Official Proceedings of the Stutsman County Commission

June 21, 2011

At 8:00 a.m., Chairman Klose called the mid month meeting of the Stutsman County Commission to order. Dennis Ova, Dale Marks, David Schwartz, Craig Neys and Mark T. Klose answered roll call.

Chairman Klose opened the hearing for the request to annex 18 Sections of land in Pingree Township and the City of Pingree from the Jamestown Rural Fire Protection District into the Pingree Rural Fire Protection District. The petition requirements had been met with well over 60% of the residents signing the request. Jamestown Rural Fire did not oppose the request. Don Perleberg spoke in favor of the request. The Pingree Rural Fire Department was in the process of getting their own fire hall. Almost all of the calls within the petition area were already going to the Pingree Fire Department. No one spoke in opposition to the request. Ova made a motion seconded by Neys to approve the request. Roll call vote – Ova, Marks, Schwartz, Neys and Klose voted aye.

A motion was made by Schwartz seconded by Neys to approve the Liquor License and Sunday Alcoholic Beverage Permit Applications of the Jamestown Country Club. Motion carried.

Jim Trautman voiced his concerns over the Leafy Spurge problem in the County. In the past 15 years the problem had gotten worse. The County Weed Board needed to set an example and they were not getting the job done. The Weed Board should work with the ND Ag Department and Federal authorities to get authorization for chemicals that would eradicate the spurge and not simply control the spurge. He questioned why the County sprayed Interstate I-94 and State Highway Right of Way when they had plenty to do on the County and Township Roads. Ron Manson, County Weed Control Officer, indicated that there was a new chemical coming out and that test plots using the chemical had good results. His crew had to control spurge, thistle and wormwood. There were 2,500 miles of road right of ways that the County tries to get over at least 2 times per year. The best time for spraying was in the fall when his part time help was no longer working. The past few years weed densities had been reduced by 40%. The County could only use those chemicals that were approved by the State and EPA. Manson also reported that they do a lot with biological control. The Commission encouraged Mr. Trautman to attend a meeting with the Weed Board. Any input on the problem was appreciated.

Al Christianson, Manager, ND Business Development & Governmental Affairs, and Scott Wegner, Arntson Stewart Wegner PC, presented a request to schedule a hearing on sponsoring $50 million in MIDA bonds for solid waste facilities for the proposed Dakota Spirit AgEnergy facility in Spiritwood Township. The County would serve as a pass through for the tax exempt bonds. The debt and repayment would be the sole responsibility of Great River Energy. A motion was made by Neys seconded by Schwartz to approve the resolution to schedule a hearing on the proposal on July 19, 2011 at 8:00 a.m. Motion carried.

Chad Kaiser, County Sheriff, reviewed a gun repair bill. The gun had been damaged when in the County's possession in the evidence room. The County's insurance policy would pay for the repair. He announced that Troy Kelly, a 14 year employee had resigned to take a BCI (Bureau of Criminal Investigation) position in Valley City. Mr. Kelly was an exemplary employee that would be difficult to replace. The position was funded by grants. Ova made a motion seconded by Marks to advertise to fill the position. Motion carried.

Kaiser reviewed the first six months since he was elected Sheriff. He reported that over $50,000 in grants had been received to date. Equipment type grants received were the Competitive Grant for $21,416 and the Pipeline Safety Grant for $21,000. The Underage Drinking Grant for $1,100; the Seatbelt Grant for $1,500; and the DUI Saturation Grant for $7,275 were grants received to help in paying the overtime required to conduct these projects. They had also received the Boat Safety Grant for doing boat patrol, which is a 50/50 match grant, in the amount of $4,300 (total $8,600). Kaiser had also applied for the Ballistics Vest Grant for $720.

Kaiser requested consideration for 3 step raise to the same pay as the former Sheriff. Johnson indicated that the entire Sheriff's Department was being reviewed by the County's wage consultant to ensure that compensation for the Sheriff and Deputies was competitive with other law enforcement agencies. The Commission would wait for the Consultant's recommendation on wages for the department.

Neys made a motion seconded by Schwartz to make the following appointments: School Reorganization Committee – Ruth Urdahl and Beverly Brunsch; Housing Authority – Allen Falk and Tonya Perkins (unexpired term); Joint Library Board – Dale Marks; and Central Valley Health District Board – Dennis Ova. Roll call vote – Marks, Schwartz, Neys, Klose and Ova voted aye.

Jim Nowatski, Library Foundation Chairman, reported that he would meet with the Library Board and make a report to the City Council and County Commission on the happenings of the Library Foundation. He announced that he would resign from the Foundation next month.

Ova made a motion seconded by Schwartz to approve the raffle permit application of the Jamestown Hospital Foundation. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Schwartz seconded by Marks to approve a $10,000 loan for 5 years at 5% annual interest to Fried Township for the County's General Fund Sub-Account. Roll call vote – Schwartz, Neys, Klose, Ova and Marks voted aye.

Marks made a motion seconded by Ova to pay the mid-month bills, to pay $324.99 to Gun & Reel from 10-116-6380, and to pay $265.00 in taxable meals. Roll call vote – Neys, Klose, Ova, Marks and Schwartz voted aye.

Fund	Warrant No	Amount	Vendor Name
GENERAL			
	0055660	21.90	A T & T MOBILITY
	0055661	37.20	ALLTEL
	0055662	107.10	ANDERSON-RUFF/JAMIE
	0055663	200.00	ARTIES TREE SERVICE
	0055664	99.15	BOB'S PLUMBING & HEATING INC
	0055665	233.65	BROWN & SAENGER
	0055671	125.00	CITY FARGO
	0055672	169.20	CITY OF JAMESTOWN
	0055673	2,680.00	CLIMATE CONTROL
	0055674	56.91	COLE PAPERS INC
	0055676	375.75	DACOTAH PAPER CO
	0055681	53.50	DAKOTA RENTAL CENTER LLC
	0055684	619.16	DAN'S SOOPER STOP
	0055685	108.00	DEATONS MAILING SYSTEMS INC
	0055687	1,925.00	DKK GUARDIANSHIP SERVICES INC
	0055688	178.25	ECOLAB PEST ELIMINATION DIV
	0055690	112.50	FALK/JASON
	0055693	71.00	FARMERS UNION OIL CO-CENEX
	0055694	78.71	FASTENAL CO
	0055697	506.89	GUN & REEL SPORTS, INC.
	0055703	442.49	INTERSTATE POWER SYSTEMS INC
	0055704	637.31	JAMESTOWN I-94 CLARK
	0055711	329.28	M D U
	0055714	931.74	MAIL FINANCE
	0055716	49.00	MILLER/ KEVIN
	0055719	94.90	N D ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES
	0055721	3,000.00	NEOFUNDS BY NEOPOST
	0055724	11.02	ODENBACH/RYAN
	0055726	991.50	OTTMAR & OTTMAR
	0055727	507.50	PERSONALIZED STAMPED ENVELOPE PROGRAM
	0055729	12.99	PROBUILD
	0055734	285.00	ROUGHRIDER SIGNS & DESIGNS
	0055736	3,689.75	SMITTY'S CARPET SHOP, INC
	0055737	898.23	STEIN'S, INC
	0055738	953.31	STOP & GO #431
	0055739	200.70	STOUDT INC/R M
	0055743	19.00	STUTSMAN COUNTY CORRECTIONAL CENTER
	0055749	40.93	TRUE VALUE HARDWARE
	0055750	88.00	TWO RIVERS PRINTING
	0055751	110.00	U S POSTMASTER
	0055754	95.73	VISA SO
	0055756	35.60	WEST END HIDE & FUR
	0055760	48.48	5 STAR EXPRESS LUBE
		21,231.33	Final Total
911 EMERGENCY PHONE SYSTEM			
	0055677	148.59	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELE JMTN
	0055679	449.00	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS
	0055719	5,302.91	N D ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES
	0055744	1,397.91	STUTSMAN COUNTY ROAD DEPT
	0055755	135.67	VOLK/TODD
		7,434.08	Final Total
ROAD FUNDS			
	0055666	9,826.93	BUTLER MACHINERY CO
	0055667	57.13	CARQUEST AUTO PARTS
	0055675	3,586.71	CREATIVE ENERGY
	0055680	166.30	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS JMTN
	0055682	6.00	DAKOTA VALLEY ELECTRIC
	0055691	57.70	FARGO TRAILER CENTER
	0055692	3,366.00	FARMERS UNION OIL CO-CENEX
	0055694	12.28	FASTENAL CO
	0055696	86.70	GRUENSTEIN/LARRY
	0055699	151.96	HOME OF ECONOMY

	0055702	14,905.00	INTERSTATE ENGINEERING
	0055706	601.08	JOBS HQ
	0055708	26,626.05	JOHNSTON FARGO CULVERT INC
	0055709	78.00	LAWSON PRODUCTS INC
	0055711	186.12	M D U
	0055712	124.31	MAC'S INC
	0055715	15.15	MEDINA CITY AUDITOR
	0055718	209.61	N A P A AUTO PARTS
	0055719	231.71	N D ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES
	0055722	260.75	NEWMAN SIGNS
	0055723	73.90	NORTHWEST TIRE INC
	0055725	585.34	OTTER TAIL POWER CO
	0055728	136.25	PRAXAIR DISTRIBUTION INC
	0055730	233.31	QUALITY SERVICE & REPAIR
	0055732	105.66	RDO TRUCK CENTERS
	0055741	2,928.50	STREETER COOP OIL
	0055746	15.98	TRACTOR SUPPLY CREDIT PLAN
	0055748	2.98	TRUE VALUE HARDWARE
	0055753	130.36	VERIZON WIRELESS
	0055758	3,786.74	WOODWORTH FARMERS GRAIN CO
	0055759	2,973.60	YPSILANTI EQUITY ELEVATOR
		71,528.11	Final Total
SOCIAL SERVICES			
		730.31	Final Total
COUNTY PARK			
	0055660	58.84	A T & T MOBILITY
	0055719	10.12	N D ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES
	0055731	129.64	QWEST
		198.60	Final Total
EMERGENCY			
	0055665	573.56	BROWN & SAENGER
	0055698	2,905.75	GUTHMILLER EARTHMOVING,INC
	0055702	11,223.08	INTERSTATE ENGINEERING
		14,702.39	Final Total
COUNTY CORRECTIONAL CENTER			
	0055719	149.31	N D ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES
	0055731	268.97	QWEST
		418.28	Final Total
WEED CONTROL			
	0055660	29.36	A T & T MOBILITY
	0055661	219.70	ALLTEL
	0055686	97.92	DEUTSCHER/DAVID
	0055710	12.75	LEES/KIM
	0055713	131.77	MAC'S INC
	0055717	369.17	N A P A AUTO PARTS
	0055719	16.77	N D ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES
	0055733	70.00	REDS FIXIT SHOP
	0055757	75.00	WILLIAMS/ANTHONY
		1,022.44	Final Total
VETERANS SERVICE			
	0055719	1.66	N D ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES
		1.66	Final Total
COUNTY AGENT			
	0055665	6.59	BROWN & SAENGER
	0055669	536.12	CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS, INC
	0055670	99.00	CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
	0055678	112.08	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS
	0055719	1.45	N D ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES
	0055720	20.00	N D S U
	0055742	124.56	STUTSMAN COUNTY AUDITOR
	0055745	13.02	TDS METROCOM
		912.82	Final Total
COURTHOUSE BUILDING			
	0055689	4,319.07	ELECTRO WATCHMAN, INC
	0055737	1,193.65	STEIN'S, INC
		5,512.72	Final Total
DOCUMENT PRESERVATION FUND			
	0055668	284.00	CASS COUNTY TREASURER
		284.00	Final Total
COUNTY HAZARDOUS CHEMICAL ACCOUNT			
	0055747	25.50	TRAUTMAN/RUSSELL
		25.50	Final Total
WEED BOARD CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND			
	0055683	4,174.50	DAN POLAND MACHINE INC
	0055740	23,915.00	STOUDT INC/R M
		28,089.50	Final Total
DATA PROCESSING			
	0055707	306.00	JOHNSRUD/ANN
	0055735	61.20	SMAAGE/JOSH
		367.20	Final Total
CO EXTENSION FUND			
	0055700	5.35	HUGO'S 9
	0055752	99.00	UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

		104.35	Final Total
WEED BOARD GRANT			
	0055695	656.00	GEMPLER'S INC
		656.00	Final Total
JOB INCENTIVE FUND			
	0055705	10,110.00	JAMESTOWN/STUTSMAN DEVELOPMENT CORP
		10,110.00	Final Total

Ova made a motion seconded by Neys to adjourn. At 9:01 a.m., the mid month meeting of the Stutsman County Commission was adjourned.

ATTEST:

Noel A. Johnson
COO / Auditor

Mark T. Klose
Commission Chairman