Official Proceedings of the Stutsman County Commission

April 26, 2011

At 7:00 a.m., Chairman Klose called the special meeting of the Stutsman County Commission to order. Dennis Ova, Dale Marks, David Schwartz, Craig Neys and Mark T. Klose answered roll call. The purpose of this meeting was to appoint an interim Stutsman County Treasurer, appoint an interim Stutsman County Recorder, to authorize advertisement to hire an Assistant Computer Support Technician and to address issues concerning inundated Stutsman County Roads.

Johnson reported to the Commission that Jacki Lindell was the Deputy Treasurer and has been doing the duties of the treasurer since January 1, 2011.

Ova made a motion seconded by Schwartz to appoint Jacki Lindell as Interim Stutsman County Treasurer and to have her salary increase retroactive back to January 1, 2011. Roll call vote – Ova, Marks, Schwartz, Neys and Klose voted aye.

Commissioner Klose recommended Linda Chadduck for the Interim Stutsman County Recorder. Johnson stated that to be able to proceed with the plan of all personnel being able to work together, Chadduck was the person that he would recommend for the position. Schwartz questioned what compensation would she receive for this position. Johnson stated that this again was new ground and feels that the Commission would have to visit with Chadduck to negotiate what she would work for.

Neys made a motion seconded by Schwartz to appoint Linda Chadduck as Interim Stutsman County Recorder. Roll call vote – Marks, Schwartz, Neys, Klose and Ova voted aye.

Commissioner Klose stated he had visited with Josh Smaage, Stutsman County Network Administrator, about the additional duties that he had taken on that had generated additional income for the County but his time was being stretched about as far as it to go to cover all computer issues that arise. Johnson stated that the average tech supports 70 devices whereas Smaage was supporting 200. Johnson said that Smaage has one of the key positions and he needs the assistance.

Schwartz made a motion seconded by Marks to advertise and hire an Assistant Computer Support Technician. Roll call vote – Schwartz, Neys, Klose, Ova and Marks voted aye.

Ova made a motion seconded by Neys to adjourn the staff positions portion of the special meeting. Motion carried.

At 7:10 a.m. the special meeting was called to order with all commissioners present to address issues concerning inundated Stutsman County Roads.

Mickey Nenow, County Highway Superintendent, presented four sites that were going to be built up with county money and avoid ER money. Administrative costs for ER money would run to high for the extent of these projects, it would be cheaper to go only with county funding. Quotes had been received from Guthmiller Construction for these sites. Rip rap was not included at this time. Ova stated that he has located some rock piles close by that could be used at the various sites.

Klose suggested borrowing money from the interim fund (same fund used to borrow to townships) to complete this work. Johnson stated that the emergency fund was in the red with an accounts receivable of approximately $600,000. Johnson stated that there was no guarantee that Federal money would be coming. Possible revenue may be coming from the State that could reimburse this fund.

Marks made a motion seconded by Schwartz to borrow up to $150,000 from the interim fund to complete these four projects. Roll call vote – Neys, Klose, Ova, Marks and Schwartz voted aye.

Jerry Bergquist reported to the commission that the road department is obtaining a damage assessment from all townships in the county because it appears right now that the Governor has included Stutsman County in a request for preliminary damage assessment. This was the first step in the process if a Presidential Disaster Declaration would to be declared. We could possibly expect to see FEMA personnel by next week to verify our assessment estimates and that we had enough damage to even qualify.

Marks asked if the road department had had a chance to discuss how they would handle the buildup of sod on the sides of the roads from the payloaders and other equipment that had to be used this past winter. Nenow said that he knows something needs to be done and once it dries out they would take a look at leveling these areas out.

Neys made a motion seconded by Schwartz to adjourn the meeting. At 7:24 a.m. the special meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

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