Official Proceedings of the Stutsman County Commission

Sept 21, 2010

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

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Commissioner Doug Kaiser.

On the agenda was a joint budget hearing scheduled with Logan and Stutsman Counties. Because there was no quorum from Logan County, the joint Logan/Stutsman County Commission Meeting was rescheduled for 4:00 p.m. on October 5, 2010.

The public hearing on the issuance of Recovery Zone Facility Revenue Bonds for IRET Properties for the construction of new movie theatres in the Buffalo Mall was held. No one appeared in opposition to the project. Jon Arntson, Bond Attorney representing the project owner, stated that the project would finance the construction of six new movie theatres with stadium seating and digital sound and that the resolution approves and authorizes the issuance of the bonds. He pointed out that the Commission was not creating any indebtedness or liability to the County by authorizing these bonds. Neys made a motion seconded by Ova to adopt the resolution authorizing the issuance of the bonds. Roll call vote – Ova, Marks, Neys and Klose voted aye.

Don Readel and Ken Daugs presented a proposal to save the pavement on Stutsman County 42 west of Buchanan. Daugs stated that the citizens had collected $44,800 to pay for approximately 50 loads more or less of material to patch and overlay the bad spots on the five (5) miles of road in question. The citizens would like the Commission to agree not to grind the road for at least 5 years. Klose stated that this Commission could not bind another Commission to the decision not to grind the road. Noel Johnson, County COO, mentioned that Daugs had questioned the possibility of the County giving the road to the townships in the future. If that would happen, the County Commission would be out of the decision making process for that road. The townships involved were Plainview, Hidden, Jim River Valley and Buchanan. Marks would check into getting the bridge near Krapp's in Plainview Township cleared for gravel hauling and see if haul road agreements were in place. Marks made a motion seconded by Ova to approve the agreement with the elimination of item 6 (agree not to grind road for 5 years) and item 7 (Commission intentions for future) and that the material to be used (item 3) would be based on standard County Road Department policy. Roll call vote – Marks, Neys, Klose and Ova voted aye.

Johnson reviewed the election workers for the November 2, 2010 General Election. Absentee voting starts on September 23, 2010 and Early Voting begins on October 18, 2010. Marks made a motion seconded by Ova to approve the election workers for the November General Election. Roll call vote – Neys, Klose, Ova and Marks voted aye.

Election workers as follows: Inspectors: Precinct 1 – Linda Snyder; Precinct 2 – Elaine Timm; Precinct 5 – Gerald Eissinger; Jamestown Vote Center - Noel Johnson, LeAnn Fuchs, Gayle Frey, Pam Wolff; Absentee Precinct – Noel Johnson. Judges: Precinct 1 – Debra Diede, Democrat and Elizabeth Koenig, Republican; Precinct 2 – Mary Ellen Kulla, Democrat and Marlene Ekren, Republican; Precinct 5 – Donald Gienger, Democrat and Esther Graf, Republican; Jamestown Vote Center – Elaine Hanson, Carolyn Exner, Kate Spanjer, Clarence Daniel, Laurie Mosolf, Democrat and Laurie Julian, Helen Ashwell, Diane Weispfenning, Darlene Diede, Beverly Schaack, Republican; Absentee Precinct – Barb Erickson, Jackie Readel, Democrat and Andrew Kudrna, Phyllis Benson, Republican. Clerks: Precinct 1 – LaRue Odenbach and LaVonne Clark; Precinct 2 – Eileen Vigesaa and Elaine Soupir; Precinct 5 – Janet Patton and Violet Bachman; Jamestown Vote Center - Randi Meisch, JoAnne Moeller-Andersen, Tracy Maulding, Lucille Olson, Patty Fisher, Brenda Rasmussen, Kerry Larson, Vince Ament, Linda Chadduck, Josh Smaage, Sandy Eckelberg, Tiffiney Dick, Renee Valenta; Absentee Precinct – Jacki Lindell, Mary Meyer, Judy Graves and Lori Carlson. Greeters: Jamestown Vote Center - Jim Thompson, Gary Olson and Betty Ament.

Ova made a motion to approve $147.50 in taxable meals. Motion was seconded by Neys. Roll call vote – Klose, Ova, Marks and Neys voted aye.

Jan Thompson, County Treasurer, presented the treasurer's checks and auditor's warrants that had not been cashed for over a year. Ova made a motion seconded by Neys to enter the checks and warrants into the minutes for cancellation at the October 19, 2010 meeting. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Check #	Payee's Name	Dept	Bank	Date of Issue	Amount of Check
36768	Cynthia Herk	Co Treasurer	Unison	12/31/2008	$ 5.99
37963	James J. Kropp	Co Treasurer	Unison	07/20/2009	$ 8.74

County Warrant #	Payee's Name	Dept	Bank	Date of Issue	Amount of Check
46487	Ryan Odenbach	General Fund	Wells Fargo	03/04/2009	$10.90
				Grand Total	$25.63

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

Fund	Warrant No	Amount	Vendor Name
GENERAL			
	0052656	115.45	A & B BUSINESS INC
	0052657	70.02	ALLTEL
	0052668	22.68	CROSSROADS REPAIR LLC
	0052672	500.67	DAN'S SOOPER STOP
	0052673	49.00	DEATONS MAILING SYSTEMS INC
	0052674	59.00	DICK/TIFFINEY
	0052680	117.58	FARMERS UNION OIL CO-CENEX
	0052683	176.98	GALL'S INC
	0052689	1,425.00	JAMESTOWN HOSPITAL
	0052690	687.81	JAMESTOWN I-94 CLARK
	0052693	5,600.00	JOHNSON MD/LARRY E
	0052694	100.00	KAISER/NORMA
	0052695	263.40	LEXISNEXIS MATTHEW BENDER
	0052696	209.66	M D U
	0052698	31.00	MARTINI/TERESA
	0052700	16.50	MERITCARE HEALTHCARE ACCESSORIES
	0052702	235.00	N D A A O
	0052705	1,380.00	N D NEWSPAPER ASSOCIATION
	0052706	5.00	N D SHERIFFS & DEPUTIES ASSN
	0052707	123.75	NETWORK CENTER COMMUNICATIONS
	0052712	260.40	NORTHERN SAFETY TECHNOLOGY INC
	0052714	326.33	OFFICELAND
	0052717	810.00	POLK DIRECTORIES
	0052719	372.00	PRESS ROOM/THE
	0052721	303.72	QUILL CORPORATION
	0052723	935.00	RECORDERS
	0052728	1,269.57	STOP & GO #431
	0052732	141.42	TDS METROCOM
	0052734	40.00	TRAUTMAN/RUSSELL
	0052736	98.00	U S POSTMASTER
	0052737	1,500.00	UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
	0052739	203.00	VOLK/TODD
	0052741	40.16	WALMART COMMUNITY BRC
	0052743	33.99	5 STAR EXPRESS LUBE
		17,522.09	Final Total
911 EMERGENCY PHONE SYSTEM			
	0052665	61.00	COMFORT INN
	0052670	633.52	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS JMTN
	0052677	800.00	ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS
	0052704	2,678.27	N D ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES
	0052714	67.90	OFFICELAND
	0052722	1,290.18	QWEST
	0052732	17.61	TDS METROCOM
	0052739	100.00	VOLK/TODD
		5,648.48	Final Total
ROAD FUNDS			
	0052658	305.36	AMERIPRIDE LINEN & APPAREL
	0052661	783.16	BUTLER MACHINERY CO
	0052667	355.13	CREATIVE ENERGY
	0052670	161.95	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS JMTN
	0052671	6.00	DAKOTA VALLEY ELECTRIC
	0052679	120.70	FARGO TRAILER CENTER
	0052686	26.99	HOME OF ECONOMY
	0052692	161.30	JERRY'S ELECTRICAL REPAIR
	0052696	126.18	M D U
	0052697	115.62	MAC'S INC
	0052699	28.30	MEDINA CITY AUDITOR
	0052701	428.46	N A P A AUTO PARTS
	0052709	1,495.20	NEWMAN SIGNS
	0052713	312.56	NORTHWEST TIRE INC
	0052715	26.12	OTTER TAIL POWER CO
	0052718	150.43	PRAXAIR DISTRIBUTION INC
	0052720	20.01	QUALITY SERVICE & REPAIR
	0052724	274.51	SAFETY KLEEN CORP
	0052729	14,895.99	STRATA CORP AGGREGATE DIVISION
	0052730	5,985.49	STREETER COOP OIL
	0052732	3.72	TDS METROCOM
	0052738	131.50	VERIZON WIRELESS
		25,914.68	Final Total
UNORGANIZED TOWNSHIP ROADS			
	0052731	6,081.28	STUTSMAN COUNTY ROAD DEPT
		6,081.28	Final Total

SOCIAL SERVICES			
		701.72	FINAL TOTAL
COUNTY PARK			
	0052657	45.96	ALLTEL
	0052658	125.00	AMERIPRIDE LINEN & APPAREL
	0052711	82.53	NORTH DAKOTA INSURANCE DEPARTMENT
	0052722	132.07	QWEST
		385.56	FINAL TOTAL
EMERGENCY			
	0052663	88.34	CHASE LAKE TOWNSHIP
	0052675	10,726.29	EDMUNDS TOWNSHIP #15
	0052676	13,295.37	ELDRIDGE TOWNSHIP #16
	0052684	90,590.00	GUTHMILLER EARTHMOVING,INC
	0052710	1,095.80	NOGOSEK TOWNSHIP #39
	0052716	8,412.75	PIPESTEM VALLEY TOWNSHIP #43
	0052726	27.11	SHARLOW TOWNSHIP #49
	0052742	9,216.40	WALTERS TOWNSHIP #59
		133,452.06	FINAL TOTAL
COUNTY CORRECTIONAL CENTER			
	0052657	196.16	ALLTEL
	0052696	457.81	M D U
	0052703	120.00	N D APCO ASSOCIATION
	0052722	426.06	QWEST
	0052732	65.35	TDS METROCOM
		1,265.38	FINAL TOTAL
WEED CONTROL			
	0052657	103.18	ALLTEL
	0052664	63.70	CITY OF JAMESTOWN
	0052678	2,500.00	ELITE SPRAYING
	0052681	12,253.12	FISHER CUSTOM CRP CLIPPING & SPRAYING
	0052682	2,500.00	FOSTER COUNTY WEED BOARD
	0052711	1.08	NORTH DAKOTA INSURANCE DEPARTMENT
	0052715	51.94	OTTER TAIL POWER CO
	0052732	1.70	TDS METROCOM
	0052740	264.53	WALMART
		17,739.25	FINAL TOTAL
VETERANS SERVICE			
	0052732	9.42	TDS METROCOM
		9.42	FINAL TOTAL
COUNTY AGENT			
	0052660	368.32	BROWER/LANCE
	0052685	154.00	HATLEWICK/DEBRA
	0052708	262.21	NETWORK CENTER COMMUNICATIONS
	0052714	40.11	OFFICELAND
	0052725	428.15	SAHR/EUNICE
	0052735	28.00	TUFTS UNIVERSITY
		1,280.79	FINAL TOTAL
DATA PROCESSING			
	0052662	27.90	CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS, INC
	0052666	695.98	CPS TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS
	0052687	590.80	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT
	0052727	60.00	SMAAGE/JOSH
	0052732	9.21	TDS METROCOM
		1,383.89	FINAL TOTAL
JOB INCENTIVE FUND			
	0052691	152.87	JAMESTOWN/STUTSMAN DEVELOPMENT CORP
		152.87	FINAL TOTAL
FEMA FUNDS			
	0052659	1,399.44	BLOOM TOWNSHIP #3
	0052742	996.30	WALTERS TOWNSHIP #59
		2,395.74	FINAL TOTAL

Commissioner Marks commented on meetings that had been held with four neighboring counties to develop a joint effort to enforce load restrictions on county roads. A Deputy Sheriff would be hired and provided a vehicle and scales. Barnes County would be the home location for the Deputy and equipment. A joint powers agreement was being developed. The counties would each contribute $20,000 per year. An effort would be made to change the law the next legislative session so any overweight fines could be kept for the counties.

COO Johnson reviewed the 2011 budget changes to date. Ova made a motion seconded by Marks to set up expenditure and revenue accounts in the Farm-to-Market Fund (Fund 33) to take the expenses out of the Road and Bridge Fund (Fund 15) and create line items in Fund 33 for employee, equipment and material expenses for recycling roads. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Neys seconded by Marks to approve the County picking up the projected 4% increase for employee health insurance costs for 2011. Roll call vote – Marks, Neys, Klose and Ova voted aye.

Ova made a motion seconded by Neys to approve a 1.1% COLA for 2011 for all employees and a step increase (2%) for all employees that were not at their maximum step and had a satisfactory annual employee evaluation. Roll call vote – Neys, Klose, Ova and Marks voted aye.

A motion was made by Marks seconded by Neys to approve the 2011 revenue budgets at $17,967,675 and expenditure budgets of $19,475,650 with a projected 2010 mill levy of 113.67 mills (up 0.77 mills from 2009). Roll call vote – Klose, Ova, Marks and Neys voted aye.

Advertisements would be submitted to the Jamestown Sun to fill the unexpired term of Commissioner Kaiser. Selection of the replacement would be made the first week in October.

Neys made a motion seconded by Ova to adjourn. At 9:21 a.m., the mid-month meeting of the Stutsman County Commission was adjourned.

ATTEST:

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