

# PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD

State of Minnesota  
County of Kanabec  
Office of the County Coordinator

**July 17, 2002**

The Kanabec County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00am on Wednesday, July 17, 2002 pursuant to adjournment with the following Board Members present: Kathi Ellis, Stan Cooper, Dave Ulstrom, Dennis Schulz and Dennis McNally.

It was moved by Dennis Schulz, and seconded by Stan Cooper, and carried unanimously to approve the agenda as amended.

It was moved by Dennis McNally, seconded by Kathi Ellis, and carried unanimously to approve the July 10, 2002 minutes of the Kanabec County Board of Commissioners as corrected: in public comment, correct the spelling of Halverson.

**9:05am** – Joe Adler with York and representatives of Gorham-Oien met with the County Board to discuss matters concerning the chiller on the courthouse roof.

It was moved by Stan Cooper, seconded by Dennis Schulz, and carried unanimously to request a quote from York on a muffler and fan kit for the chiller.

**9:58am** – County Engineer Greg Nikodym met with the County Board to discuss matters concerning the Highway Department.

It was moved by Stan Cooper, seconded by Kathi Ellis, and carried unanimously to approve payment of a claim \$41,077.39 on Road & Bridge Funds to Lloyd's Construction Services, Inc as partial payment on SAP 33-626-05: the reconstruction of the West end of CSAH 26.

**10:00am** - The Board convened as the **Public Health Board**. Wendy Thompson, Public Health Director, presented the Health Board agenda. Items discussed included agency finances, contracts, staffing, equipment needs, and other agency business. Y2003 budgeting was considered. No action was taken at this time.

**10:30am** – County Assessor Sue Kondratowicz met with the County Board to discuss matters concerning vehicle assignments. No action was taken at this time.

**11:00am** – Extension Educator Terry Salmela and members of the Extension Committee met with the county board to present their Y2003 budget request. The board took the matter under advisement.

**11:36am** - The Board convened as the **Human Services Board**. Phil Peterson, Family Service Agency Director, presented the Human Services agenda. Items discussed included the budget, staffing, finances and other agency business. Rose Linder, Lead Child Support Officer, gave an update on activity in her area. Connie Thomas, Financial Assistance Supervisor gave an update on activity in her area.

It was moved by Dennis Schulz, seconded by Dennis McNally, and carried unanimously to approve payment of 151 claims totaling \$204,118.63 on Welfare Funds.

It was moved by Kathi Ellis, seconded by Dennis Schulz, and carried unanimously to authorize the Financial Assistance Supervisor to attend a Supervisor's Conference at a cost of \$469.00.

Commissioner Ellis gave a report on activities and recommendations of the Jail Committee.

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It was moved by Kathi Ellis, seconded by Dennis Schulz, and carried unanimously to approve the following resolution:

## **Resolution 1 – 07/17/02**

**WHEREAS** the Jail Committee has been investigating the county jail facilities and operations since September of 2001, and

**WHEREAS** the Jail Committee has submitted three recommendations for action:

1. Put out an RFP for a planning consultant
2. Ask the committee to review consultant proposals and prepare a recommendation
3. Ask the committee to recommend the structure of a standing committee to continue the work.

**BE IT RESOLVED** to accept the recommendations of the Jail Committee, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** to direct the County Coordinator to prepare a Request for Proposal for a jail facilities planning consultant and submit the RFP to the county board for approval, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** to ask the Jail Committee to review consultant proposals and prepare a recommendation to the County Board, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** to ask the Jail Committee to recommend to the county board the structure of a standing committee to continue the work.

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Each commissioner gave a report of the activities of the Boards and Committees in which they participate.

**12:34pm** - The Chairperson invited public comment from the audience. Those that responded included Richard Anderson with questions regarding the county hospital.

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It was moved by Kathi Ellis, seconded by Dennis Schulz, and carried unanimously to approve the following resolution:

## Resolution 2 – 07/17/02

**WHEREAS** the Kanabec County Board of Commissioners wish to explore options for employee health insurance coverage;

**BE IT RESOLVED** to establish a Health Insurance Fact Finding Committee consisting of the following representation:

Group Representing	Number
Teamsters Local 320 Employees	(1) representative + (1) alternate
Operating Engineers Local 49	(1) representative + (1) alternate
L.E.L.S. Local 107	(1) representative + (1) alternate
Non-union employees	(2) representatives + (2) alternates
Department Heads	(1) representative + (1) alternate
County Commissioner	(1) representative + (1) alternate
County Coordinator	(1)

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It was moved by Dennis McNally, seconded by Kathi Ellis, and carried unanimously to approve the following resolution:

## Resolution 3 – 07/17/02

**BE IT RESOLVED** to appoint Dennis Schulz as county board representative to the Health Insurance Fact Finding Committee to fill a three year term commencing immediately and expiring January 3, 2005.

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It was moved by Kathi Ellis, seconded by Dennis Schulz, and carried unanimously to approve the following resolution:

## Resolution 4 – 07/17/02

**BE IT RESOLVED** to appoint Stan Cooper as alternate county board representative to the Health Insurance Fact Finding Committee to fill a three year term commencing immediately and expiring January 3, 2005.

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It was moved by Dennis McNally, seconded by Dennis Schulz, and carried unanimously to approve additional hospital governance Public Hearing notices with emphasis added to ads to attract attention.

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Kathi Ellis introduced the following resolution and its adoption:

## Resolution 5 – 07/17/02

**WHEREAS** the Kanabec County Board of Commissioners has been presented with a draft letter of intent to transfer hospital operations to the Kanabec Area Health System, and

**WHEREAS** this is a non-binding letter of intent to transfer the assets, liabilities and operations of Kanabec County’s hospital;

**BE IT RESOLVED** to adopt and authorize the Chairperson to sign a document dated July 1, 2002 titled “Letter of Intent to Transfer Hospital Operation” with the following addition:

It is understood, however, that any discussion among the commissioners at a board meeting is public information, and execution of this agreement does not prohibit such discussion by the commissioners at a board meeting.

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

**IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Dennis Schulz, Dave Ulstrom, Kathi Ellis

**OPPOSED:** Dennis McNally, Stan Cooper

**ABSTAIN:** None

whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

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It was moved by Stan Cooper, seconded by Dennis McNally, and carried unanimously to approve the following resolution:

## Resolution 6 – 07/17/02

**WHEREAS** the Kanabec County Board of Commissioners has been presented with a request for lawful gambling within Kanabec County, and

**WHEREAS** the application was complete, included all necessary documentation, appears in accordance with County Policies and the facility owners are in good standing with the County;

**BE IT RESOLVED** to approve the Application for Exempt Permit for the Ann Lake Sportsman's Club for a one-time Raffle event to held at the Pink Diamond Lounge, 1434 Ann Lake Road, Ogilvie, MN 56358 on September 29, 2002.

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It was moved by Dennis Schulz, seconded by Stan Cooper, and carried unanimously to approve the following resolution:

## Resolution 7 – 07/17/02

**WHEREAS** the Kanabec County Board of Commissioners have been presented with a Community and Juvenile Services Grant Agreement for Fiscal Year 2003, and

**BE IT RESOLVED** to authorize and direct the Chairperson to sign a Community and Juvenile Services Grant Agreement for Fiscal Year 2003 which includes the following grants:

Caseload/Workload Reduction	\$42,157
Remote Electronic Alcohol Monitoring	\$10,000

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It was moved by Dennis Schulz, and seconded by Kathi Ellis, and **carried** unanimously at 1:25pm to adjourn to meet in regular session on Wednesday, July 24 at 6:30pm.

*Signed* \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairperson of the Kanabec County Board of Commissioners,  
Kanabec County, Minnesota

*Attest:* \_\_\_\_\_  
Kanabec County Coordinator