

CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Tuesday, July 23, 2013

8:30 a.m.

County Board Room – 3rd Floor – Courthouse

MINUTES

The Clay County Board of Commissioners met in regular session with all Commissioners present: Campbell, Evert, Gross, Ingersoll, and Weyland. County Administrator Brian C. Berg, County Auditor-Treasurer Lori Johnson and Senior Administrative Assistant Vicki Reek were also present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On motion by Weyland, seconded by Evert, and unanimously carried, the agenda was approved with the addition of: Contract renewal for Juvenile Detention Center purchase of beds for 2014.

ADOPTION & FOSTER CARE RECRUITMENT GRANT AWARD RENEWAL

By consent agenda, the Board approved renewal of the Adoption & Foster Care Recruitment Grant in the amount of \$5,568 for years 2014-2015. The funding makes available statewide purchasing of LexisNexis Accurint for the agency's relative search and notification efforts.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

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

2014 BUDGET PRESENTATIONS

Overview: County Administrator Brian Berg presented a draft proposal for the 2014 budget, noting a need of \$26,059,270 (a 7.26% increase over 2013). He reminded the Board that the proposed levy for 2014 is controlled by levy limits (.8%). Summaries of the departmental revenues and expenditures, New Requests, Fund Balance Comparison, Levy Limits, and other items of interest were distributed. Mr. Berg noted that New Requests total approximately \$386,955. Mr. Berg reviewed other items of interest in setting the 2014 budget: The projection for County Program Aid is \$2,864,447; cost of living adjustments and step adjustments are included in the proposed budget; \$200,000 is included for Health insurance premium increases; \$150,000 is included for the Minnesota Counties Insurance Trust dividend; growth attributed to new construction is \$55,855,300; the Market Value increase is \$500,974,500; \$145,000 is included for FM Metro Diversion costs; and due to legislative action, counties will be exempt from Sales Tax (approximately \$500,000 for Clay County).

Commissioner Campbell commented that one of the goals of the Management Retreat last Spring was to begin to set aside funds for replacement of the Correctional Facility. He felt this should be discussed by the Board and possibly added as a New Request.