

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

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Boyenga, to approve the October 04, 2016 County Board agenda, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Hoime, seconded by Reisch, to approve the September 20, 2016 County Board minutes, declared carried on a voice vote.

Brent Hoffman, Rock County Rural Water Manager, requested approval of a USDA Rural Development Certification of Environmental Requirements and Mitigation Measures; motion by Williamson, seconded by Thompson, to approve, declared carried on a voice vote.

Tom Houselog, Land Management Office, introduced new employee Scott Adams, Land Records Office Technician; the County Board welcomed him as well.

Evan Verbrugge, Sheriff, led a discussion regarding an office re-organization with the following changes: change the current Administrative Assistant/Dispatch Supervisor position to a Dispatcher/Team Lead position and add another Sergeant position; this change will shift supervisory responsibilities to Sheriff and Sergeants and should have a minimal budget impact.

Motion by Boyenga, seconded by Hoime, to approve the new job description of Dispatcher/Team Lead at an H14 and authorize the additional Sergeant position at the Sheriff's Office, declared carried on a voice vote.

Mark Sehr, Engineer, presented Resolution No. 33-16, requesting MnDOT to complete a speed study on CSAH 4 within the corporate limits of the City of Beaver Creek. City of Beaver Creek Council members Josh Teune and Jamie Dysthe were also present and stated their support of the resolution with the hope of extending the existing speed limit on each end of town. Motion by Williamson, seconded by Boyenga, to approve Resolution No. 33-16, declared carried on a voice vote.

Sehr presented a request to purchase equipment, a Shoulder Retriever/Reclaimer for \$17,400.00. RCHD has not reclaimed any roadway shoulders due to the loss of the equipment damaged in an electrical fire in 2015 and is experiencing numerous shoulder wash out areas from water traveling down the shoulder instead of draining directly into the ditch. Motion by Boyenga, seconded by Hoime, to approve the purchase, declared carried on a voice vote.

Sehr briefly gave a construction update: they will be pouring the deck on the bridge in Kanaranzi Township and the box culvert projects will begin next week.

Ashley Kurtz, Auditor/Treasurer, presented an election/voter update stating that Minnesota has an excellent registration process and that many residents are requesting absentee ballots.

The Auditor/Treasurer presented the claims and per diems of \$750.00; motion by Hoime, seconded by Reisch, to approve, declared carried on a unanimous vote. A complete listing of the claims is available upon request at the Auditor/Treasurer's Office.

Claims over \$2,000:

FLEET SERVICES DIVISION-ADMIN FMR	5,305.47
NOBLES COUNTY AUDITOR-TREASURER	11,648.25
REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA	20,032.44
78 Payments less than 2,000	<u>32,134.41</u>
Total	69,120.57

Motion by Boyenga, seconded by Thompson, to approve the Fund Balance report, declared carried on a voice vote.

The Auditor/Treasurer presented a 2015 Audit update stating that Rock County received an unmodified opinion with no findings.

The Administrator reviewed a report indicating the preliminary levies in the 9-county region; presented as information only.

Administrator Oldre and Deputy Administrator Skattum presented a change to the insurance options offered in the cafeteria plan; the new plan (Blue Connect) would modify the existing #850 CDHP plan by adding a chronic disease management component and utilizing Sanford network only, these changes would have and a seven percent decrease in premiums. Employee meetings were held and the majority of the responses were favorable. Motion by Hoime, seconded by Boyenga, to approve the Blue Connect insurance change for the 2017 renewal, declared carried on a voice vote.

The County Board was informed of the AMC District VIII meeting on November 3<sup>rd</sup> in Pipestone; all Commissioners plan on attending.

The County Board reviewed a document from AMC identifying the committee priorities for 2017.

Commissioner Reports:

Commissioner Hoime stated that he attended the Annual Corrections Conference where RNCC Director Jon Ramlo was award the Jack Young service award; also attended a City/County liaison meeting.

Commissioner Boyenga attended a Southwest Health and Human Services meeting.

Commissioner Thompson attended a Southwest Health and Human Services meeting and has agreed to be on a Blue Mound State Park Citizen Advisory Committee which will meet in November; also stated that Sheriff Verbrugge is hosting "Coffee with a Cop" at Sterlings on October 7<sup>th</sup>.

Commissioner Reisch attended a City/County Liaison meeting, Southwest Minnesota Opportunity Council, Rock/Nobles Community Corrections, and a Southwest EMS meeting where regional legislators were in attendance as well to hear concerns regarding funding and non-medical transports.

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