

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2007

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

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

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATION OFFICE
MANTORVILLE, MN**

2007-02

The Dodge County Board of Commissioners met in regular session January 9, 2007, in the Commissioner's Room at the Courthouse Annex, Mantorville, MN, at 9:30 a.m. CST. Don Gray, Chair called the County Board of Commissioners meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. CST.

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 Alberts seconded by Tjosaas to approve and adopt the agenda as amended to include additional 2007 County Board Committee Assignments and Boards/Commissions assignments under the Administration committee report and a closed session after the Planning Director's agenda items to discuss the MTM v. Dodge County tax court case. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

Agenda Approved

Fran Johnson, Dodge County's Representative to SELCO/SELS Board of Directors and Ann Hutton the SELCO Executive Director met with the Board and informed them that at the last SELCO/SELS quarterly Board meeting, a resolution was passed supporting an increase in Regional Library System Support (RLBSS). The intent is now to seek support from each of the eleven County Boards as the Minnesota library community begins lobbying efforts in the upcoming legislative session.

Regional Library
System Support
Approved by
Resolution #2007-02

Ms. Hutton reported that as of mid-December the following groups had approved this resolution:

Regional Boards: SELCO/SELS Board of Directors
SELCO Library Foundation

Counties: Fillmore, Goodhue, Houston, Olmsted, Steele, Winona

Cities: Harmony, LaCrescent, Lanesboro, Pine Island, Red Wing, Rushford, Wabasha, Winona

Library Boards: Austin, Chatfield, Harmony, Lake City, Lanesboro, LeRoy, Pine Island, Plainview, Preston, Red Wing, Rochester, Rushford, Spring Valley, Wabasha, Zumbrota

Regional Library System Support
Approved by
Resolution #2007-02
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Other library representatives present at the meeting included Eileen King, John Talcott and Bonnie Adams.

Commissioner Erickson wanted to know how the resolution would impact the citizens of Hayfield since they don't participate in SELCO?

Fran Johnson informed the Board that the citizens of Hayfield can use any library in the county and that the citizens of Hayfield do use other libraries in the county.

Ann Hutton reported that state dollars are also used to help the Hayfield High School library.

Commissioner Alberts wanted to know if SELCO would be increasing their services in the county if they get additional money from the state?

Ms. Hutton stated that they have a long list of things they can do if they get the money from the state.

Commissioners questioned what the status of the Bookmobile was.

Ms. Hutton informed the Board that they will not be reinstating the Bookmobile due to budgeting issues.

Motion by Hanson seconded by Alberts to approve and authorize the Chair and Deputy Clerk to sign Regional Library System Support resolution #2007-02:

WHEREAS, the regional library systems in Minnesota have contributed to improvements in library operation and efficiencies in providing services to the entire population of the State of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota has not increased Regional Library Basic System Support in over a decade; and

WHEREAS, the funding for regional library systems has increasingly fallen on local property tax dollars;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Dodge County Board of Commissioners hereby requests its legislative representatives and the Governor to place a high priority on a substantial increase in the Regional Public Library System Basic Support appropriation during the 2007 legislative sessions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Dodge County Board of Commissioners hereby requests that the Association of Minnesota Counties (AMC) join the Minnesota Library Association (MLA) in lobbying the Legislature for this increase during the 2007 Legislature session.
Resolution adopted, Hanson, Alberts, Tjosaas, Gray aye, Erickson abstained.

Regional Library
System Support
Approved by
Resolution #2007-02
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The Employee Relations Director presented the Personnel Agenda for the Board's review. Motion by Erickson seconded by Hanson to approve the following personnel actions:

Personnel Actions
Approved

A. Human Services

A.1 Jennifer Adamson – Social Worker
Step increase from C42 step 4 \$20.96 to C42 step 3 \$21.74.
Effective Date: 1/7/07

B. Environmental Quality

B.1 Nick Haltvick – On-Call Roster
Employ at B21 \$10.72 (90% of step 11).
Effective Date: 12/28/06

B.2 Terrance Selthun – Solid Waste Facility Manager
Step increase from B32 step 4 \$18.76 to B32 step 3 \$19.23.
Effective Date: 1/2/07

C. Sheriff's Department

C.1 John Snaza – Transport Officer – On-Call
Authorization to employ at B21 step 11 \$11.91.
Effective Date: 1/04/07

C.2 Michael Leonhardt – Captain
Authorization to change status from Patrol Sergeant C43 Max \$27.16 to Captain C52 step 1 \$28.73.
Effective Date: 1/2/07

D. Assessor's Office

D.1 Wendell Engelstad – County Assessor
Step increase from D61 step 8 \$26.34 to D61 step 7 \$27.55.
Effective Date: 1/1/07

Motion adopted unanimously.

Ms. Hager discussed with the Board setting a date for the 2007 Employee Recognition Banquet.

2007 Employee
Recognition Banquet
Date Set

Motion by Erickson seconded by Alberts to set the Employee Recognition Banquet for Tuesday, February 20, 2007 at 12:00 p.m. in the large conference room. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

Account Technician Wendy Aarsvold discussed with the Board the 2006 year end bills. It was noted that the Finance Director and County Administrator were previously authorized to pay bills that occurred prior to the end of the 2006 fiscal year on December 29, 2006.

Year End 2006 Bills
Approved

Motion by Alberts seconded by Tjosaas to approve the year end 2006 bills as discussed in the following amounts from the appropriate funds as determined by Finance:

01	Revenue Fund	\$ 44,060.85
11	Human Services Fund	\$ 13.50
13	Road and Bridge Fund	\$ 64,036.09
16	Environmental Quality	\$ 4,118.75
	Total	\$112,229.19

Motion adopted unanimously

Year End 2006 Bills
Approved -
Continued

Ms. Aarsvold reviewed 2007 bills with the Board. Motion by Erickson seconded by Tjosaas to approve the bills as discussed in the following amounts from the appropriate funds as determined by Finance:

01	Revenue Fund	\$163,415.10
11	Human Services Fund	\$ 93.50
13	Road and Bridge Fund	\$ 2,322.33
30	County Building Fund	\$ 14,761.26
65	General Obligation Solid Waste Rev Bonds	\$ 22,967.50
	Total	\$203,559.69

Motion adopted unanimously

2007 Bills Approved

The Account Technician presented her request for payment of 2007 incidental expenses. Ms. Aarsvold reported that every year the county pays incidental expenses as Auditor Warrants. The Account Technician reported on what was considered an Auditor's Warrant.

Payment of 2007
Incidental Expenses
Approved

Motion by Alberts seconded by Hanson to approve and authorize the payment of incidental and necessary expenses by authorization of the Finance Office approved by an Auditor Warrant for the following qualified bills, salaries, wages, benefits, related withholdings, previously presented commissioner warrants, training, conferences and related travel expenses, jurors and witness expenses, background checks necessary for employment, Four Seasons Claims as approved by the Joint Powers Board, utility bills i.e. (water, sewer, electrical), postage, vehicle registration/tabs, telephone, and freight claims approved by other authorized boards, claims that are due and would incur interest and penalties, and any claims authorized by state statutes, and various state agencies pursuant to MS 384.13, 375.16., 378.18, 471.38 Subd. 2. The Board may review the Auditor's Register and Payroll register monthly to determine appropriate payments of these incidental expenses. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

County Engineer Guy Kohlhofer met with the Board to discuss a funding application request.

Highway Department
Authorized to Apply
for Funding for Work
on County Roads

Mr. Kohlhofer reported that several non-typical funding sources are available at this time. These funds are not the State Aid funds that we normally receive, but are a mixture of state and/or federal funds. The Highway Department is seeking funding for work on county roads that they would need to do whether they received additional funds or not.

Motion by Hanson seconded by Alberts to approve and authorize the Highway Department to apply for funds as described below and to serve as sponsor for Triton Schools in the Safe Routes to School application.

Highway Department
Authorized to Apply
for Funding for Work
on County Roads -
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ATP Funds for 2011: These are federal funds distributed by local decision within MnDOT District 6. Typically a project awarded ATP funds is funded up to 80% of contract costs. The remaining 20% would be paid using State Aid funds. The Highway Department is requesting authorization to apply for the ATP funds for the following projects:

CSAH 24 (Old Concord - West Concord) – Reconstruct road at a cost of approximately \$2.3 million. This project is currently listed as a “Project of Interest” but is not scheduled at this time.

CSAH 13 (TH 14 – TH 30) - Surface reclamation and paving, as was done on CSAH 2. Cost estimate is \$2.3 million. This project is currently scheduled for 2009 but would be rescheduled accordingly.

CSAH 24 Bridge (Old Concord) - The bridge on the north side of Old Concord is classified deficient making it eligible for federal funds. Estimated cost is \$525,000

Canisteo Twp Bridge #665 - This is a steel truss bridge on 260 Avenue and is classified deficient making it eligible for federal funds. It is rated first priority for the township. The 20% local costs would be the township’s responsibility, part of which would be paid with Town Bridge Funds. Estimated cost is \$425,000

CHSP Funds: These are State funds distributed through MnDOT central office for the purpose of improving safety on rural roads. Maximum grant amounts are \$150,000 per county. CHSP Funds would be used for Curve Intersections located at:

CSAH 5 & South County Line
CSAH 3 & CR O
CSAH 22 & 560th Street (South of Old Concord)
CSAH 24 & 265th Avenue

Safe Routes to School: This is a federal grant program aimed at communities to improve conditions for walking and bicycling to school. Projects selected are funded at 100% with no local match required. This grant would be used for:

CSAH 34 (Dodge Center) - Construction of sidewalks along CSAH 34 and other routes in Dodge Center. Cost estimate is \$175,000. The sidewalks along CSAH 34 will be Dodge Center’s responsibility however; Triton Schools is applying to this program in order to help with funding. Due to the school’s size they require a sponsor when applying for these funds.

Motion adopted unanimously.

County Attorney Paul Kiltinen provided the Board with a legal update. Mr. Kiltinen informed the Board that the lawsuit involving the linen supplier for the Fairview Care Center has been resolved, the business filed bankruptcy.

Legal Update

Planning Director Duane Johnson met with the Board to discuss Planning Commission Recommendations from the January 3, 2007 meeting. Motion by Tjosaas seconded by Alberts to approve the following action of the Planning and Zoning Commission as reviewed on January 3, 2007 with the reasons, recommendations and conditions as found in the individual permit:

Planning
Commissioner
Recommendation
CUP #07-01
Approved

Gary and Susan Johnson – CUP #07-01

The request is for a Conditional Use Permit to establish a non-farm dwelling on three acres in the Ag District. The property is located in the SE ¼ of the NW ¼ of NE ¼ of Section 21 of Milton Township. Gary and Susan Johnson are the applicants and the property owners.

The Planning Commission recommends approval of the Findings of Facts and Recommendations of the agenda report 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 township.

Motion adopted unanimously.

The Board discussed with the Planning Director conditional use permit #07-02.

Planning
Commissioner
Recommendation
CUP #07-02
Approved

Commissioner Erickson reported that he had an individual call him with a comment on the pit and how it is taxed. Mr. Erickson clarified that the facility is taxed from the ground level up and that the pit is not. Commissioner Erickson noted that this is a state allowed exemption.

Commissioner Alberts wanted to know if it was an expansion or a new facility.

Duane Johnson stated that it was an expansion even though it is a new building. The Planning Director clarified how the county and state count animal units.

Assistant Feedlot Officer/Zoning Administrator Ken Folie and applicant Scott Masching shared animal counting methods with the Board.

Motion by Erickson seconded by Tjosaas to approve the following action of the Planning and Zoning Commission as reviewed on January 3, 2007 with the reasons, recommendations and conditions as found in the individual permit:

Scott Masching – CUP #07-02

The request is for a Conditional Use Permit to expand an existing feedlot of 240 animal units to a total of 1,200 animal units or 3,000 head of hogs. The animals will be confined to a building approximately 102 x 196 feet with a beneath barn concrete pit for manure storage. The property is 160 acres located in the SW ¼ of Section 12 of Westfield Township. Scott Masching is the applicant and the property owner.

Planning
Commissioner
Recommendation
CUP #07-02
Approved -
Continued

The Planning Commission recommends approval of the Findings of Facts and Recommendations of the agenda report with the following conditions:

1. The Feedlot Advisory Report dated December 06, 2006.

Motion adopted unanimously.

Mr. Johnson shared with the Board a resolution request to declare the Ripley Dairy Conditional Use Permit null and void.

Ripley Dairy CUP
#05-04 Declared Null
& Void by Resolution
#2007-03

The Planning Director discussed with the Board letters received from Scott Anderson dated December 14, 2006, a draft resolution, a copy of conditional use permit #95-04 and a copy of a letter from Gary Koch dated December 12, 2006.

Motion by Erickson seconded by Alberts to approve and authorize the Chair and Deputy Clerk to sign resolution #2007-03 declaring Ripley Dairy, LLP conditional use permit # 05-04 null and void.

WHEREAS, Ripley Dairy, LLP, applied for and was granted a conditional use permit to establish a feedlot of 500 animal units or more on 80 acres located in the East ½ of the SW ¼ of Section 3 of Ripley Township, parcel ID #'s R15.003.0300 and R15.003.0400, that was acted upon by the Dodge County Board of Commissioners at a County Board Meeting on June 14, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Section 1807, subd. 5(c) of the Dodge County Zoning Ordinance provides that a conditional use permit shall become null and void one (1) year after being granted by the County Board unless the applicant has used the permit or if such use was begun by the applicant but then discontinued the use for more than ninety (90) days, then the permit shall also become null and void; and

WHEREAS, Ripley Dairy, LLP, became involved in litigation not involving the county and did not act upon or use permit, or begin the use allowed under the conditional use permit as of April, 2006; and

WHEREAS, Ripley Dairy, LLP, did request through letters dated April 17, 2006 and May 1, 2006 that the conditional use permit issued to Ripley Dairy be extended six months beyond June 14, 2006, based upon events which Ripley Dairy believed were not attributable to the Dairy; and

WHEREAS, on June 13, 2006, the Dodge County Board of Commissioners did approve and authorize by motion the extension of Ripley Dairy, LLP, conditional use permit # 05-04 for an additional six months, said extension commencing from June 14, 2006; and

Ripley Dairy CUP
#05-04 Declared Null
& Void by Resolution
#2007-03 -
Continued

WHEREAS, on or about November 29, 2006, Ripley Dairy, LLP, did, through its attorney, notify the county that Ripley Dairy would not undertake any further active involvement in ongoing litigation that had been begun after and as a result of Dodge County's extension of the Ripley Dairy conditional use permit, and further notified the county that even if such litigation had a favorable outcome, that Ripley Dairy, LLP did not intend to pursue a Dairy project in Dodge County, Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, on or about December 12, 2006, Ripley Dairy, LLP, did notify Dodge County that it had no objection to the Dodge County Board of Commissioners taking formal action to declare the Conditional Use Permit # 05-04 to have expired and therefore to be null and void and of no further force and effect; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 1807, subd. 5(c) of the Dodge County Zoning Ordinance, and the extension of the Ripley Dairy, LLP CUP # 05-04 for six months from June 14, 2006, an additional six months has passed and no action has been taken to undertake construction or to undertake the use as allowed under the CUP; and

WHEREAS, under the Dodge County Zoning Ordinance, Section 1807, subd. 5(c) the Ripley Dairy, LLP, conditional use permit is therefore null and void.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Dodge County Board of Commissioners as follows:

1. That Ripley Dairy, LLP, conditional use permit # 05-04, issued on June 14, 2005, and extended for six months by County Board of Commissioners action on June 13, 2006, is hereby declared to be null and void pursuant to the terms of the Dodge County Zoning Ordinance, Section 1807, subd. 5(c).
2. The Dodge County Planning Director is hereby directed to file a copy of this resolution with the Dodge County Recorder's Office.

Resolution adopted unanimously.

Motion by Hanson seconded by Tjosaas to close the meeting to the public at 10:24 a.m. CDT to discuss the MTM v. Dodge County tax court case.

Closed Session

Members present included all five County Commissions, County Administrator and County Attorney.

The Chair opened the meeting to the public at 10:53 a.m. CDT.

Meeting Opened to
the Public

The County Attorney left the meeting at 10:54 am. CDT.

County Attorney Left Meeting

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

Human Services Committee Report

Motion by Hanson seconded by Tjosaas 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 Hanson seconded by Tjosaas to approve a contract with Workforce Development, Inc. to provide the services of Employment & Training for the Minnesota Family Investment Program and the Diversionary Work Program; in an amount not to exceed \$76,305; for the term of 01-01-07 to 12-31-07. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

Contract with Workforce Development, Inc. Approved

Commissioner Tjosaas presented a summary of the Public Safety Committee report and action items.

Public Safety Committee Report

The Board reviewed the Sheriff's Safe & Sober mini grant request.

Safe & Sober Mini Grant and Award

Dodge County Sheriff's Office has been awarded third place in the 2006 Minnesota Safe & Sober Challenge. This award is based on the education, outreach, and enforcement efforts by law enforcement agencies given the resources available to them. On January 25th, at approximately 9:30 a.m., Brad Kollmann and a representative from the Office of Traffic Safety will be at the Courthouse to present the Dodge County Sheriff's Office with this award recognizing our commitment and efforts to traffic safety. The Sheriff will be inviting the local media, and extended an invitation to the commissioners.

Acceptance Approved by Resolution #2007-04

Motion by Tjosaas seconded by Hanson to accept a Safe & Sober mini-grant in the amount of \$1,000 from the Office of Traffic Safety to be used towards the purchase of a traffic radar. Also included in the motion was authorization for the Chair and Deputy Clerk to sign resolution #2007-04 accepting the Traffic Safety Award:

WHEREAS, the Dodge County Sheriff's Office desired to protect the health of its citizens by improving traffic safety and participating in the Safe & Sober Challenge; and

WHEREAS, under the provision of the Highway Safety Act (P.L. 89-563), the Minnesota Department of Public Safety has federal funding to promote traffic safety; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Safety had judged the Dodge County Sheriffs Office's efforts to decrease impaired driving and increase seat belt use to be exceptional, and wants to reward those efforts by providing additional funding for the department;

Safe & Sober Mini Grant and Award Acceptance Approved by Resolution #2007-04 - Continued

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Dodge County Sheriff s Office enter into an agreement with the Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety for the period from January 3, 2007 to June 30, 2007.

The Sheriff of Dodge County is hereby authorized to execute such agreements as are necessary to implement the project on behalf of the Dodge County Sheriff's Office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Sheriff of Dodge County is hereby authorized to be the fiscal agent and administer the grant on behalf of the Dodge County Sheriffs Office.

Resolution adopted unanimously.

The Board reviewed 2007 Law Enforcement Contracts for the cities of Hayfield, Dodge Center and Claremont. There are two changes from the previous year. First, Claremont has doubled the hours contracted from 2.4 hours per day to 4.8 hours per day. Secondly, the hourly rate for all cities for 2007 will be \$36.82, which represents a 3.25 percent increase from 2006.

2007 Law Enforcement Contracts for the Cities of Hayfield, Dodge Center and Claremont Approved

Motion by Tjosaas seconded by Hanson to approve and authorize the Sheriff, Chair, County Clerk and County Attorney to sign Law Enforcement Contracts with the cities of Hayfield, Dodge Center and Claremont as presented for 2007. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

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

Public Health Committee Report

The Board reviewed the Public Health Director's request to accept donations valued at \$325.79.

Public Health Nest Program Donations Accepted

Motion by Alberts seconded by Erickson to approve and authorize the Public Health Department to accept a cash donation of \$301.79 and miscellaneous infant clothing valued at \$24.00 from the Kingdom Kids/Community Celebration Church to be used for the Public Health Nest Program. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

The Board discussed the Public Health request to approve Amendment #2007-1 to the County Agreement with UCare Minnesota. The amendment reflects an updated reimbursement rate for care coordination services. All other terms of the agreement will remain in full force and effect.

Amendment #2007-1 to the County Agreement Between UCare Minnesota and Dodge County Public Health Approved

Motion by Alberts seconded by Erickson to approve and authorize the Public Health Director and Chair to sign Amendment #2007-1 to the County Agreement between UCare Minnesota and Dodge County Public Health as presented. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

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

Public Works
Committee Report

The Board reviewed the County Engineers Trunk Highway 57 Detour Agreement request.

TH 57 Detour
Agreement Approved
by Resolution
#2007-05

This summer Trunk Highway 57 is scheduled to receive a mill and overlay with some culvert repair. During these operations it will be necessary to periodically detour traffic off of TH 57. The detour route selected for Dodge County is on CSAH 7 and CSAH 16. These are recently surfaced roads and will carry the extra traffic well.

For allowing a detour onto our county roads the agreement lays out two methods of payment to the county. The first is a calculation of the amount of fuel used by the extra vehicles to travel our roads. The tax collected on that fuel is then paid to the county. The second method uses pavement testing to determine the amount of wear caused by the additional traffic over that which local traffic causes. If that wear exceeds what the road is designed to carry over its life the county is paid accordingly. Due to the newer surface it is likely the gas tax method will be selected in the end.

Motion by Erickson seconded by Alberts to approve and authorize the Chair and Deputy Clerk to sign resolution #2007-05 in support of the TH 57 Detour Agreement:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Board of Commissioners of Dodge County, that Dodge County enter into Mn/DOT Agreement No. 90270 with the State of Minnesota, Department of Transportation for the following purposes:

To provide for payment by the state to the county for the use and maintenance of County State Aid Highway No's. 16, 7, and 24 used as a detour route during the mill and bituminous overlay, culvert replacement, and other associated construction to be performed upon, along, and adjacent to Trunk Highway No. 57 from the north limits of Kasson to the junction of Trunk Highway No. 60 under State Project Nos. 2007-36 and 2509-21 (T.H. 57 = 128).

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Dodge County Engineer and the Dodge County Administrator are authorized to execute the Agreement and any amendments to the Agreement.

Resolution adopted unanimously.

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

Administration
Committee Report

Motion by Erickson seconded by Hanson to approve and authorize the January 2, 2007 organizational meeting minutes as presented. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

01/02/07
Organizational
Meeting Minutes
Approved

The Board reviewed the Building Operations Supervisor's request for renewal of contractor agreements.

Authorized Signers
on Dodge County
Financial Accounts
Approved

Dodge County requires trade skilled labor and equipment for miscellaneous service repair and maintenance of its plumbing and hydronic (boiler) heating and mechanical HVAC systems at Dodge County buildings.

Current contractors have extended their 2006 prices for year 2007. Pricing is as follows:

Contractor	Hourly Rate	Service
Comet Heating and Air	\$45.00/hour	Mechanical HVAC
Harty Mechanical, Inc.	\$75.00/hour	Plumbing
Harty Mechanical, Inc.	\$65.00/hour	Hydronic Heating

Motion by Erickson seconded by Alberts to approve and authorize the renewal of the following 2007 Independent Contractor Agreements:

- Comet Hearing and Air, Mechanical HVAC Services, \$45.00 per hour.
- Harty Mechanical, Inc., Plumbing Services, \$75.00 per hour, Hydronic Heating Services, \$65.00 per hour.

Motion adopted unanimously.

The County Administrator discussed with the Board changes or appointments that need to be made to the 2007 County Board Committee Assignments and Boards/Commissions. Motion by Alberts seconded by Tjosaas to approve and authorize the following changes or appointments to the 2007 County Board Committee Assignments and Boards/Commissions:

Additional 2007
County Board
Committee
Assignments and
Boards/Commissions
Approved

Board of Adjustments

Donald Leth 1/1/2007 – 12/31/2007 (Finishing term resigned by former member)

Dodge/Steele Community Health Joint Powers Board

Main Alternate

Hanson Gray

Alberts

Tjosaas

Motion adopted unanimously.

Commissioners provided their agency reports. Commissioner Hanson attended a Township Officers meeting and a South Central Human Relations Joint Powers meeting. Commissioner Alberts attended a Planning meeting and a Semcac meeting. Commissioner Gray attended a SCHRC meeting, a Township Officers meeting, a Planning and Zoning meeting and a meeting at the Benedix feedlot. Commissioner Erickson attended a Statutory meeting of the County Board, a Planning and Zoning meeting, a Dodge County Township Officers meeting, a SCHA Joint Powers Annual Board meeting and a open house at the Benedix feedlot. Commissioner Tjosaas attended a Planning and Zoning meeting, a Township Officers meeting and a Semcac meeting.

Agency Reports

Motion by Tjosaas seconded by Alberts to adjourn the meeting at 11:34 a.m. CST. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

Meeting Adjourned

The next regular meeting of the Dodge County Board of Commissioners will be held on January 23, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. CDT.

Next Regular Meeting

ATTEST:

DON GRAY
CHAIR, COUNTY BOARD

BECKY LUBAHN
DEPUTY CLERK

DATED: