – Renewal for Two Inlets Country Store – Robert Peterson – Two Inlets Twp and Jack Pines Resort – Jacob Prouty – Carsonville Twp (Jepson, Meyer) carried.

3. Motion and second to approve On-Sale w/Sundays – Renewal for Tri-Lakes Roadhouse – Gabe Line – Cormorant Twp, Curley’s on Cotton Lake – Deanne Kohler – Erie Twp and T & J Randy’s – Jennifer Goering – Lake Eunice Twp (Nelson, Meyer) carried.
4. Motion and second to approve 3.2 On-Sale – Renewal for Ella Marie’s Café – Emma Mattson – Cormorant Twp (Nelson, Jepson) carried.
5. Motion and second to approve Wine and Strong Beer on Sale – Renewal for Ella Marie’s Café – Emma Mattson – Cormorant Twp (Nelson, Meyer) carried.
6. Motion and second to approve Off-Sale – Renewal for Byer’s Liquors – Dale Byer – Osage Twp, Seven Sisters Spirits – Brad Malstrom – Lakeview Twp and Richwood Off-Sale – John Johnson – Richwood Twp (Nelson, Meyer) carried.
7. Motion and second to approve Seasonal On-Sale – Renewal for Shady Hollow Flea Market – Chad Stenerson – Lakeview Twp (Okeson, Nelson) carried.

Highway: presented by Jim Olson.

1. Motion and second to approve Resolution 04-24-1B – Bituminous Materials Bid Award to Flint Hill Resources in the amount of \$564 per ton (Okeson, Vareberg) carried.
2. Motion and second to approve Resolution 04-24-1C – Dust Control Bid Award to Corbin Excavating, Inc of Sebeka in the amount of \$275,770 (Nelson, Vareberg) carried.
3. Motion and second to approve Resolution 04-24-1D – Weed Spraying – ROW Quote Award to L & M Road Service at \$135 per hour (Nelson, Meyer) carried.

Sheriff: presented by Todd Glander.

1. Motion and second to approve Resolution 04-24-1E – State of Minnesota Annual County Boat & Water Safety Grant Agreement in the amount of \$23,931 (Meyer, Jepson) carried.
2. Motion and second to approve the purchase of Lights & Equipment for the New Sean Born Boat from Code 4 in the amount of \$8,418.26 which is covered by the Boat & Water Grant (Nelson, Meyer) carried.

Planning & Zoning: presented by Kyle Vareberg.

1. Comprehensive Plan Update.
 - Bolten & Menk will be presenting at the April 4th Township Meeting.
 - Work Session Meeting tentatively set for April 17th at 10:00 am.
2. Motion and second to concur with the Planning Commission Recommendation for Ethan Thompson – Request for a Conditional Use Permit to operate a U-Pick Flower Business (Jepson, Meyer) carried.

3. Motion and second to concur with the Planning Commission Recommendation for Jarko Properties LLC – Request a Preliminary Plat for Thirty (30) existing units and Forty-One (41) new units known as Elite Shop Condos (Jepson, Vareberg) carried.

Motion to close the meeting at 10:13 am pursuant to Minn. Stat. Section 13D.03 Subd. 1(b) The governing body of a public employer may by a majority vote in a public meeting decide to hold a closed meeting to consider strategy for labor negotiations, including negotiation strategies or developments or discussion and review of labor negotiation proposals, conducted pursuant to sections 179A.01 to 179A.25 (Jepson, Meyer) carried.

Motion and second to come out of closed session at 10:33 am (Meyer, Jepson) carried.

Being no further business, Chair Okeson adjourned the meeting at 10:33 am.

<u>/s/</u>	<u>Carrie Smith</u>	<u>/s/</u>	<u>John Okeson</u>
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	Interim County Administrator		Board Chair