

The meeting was called to order by Chair Boyenga with all Commissioners present.

Motion by Hoime, seconded by Reisch, to approve the November 17, 2015 County Board agenda, declared carried on a voice vote

Motion by Williamson, seconded by Thompson, to approve the November 3, 2015 County Board minutes, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Boyenga, to approve the consent agenda, declared carried on a voice vote.

1. SSTS Payment Authorization – CWF-FY 12-36 \$7,622.25
2. Resolution No. 26-15, County Program Aid

Paul Mantz, Sioux Valley Energy Community Relations Executive, introduced himself to the County Board and briefly described economic development programs available to the service area.

Kyle Oldre, Rock County Administrator and Holli Sammons, Luverne Economic Development Director informed the County Board of an economic development opportunity request from DEED on location site for a potential new feed mill. As to date, details are minimal, however the Administrator has identified (2) potential sites; he requested authorization to pursue the project; motion by Hoime, seconded by Reisch to continue his efforts with the potential economic development project and report any new details as they become available, declared carried on a voice vote.

The County Board was in receipt of correspondence from the Fifth Judicial District Court thanking the County Board for the security improvements made to the Courthouse building along with efforts addressing bats within the Courthouse building.

The Administrator presented a Library building project update stating that Honken Construction is acting as project manager and currently obtaining quotes from subcontractors and that initial quotes are within budget. Library operations will move to the basement of the building and construction is scheduled to begin January of 2016.

The County Board briefly discussed the AMC District VIII meeting stating that topics included the CPA resolution and the development of a solar ordinance.

MnDNR Representatives Kathy Dummer, Kathy Fouchi and Dennis Fredericksen discussed details of the 10-year DNR Conservation Plan 2015-2025 along with land assessment management, the dam repair project timeline and the water supply issue at the Blue Mound State Park. DHS is still trying to determine the contamination of the existing water supply and that DNR is also interested in pursuing a feasibility study with DGR for \$8,732 to determine the cause of action and cost in getting treated water from the RCRW system to the park. Dummer suggested utilizing a Joint Powers Agreement with Rock County identifying the cost of the study and the reimbursement from DNR to Rock County for those expenses as to ensure collaboration with the existing expansion project. A draft document will be composed for review by the County Attorney's office.

Ashley Kurtz, Auditor/Treasurer, presented the claims and per diems of \$225.00; motion by Reisch, seconded by Williamson, to approve, declared carried on a voice vote. A complete listing of the claims is available upon request at the Auditor/Treasurer's Office.

Claims:

American Communications Inc.	\$2,739.35
ARM of Minnesota	\$2,875.00
CHS Eastern Farmers Coop	\$5,502.94
Computer Professionals Inc	\$11,459.00
Everbridge Inc	\$3,300.00
Express Ag	\$6,716.28
Expressway - Luverne	\$2,374.81
Fleet Services Division Adm Fmr	\$5,831.45
Johnson Controls	\$37,960.40
City of Luverne	\$17,457.07
Lyon County Landfill	\$15,028.32
M&L Electric LLC	\$7,947.24
Morris Electronics	\$2,330.80
Rock County Opportunities	\$4,392.22
Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc	\$3,110.37
Lawrence Shreffler	\$3,500.00
Tollefson Publishing	\$3,452.40
Towmaster	\$125,844.05
Zabel	\$3,509.00
Ziegler Inc	\$7,258.09
103 payments less than 2,000	\$32,786.32
	\$305,375.11

The Auditor/Treasurer presented a Fund Balance report and stated that the balances do not reflect the November 15<sup>th</sup> tax collection; motion by Thompson, seconded by Boyenga, to approve the fund balance report, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Williamson, seconded by Reisch, to approve RCRW contract payment to Winter Brothers for \$254,966.11 and a change order for enhancements made to the east side of the system costing \$265,964.00, all contingent on USDA approval, declared carried on a voice vote.

The County Board was in receipt of a tax penalty abatement request from Enel Energy; motion by Hoime, seconded by Boyenga, to deny the request due to unidentifiable reasonable cause and/or unintentional intent, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Williamson, seconded by Thompson, to re-issue lost warrant #82325 for \$55.89, declared carried on a voice vote.

The Auditor/Treasurer and Administrator led a budget discussion to include mandated services, contract services and the funding level of those services; also discussed unresolved issues that currently not budgeted and would have to be paid from reserves to include mobile CAD equipment and maintenance expenses and comp worth study, staffing at the Sheriff's Office and the implementation of a wheelage tax. No action was taken.

The County Board was in receipt of state wide levy changes as per county; presented as informational.

Motion by Reisch, seconded by Williamson, to declare the following weapons surplus, declared carried on a voice vote.

- Glock 23 .40 cal HHF754
- Glock 22 Gen 4 .40 cal XCE118
- Glock 22 .40 cal LXT302
- Glock 23 .40 cal HHF752
- Glock 23 .40 cal HHF751
- Glock 23 40 cal MBU 294
- Glock 23 .40 cal HHF755
- Glock 22 .40 cal MNW267
- Glock 23 .40 cal HHF753
- Glock 22 .40 cal XCE117
- Glock 22 Gen 4 .40 cal UCE767
- Glock 22 .40 cal XCE116

The County Board was in receipt of the MCIT 2015 Annual meeting notice scheduled for December 7<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 during the AMC Annual Conference.

On a recommendation from the County Attorney and County Engineer, motion by Reisch, seconded by Hoime, to revert seventeen feet (17') of county owned property on each side of County Road 6 back to the current land owners but retain the easement, declared carried on a voice vote. Ownership property has no cash value to the county and by statute, retains the easement regardless of the ownership.

The Administrator stated that he has been in discussions with US Senator Klochubar's office regarding the sub-standard cell phone coverage issue and that they are currently working on a solution.

The County Board was in receipt of the MCIT voting deletes – Kyle Oldre and Ken Hoime (alternate); no action was needed.

Commissioner Thompson informed the County Board that Norma Brands was selected as the new A. C. E. Coordinator for Rock County and that the SRDC is currently conducting a survey regarding roads.

The Administrator informed the County Board of a year-end payroll issue which will result in a different pay dates: hourly and salaried employees pay date will be 12/31/2015 and employment contract and elected officials pay date will be 01/04/2015.

With no further business to come before the County Board, the meeting was declared adjourned.