

October 22, 2024

At 9:00 AM, on Tuesday, October 22, 2024, the Brown County Board of Commissioners met in Room #204 of the Brown County Courthouse located in New Ulm, Minnesota, 56073. Commissioners present were David Borchert, Anton Berg, Scott Windschitl, Brian Braun and Jeff Veerkamp, along with County Administrator Sam Hansen and County Attorney Charles Hanson.

Agenda Review

1. Chairman Veerkamp convened the Regular Meeting at 9:00 AM. A motion was offered by Commissioner Braun, and was seconded by Commissioner Borchert, to accept the amended agenda. This motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda Review

2. Previous Meeting's Official Proceedings and Synopsis Approval

3. Human Services Claims Payments

Approve payment of claims in the amount of \$18,317.29. In accordance with MS 375.12 the following claims exceed \$2,000: Elan Financial Services \$6,760.47; Verizon Wireless \$3,115.14; 14 payments less than \$2,000 total \$8,441.68. Final Total: \$18,317.29.

4. Staffing Report

A motion was offered by Commissioner Braun, and was seconded by Commissioner Berg, to approve said Consent Agenda items. This motion carried unanimously.

New Business

6. Leota Lind, South County Health Alliance (SCHA) CEO, met with the County Board. A motion was offered by Commissioner Windschitl, and was seconded by Commissioner Borchert, to accept and order file the SCHA Fall 2024 Report. This motion carried unanimously.

7. Sam Hansen, County Administrator, met with the County Board. A motion was offered by Commissioner Windschitl, and was seconded by Commissioner Braun, to accept and order file the Q3 2024 Budget Report (Modified Accrual and Unaudited) which reflects activity at 75% of the budget year as follows: expenditures of \$31,730,778 or 74.7%, and revenues of \$27,146,273 or 63.9%; and the Q3 2024 Supplemental Budget Report noting expenditures of \$1,211,149 or 51.8% and revenues of \$1,415,785 or 68.2% of annual budget activity. This motion carried unanimously.

8. A motion was offered by Commissioner Berg, and was seconded by Commissioner Braun, to approve an hourly wage increase for Taylor Rueckert from \$35.49/hour to \$39.14/hour for taking on a lead role and additional responsibilities in the Information Technology (IT) Department during the IT Director vacancy period from 8/28/2024 through 10/17/2024. This motion carried unanimously.

9. A motion was offered by Commissioner Braun, and was seconded by Commissioner Berg, to approve the reappointment of Anne Grunert, SAMA for a four-year term as County Assessor beginning January 1, 2025, in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 273.061. This motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session

5. A motion was offered by Commissioner Braun, and was seconded by Commissioner Berg, to convene into closed session to consider Leave of Absence Request per Minnesota State Statutes 13.384 Subd. 2. This motion carried unanimously.

A motion was offered by Commissioner Borchert, and was seconded by Commissioner Braun, to approve an unpaid personal leave of absence request for Employee 0466 for an extended period of no less than 6–8 weeks. This motion carried unanimously.

A motion was offered by Commissioner Berg, and was seconded by Commissioner Borchert, to cease closed session and reconvene the open session. This motion carried unanimously.

10. Commissioner Committee Reports: Commissioner Borchert reported on MVAC; Commissioner Veerkamp reported on Labor Management meeting, Ag Society, and Audit Exit meeting.

11. Calendars were coordinated for the next two-week period.

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Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairman Veerkamp declared the Meeting adjourned at 10:31 AM.



Jeff Veerkamp, Chair
Board of Brown County Commissioners
Brown County, Minnesota

ATTEST:

Sam Hansen
Brown County Administrator
Brown County, Minnesota