Official Proceedings of the Stutsman County Commission

April 27, 2009

At 7:00 p.m., Chairman Klose called the special meeting of the Stutsman County Commission to order. Dennis Ova, Dale Marks, Doug Kaiser, Craig Neys and Mark T. Klose answered roll call.

The meeting was called to review rural road issues with the Townships and Cities in Stutsman County.

Chairman Klose introduced the representatives of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), the NDSU Extension Service, the Stutsman County Water Resource Board, and the ND National Guard that were in attendance. The purpose to the meeting was to appraise those in attendance of the potential funding that was available to assist local governments with inundated and damaged infrastructure.

Mike Zimmerman, County Highway Superintendent, gave an overview of the County's responsibilities as applicant agent for the declared emergency. He presented a list of contractors that may be available to work on the various road projects along with the County.

Jon McCafferty, FEMA, reviewed the public assistance program and answered questions from the audience.

Laurie Lemeux, FEMA Environmental Compliance Officer, discussed the archeological issues regarding borrow areas and answered questions from the audience.

Noel Johnson, County COO, reviewed the total income that the Townships had received in 2008, the possible state funding that may be available depending on the outcome of the 2009 Legislative Session and possible assistance from the County in the form of loans to Townships. He stated that Townships need to have loans approved prior to contracting repair work.

A representative of the Corps of Engineers, reviewed that the Corps was the regulatory authority over water and natural resources. The purpose at this time was to repair infrastructure to the pre-existing condition. Changing culvert size, for example, would involve 406 mitigation.

Kaiser made a motion that was seconded by Neys to adjourn. At 8:31 p.m. the special meeting of the Stutsman County Commission was adjourned.

ATTEST:

Noel A. Johnson	Mark Klose
County COO (Auditor)	Commission Chairman