Official Proceedings of the Stutsman County Commission

August 19, 2008

At 8:00 a.m. the mid-month meeting of the Stutsman County Commission was called to order by Chairman Klose. Roll call was answered by Dennis Ova, Dale Marks, Doug Kaiser, Craig Neys and Mark T. Klose.

Renee Valenta, County Wellness Committee member, reported on the blood drive that was sponsored by the County's Wellness Committee. Blood drive statistics were: 37 people volunteered to donate blood; 29 people were able to give blood; 6 people donated on the 2 RBC machines, which are able to collect 2 units of red blood cells at once; 18 people donated blood for their very first time. A total of 35 units of blood were collected. This was a successful first time blood drive.

Robin Iszler, Central Valley Health District Administrator, presented her 2009 budget. Revenue forecasts for the Stutsman County portion of the budget were based on five mills. Revenues and expenses were up from $524,000 to $571,000.

James Owen, President of the Gackle Ambulance Service, requested $1,200 for 2009. The service area within Stutsman County covered six townships plus the City of Streeter. Logan County levied 5 mills for ambulance services.

Sandy Bendewald, Social Services Administrator, reviewed the Social Services 2009 budget. State and federal funds had continued to decline requiring more property tax dollars. The budget request projected $196,000 in deficit spending.

COO Johnson reviewed the potential impact of the initiated State measures that would be on the November General Election ballot. The measure to protect the oil and gas trust fund would remove $100 to $125 million from the State General Fund. The measure to reduce personal and corporate income tax rates would reduce the State's General fund by $420 million. These proposals would prohibit the state from dedicating $120 million or more to State, County and Township roads; they would prohibit state funding of the $115 million in property tax relief funds; and they would prohibit the plan for the State to pick up $10 million for reimbursements to County Social Services.

Tracy Trapp, LEC Administrator, Jerry Bergquist, 9-1-1 Coordinator/Emergency Manager, and Howie Peuser, LEC Maintenance Supervisor, reviewed the Law Enforcement Center budget. The budget request projected $207,000 in deficit spending. Prisoner food costs and utility costs were up 20% to 30% due to high fuel costs. A request would be made to the US Marshall Service to increase rates for boarding prisoners.

Dave Orr, County Sheriff, reviewed his budget. He requested an additional deputy for 2009.

Agnes Jensen, County Library Director, reviewed the Library's budget. The budget included a $13,122 transfer from the bookmobile reserve fund.

Johnson recommended placing an issue on the November General Election ballot. If the Commission and City Council passed a resolution, the Boards could ask the voters to combine the County and City Libraries. The issue had been studied several times in the past 15 years. The County had lobbied for a legislative change that would allow the County residents outside of Jamestown to stay at 4 mills and not increase the levy up to the City's 15 mills. With the plan to build a new library, now would be a good time to combine the libraries and enhance services. Neys made a motion that was seconded by Ova to pass a resolution to place the issue on the ballot provided the mill levy outside of Jamestown stayed at 4 mills. Commissioner Marks voiced concerns over acting too quickly – he preferred to take the issue back to the County Library Board. Roll call vote - Ova – aye, Marks – nay, Kaiser – aye, Neys – aye and Klose – aye. Motion carried.

The Commission requested Nina Schneider, Buffalo City Tourism Foundation Executive Director, to approach her Board about the County giving the Tourism Board funds for outside agency requests rather than the County giving those funds directly to the agencies. The Tourism Board could assist the County by monitoring fund requests. Schneider would work with Johnson on the details and bring back a recommendation to the Commission.

Jeff Metzger, Chief Manager of Just Wind, requested the County pass a zoning ordinance for wind farms. A feasibility study was in the process for 400 wind turbines in the Medina area. His company had assisted other counties with zoning ordinances. An ordinance for wind farms would assure orderly development. The matter was referred to the Stutsman County Zoning Board.

Connie Ova, JSDC CEO, requested $6,200 on an 80/20 City/County split for the Jamestown Regional Airport for a targeted advertising campaign. The campaign would solicit support to assure continued direct flight service to Minneapolis. Ova made a motion that was seconded by Neys to approve $1,240 in County funds. Roll call vote – Marks, Kaiser, Neys, Klose and Ova voted aye.

Ms. Ova requested that the Commission concur with the City and approve sale of Lot 4, Block 3, I-94 Business Park Addition to Brad Gebeke for $0.85 per square foot or $52,346. Marks made a motion that was seconded by Kaiser to approve the sale. Roll call vote – Kaiser, Neys, Klose, Ova and Marks voted aye.

Ova made a motion that was seconded by Kaiser to approve $892.50 in taxable meals. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ova and seconded by Neys to pay the mid-month bills. Roll call vote – Neys, Klose, Ova, Marks and Kaiser voted aye.

Fund	Warrant No	Amount	Vendor Name
GENERAL			
	0044212	147.96	AFFINITY GLOBAL SOLUTIONS
	0044213	283.29	ALLTEL
	0044229	32.27	CROSSROADS REPAIR LLC
	0044233	1,207.88	DAN'S SOOPER STOP
	0044235	432.00	DEATONS MAILING SYSTEMS INC
	0044236	202.20	DICK/TIFFINEY
	0044237	2,590.00	DKK GUARDIANSHIP SERVICES INC
	0044245	463.32	GUN & REEL SPORTS, INC.
	0044250	120.00	JAMESTOWN AMBULANCE
	0044251	54.00	JAMESTOWN HOSPITAL
	0044252	543.40	JAMESTOWN I-94 BP
	0044254	657.30	JAMESTOWN SUN
	0044259	341.00	LEXISNEXIS MATTHEW BENDER
	0044260	82.25	LINDSAY SOFT WATER
	0044261	174.24	M D U
	0044269	50.00	N D EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSN
	0044274	77.00	NORTHERN PLAINS ELECTRIC
	0044275	5,465.00	NORTHPORT MEDICAL INC
	0044276	2,079.83	OFFICELAND
	0044277	110.00	ORR"IGINALS
	0044279	221.95	PEKARSKI/ALICE
	0044285	300.00	SANDNESS LAW OFFICE
	0044287	1,317.65	STOP & GO #431
	0044288	80.59	STOUDT INC/R M
	0044293	91.73	STUTSMAN COUNTY AUDITOR
	0044295	127.17	TDS METROCOM
	0044298	40.00	TRAUTMAN/RUSSELL
	0044299	44.51	TRUE VALUE HARDWARE
	0044301	1,500.00	UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
	0044309	28.99	5 STAR EXPRESS LUBE
		18,865.53	Final Total
911 EMERGENCY PHONE SYSTEM			
	0044214	763.89	AMERICAN COMMUNICATIONS INC
	0044230	566.22	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS
	0044231	148.66	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS JMTN
	0044283	1,310.14	QWEST
	0044295	5.83	TDS METROCOM
	0044300	50.00	U S POSTAL SERVICE
		2,844.74	Final Total
ROAD FUNDS			
	0044215	112.52	AMERIPRIDE LINEN & APPAREL
	0044218	31,737.40	BLOOM OIL CO
	0044219	191.70	BUSKNESS/JOHN O
	0044220	116.27	BUTLER MACHINERY CO
	0044221	110.05	CARQUEST AUTO PARTS
	0044230	165.13	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS
	0044232	6.00	DAKOTA VALLEY ELECTRIC
	0044238	4,129.20	FARMERS UNION OIL CO-CENEX
	0044242	211,880.55	FLINT HILLS RESOURCES LP
	0044253	14.65	JAMESTOWN IMPLEMENT
	0044258	38.52	LAWSON PRODUCTS INC
	0044261	176.56	M D U
	0044262	15.29	MAC'S INC
	0044264	28.30	MEDINA CITY AUDITOR - DD
	0044267	370.95	N A P A AUTO PARTS
	0044271	729.97	N W TIRE INC
	0044276	91.74	OFFICELAND
	0044278	12.57	OTTER TAIL POWER CO
	0044280	1,319.25	POWER PLAN
	0044281	224.89	PRAXAIR DISTRIBUTION INC
	0044282	61.72	QUALITY SERVICE & REPAIR
	0044290	3,368.00	STREETER COOP OIL
	0044294	656.72	SWEENEY BROS. TRACTOR CO
	0044295	7.62	TDS METROCOM

	0044303	121.05	VERIZON WIRELESS
	0044305	68.49	VINING OIL CO.
	0044308	3,336.20	YPSILANTI EQUITY ELEVATOR
		259,091.31	Final Total
SOCIAL SERVICES			
		374.86	Final Total
COUNTY PARK			
	0044213	45.52	ALLTEL
	0044215	296.52	AMERIPRIDE LINEN & APPAREL
	0044283	126.80	QWEST
	0044307	484.77	WASTE MANAGEMENT OF ND
		953.61	Final Total
EMERGENCY			
	0044249	9,744.58	INTERSTATE ENGINEERING
	0044268	11,648.86	N D DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION
		21,393.44	Final Total
COUNTY CORRECTIONAL CENTER			
	0044213	163.15	ALLTEL
	0044217	23.52	BERGQUIST/JERRY
	0044283	410.09	QWEST
	0044295	83.36	TDS METROCOM
		680.12	Final Total
WEED CONTROL			
	0044213	175.79	ALLTEL
	0044218	1,916.10	BLOOM OIL CO
	0044226	14.81	CITY OF JAMESTOWN
	0044239	1,100.00	FARMERS UNION OIL CO-CENEX
	0044240	56.05	FASTENAL CO
	0044241	101.37	FEI INC
	0044244	1,381.06	GCR TIRE CENTERS
	0044246	79.32	HOME OF ECONOMY
	0044254	547.71	JAMESTOWN SUN
	0044263	114.61	MAC'S INC
	0044266	228.83	N A P A AUTO PARTS
	0044273	350.00	NEWMAN SIGNS
	0044276	25.58	OFFICELAND
	0044278	72.65	OTTER TAIL POWER CO
	0044289	983.88	STOUDT INC/R M
	0044295	3.05	TDS METROCOM
	0044297	11.49	TRACTOR SUPPLY CREDIT PLAN
	0044302	395.00	VALLEY CITY JAMESTOWN BROADCAST CENTER
	0044305	71.40	VINING OIL CO.
	0044306	307.82	WALMART
	0044309	95.97	5 STAR EXPRESS LUBE
		8,032.49	Final Total
VETERANS SERVICE			
	0044243	39.12	FRANKLIN COVEY
	0044295	4.92	TDS METROCOM
		44.04	Final Total
COUNTY AGENT			
	0044276	8.75	OFFICELAND
		8.75	Final Total
EMPLOYEES HOSPITAL INS			
	0044292	5,000.00	STUTSMAN COUNTY
		5,000.00	Final Total
LIBRARY FUND			
	0044213	22.37	ALLTEL
	0044216	181.59	BAKER & TAYLOR BOOKS
	0044224	527.77	CENTER POINT LARGE PRINT
	0044225	97.50	CENTRAL DAKOTA MECHANICAL INC
	0044228	28.98	COUNTRY BOOKS
	0044231	49.95	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS JMTN
	0044256	25.31	JENSEN/AGNES
	0044257	27.00	JORGENSON/LA RAE
	0044261	20.05	M D U
	0044265	33.30	MEIDINGER/KATHERINE
	0044278	228.61	OTTER TAIL POWER CO
	0044283	73.42	QWEST
	0044286	19.97	SNOWGOER
	0044291	45.00	STRUXNESS/VICKI
	0044304	22.50	VIGESAA/VERNON
		1,403.32	Final Total
DRUG PROGRAM			
		3,564.64	Final Total
DOCUMENT PRESERVATION FUND			
	0044222	643.50	CASS COUNTY TREASURER
		643.50	Final Total
DATA PROCESSING			
	0044214	1,345.20	AMERICAN COMMUNICATIONS INC
	0044223	531.13	CDW GOVERNMENT INC
	0044247	574.15	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT
	0044276	149.98	OFFICELAND
	0044284	3,000.00	REAL VISION SOFTWARE
	0044295	5.31	TDS METROCOM

		5,605.77	Final Total
CO EXTENSION FUND			
	0044270	15.00	N D NUTRITION COUNCIL
	0044272	53.00	NDSU AG COMMUNICATION
		68.00	Final Total
JOB INCENTIVE FUND			
	0044255	600.00	JAMESTOWN/STUTSMAN DEVELOPMENT CORP
		600.00	Final Total

Marks made a motion that was seconded by Neys to authorize Chairman Klose to sign an Admission of Service and a Stipulation for a quiet title action for Lots 17 and 18, Block 23, McGinnis' Second Addition to Jamestown. Motion carried.

Marks made a motion that was seconded by Ova to adjourn. At 11:27 a.m., the mid-month meeting of the Stutsman County Commission was adjourned.

The September 2, 2008 Commission meeting would begin at 1:00 p.m. to continue working on the 2009 budget.

ATTEST:

Noel A. Johnson
County COO (Auditor)

Mark Klose
Commission Chairman