

CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Tuesday, September 10, 2013

8:30 a.m.

County Board Room – 3rd Floor – Courthouse

MINUTES

The Clay County Board of Commissioners met in regular session with Commissioners Campbell, Gross, Ingersoll, and Weyland present. Commissioner Evert was absent. County Administrator Brian C. Berg, Assistant County Attorney Jenny Samarzja and Senior Administrative Assistant Vicki Reek were also present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On motion by Gross, seconded by Weyland, and unanimously carried, the agenda was approved as presented.

APPROVAL OF NEW PROVIDERS OF HOME & COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES

By consent agenda, the Board approved the following new providers of Home & Community Based Services: Shukry Mohammed, Foster Care; Augustine Hernandez, Foster Care.

APPROVAL OF COUNTY ABATEMENT REQUESTS

By consent agenda, the Board approved an abatement application for Eva Hedstrom and Denis Nelson, parcel #20.021.3302, estimated tax reduction of \$104 (payable 2012), and \$100 (payable 2013). The parcel is a duplicate of another and should be deleted.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

There were no citizens present who wished to address the Board.

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS AND VOUCHERS

On motion by Gross, seconded by Weyland, and unanimously carried, the bills and vouchers were approved for payment.

APPROVE CONTRACT AGREEMENT WITH THE IMPROVE GROUP FOR A REGION IV
COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH ASSESSMENT

Social Services Director Rhonda Porter requested approval of a contract agreement with The Improve Group for a Region IV (9-county) Community Mental Health Needs Assessment for adults and children. Lakeland Mental Health, West Central Initiative and Prime West will provide the funding with Clay County acting as the fiscal host and liaison for Region IV. The assessment will help identify unmet needs and barriers to improving mental health services in the region. Among the areas assessed will be mental health services in correctional facilities and demographic changes.

Assistant County Attorney Jenny Samarzja has reviewed and approved the Agreement, with the suggestion that a Memorandum of Understanding be signed by all counties involved, authorizing Clay County to execute the Agreement on their behalf.

On motion by Weyland, seconded by Gross, and unanimously carried, the Board authorized execution of the Agreement with The Improve Group for a Region IV Community Mental Health Needs Assessment, contingent upon a Memorandum of Understanding executed by the participating counties.

REQUEST TO OFFER 6 & 7 AXLE PERMITS TO PRIVATE GROWERS

County Engineer David Overbo requested the Board's approval to allow private growers to purchase 6 & 7 axle permits for the moving of agricultural product on County roadways. This type of permit was offered to TranSystems in August, 2009. However, at that time, no private growers had trucks configured to haul this much weight. Since then the industry has driven the local growers to build and configure trucks to haul loads similar to what TranSystems hauls.

On motion by Gross, seconded by Campbell, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the sale of 6 axle (up to 90,000 lbs.) and 7 axle (97,000 lbs.) permits to private growers for the moving of agricultural product on County roads, as recommended by the County Engineer.

COMMITTEE REPORTS/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE

Commissioner Campbell attended the Clay County Joint Powers Committee meeting. Commissioner Weyland attended meetings of the Heartland Trail, MRCC, Law Library, and the Buffalo-Red River Watershed District.

Commissioner Gross attended the Felton City Council meeting, and the dedication of a replica Liberty Bell, which is on loan to Clay County from Minnesota State University-Moorhead.

Commissioner Ingersoll attended the Local Advisory Council for Children's Mental Health meeting, and the Moorhead Planning Commission meeting.

County Administrator Brian C. Berg reported on meetings regarding the Management Committee, County Surveyor, and Buffalo-Red River Watershed District.

Assistant County Attorney Jenny Samarzja informed the Board that a Westlaw Legal Research terminal has been installed in the Clay County Jail.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 9:03 a.m.



Wayne Ingersoll, Chair
Clay County Board of Commissioners



Brian C. Berg, County Administrator