

## MINUTES OF PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING

Held Wednesday, January 6, 2010 at the Recycling Center.

PRESENT: Supervisors Behnke, Dufek, Gauger, Mueller, Vogt

ALSO PRESENT: J. Beyer, G. Neuser, J. Krizek, M. Herman, J. Reisenbuechler, S. Ahl, D. Kieckbusch, B. Schuetze, H. Jannette, R. Wegner

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by the Committee Chairperson.

The Committee reviewed the minutes from the previous Committee meetings after which a motion was made by Mueller, seconded by Gauger to approve the minutes as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

The Committee Chairperson called for public input, Mr. Herman indicated that he had been asked to provide a written proposal for the services that he had indicated at previous meetings that he had attended but that he had been told that there may not be reduction in the cost of the electronics that he would be handling for the County and that he did not feel like providing a written proposal unless the cost was reduced to the customers that use the program. He estimated that the cost that he would charge for the recycling of the microwaves would be \$1 per unit. After Mr. Herman's presentation the Committee Chairperson called for public input three more times with no additional input provided.

The Recycling Center reviewed the status of the revenues and markets for the recycling programs with the committee. Information on the results of the 2009 electronics through November was reviewed as well with 2009 being a record year for the collection of electronics. It was directed by the Committee Chairperson that this information be presented to the County Board once all of the information was compiled for 2009. No additional action was taken on these items.

The Committee reviewed with the Solid Advisory Committee the idea of having only quarterly meetings for the Advisory Board. After discussion it was agreed to proceed with this idea with the Advisory Board receiving the agenda and minutes for all of the regular Public Works Committee meetings in case an item of interest was on the agenda that any or all of the Advisory Board members would like come for. It was directed by the Committee Chairperson that staff ensure that agendas and minutes were sent to the Advisory Board members. No additional action was taken on this item

Several additional items were discussed including the up coming drug collection program, the Winter Solid Waste Conference in which Neuser, Beyer, Reisenbuechler and Schuetze would be attending, and other miscellaneous solid waste items after which the Advisory Board adjourned.

The Assistant Public Works Director gave a report to the Committee in regards to the Courthouse Roofing and Stair project. This project is shut down for the winter with the exception of some copper work being done on the roof. The Committee reviewed pay request #7 for the Courthouse project in the amount of \$164,075.70. After review a motion was made by Vogt, seconded by Gauger, to approve the pay request. Motion carried unanimously. No additional action taken on this item.

Committee was updated on activities and status of the Ice Center, Expo, and Fair by the Expo Manager. The Committee reviewed staff's concern with the reduced ice time being used by main groups in that this could lead to major changes that may need to take place for the next skating season. One step already taken was the elimination of summer ice. Also discussed was the large number of events already scheduled for 2010 and that grounds were going to be very busy and that the Expo Board had been working very hard on reducing cost for the 2010 fair to help improve the bottom line. The up coming Sportsman's trade show was also discussed and reviewed with the committee by Schuetze.

The Assistant Public Works Director gave a short report to the Committee in regards to the status of the Jail Security System. After the report the committee reviewed payment request #5 in the amount of \$75,105.00. When the review was complete a motion was made by Dufek, seconded by Mueller to approve the payment request. Motion carried unanimously.

The Public Works Director reviewed the status of the C&T building with the Committee including the draft of the resolution that the committee had passed on to the County Board, after discussion there was no additional action taken.

A report was given by the Public Works Director regarding the Radio and Antennae project and discussions had started with Motorola in regards to their proposal. During the discussions Dufek asked if any of the partners that use the system knew about or had been invited to the meeting(s) with Motorola. It was indicated that invitations had went out to large number of people and that several had attended the first meeting. The first meeting had gone very well with a follow up meeting scheduled for January 28<sup>th</sup>. After discussion on several miscellaneous items related to the project no additional action was taken.

Committee reviewed the work on the Tax Delinquent properties in which it was indicated that open houses were planned for January 15 and 16 with bids due at the end of the month. The Finance Committee had reviewed the list of properties that had been listed and approved the list and appraised values.

The Committee reviewed the proposals that had been made for the lease of the Coenen Property and the information that there was a crop that was still on the property that the County would either have to settle with the past leaser or reject the present proposals and allow the farmer to remove the present crop. After reviewing what the value of the present crop would be for a potential buy out of the crop already planted a motion was made by Vogt, seconded by Mueller to reject the proposals to reach an agreement with the farmer that has the crop in to get the crop removed and that any agreement made be clear that no crop is to be placed that would require a harvest time into fall so that proposals could be accepted late next year on this farmland. Motion carried unanimously.

The Committee reviewed the minutes and agendas for the Expo Board and sub committees as well as the Ice Center with not additional action taken. Motion was made by Gauger, seconded by Mueller to adjourn at 5:30. Motion carried unanimously.

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Clyde Mueller