

TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2007

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

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

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATION OFFICE
MANTORVILLE, MN**

2007-06

The Dodge County Board of Commissioners met in regular session March 13, 2007, in the Commissioner's Room at the Courthouse Annex, Mantorville, MN, at 9:30 a.m. CDT. Don Gray, 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

Motion by Hanson seconded by Tjosaas to approve and adopt the agenda as presented. *Motion adopted unanimously.* Agenda Approved

New employees were introduced. New Employee Introductions

Human Services Director Brian Hartung introduced Ann Adamson who is the new Office Support Specialist in the Human Services Department.

Cindy Quaale introduced Nanette Escobedo the new Senior Court Clerk in the Court Administration office.

David McKnight introduced Eric Thompson who is the new Drug Court Case Manager.

The Board welcomed the new employees.

The County Attorney arrived to the meeting at 9:31 a.m. CDT. County Attorney Arrived to Meeting

The Board discussed with the County Engineer his request to close the CSAH 11 and TH 57 intersection. Request to Close CSAH 11 and TH 57 Intersection Discussion

Commissioner Erickson commented that he wants the County Engineer to look at the curve the Board suggested and see if culverts would need to be removed and reinstalled and if there is an additional cost for this change.

Commissioner Hanson wanted to know if this was a state aid road.

Mr. Kohlhofer confirmed that it was.

Commissioner Hanson commented that Mantorville Township would have to agree to the turn back.

The County Engineer discussed with the Board the possibility of applying state aid credit to a road that runs between the Kasson-Mantorville Elementary and High Schools.

Commissioner Erickson clarified that the Board's recommendation was to ask Mr. Kohlhofer to approach the state and inform them that Dodge County prefers the installation of a right angle intersection and not closing the CSAH 11 and TH 57 intersection or to leave the intersection as it is. Mr. Erickson wanted to know if the county can do this without substantial change to CSAH 11.

Commissioner Alberts agreed with Commissioner Erickson's recommendation.

Mr. Kohlhofer discussed the timing factor with the Board. The County Engineer noted that he will ask the state if they will allow Dodge County to build a right angle intersection onto TH 57 and if the state will pay for it. The County Engineer wanted to know if the state was not willing to do this, what then?

Commissioner Alberts informed Mr. Kohlhofer that he should do all that he can to put the road at a 90 degree angle.

The County Engineer noted that he was not sure if there was enough time to get everything done.

Commissioner Alberts stated that if the state will not fund the recommended change or permit the recommended change that the Board should go with the cul-de-sac option.

Commissioner Tjosaas stated that he wants to see what the Board's options are before he makes a decision on the request.

It was the consensus of the Board to table further discussion on the request until Tuesday, March 20, 2007 at the Fairview Care Center meeting in Dodge Center, MN in order to allow the County Engineer time to discuss the Board's recommendation with the state.

Mr. Kohlhofer was asked to find out what happens to the turn back on TH 57.

Request to Close
CSAH 11 and TH 57
Intersection
Discussion –
Continued

The Board reviewed with Mr. Kohlhofer his request to award the calcium chloride bid.

Calcium Chloride
Seasonal Supply Bid
Awarded

The Highway Department received a second round of bids for the seasonal supply of chloride for dust control. Two types of chloride can be used for dust control; calcium chloride or magnesium chloride. Both work well however 20% more magnesium chloride is required to get relatively equal results. Because either can be used we accept bids for both and compare the cost per square yard.

Suppliers and bid information is follows:

Supplier	Bid Amount	
	Calcium Chloride	Magnesium Chloride
Dustcoating		\$0.72/gallon
Univar	\$0.769/gallon	

Mr. Kohlhofer noted that with an application rate of 0.25 gallon/square yard for calcium chloride and 0.30 gallon/square yard magnesium chloride the bid cost per square yard is \$0.192 and \$0.216 respectively. This indicates Univar is the effective low bidder with calcium chloride.

Motion by Erickson seconded by Alberts to award the bid for chloride dust control to Univar for the supply of calcium chloride at a cost of \$0.769/gallon per square yard. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

County Administrator David McKnight shared with the Board the County Assessor's request to set a date for the 2007 County Board of Appeal and Equalization meeting.

2007 Dodge County
Board of Appeal &
Equalization Meeting
Date Set

Motion by Tjosaas seconded by Alberts to set the 2007 Dodge County Board of Appeal and Equalization Hearing for 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 12, 2007. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

Environmental Quality Director Mark Gamm met with the Board to discuss improvements to the Waste Management System.

Study to Improve the
Waste Management
System in Dodge
County Approved

Mr. Gamm provided the following background information. For the past twenty years the county has maintained one of the best waste management systems in the nation. Now, due to outdated regulations, increasing costs, and hauler problems, Dodge County's system is at risk. The Environmental Quality Director stated that we need to make improvements to assure compliance with the Waste Management Plan and the Dodge/Olmsted Joint Management Agreement.

The Environmental Quality Director shared a summary of proposed improvements. After reviewing the options Mr. Gamm reported that he is recommending that the Board consider two possible changes to the current system:

1. Reduce the tipping fee and replace it with a "waste-to-energy service fee." This will save nearly \$54,000 in the first year, provide customers a transparent view of cost components, and create incentives for haulers to comply with the county's Waste Management Plan, Ordinances, and the Dodge/Olmsted Joint Management Agreement.
2. Implement organized collection within municipalities in the county. Several cities have indicated an interest in organized collection that would reduce cost to citizens (can reduce collection cost by 25%), reduce road maintenance cost, increase public safety, improve efficiency of services, and create a collection system that meets all expectations of city and county.

Study to Improve the Waste Management System in Dodge County Approved - Continued

The Environmental Quality Director requested that the Board support a detailed study of the two options listed above. Mr. Gamm noted that these options need careful technical and legal review. To assist in the study and implementation, the Environmental Quality Director recommends that we hire experts in the field: Kevin Johnson, Attorney at Lindquist and Vennum, PLLP and Trudy Richter of Richardson, Richter, and Associates. Each has worked with many counties including Olmsted County on their waste management issues. Mr. Gamm has discussed this proposal with the County Attorney and Mr. Kiltinen agrees that experienced counsel is needed. Environmental Quality has dedicated \$15,000 of their current budget to pay for the services.

The County Attorney was available to comment on the request.

Motion by Alberts seconded by Erickson to approve and authorize a detailed study of options available for improvements to the Waste Management System in Dodge County as requested. Kevin Johnson, Attorney at Lindquist and Vennum, PLLP and Trudy Richter of Richardson, Richter, and Associates, who are experts in the field, will be hired to conduct the study. The funds for the study will come from the Environmental Quality budget.
Motion adopted unanimously.

Mr. Gamm discussed with the Board a request to approve a hauler license for A-Z Sanitation.

Hauler License Approved by Resolution #2007-16

At the February 13, 2007 Board meeting the Board issued A-Z Sanitation an interim license until March 13, 2007 to allow more time for A-Z to submit all required information.

Motion by Tjosaas seconded by Alberts to approve and authorize the Chair and Deputy Clerk to sign resolution #2007-16 granting 2007 Hauler's License:

WHEREAS, the following waste hauler has applied for a license to collect and transport solid waste in Dodge County:

A-Z Sanitation

WHEREAS, the Dodge County Solid Waste Officer has reviewed the hauler's application and supplemental information and finds that it meet requirements set forth in Dodge County Solid Waste Ordinance.

Hauler License
Approved by
Resolution #2007-16
- Continued

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED; that the Dodge County Board of Commissioners grants a license to collect and transport solid waste in Dodge County for a period from March 13, 2007 to February 14, 2008 to the following hauler:

A-Z Sanitation

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the enforceable conditions of each license is as follows:

1. The licensee will comply with all enforceable provisions of Dodge County Ordinance and state law.
2. The licensee, if choosing to arrange for final disposal in an out-of-state facility, can do so only if that facility meets design and operating requirements for the state in which that facility resides.
3. The licensee, if choosing to arrange for final disposal in an out-of-state facility, must provide to the County Solid Waste Officer, prior to disposal, a copy of the facility's permit, construction certification, and operating manuals required by permit. The licensee will also provide to the Dodge County Solid Waste Officer, on a monthly basis, an accurate estimate of volume or weight of waste collected from customers in Dodge County which is disposed in an out-of-state facility. If actual pounds can not be obtained, the amount will be estimated based on the generator's container size and frequency of collection using the following weight to volume ratio:
 - 110 lbs per uncompacted cubic yard and
 - 0.54 lbs per gallon
4. License fees will be submitted in accordance with Dodge County Resolution named: "2007 Hauler License Fee."
Resolution adopted unanimously.

County Administrator David McKnight presented a request to acknowledge winter sports state champions.

Kasson/Mantorville
High School
Individual
Recognized for State
Wrestling
Championship

Mr. McKnight noted that as is the tradition of the Dodge County Board of Commissioners, a state championship earned by a Dodge County high school team or athlete is recognized and congratulated by the County Board. This winter season so far there has been one state championship earned in Dodge County.

Garett Garness of Kasson/Mantorville High School won the individual state wrestling championship in the Class AA 103 pound division on Saturday, March 3, 2007 at the Xcel Energy Center. Garett finished the season with a 40-4 record.

Kasson/Mantorville
High School
Individual
Recognized for State
Wrestling
Championship -
Continued

Motion by Alberts seconded by Tjosaas to direct the County Administrator to send a note of congratulations to Garett Garness and to the Kasson/Mantorville School District congratulating them on this great accomplishment. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

Mr. McKnight reviewed with the Board a proposed 2008 budget calendar.

2008 Dodge County
Budget Calendar
Approved

The County Administrator reported that he found it very useful and successful last year to establish this calendar at the start of the process. It keeps everyone on task and lets the Board know early in the year when to block off time for budget work sessions.

Mr. McKnight reported that he has scheduled four possible County Board work sessions as a part of the 2008 budget process. The first three he has used the third Tuesday in April, June and July since the Board already has a Fairview Care Center meeting that day. The fourth work session in November can be scheduled later in the year. The County Administrator noted that they will have some initial discussions on the 2008 budget at their work session scheduled for March 20, 2007.

The County Administrator commented that most of the dates on the proposed calendar can be changed and that he put these dates together to get this process started.

Motion by Alberts seconded by Erickson to approve the 2008 Dodge County Budget Calendar as discussed. It was noted that the July 17, 2007 County Board Work Session #3 will be moved to July 10, 2007. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

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

Legal Update

Mr. Kiltinen reviewed with the Board his land transactions request.

Abandoned Right-of-
Way Returned to
Adjoining Property
Owners

The County Attorney reported that the State of Minnesota after realignment of Highway 14 abandoned right-of-way to Dodge County through the Highway Department. It is Mr. Kiltinen's understanding that this right-of-way is not currently buildable as it is subject to other utility easements and there would be limited access to the same. As these are small parcels it was the belief that they should be rejoined with the land that they were taken from. Since the county only takes an easement, upon abandonment the land would revert to the adjoining land owners. The state took actual title to the property and as such it would not revert. The county in essence is doing the same thing by rejoining this property with that owned by adjacent landowners. A fee has been charged for the same to cover the costs of survey and management of this matter.

Motion by Tjosaas seconded by Alberts to approve and authorize the Chair and County Administrator to sign Quit Claim Deeds to return abandoned Highway 14 right-of-way to the following adjoining property owners:

Abandoned Right-of-Way Returned to Adjoining Property Owners - Continued

Gary and Alana McMahan – Parcel A
Catalina M. Hotung – Parcels B & C

Motion adopted unanimously.

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 Karen Smith – Case Aide - .80 FTE
Step increase from B22 step 5 \$14.41 to B22 step 4 \$14.87.
Effective Date: 4/8/07
- A.2 Nancy Reuvers – Social Services Supervisor
Annual review.
Effective Date: 3/16/07
- A.3 Social Worker – Temporary
Authorization to fill temporary position in the Child/Family Unit.
Effective Date: 3/14/07 – 9/28/07 (approximate)
- A.4 Carrie Anderson – Social Worker – Temporary
Authorization to hire at C42 step 9 \$17.44 to fill vacancy.
Effective Date: 3/14/07 – 9/28/07 (approximate)

B. Administration

- B.1 John Bjerke – Custodian/Maintenance - .5 FTE
Resignation.
Effective Date: 4/6/07
- B.2 Custodian/Maintenance - .5 FTE
Authorization to post and fill vacancy due to resignation.
Effective Date: 3/13/07
- B.3 Jacqueline Toizer – Administrative Assistant – Temporary
End of temporary employment.
Effective Date: 1/4/07
- B.4 Janet Tripp – On-Call Clerical Roster
Authorization to add to “On-Call” Roster.
Effective Date: 3/5/07
- B.5 David Deschene – Information Technology Advisor
Authorization to change status from Director of Information Technology – Full-Time to Information Technology Advisor – On-Call.
Effective Date: 5/25/07

C. Highway Department

- C.1 Seasonal Highway Engineering Intern (2)
Authorization to post and fill two positions not to exceed 6 months.
Effective Date: 3/13/07
- C.2 Seasonal Highway Maintenance (4)
Authorization to post and fill four positions not to exceed 6 months.
Effective Date: 3/13/07

D. Environmental Quality

- D.1 Mark Brannan – Solid Waste Facility Operator
Step increase from B22 step 2 \$16.87 to B22 step 1 \$17.37.
Effective Date: 3/1/07
- D.2 Administrative Assistant – Planning
Approval of updated job description.
Effective Date: 3/13/07
- D.3 Melissa DeVetter – Compliance Officer
Authorization to employ at B31 step 5 \$16.73.
Effective Date: 3/26/07

Personnel Actions
Approved –
Continued

E. Sheriff's Department

- E.1 Robert Hovland – Deputy Sheriff
Step increase from C41 36 month step \$21.51 to C41 48 month step \$22.26.
Effective Date: 3/11/07
- E.2 Mark Dyshaw – Deputy Sheriff
Step increase from C41 24 month step \$20.10 to C41 36 month step \$21.51.
Effective Date: 3/10/07
- E.3 Ryer Anderson – Deputy Sheriff
Step increase from C41 36 month step \$21.51 to C41 48 month step \$22.26.
Effective Date: 3/16/07

F. Public Health

- F.1 Carol Braun – Health Educator - .5 FTE
Step increase from C41 step 9 \$16.62 to C41 step 8 \$17.25.
Effective Date: 3/19/07
- F.2 Ashley Olson – Health Educator
Step increase from C41 step 7 \$17.89 to C41 step 6 \$18.56.
Effective Date: 3/21/07
- F.3 Deb Harlow – Public Health Nurse I - .8 FTE
Annual review.
Effective Date: 3/23/07

Motion adopted unanimously.

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

Bills Approved

01	Revenue Fund	\$ 62,933.33
11	Human Services Fund	\$ 13,896.51
13	Road and Bridge	\$ 49,172.86
16	Environmental Quality	<u>\$ 5,635.53</u>
	Total	\$131,638.23

A payment to White Water Wireless in the amount of \$814.73 was added back into the bills. This bill was pulled from the bills on February 13, 2007 for clarification.

A payment to Reed Business Information in the amount of \$162.79 on page sixteen was pulled, it was a duplicate billing. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

Ms. Kramer discussed with the Board a request for a 2:00 a.m. liquor license. The Finance Director reported that the new owners of the former Oaks Supper Club have expressed interest in obtaining a 2:00 a.m. liquor permit. Ms. Kramer stated that Dodge County has not issued a 2:00 a.m. permit to date.

2 A.M. Liquor License Request Denied

The Finance Director noted that this license is offered at the discretion of the county. If the Board would choose to allow 2:00 a.m. liquor licenses, there is a fee scale set by the state but the county may also charge a local fee. Ms. Kramer suggested that if it is determined that Dodge County will offer 2:00 a.m. liquor permits, a county fee in the amount of \$50.00 per permit be requested.

Motion by Alberts seconded by Hanson to deny the 2:00 a.m. liquor permits request for the new owners of the former Oaks Supper Club. *Motion adopted Tjosaas, Hanson, Alberts, Gray aye, Erickson nay.*

The County Attorney left the meeting at 11:24 a.m. 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 Human Services participation in the Southeast Region Behavioral Health All Hazards Disaster Response and Recovery Plan as found in the Governor's Executive Order #04-04 sections XII which relates to the responsibilities of the Human Services Department. It was noted that there would be no fee or cost to Dodge County. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

Participation in SE Region Behavioral Health All Hazards Disaster Response and Recovery Plan Approved

Motion by Hanson seconded by Tjosaas to support and approve Human Services to assume the responsibilities and service delivery of the Dodge County Truancy Program to be modeled after the program developed and provided by the Dodge County Family Services Collaborative, to be effective immediately. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

Human Services Authorized to Assume Responsibilities & Service Delivery for Truancy Program

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

Public Safety Committee Report

The Board reviewed the Sheriff's request to accept a DARE donation.

DARE Donation
Approved

The Sheriff's Office has received a \$2,000.00 donation to their D.A.R.E. program from United Way of Dodge County. Because this program is funded entirely by donations, the Sheriff asks that the Board once again accept this donation for inclusion in the Sheriff's Office D.A.R.E. budget.

It was noted that this year has been significant for our D.A.R.E. program. The Sheriff's Office is back in the Kasson/Mantorville school after a two year absence, and they have also expanded their program to include the Maranatha Adventist School in Dodge Center.

Motion by Tjosaas seconded by Hanson to approve and authorize the Sheriff's Office to accept a donation in the amount of \$2,000 to the D.A.R.E. Program from the Dodge County United Way. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

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

Public Health
Committee Report

The Board discussed the Public Health Director's request to allow Public Health staff to attend out of state training.

Out-of-State Training
Request Approved
for Public Health

As a part of the partnership with Mower County Chemical Health Coalition/Parenting Resource Center's 2006-2007 mentoring project agreement, the Health Educator of Public Health is required to attend the Community Anti-Drug Coalition of America National (CADCA) conference. In place of attending this conference Public Health has been requested to attend the Montana Summer Institute for Social Norms Practitioners in Bozeman, Montana. This conference will build upon the training the Health Educator attended in June 2006 and will assist them in increasing program effectiveness in the area of prevention work. The cost of the registration, air flight, meals and lodging is paid by the agent.

Estimated expenses are as follows:

Expense	Estimated Cost
Registration	\$595.00
Air Flight	\$650.00
Meals	\$150.00
Lodging	\$300.00
Total Estimated Cost:	\$1,695.00

Motion by Alberts seconded by Erickson to approve and authorize Ashley Olson to attend the Montana Summer Institute for Social Norms Practitioners conference in Bozeman, Montana July 12-14, 2007 at a cost of approximately \$1,695 as requested by the Public Health Director. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

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

Public Works
Committee Report

The Board discussed the County Engineer's request to advertise for SAP 20-599-094.

Highway Department
Authorized to
Advertise for SAP 20-
599-094

This project is for the replacement of township Bridge No. L-3922 on 540th Street in Ellington Township.

Bridge inspections indicate a sufficiency rating of 39.7 making the bridge structurally deficient. State provided township bridge funds and bond funds are available and Ellington Township has requested the replacement.

The township still needs to acquire drainage easements resulting in an unsure schedule. In order to let this project at the earliest possible date the Highway Department requests authority to advertise and open bids as soon as possible.

Costs have been estimated for this project however in order to preserve the bidding process they are not available for public release at this time.

Motion by Erickson seconded by Alberts to approve and authorize the Highway Department to set dates to advertise and open bids for SAP 20-599-094 at the discretion of the County Engineer and County Administrator.
Motion adopted unanimously.

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

Administration
Committee Report

Motion by Tjosaas seconded by Hanson to approve and authorize the February 27, 2007 Committee of the Whole meeting minutes as presented.
Motion adopted unanimously.

02/27/07 Committee
of the Whole Meeting
Minutes Approved

Motion by Erickson seconded by Hanson to approve and authorize the February 27, 2007 meeting minutes as presented. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

02/27/07 Meeting
Minutes Approved

The Board discussed the 2007 Assessment Agreements as provided by the County Assessor. It was noted that each of the townships and cities have now returned their signed agreement, although one was approved and returned subsequent to the Assessor's memo to the Board. Most of the corresponding fees have also been forwarded, although some are waiting for County Board approval before they send their checks. The total amount which will ultimately be collected for the assessment fees in 2007 is \$83,745 or about a 16.5% increase over 2006.

2007 Assessment
Agreements
Approved

Motion by Erickson seconded by Tjosaas to approve and authorize the Chair and County Administrator to sign the 2007 Assessment Agreements and fees for assessment services rendered as presented. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

The County Administrator reviewed his request for a resolution authorizing application for MHFA Family Homeless Prevention and Assistance Program.

Application for MHFA
Family Homeless
Prevention and
Assistance Program
Approved by
Resolution #2007-17

Mr. McKnight reported that Semcac has administered the Family Homeless Prevention and Assistance Program (FHP) in Dodge, Fillmore, Houston, Mower, Steele, and Winona counties for thirteen years. Semcac began serving Freeborn County with FHP services in 2004. The FHP Grant was designed to provide short-term housing assistance to families and youth. Needs are assessed and consumer must have resources to make housing payments once the financial assistance ends. Last year Semcac served a total of 262 individuals in 93 households with short-term rent or mortgage assistance. Fourteen individuals in four households were Dodge County residents.

Semcac Outreach Staff facilitate County Family Homeless Prevention Teams. Relationships are established with other local service providers to avoid any duplication.

Motion by Alberts seconded by Tjosaas to approve and authorize the Chair and Deputy Clerk to sign resolution #2007-17 authorizing application for MHFA Family Homeless Prevention and Assistance Program.

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, State of Minnesota, has been authorized to undertake a program to provide funds for Family Homeless Prevention & Assistance Projects; and

WHEREAS, the Southeastern Minnesota Housing Network, working through: 1) Olmsted Community Action, 2) Semcac, and 3) Three Rivers Community Action, has developed a renewal application for the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency Family Homeless Prevention & Assistance Program; and

WHEREAS, the Southeastern Minnesota Housing Network through Olmsted Community Action, Semcac, and Three Rivers Community Action has demonstrated the ability to perform the required activities of the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency Family Homeless Prevention & Assistance Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Southeastern Minnesota Housing Network is hereby authorized as an entity to be charged with the administration of funds made available through the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency Family Homeless Prevention & Assistance Program in Dodge County, Minnesota.

Resolution adopted unanimously.

Commissioners provided their agency reports. Commissioner Hanson attended a Child Care Providers meeting, a County Trails meeting, a Township meeting with Legislators and a South Central Human Relations meeting. Commissioner Alberts attended a Semcac meeting and a Trails meeting. Commissioner Gray attended a SCHRC meeting. Commissioner Erickson attended a SCHA State Audit meeting, a Dodge County Corrections Task Force meeting, a SCHA State Audit of Quality Assurance Program meeting and a SCHA Joint Powers Board meeting. Commissioner Tjosaas attended a Semcac meeting, an Extension Committee meeting and a Child Care meeting.

Agency Reports

The meeting was recessed at 11:27 a.m. CDT until Tuesday, March 20, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. CDT at the Fairview Care Center in Dodge Center, Minnesota.

Meeting Recessed

The Chair reconvened the meeting on March 20, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. CDT at the Fairview Care Center in Dodge Center, MN.

Meeting Reconvened

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
	Guy Kohlhofer	County Engineer

County Engineer Guy Kohlhofer shared with the Board correspondence from MnDOT regarding their request to close the CSAH 11 and TH 57 intersection.

Request to Close
CSAH 11 and TH 57
Intersection
Approved

The County Board discussed issues related to this potential project including the townships opinion, possible turn-back to the township, size of the cul-de-sac and other possible options.

Motion by Hanson seconded by Alberts to approve the TH 57 and CSAH 11 project in place of the TH 57 and CSAH 24 project. The CSAH 11 project includes closing the CSAH 11 access to TH 57 and replacing it with a cul-de-sac and the installation of a north bound right hand turn lane from TH 57 to CSAH 16 to be built and paid for by the State of Minnesota. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

Motion by Tjosaas seconded by Alberts to adjourn the meeting at 9:54 a.m. CST. *Motion adopted unanimously.*

Meeting Adjourned

The next regular meeting of the Dodge County Board of Commissioners will be held on March 27, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. CDT.

Next Regular
Meeting

ATTEST:

DON GRAY
CHAIR, COUNTY BOARD

BECKY LUBAHN
DEPUTY CLERK

DATED: