

TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2006

**APPROVED MINUTES OF THE
COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING HELD**

**STATE OF MINNESOTA)
COUNTY OF DODGE)**

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATION OFFICE
MANTORVILLE, MN**

2006-12

The Dodge County Board of Commissioners met in regular session June 13, 2006, in the Commissioner's Room at the Courthouse Annex, Mantorville, MN, at 9:30 a.m. CDT. David Erickson, Chair called the County Board of Commissioners meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. CDT.

Meeting Convened

The Chair acknowledged those present and established that there was a quorum:

Those Present

Members present:	Klaus Alberts	District #1
	Lyle Tjosaas	District #2
	David Erickson	District #3
	Don Gray	District #4
	David Hanson	District #5

Members absent: None

Also present:	David McKnight	County Administrator
	Becky Lubahn	Deputy County Clerk
	Paul Kiltinen	County Attorney

Motion by Gray seconded by Hanson to approve and adopt the agenda as amended to include discussion item 4.2 under the Administration Committee agenda items, West Concord Hotel demolition – wall resurfacing recommendation. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

Agenda Approved

County Assessor Wendell Engelstad met with the Board to review eight abatement requests.

Abatement Requests
Approved

Minnesota Statutes 375.192 provides that the County Board may grant the reduction or abatement of a property taxpayer's estimated market valuation and the resulting taxes, costs, penalties, or interest which have been erroneously or unjustly paid. This is different than the reductions and abatements in sections 469.1812 and 469.1815 which may be granted as an incentive for economic development and redevelopment. All applications must be written and approved by the County Assessor and the County Auditor before consideration by the County Board. The County Board may consider and grant reductions and abatements for applications as they relate to taxes payable in the current year and the two prior years. However, abatements for the two prior years shall be considered and granted only for clerical errors and when the taxpayer fails to file for a reduction or an adjustment due to a hardship, as determined by the County Board.

Based on the applicant's claims and the investigation of the facts, the County Auditor/Treasurer and County Assessor recommended approval of the abatements as presented.

Abatement Requests
Approved

Motion by Alberts seconded by Tjosaas to approve the following abatements as discussed:

Year 2005 changes with taxes payable in 2006:

Parcel ID	Owner	Street	City	Reason	Tax Reduction
22.104.0700	Roberts, Richard	411 NW 2 nd St	Dodge Center	EMV was recalculated incorrectly	\$341
22.430.1017	Thiemann, William	1206 NW 7 th St	Dodge Center	Never received homestead classification	\$166
25.430.0070	Beeman, Paul	801 Chestnut St	Mantorville	Missed filing for homestead classification	\$241
22.430.6011	Johnson, Janet	1227 NW 5 th St	Dodge Center	Missed filing for homestead classification	\$203
22.430.4011	Garness, Bret	1222 NW 5 th St	Dodge Center	Never received homestead classification	\$211
14.015.0200	Kennedy, Linda	25542 542 nd St	West Concord	Missed filing for homestead classification	\$282

Assessment year 2004 reclassification to residential homestead:

Parcel ID	Owner	Street	City	Reason	Tax Reduction
22.430.4011	Garness, Bret	1222 NW 5 th St	Dodge Center	Never received homestead classification	\$72

Local Option Abatement for taxes payable in 2005:

Parcel ID	Owner	Street	City	Reason	Tax Reduction
22.104.0200	Dostal, Jeremy	203 Central Ave N	Dodge Center	Suffered fire damage to home, making it unlivable for five months	\$350

Motion adopted unanimously.

County Administrator David McKnight discussed with the Board his request to approve a revised election equipment plan.

Revised Election
Equipment Plan

The Minnesota Secretary of State's Office has notified Dodge County that we are eligible for an additional \$6,000 in funding for the purchase of precinct counters as a part of the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) changes that are occurring in 2006.

Approved by
Resolution #2006-19

The eligibility for the additional \$6,000 is due to the fact that we are replacing the two Optech Eagle Optical Scan precinct counters that the City of Kasson has used with the new M100 precinct counters that we have already received. To be eligible for this additional funding the County Board must approve the revised Dodge County Election Equipment Plan that incorporates the additional \$6,000 in table three into our funding plan. This additional funding will reduce the county's amount that we agreed to pay to cover the difference between the federal funding and the actual cost of the election equipment. A revised copy of the spreadsheet that includes the additional \$6,000 was provided for the Board's review.

Revised Election
Equipment Plan
Approved by
Resolution #2006-19
- Continued

Motion by Gray seconded by Alberts to approve and authorize the Chairman of the Board and Deputy Clerk to sign resolution #2006-19 in support of the revised Dodge County Election Equipment Plan:

WHEREAS, the Dodge County Board held a public hearing and approved the Dodge County Election Equipment Plan on Tuesday, December 27, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Secretary of States Office has informed Dodge County that the county is eligible for an additional \$6,000 in funding to replace the two Optech Eagle Optical Scan machines that have been in place for a number of years; and

WHEREAS, the Dodge County plan has always included the plan to switch to M100 precinct counters in each of the 19 precincts in Dodge County and this is clarified in Table One of the plan.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Dodge County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the revised Dodge County Election Equipment Plan that incorporates the additional funding and clearly states Dodge County's intent to replace the Optech Eagle Optical Scan machines in Table One of the amended plan.

Resolution adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Tjosaas presented a summary of the Human Services Committee report and action items.

Human Services
Committee Report

Motion by Tjosaas seconded by Hanson to approve Human Services Action Item 1.1, payment of the bills as found on the bill payment list pursuant to resolution #95-10, to approve all Financial Assistance case actions as presented, all Social Services case actions with the reasons and actions as found in the individual case files, and to approve the destruction of the closed case files as found on the monthly closed case destruction list. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

Human Services
Action Item 1.1

Motion by Tjosaas seconded by Hanson to approve an additional \$264.00 for the purchase of the Veteran Services van. The original amount approved was \$18,078; however, this amount did not include the keyless entry option of \$264. The correct total amount is \$18,342. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

Veteran Services
Van Total
Amendment
Approved

Motion by Tjosaas seconded by Hanson to accept a donation from the McGinley-Rasmussen Post No. 4555, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Mantorville, in the amount of \$150.00, to be used for the purchase of the new Veteran Services van. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

*Donation from
Mantorville Post No.
4555 Approved*

Commissioner Alberts presented a summary of the Public Health Committee report and action items.

*Public Health
Committee Report*

Mr. Alberts reminded the Board that at the May 23, 2006 County Board meeting, they authorized Public Health to apply for grant dollars to conduct a secondhand smoke survey of our community as a community assessment tool to assist Public Health in promoting smoke free policies. Public Health has received notification from the Minnesota Department of Health that they have been awarded \$12,000. Public Health needs County Board approval to accept this funding and have their current Tobacco Free Communities grant contract amended to reflect this award. The Board discussed the amended contract. It was noted that the secondhand smoke survey information will not be completed until late fall.

*Minnesota
Department of Health
Tobacco Prevention
& Control Office
Grant Award
Accepted &
Memorandum of
Agreement
Amendment
Approved*

Motion by Tjosaas seconded by Gray to approve and authorize Public Health to accept an additional \$12,000 in grant monies from the Minnesota Department of Health Tobacco Prevention & Control Office to be used to conduct a secondhand smoke survey. Also included in the motion was authorization for the Chairman of the Board and Public Health Director to sign the amended Memorandum of Agreement Fillmore County Public Health & 11-County SE MN Tobacco-Free Communities Project effective January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006 as presented. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

County Attorney Paul Kiltinen provided the Board with a legal update.

Legal Update

Commissioner Erickson presented a summary of the Administration Committee report and action items.

*Administration
Committee Report*

Motion by Gray seconded by Tjosaas to approve and authorize the May 23, 2006 Committee of the Whole meeting minutes as corrected on pages 2 and 3. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

*05/23/06 Committee
of the Whole Meeting
Minutes Approved*

Motion by Alberts seconded by Hanson to approve and authorize the May 23, 2006 meeting minutes as corrected on page 146. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

*05/23/06 Meeting
Minutes Approved*

Motion by Tjosaas seconded by Gray to approve and authorize the May 30, 2006 special meeting minutes as corrected on page 156. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

*05/30/06 Special
Meeting Minutes
Approved*

Planning Director Duane Johnson met with the Board to discuss Planning Commission Recommendations from the June 7, 2006 meeting. Motion by Gray seconded by Alberts to approve the following action of the Planning and Zoning Commission as reviewed on June 7, 2006 with the reasons, recommendations and conditions as found in the individual permit:

Planning
Commission
Recommendation
CUP #06-18
Approved

Mark Kennedy – CUP #06-18

Request for a Conditional Use Permit to establish a non-farm dwelling in the Ag District. The property is ten acres located in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 22 of Milton Township. Mark Kennedy is the applicant and the property owner.

The Planning Commission recommends approval with the following conditions:

1. The Ag Covenant shall be signed and recorded.
2. The septic system must meet the county's septic ordinance.
3. Driveway access and permits be obtained from the County Highway Department and submit an erosion control plan as per section 1617 of the Dodge County Ordinance.
4. Setback of well 50 feet from property line.

Motion adopted unanimously.

Mr. Johnson reviewed with the Board CUP #06-19. Motion by Tjosaas seconded by Hanson to approve the following action of the Planning and Zoning Commission as reviewed on June 7, 2006 with the reasons, recommendations and conditions as found in the individual permit:

Planning
Commission
Recommendation
CUP #06-19
Approved

Eugene Grover – CUP #06-19

Request for a Conditional Use Permit to establish a non-farm dwelling in the Ag District. The property is 4.61 acres located in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 7 of Vernon Township. Eugene Grover is the applicant and the property owner.

The Planning Commission recommends approval with the following conditions:

1. The Ag Covenant shall be signed and recorded.
2. The septic system must meet the county's septic ordinance.
3. Driveway access and permits be obtained from the County Highway Department.

Motion adopted unanimously.

The Planning Director reviewed with the Board CUP #06-21. Motion by Alberts seconded by Tjosaas to approve the following action of the Planning and Zoning Commission as reviewed on June 7, 2006 with the reasons, recommendations and conditions as found in the individual permit:

Planning
Commission
Recommendation
CUP #06-21
Approved

Dave Gosch – CUP #06-21

Request for a Conditional Use Permit to tear down an existing 3,400 square foot swine finishing barn and build a new 8,600 square foot swine finishing barn in the same location in the Ag District. The property is 33 acres located in the NE¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 13 of Vernon Township. Dave Gosch is the applicant and the property owner.

Planning
Commission
Recommendation
CUP #06-21
Approved -
Continued

The Planning Commission recommends approval with the following conditions:

1. Recommendation from the Feedlot Advisory Report dated May 31, 2006.

Feedlot Advisory Report conditions are as follows:

Conditions:

1. Soil borings shall be taken at the building site location. These will assist in calculating soil loads for designing the concrete basin and building support and resolve any soils issues.
2. Dedicated drain tile with an inspection tee shall be placed around the foundation of the barn. Existing field tile needs to be cut and separately routed around the barn so they do not interfere with the perimeter tile.
3. A windbreak shall be planted along the ridge north of the new barn at the building site that meets NRCS/SWCD approval.
4. Accurate Manure Application Plans be established and maintained that meet the MPCA 7020.2225 requirements.
5. Sufficient acres be maintained for agronomic rate nutrient plans.
6. Manure should be injected at agronomic rates and application records kept. MPCA 7020.2225 will be followed for land application of manure. If weather or soil conditions do not allow for injection, then the Dodge County feedlot officer shall be notified and MPCA 7020.2225 followed for surface application setbacks and rates.

7. A secured area shall be provided for dead animal storage and disposal that meets Minnesota Board of Animal Health requirements. If rendering is not used, a separate carcass compost area or incinerator meeting the Minnesota Board of Animal Health requirements shall be provided for dead animal disposal.
8. Odor reduction with the use of Bio-Filters on pit fans built to University of Minnesota specifications. The bio-filters need to be installed as soon as possible but no later than September 30th, 2007 to allow backfill settling and final grading to occur before installation.
9. All MPCA permits in place and MPCA 7020.2100 followed for concrete construction.
10. Pre construction meeting to include owner, concrete contractor, professional engineer and Dodge County Officials.
11. A photographic record needs to be submitted through the design engineer documenting the excavation and construction steps. The photographic record shall meet the MPCA Photographic Inspection of Concrete Manure Storage Pits fact sheet.
12. When the existing barn is abandoned and removed, MPCA 7020.2025 shall be followed for manure storage area closure and cleanup

Planning
Commission
Recommendation
CUP #06-21
Approved -
Continued

Motion adopted unanimously.

The Planning Director and Garwin McNeilus met with the Board to present a request for approval for two resolutions in support of the development and operation of community-based wind energy (CBED) projects owned by local owners.

Garwin McNeilus
LLC Community
Based Wind Energy
Projects Approved by
Resolution #2006-20

Motion by Hanson seconded by Tjosaas to approve and authorize the Chairman of the Board and Deputy Clerk to sign resolution #2006-20 in support of the development, construction and operation of the small wind projects to be located in Dodge County:

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. Section 216B.1612 was enacted in 2005 to encourage the development and operation of community-based wind energy (CBED) projects owned by local owners; and

WHEREAS, CBED projects must be owned by qualifying owners, meaning either a Minnesota resident; a limited liability company whose members are Minnesota residents; a Minnesota nonprofit organization; certain Minnesota local governments; or certain cooperatives or tribal councils; and

Garwin McNeilus
LLC Community
Based Wind Energy
Projects Approved by
Resolution #2006-20
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WHEREAS, CBED projects consisting of only one or two turbines must ensure that the qualifying owners receive at least 51 percent of the total financial benefits of the project measured over the project life; and

WHEREAS, G. McNeilus Wind, LLC, a wind developer located in Dodge Center, is developing a wind energy project comprised of five Minnesota limited liability companies, each of which will own one or two turbines, and each of which will be owned by Minnesota and Dodge County residents, and the limited liability companies are Canisteo Windfarm, LLC; Dodge Center Wind, LLC; Ripley Windfarm, LLC; Salem Creek Windfarm, LLC; and Sarah's Windfarm, LLC. The individual owners of each company will receive at least 51 percent of the total financial benefits of their respective projects, therefore keeping the benefits local; and

WHEREAS, the five limited liability companies are expected to enter into a power purchase agreement with Northern States Power Company ("NSP") for a term of at least 20 years; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. Section 216B.1612, subd, 2(f)(3) and the power purchase agreement require that the projects receive a resolution of support from the County Board of the county in which the projects are located in order to qualify as CBED projects; and

WHEREAS, the five proposed projects will be locally owned and operated and will utilize local services and materials in their construction and operation, and otherwise contribute to economic development within Dodge County.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Dodge County Board of Commissioners supports the development, construction and operation of the small wind projects to be located in Dodge County and to be owned by Canisteo Windfarm, LLC; Dodge Center Wind, LLC; Ripley Windfarm, LLC; Salem Creek Windfarm, LLC; and Sarah's Windfarm, LLC pursuant to Minn. Stat. Section 216B. 1612, the power purchase agreement with NSP and related laws and agreements.

Resolution adopted unanimously.

The Planning Director provided the Board with a copy of the second resolution for consideration. It was the consensus of the Board to table action on the Southern Minnesota Municipal Power Agency (SEMPA) resolution request for two weeks in order to clarify and correct information on the proposed resolution.

SEMPA Resolution
Action Tabled

Mr. Johnson discussed with the Board the Ripley Dairy CUP #05-04 extension request. Also discussed was the procedure for conditional use permit request extensions.

Ripley Dairy CUP
#05-04 Extension
Approved

The Planning Director shared with the Board two letters from Attorney Gary Koch of Gislason and Hunter, representing the Ripley Dairy. The request is to extend the conditional use permit that was issued June 14, 2005 for an additional six months. Ripley Dairy has not been able to proceed with the construction and/or operation of its facility for a number of reasons, none of which are attributed to Ripley Dairy. The Planning Commission recommended to the Board at their May meeting to extend the CUP request.

The second item was a discussion of procedure for conditional use permit extensions. Mr. Johnson shared with the Board a memo sharing findings and information up to this point on this topic. The Planning Office is looking for direction from the Board on whether to amend the ordinance to include specific language on conditional use permit extensions or some other policy on this outside of an ordinance revision.

County Attorney Paul Kiltinen provided legal input on the request. It was Mr. Kiltinen's opinion that the Board of Adjustments may need to be involved and give their input on the interpretation. The County Attorney also indicated that the Board needs to consider past practices.

The Planning Director informed the Board that CUP extensions have taken place in the past.

Commissioner Erickson commented that the problem they face is that the ordinance does not specifically address this issue.

Mr. Johnson reported that he did contact other Planning offices to see how they handle these issues and informed the Board that only a few counties responded.

The County Attorney stated that the Board needs to consider how the ordinance reads and past practices.

Commissioner Erickson commented that he believes extensions have taken place but thinks they were handled by the Planning Commission.

It was Commissioner Gray's opinion that this Board should address this issue and not send it to the Board of Adjustments.

Commissioner Erickson stated that the Board needs to address this issue since the ordinance does not. Mr. Erickson felt that another option would be to amend the ordinance to address these types of issues.

Mr. Kiltinen commented that it is up to the Board's discretion to decide what to do with this request.

It was the consensus of the Board that they would like to see the Planning Director do some additional research to determine when extensions were granted in the past.

Ripley Dairy CUP
#05-04 Extension
Approved -
Continued

The County Attorney reminded the Board that they need to take action on this request today since the permit expires tomorrow. Mr. Kiltinen suggested that the Board consider limiting extensions to a short period of time. The County Attorney questioned whether or not the Board would want to rely on past practices that are not documented.

It was County Administrator David McKnight's opinion that the ordinance does not give the authority for extensions.

Commissioners discussed other requests for conditional use permit extensions that have been approved such as the Moenning CUP.

Mr. Johnson suggested providing a longer timeframe on conditional use permit requests.

Commissioner Erickson indicated that another option would be to see the Board direct staff to develop an amendment to the ordinance to address conditional use permit extension requests.

The County Attorney reminded the Board that if Dodge County gets sued the attorneys will look at past practices and the ordinance to resolve the issue.

Commission Hanson stated that there has to be a reason why the permit is extended and concurred with Commissioner Gray that this Board needs to make a decision on this request.

Commissioner Erickson informed the Board that if they did not take any action as the County Board the permit would expire tomorrow. If the Board does not want to see this happen they do need to take action today.

Commissioner Alberts voiced his opinion that since the ordinance does not specify one way or the other it will be a judgment call by the commissioners.

Mr. McKnight clarified that the Ripley Dairy did ask for a six month extension of their conditional use permit.

Motion by Alberts seconded by Hanson to approve and authorize the extension of Ripley Dairy CUP #05-04 for and additional six months beginning June 14, 2006.

Commissioner Hanson indicated that he felt a policy should be provided at the next meeting to address conditional use permit extension requests.

Ripley Dairy CUP
#05-04 Extension
Approved -
Continued

The County Administrator stated that the plan is to get the policy information to the Board as soon as possible.

Gary Norstad representing Ripley Township informed the Board that the Ripley Dairy extension would allow up to 3,000 animal units in the feedlot while the township ordinance only allowed for 1,500 animal units. Mr. Norstad noted that the matter is in litigation and asked that the Board consider this information when making their decision.

Commissioner Tjosaas stated that the conditional use permit was issued at that time because it met the requirements of the request and clarified that the township ordinance has been amended since the original application was approved on June 14, 2005. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

Comptroller Lisa Kramer reviewed bills with the Board. Motion by Gray seconded by Alberts to approve the bills as discussed in the following amounts from the appropriate funds as determined by Finance:

Bills Approved

01	Revenue Fund	\$131,757.64
11	Human Services Fund	\$ 775.82
13	Road and Bridge Fund	\$ 58,376.76
16	Environmental Quality	<u>\$ 58,800.22</u>
	Total	<u>\$249,710.44</u>

A payment to Grand View Lodge in the amount of \$100.00 on page 7 was pulled. A duplicate payment to Milestone Materials in the amount of \$5,095.38 on page 17 was pulled. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

The Byron Sportsman & Conservation Club is requesting a gambling permit for raffles to be held on September 16, 2006. The raffles will take place at their club location, 60857 272nd Avenue, Mantorville, MN.

Gambling Permit
Approved for Byron
Sportsman &
Conservation Club

Motion by Tjosaas seconded by Gray to approve and authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign a gambling permit for the Byron Sportsman & Conservation Club effective September 16, 2006. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

The Byron Sportsman & Conservation Club is requesting a Temporary Liquor License for the date of September 15-19, 2006. They will be using the license for a club fundraiser. This event will be held at the Byron Sportsman & Conservation Club, located in Mantorville Township, MN.

Temporary Liquor
License Approved for
Byron Sportsman &
Conservation Club

Motion by Alberts seconded by Gray to approve and authorize the 1-4 day temporary liquor license for the Byron Sportsman & Conservation Club effective September 15-19, 2006 pending the submission of all required insurance documentation. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

Employee Relations Director Lisa Hager presented the Personnel Agenda for the Board's review. Motion by Gray seconded by Tjosaas to approve the following personnel actions:

Personnel Actions
Approved

A. Human Services

- A.1 Annette Schneckloth – Child Support Officer
Annual review.
Effective Date: 5/30/06

B. Public Health

- B.1 Jennifer Schindle – Public Health Dietitian - .2 FTE
Authorization to employ at C42 step 9 \$17.01.
Effective Date: 6/14/06
- B.2 Karla Miller – Case Aide – FT
Authorization to employ at B22 step 9 \$12.36.
Effective Date: 6/19/06

C. Assessor's Office

- C.1 Michael Stupka – Property Appraiser
Step increase from B23 step 5 \$14.93 to B23 step 4 \$15.42.
Effective Date: 5/16/06

D. Extension Office

- D.1 Michelle Hurley – 4-H Summer Assistant
Authorization to employ at A12 step 11 \$10.01.
Effective Date: 6/5/06 – 8/25/06

E. Highway Department

- E.1 Michael Peterson - Seasonal Engineering Intern/ Maintenance
Authorization to employ at 95% of (A11 & B21 average) \$9.72 per hour.
Effective Date: 5/31/06

F. Environmental Quality

- F.1 Mary Greening – Secretary Clerk
Step increase from A13 step 8 \$10.83 to A13 step 7 \$11.15
Effective Date: 5/30/06 (currently on temporary assignment as Administrative Assistant – Planning)

G. Four Seasons Arena

- G.1 Eric Goar – Zamboni Driver/Custodian – On-Call
Employment termination.
Effective Date: 3/13/06

H. Sheriff's Office

- H.1 Chris Nelson – 911 Dispatcher – On-Call
Authorization to employ at B22 step 11 \$12.23 to fill approved vacancy.
Effective Date: To be determined
- H.2 Cindy Wunderlich – 911 Dispatcher FT
Resignation.
Effective Date: 5/27/06
- H.3 911 Dispatcher – FT
Authorization to post and fill vacancy created by resignation.
Effective Date: 5/27/06

H.4 Emily Sohm – 911 Dispatcher
 Authorization to change status from .8 FTE to 1.0 FTE to fill vacancy created by resignation.
 Effective Date: 6/14/06

Personnel Actions
Approved -
Continued

H.5 911 Dispatcher - .8 FTE
 Authorization to post and fill vacancy created by status change.
 Effective Date: 6/14/06

Motion adopted unanimously.

The County Attorney left the meeting at 10:59 a.m. CDT.

County Attorney Left
Meeting

Mr. McKnight discussed with the Board setting a 2007 budget work session. Motion by Tjosaas seconded by Alberts to schedule a 2007 county budget work session for Tuesday, June 27, 2006 following the regular County Board meeting. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

2007 County Budget
Work Session Set

The County Administrator informed the Board that he was contacted by a member of the West Concord Legion committee who wanted to know what the county intended to do to repair the wall that was located next to the West Concord hotel that was demolished.

West Concord Legion
Wall Discussion

Mr. McKnight asked Kane and Johnson Architects, Inc. for a recommendation regarding the refinishing of the existing wall surface of the American Legion building in West Concord. Jasen Andring of Kane and Johnson made the following recommendation.

Due to the many generations of the wall surface and the amount of infilling required to achieve a weatherproof wall, Kane and Johnson recommends a series of patching of masonry/brick and installation of an elastomeric coating over the existing wall face (product equal to Stochastic Textured by Sto Corp). This process would include the following steps:

1. Patching all existing holes in the wall face with masonry or brick.
2. Clean existing wall with a pressure washer and mild detergent approved by the elastomeric coating manufacturer.
3. Install a concrete/masonry primer to the existing wall.
4. Install two coats of the elastomeric coating, per the manufacturer's recommendations.

This process will create a wall that has a monolithic coating with elasticity for movement. It will also create a wall that has a finished appearance and is weatherproof, at a reasonable cost. Based upon the above conditions and the properties of the elastomeric coating process, it is Kane and Johnson Architects, Inc.'s recommendation that this product would be a good candidate for this wall surface.

The County Administrator commented that he felt the patching of the holes is Dodge County's responsibility. Mr. McKnight noted that cost estimates were not available at this time.

The Board directed the County Administrator to work with Mr. Andring to get potential quotes for the project. Mr. McKnight reported that he will keep the Board informed of his findings.

West Concord Legion
Wall Discussion -
Continued

It was determined that the hotel wall and the American Legion wall were two separate walls with some shared bracing that ran along the bottom of both walls.

Commissioner Gray voiced his opinion that the American Legion should contribute to the project since it is their wall.

Commissioner Erickson commented that we are responsible for the holes connected to the demolition of the hotel.

Commissioners provided their agency reports. Commissioner Hanson attended an AMC meeting, a Workforce Development Inc. Joint Powers meeting, a Recycling Joint Powers meeting, an EMS & WDI Joint Powers meeting, and a South Central Joint Powers meeting. Commissioner Alberts attended a Semcac meeting, a Planning meeting and a Law Library meeting. Commissioner Gray attended a SCHRC meeting. Commissioner Erickson attended a DFO Advisory Board meeting, a Land Use Task Force meeting, a Special County Board meeting/Public Hearing, a Law Library Committee meeting, a SCHA Quality Assurance Committee meeting, an AMC District IX meeting, a Dodge County Planning meeting and a SCHA Joint Powers meeting. Commissioner Tjosaas attended an AMC meeting and a Semcac meeting.

Agency Reports

Motion by Gray seconded by Alberts to adjourn the meeting at 11:35 a.m. CDT. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

Meeting Adjourned

The next regular meeting of the Dodge County Board of Commissioners will be held on June 27, 2006 at 9:30 a.m. CDT.

Next Regular
Meeting

ATTEST:

DAVID ERICKSON
CHAIR, COUNTY BOARD

BECKY LUBAHN
DEPUTY CLERK

DATED: