

The meeting was called order by Administrator Oldre with Commissioners Gary Overgaard (District 1), Stan Williamson (District 2), Greg Burger (District 3), Sherri Thompson (District 4) and Jody Reisch (District 5) present; the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Also in attendance was County Attorney Don Klosterbuer.

The Administrator requested nominations for the County Board Chair; Commissioner Thompson nominated Commissioner Williamson. The Administrator called three times for nomination for County Board Chair; motion by Thompson, seconded by Burger to have nominations cease and cast a unanimous ballot for Commissioner Williamson, declared carried on a voice vote.

The meeting was turned over to Chair Williamson.

The Chair requested nominations for Vice Chair of the County Board; Commissioner Burger nominated Commissioner Thompson. The Chair called three times for nominations for Vice Chair; motion by Burger, seconded by Overgaard to have nominations cease and cast a unanimous ballot for Commissioner Thompson, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Reisch, seconded by Thompson, to approve the January 3, 2017 County Board agenda, declared carried on a voice vote.

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

1. Resolution No. 01-17, County Housekeeping Resolution

The County Board was in receipt of correspondence from the Southwest Regional Development Commissioner sponsoring an orientation for newly elected government officials in the southwest region; date of the training is February 4th 8:00AM – 12:00PM. Commissioners Thompson, Reisch and Burger in tentatively indicated that they would be attending.

Ashley Kurtz, Auditor/Treasurer, presented a recap of the 2016 gravel tax collection of \$66,159.55 and the distribution as follows: townships - \$26,711.91, Road & Bridge - \$26,711.91 and reclamation and administrative fees - \$12,735.73; activity between 2016 and 2015 reflected a 10% decrease. Motion by Reisch, seconded by Thompson to approve the 2016 gravel tax report, declared carried on a voice vote. The Auditor/Treasurer stated in 2017, the Rock County's gravel tax will increase as we will use the state's rate of \$.15 per ton/\$.21 ½ per cubic yard as Rock County's special legislation expired in 2016.

The Auditor/Treasurer presented a list of the year end claims as of December 31, 2016 and requested approval to pay claims for January 3, 2017; motion by Reisch, seconded by Overgaard 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 Listing – December 31, 2016:

BEAVER CREEK/CITY OF	9,144.41
CENTERPOINT ENERGY	2,768.24
HARDWICK/CITY OF	7,560.00
HILLS/CITY OF	4,710.00
NOBLES COUNTY AUDITOR-TREASURER	15,388.30
SCHNEIDER CORPORATION	2,300.00
48 Payments less than 2000	14,824.15

Final Total: 56,695.10

Claims Listing – January 03, 2017:

ASSN OF MN COUNTIES	7,495.00
MN COUNTIES COMPUTER COOP	5,354.44
MN COUNTY ATTORNEYS ASSN	2,149.00
SW MN WORKFORCE COUNCIL, INC	2,270.00
7 Payments less than 2000	1,385.02

Final Total: 18,653.46

The Auditor/Treasurer reviewed the Fund Balance report with the County Board which generated a conversation with the County Attorney regarding the RCRW Phase I balance and whether or not it could be transferred to the other RCRW assessment account; it was determined that the Auditor/Treasurer and County Attorney would further discuss the issue. Motion by Thompson, seconded by Burger, to approve the Fund Balance report, declared carried on a voice vote.

The Auditor/Treasurer informed the County Board of Tobacco Compliance conducted by Southwest Health and Human Services stating that out of ten checkpoints, one failed resulting in a fine established by the ordinance.

The County Board reviewed all Boards and Committees appointments; motion by Thompson, seconded by Reisch, to approve the following appointments for 2017, declared carried on a voice vote.

Advocate Education Connect

Sherri Thompson
Greg Burger (Alternate)

Ag & Rural Development Task Force- Burger & Overgaard
ATP – Burger (alternate)
Land Use – Overgaard
Health & Human Services - Thompson

Airport

Greg Burger
Paul Dougherty
Melvin Fick

Audit Committee

Greg Burger
Jody Reisch
Kyle Oldre
Susan Skattum
Ashley Kurtz
Lana Henrichs

AS400 Computer Committee

Kyle Oldre
Ashley Kurtz
Tom Houselog
Shawn Sweeney
Lana Henrichs

Budget Committee

Greg Burger
Jody Reisch
Kyle Oldre
Ashley Kurtz
Susan Skattum

Association of Minnesota Counties

All Commissioners
Kyle Oldre
Mark Sehr
Susan Skattum

Buffalo Ridge Regional Railroad Authority

Stan Williamson
Sherri Thompson
Gary Lee
Kyle Oldre, Exe Sec
Ashley Kurtz, Treas
Susan Skattum

AMC Policy Committees

Environmental & Natural
Resources – Overgaard
General Government – Reisch
Health & Human Svcs – Thompson
Public Safety – Burger
Transportation – Williamson

Buildings Committee

Jody Reisch
Stan Williamson
Kyle Oldre

AMC District VIII Committees

Ag & Transportation – Overgaard

Children's Justice Initiative

Stan Williamson
SWHHS Rep

Compliance Committee

Eric Hartman
Ashley Kurtz
Tom Houselog

911 Committee

Greg Burger
Evan Verbrugge
Dave Van Batavia
Kyle Oldre
Rock County Ambulance Rep
Jeff Bass
John Call

Economic Development Committee

Jody Reisch
Sherri Thompson

Extension Committee

Gary Overgaard
Stan Williamson
Tom Sandager
Stacie Mentel
Kristi Jessen
Nate Golla
Kyle Hemme
Teresa Kingsinger

Judicial Ditch Advisory Board

Stan Williamson
Gary Overgaard
Eugene Peterson
Arnold Wenzel
Roger Brockberg
Robert Williamson

Kanaranzi-Little Rock Watershed

Anthony Boyenga

Law Library Committee

Jody Reisch
Tim Connell
Damon Eisma

Luverne City/County Liaison Committee

Jody Reisch
Gary Overgaard
Kyle Oldre

Luverne Community Economic Development Corporation

Jody Reisch
Kyle Oldre (Alternate)

Lyon County Regional Landfill

Gary Overgaard
Greg Burger (Alternate)

Multi County HRA

Jody Reisch

Personnel Committee

Greg Burger
Jody Reisch
Don Klosterbuer
Kyle Oldre
Daryl Fuerstenberg
Steve Baumgard
Arlyn Gehrke
Ashley Kurtz

Personnel Board of Appeals

Craig Oftedahl
John Call
Chris Sorenson

Private Industry Council Chief Elected Officials Board

Sherri Thompson

Planning & Zoning Committee

Gary Overgaard
Cliff Schilling
Brad Petersen
Gordon Mulder
Gawaine Dekievers
Mark Vander Pol
Mary Thompson (non-voting member)
Eric Hartman (non-voting member)
Don Klosterbuer (non-voting member)

Planning & Zoning Board of Adjustments

Cliff Schilling
Brad Petersen
Gordon Mulder
Gawaine Dekievers
Mark Vander Pol

Plum Creek Library Committee

Jody Reisch
Greg Burger (Alternate)

Rock/Pipestone County Collaborative

Jody Reisch
SWHHS Rep
Scott Johnson
PIC Representative
Todd Holthaus
Neal Steffl
Gary Fisher
Jon Ramlo
Kia Harris
Kyle Oldre

Rock County Community Library

Jody Reisch
Barbie Meinerts
Rebecca Aanenson-Banks
Molly Carbonneau
Bruce Olson

Rock County Opportunities

Stan Williamson

Rock County/HBC School Liaison

Stan Williamson
Jody Reisch
Kyle Oldre
Ali Breuer
Scott Johnson
Don Klosterbuer
Evan Verbrugge

Rock County/Luverne School Liaison

Sherri Thompson
Gary Overgaard
Kyle Oldre
Stacy Schepel
Scott Johnson
Don Klosterbuer
Evan Verbrugge

Rock/Nobles Community Corrections

Advisory Board

Greg Burger
Jody Reisch
Don Klosterbuer
Jon Ramlo
Evan Verbrugge

Rock/Nobles Community Corrections

Executive Board

Greg Burger
Jody Reisch
Evan Verbrugge

Rock County Rural Water

Stan Williamson
Paul Heironimus
Matt Boeve
Vernon VandenBerg
Lila Bauer
Dell Walraven
Wayne Thompson

Rock County Veterans Memorial

Rick Peterson
Annabelle Frakes
Bill DeBates
Wendell Erickson
Gregg Groepel
Warren Herreid
Kyle Oldre

Safety Committee

Kyle Oldre
Susan Skattum
Highway Union Rep
Deputy Union Rep
Mark Jensen
Justin Feikema
Al Hartz
Gary Kurtz

Soil & Water Conservation District Board

Stan Williamson

SWCD/Rock County Liaison

Stan Williamson
Jody Reisch
SWCD Rep
Eugene Cragoe

Southern Prairie Community Care

Greg Burger
Sherri Thompson(alt)

Southwest Health & Human Services

Sherri Thompson
Greg Burger

Southwest Health & Human Services Nursing

Hands Committee

Greg Burger

Southwestern Mental Health Center

Greg Burger
Stan Williamson
Jane Lanphere

Southwest MN Adult Mental Health Consortium

Stan Williamson

Southwest Minnesota Opportunities Council

Jody Reisch

Southwest Regional Development Commission

Sherri Thompson

Emergency Communications Board

Jody Reisch
Kyle Oldre (alternate)

Southwest Regional Radio Committee

Evan Verbrugge
Southwest Regional Rural Energy Task Force
Gary Overgaard
Greg Burger (Alternate)

Southwest Solid Waste Board

Gary Overgaard
Greg Burger (Alternate)

Southwest Regional EMS Board

Harlan Vande Kieft
Jody Reisch (alternate)

SWMN Tourism

Jane Lanphere

The County Board was informed of a resignation from Burdell Braa, Highway Maintenance Supervisor effective April 28, 2017.

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