

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD

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County of Kanabec }
Office of the County Coordinator

February 23, 2011

The Kanabec County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00am on Wednesday, February 23, 2011 pursuant to adjournment with the following Board Members present: Kim Smith, Kathi Ellis, Les Nielsen and Kevin Troupe.

The Chairperson led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Action #1 - It was moved Kim Smith, seconded by Kathi Ellis, and carried unanimously to approve the agenda as presented.

Action #2 – It was moved by Les Nielsen, seconded by Kim Smith and carried unanimously to approve the February 9, 2011 minutes of the Kanabec County Board of Commissioners as presented.

Action #3 – It was moved by Kathi Ellis, seconded by Kim Smith and carried unanimously for the County to enter into a Cooperative Agreement with the Kanabec County Weed Management Area Partnership effective immediately and continuing through 12/31/11.

Action #4 –It was move by Kim Smith, seconded by Les Nielsen and carried unanimously to approve the following resolution:

Resolution #4 – 02/23/11 Transit Claims

WHEREAS the Transit uses volunteer drivers for many public purposes, and

WHEREAS these drivers are reimbursed for incurred expenses in accordance with County Policy and public law, and

WHEREAS the Transit Department Manager recommends approval of these claims;

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following driver expense claims for reimbursement, all of which are properly documented:

	AMOUNT
Annette Majeski	\$ 323.94
Barb Hood	\$ 102.51
Betty Geisthardt	\$ 249.03
Bill Hood	\$ 431.57

Bob Hoefert	\$1,246.99
Dan Niedzielski	\$ 141.07
Gary Nelson	\$ 468.09
Jean Newgard	\$ 295.09
Jennifer Leerssen	\$ 814.81
Jerry Nelson	\$ 300.81
Joy Morrell	\$ 609.96
Judy Colburn	\$ 407.49
Karen Luberda	\$ 526.00
Linda Nelson	\$ 638.11
Marge Tadych	\$ 23.46
Marlys Wolbert	\$ 264.58
Millie Laska	\$ 664.15
Rollie Pieper	\$ 990.41
Ronette Nelson	\$ 643.11
Sy Tadych	\$ 739.83
Ted Lindgren	\$ 535.61
Willard Landreville	\$ 824.50
Total for Volunteer Drivers	\$11,241.12

Action #5 – It was moved by Kim Smith, seconded by Kathi Ellis, and carried unanimously to recess the board meeting at 9:04am to a time immediately following the Human Service Board.

The Kanabec County **Human Service Board** met at **9:05am** on Wednesday, February 23, 2011 pursuant to adjournment with the following Board Members present: Kathi Ellis, Kim Smith, Les Nielsen and Kevin Troupe. Health & Human Service Director Wendy Thompson presented the Human Services agenda.

Action #HS6 - It was moved by Kim Smith, seconded by Kathi Ellis, and carried unanimously to approve the Human Service Board agenda as presented.

Action #HS7 – It was moved by Kim Smith, seconded by Kathi Ellis and carried unanimously to approve payment of 301 claims totaling \$209,430.10 on Welfare Funds.

Action #HS8 – It was moved by Kathi Ellis, seconded by Kim Smith and carried unanimously to adjourn the Human Service Board at 9:45am to meet again on Wednesday, March 23, 2011 at 9:05am.

The meeting of the Kanabec County Board of Commissioners resumed.

Action #9 – It was moved by Les Nielsen, seconded by Kim Smith and carried unanimously to approve payment for utilities at the Ogilvie Transit facility in the amount of \$310 to Don & Rosemarie Nelson.

Action #10 – It was moved by Kim Smith, seconded by Les Nielsen, and carried unanimously to recess the board meeting at 10:00am to a time immediately following the Housing and Redevelopment Authority Board meeting.

The Kanabec County **Housing and Redevelopment Authority** met at **10:00am** on Wednesday, February 23, 2011 pursuant to adjournment with the following Board Members present: Kathi Ellis, Kim Smith, Les Nielsen and Kevin Troupe. Paul Larson and Rose Dunn represented the Mora HRA.

Action #HRA11 - It was moved by Kim Smith, seconded by Kathi Ellis, and carried unanimously to approve the Housing and Redevelopment Authority agenda as presented.

Paul Larson and Rose Dunn gave an update on the Eastwood Phase III Development. No formal action was taken.

Action #HRA12 – It was moved by Kathi Ellis, seconded by Kim Smith, and carried unanimously to adjourn the Housing and Redevelopment Authority at 10:10am.

The meeting of the Kanabec County Commissioners resumed.

Commissioners gave reports on the activities of the Boards and Committees in which they participate.

10:30am - The Chairperson then called for public comment three times. Those that responded included:

Arganius Peckels	Concerns with Sheriff's office.
Robert Swetz	Concerns with Public Employee benefits.

11:02am - The Chairperson closed public comment.

Tony Miller and John Korzenowski representing the Mora DNR met with the Board to discuss a timber management plan and a potential County land exchange. No formal action was taken.

Area Wildlife Supervisor Dave Pauly met with the Board to inform the Board of a land donation in Kroschel Township.

Dispatch Sergeant Jeff Anderson met with the Board to discuss the ARMER Participation plan.

Action #13 – It was moved by Les Nielsen, seconded by Kim Smith and carried unanimously to approve the following resolution:

Resolution #13 – 02/23/11
ARMER Participation Plan

WHEREAS, Kanabec County, through its Sheriff's Office Communications Center, provides radio communications services for law enforcement, fire, and emergency medical services within the county for the protection of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the County Board recognizes the need to provide radio systems that are reliable, compliant with federal standards, and protect the safety of the county's citizens, law enforcement, fire, and emergency medical services personnel; and

WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota Allied Radio Matrix for Emergency Response (ARMER) provides an unprecedented framework for interoperability of radio systems during all incidents; and

WHEREAS, Granite Electronics has completed a Participation Plan covering the radio communications infrastructure and ARMER conversion option for Kanabec County and its user agencies; and

WHEREAS, current very high frequency (VHF) public safety radio systems and end user equipment are entering the end of their serviceable life as mandated by Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) standards for narrow band compliance in 2012.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Kanabec County Board approves the Participation Plan as prepared by Granite Electronics and authorizes the Sheriff to proceed with conversion to the State of Minnesota Allied Radio Matrix for Emergency Response (ARMER) System.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the appropriate county officials are authorized to enter into agreements necessary for the transition of Kanabec County emergency radio systems to the ARMER system, making Kanabec County a full participant in this statewide Interoperable Radio and Communications System.

Chief Deputy Robert Jensen met with the Board to discuss matters concerning the Sheriff's Department.

Action #14 – Kathi Ellis introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

Resolution #14 – 02/23/11
Sheriff Vehicles

WHEREAS the 2011 Law Enforcement Budget requested three new vehicles, and

WHEREAS state contract pricing on police package vehicles is:

- (1) Chevrolet Impala \$20,450.00
- (2) Ford 3J Pickups \$51,950.00

BE IT RESOLVED to authorize the County Sheriff to purchase a Chevrolet Impala and two Ford 3j Pickups at a total price not to exceed \$72,400.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly seconded by Kim Smith and upon a vote being taken thereon, the following voted:

IN FAVOR THEREOF: Kim Smith, Kevin Troupe, Kathi Ellis

OPPOSED: Les Nielsen

ABSTAIN: none

whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

County Prosecutor Reese Frederickson was recognized for being nominated to receive MADD's Outstanding Prosecutor award.

County Engineer Greg Nikodym met with the Board to discuss matters concerning the Highway Department.

Action #15 –It was move by Kim Smith, seconded by Kathi Ellis and carried unanimously to approve the following resolution:

Resolution #15 – 02/23/11
Seasonal Employees

WHEREAS the County Highway Department budget includes funds for the hiring of seasonal employees, and

WHEREAS the County Engineer has requested approval to hire two (2) seasonal employees to perform seasonal maintenance work on county highways, and

WHEREAS the Board desires to fill these seasonal positions;

BE IT RESOLVED that the County Board authorizes County Engineer, Greg Nikodym, and the County Personnel Director to hire two (2) full-time seasonal workers for the 2011 season, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the rate of pay will be set at the time of hire by the County Engineer and Personnel Director at \$10.69, \$11.33, \$12.01 or \$12.73 per hour,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the hours of work for this position be limited to those budgeted.

County Auditor/Treasurer Denise Cooper met with the Board to discuss matters concerning the Auditor/Treasurer's office.

Action #16 – It was move by Kim Smith, seconded by Les Nielsen and carried unanimously to approve the following resolution:

Resolution #16 – 02/23/11
Liquor License

WHEREAS the Kanabec County Auditor/Treasurer has received applications for On-Sale, Off-Sale and Sunday Liquor and Tobacco licenses from Rita R Brink LLC dba Northwoods Steak House & RV Park located at 2732 Highway 65;

WHEREAS the application is complete, included all necessary documentation, appear in accordance with County Policies and licensing requirements and the applicant is in good standing with the County;

WHEREAS the establishment located at this address presently operates with these licenses;

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the On-Sale, Off-Sale and Sunday Liquor and Tobacco Licenses for Northwoods Steak House and RV Park located at 2732 Highway 65, and will become effective at which time all liquor, 3.2 beer and tobacco licenses held by the current establishment operating at this location, be surrendered.

County Commissioner's continued their reports on the activities of the Boards and Committees in which they participate.

Jail Administrator Joanne Nelson met with the Board to discuss matters concerning the jail.

Action #17 – It was moved by Kathi Ellis, seconded by Kim Smith and carried unanimously to approve payment for the remaining balance of the Jail Management System in the amount of \$12,722.00 to TAC 10, Inc from the jail building project fund.

Action #18 – It was moved by Kathi Ellis, seconded by Kim Smith and carried unanimously to approve payment for out of state CADCA grant funded travel reimbursement in the amount of \$371.57 to Health Educator Lori Swanson.

Action #19 – The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:45pm to meet again in regular session on Wednesday, March 9, 2011 at 9:00am.

Signed _____
Chairperson of the Kanabec County Board of Commissioners,
Kanabec County, Minnesota

Attest: _____
Board Clerk