

# PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD

State of Minnesota }  
County of Kanabec }  
Office of the County Coordinator

**September 15, 2004**

The Kanabec County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00am on Wednesday, September 15, 2004 pursuant to adjournment with the following Board Members present: Stan Cooper, Jerry Nelson, Kathi Ellis, Les Nielsen, and Dennis McNally.

The Chairperson led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Action #1 - It was moved by Dennis McNally, seconded by Jerry Nelson, and carried unanimously to approve the agenda and optional agenda with the following additions: Paradise Theater and board communications.

Action #2 - It was moved by Jerry Nelson, seconded by Les Nielsen, and carried unanimously to approve the September 8, 2004 minutes of the Kanabec County Board of Commissioners as corrected:

- a. Correct the date in all resolutions from 8/11/04 to 9/08/04
- b. Action #8, change 'for' in the second **WHEREAS** to 'from.'
- c. Action #11, add "between Kanabec County and Mille Lacs County."
- d. Action #13, change adjournment to recess to September 14<sup>th</sup>.

Action #3 – It was moved by Les Nielsen, seconded by Stan Cooper, and carried unanimously to recess the board meeting at 9:05am to a time immediately following the Human Service Board.

---

The Kanabec County **Human Service Board** met at **9:05am** on Wednesday, September 15, 2004 pursuant to public notice with the following Board Members present: Kathi Ellis, Stan Cooper, Jerry Nelson, Les Nielsen, and Dennis McNally. Phil Peterson, Family Service Agency Director, presented the Human Services agenda. Items discussed included the budget, staffing, finances and other agency business.

Action #HS4 - It was moved by Dennis McNally, seconded by Les Nielsen, and carried unanimously to approve the agenda of the Human Service Board with the addition of Operating Balance.

Action #HS4 - It was moved by Dennis McNally, seconded by Stan Cooper, and carried unanimously to approve payment of 139 claims totaling \$195,919.21 on Welfare Funds.

Action #HS5 - It was moved by Jerry Nelson, seconded by Dennis McNally, and carried unanimously to recess the Human Service Board at 9:50am to meet again in regular session on Wednesday, October 20, 2004 at 9:05am.

---

The meeting of the Kanabec County Board of Commissioners resumed.

**9:50am** - Interim Personnel Director Kim Pautsch met with the County Board to discuss matters concerning the pay system.

Action #6 - Les Nielsen introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

***Resolution 1 - 09/15/04***  
**ORDER OF THE BOARD**

**BE IT RESOLVED** to advance Engineering Technician Donn Sawyer to pay step G11C at \$18.50 per hour due to his longevity with the county.

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

**IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Dennis McNally, Jerry Nelson, Les Nielsen, Kathi Ellis

**OPPOSED:** Stan Cooper

**ABSTAIN:** None

whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

---

Action #7 – It was moved by Dennis McNally, seconded by Jerry Nelson, and carried unanimously to recess the board meeting at 10:10am to a time immediately following the Public Health Board.

---

The Kanabec County **Public Health Board** met at **10:10am** on Wednesday, September 15, 2004 pursuant to public notice with the following Board Members present: Kathi Ellis, Stan Cooper, Jerry Nelson, Les Nielsen, and Dennis McNally. Wendy Thompson, Public Health Director, presented the Health Board agenda. Items discussed included agency finances, contracts, staffing and other agency business.

Action #PH8 - It was moved by Jerry Nelson, seconded by Les Nielsen, and carried unanimously to approve the Public Health Board Agenda as presented.

Action #PH9 - It was moved by Dennis McNally, seconded by Les Nielsen, and carried unanimously to approve payment of the following Hospice claim:

Auers Farm	\$450.00
Wendy Thompson	\$100.00

Action #PH11 – It was moved by Les Nielsen, seconded by Dennis McNally, and carried unanimously to adjourn the Public Health Board at 11:09am to meet again in regular session on Wednesday, October 20, 2004 at 10:05am.

---

The meeting of the Kanabec County Board of Commissioners resumed.

**11:10am** - The Chairperson then called for public comment. None responded.

**11:11am** - The Chairperson closed public comment.

---

Action #12 - It was moved by Les Nielsen, seconded by Jerry Nelson, and carried unanimously to approve the following resolution:

***Resolution 12 – 09/15/04***

**WHEREAS** a Labor Agreement between Kanabec County and I.U.O.E Local 49 has been presented to the board for approval, and

**WHEREAS** the contract has the recommendation of the management negotiating team;

**BE IT RESOLVED** to approve a Labor Agreement between Kanabec County and International Union of Operating Engineers Local 49 for the time period January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2005.

---

Action #13 - It was moved by Les Nielsen, seconded by Dennis McNally, and carried unanimously to rescind board Resolution 1 - 9/15/04.

**11:32am** - The board took a 7-minute break.

**11:39am** - County Attorney Joe Loren and Assistant County Attorney Amy Brosnahan met with the County Board to discuss matters concerning potential litigation.

**12:10pm** - County Sheriff Steve Schulz, Chief Deputy Sheriff Robert Jensen and Jail Administrator Joanne Nelson met with the County Board to discuss matters concerning the Sheriff's Office. No action was taken at this time.

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

---

Action #14 - It was moved by Jerry Nelson, seconded by Les Nielsen, and carried unanimously to approve the following resolution:

## *Resolution 14 – 09/15/04*

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Kanabec County Board of Commissioners that the following proposed year 2005 levies and proposed budget be adopted:

FUND	PROPOSED BUDGET	PROPOSED LEVY
1. Revenue Fund	\$8,124,436	\$4,543,102
2. Welfare Fund	\$4,178,957	\$1,905,128
3. Road & Bridge Fund	\$4,118,100	\$1,600,000
4. Building Fund	\$1,019,577	\$1,005,577
5. SUB-TOTALS <i>(total of a. through f.)</i>	\$17,441,070	\$9,053,807
6. Y2004 Homestead & Agricultural Aid		\$854,041
7. Temporary Court Aid		\$54,080
<b>8. TOTAL FINAL PAYABLE Y2005 LEVY</b> <i>(Line 5 - Lines 6 &amp; 7)</i> =		<b>\$8,145,686</b>

---

*Action #15* - It was moved by Les Nielsen, seconded by Dennis McNally, and carried unanimously to approve the following resolution:

## *Resolution 15 – 09/15/04*

**WHEREAS** Kanabec County does impose a Solid Waste Management Fee pursuant to County Ordinance #17, and

**WHEREAS** this fee is \$16.00 per unit in 2004, and

**WHEREAS** it appears that the county can now fulfill its debt obligation with a lower fee;

**BE IT RESOLVED** to reduce the Solid Waste Management Fee from \$16.00 to \$6.00 per unit effective January 1, 2005.

---

Action #16 - It was moved by Dennis McNally, seconded by Les Nielsen, and carried unanimously to adjourn at 1:44pm to meet in regular session on Wednesday, September 22, 2004 at 6:30pm.

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

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