

BOARD MEETING AS POSTED

BECKER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DATE: TUESDAY, June 18, 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, County Administrator Carrie Smith, and minute taker Peggy Martin.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda/Minutes:

1. Agenda – Motion and second to approve agenda with the removal of Planning & Zoning MOU between Becker County and the Pelican River Watershed District (Jepson, Meyer) carried.
2. Minutes – Moved and second to approve minutes of June 4, 2024, with the requested changes (Nelson, Meyer) carried.
3. Minutes – Moved and second to approve minutes of June 11, 2024, Special Meeting (Nelson, Jepson) carried.
4. Motion and second to approve and accept the Consent Agenda with the removal of Resolution 06-24-2B – 2025 Vehicle Replacement Application and Purchase and Land Use/Environmental Services Sustainable Building and Materials Grant Application to be discussed individually (Nelson, Jepson) carried.
5. Motion and second to approve Resolution 06-24-2B – Vehicle Replacement Application and to come back and present to the board prior to purchasing a vehicle (Nelson, Meyer) carried.
6. Motion and second to approve the submission of a Sustainable Building and Materials Grant Application (Vareberg, Okeson) carried.

Commissioners:

1. Open Forum:
 - Gerry Schram – Thank you for standing up for Township Zoning.
 - Don Skarie
 - Congratulations to new Administrator Carrie Smith.
 - Thank you to Sandy Gunderson for her years of service.
 - Nine people running for Commissioner is wonderful.
 - Zoning Issue – House of Agape – Blight Issue. Residential vs Agricultural.

2. Reports and Correspondence: Reports were provided on the following meetings:
 - Commissioner Jepson – Human Services, Senior Council, Housing Sub Committee, AMC District Meeting.
 - Commissioner Meyer – DAC Tour, Lakes Country Service Co-op, Courthouse, Historical Society, AMC District Meeting.
 - Commissioner Nelson – AMC District Meeting, Assessor Interviews, Dancing Sky.
 - Commissioner Okeson – NACO Transportation, RAC, AMC District Meeting, Comp Plan Update, Negotiations.
 - Commissioner Vareberg – Human Services.
3. Appointments
 - None.
4. County Administrator Update.
 - Contract with Carrie Smith.
 - Motion and second to approve the contract with the stipulation that out of state travel come back for board approval per policy (Jepson, Meyer) carried.
5. Employee Recognition: Sandy Gunderson for 33 Years of Service.

County Administrator – Human Resources: presented by Carrie Smith.

1. Report
 - Power Outage yesterday. No generator in Old Courthouse.
 - WE Committee update.
2. Coroner Contract Update.
 - Motion and second to approve Resolution 06-24-2H – County Coroner Appointment (Meyer, Nelson) carried.
3. Motion and second to approve Resolution 06-24-2G – Which amends Resolution 05-24-2K – Adoption of the Class & Compensation 10 Step Pay Scale (Meyer, Nelson) carried.
4. Request from the board for the Formal resignation of Carrie as Human Resources Director.
5. Authorization to advertise for a new Human Resources Director.

Information Technology: presented by Judy Dodd.

1. AI (Artificial Intelligence) presentation.

Assessor: presented by Nancy Gunderson.

1. Motion and second to approve the Abatements in the amount of \$174 (Jepson, Meyer) carried.

2. Board of Equalization at 6:01 pm tonight.

Being no further business, Chair Okeson adjourned the meeting at 9:43 am.

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