

The Board of Commissioners met in regular session with Commissioner Kathy M Luthi, Commissioner Harold McCullick, Commissioner Ray McGavran, and County Clerk Mary Arganbright.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Luthi.

The official minutes of February 25, 2008, was read, approved, and signed.

Abatement's were approved.

The commissioners approved the Cereal Malt Beverage License for Terry Robins d/b/a Minneapolis Raceway.

Bruce Barefield, County Attorney, informed the board that he researched the issue of newly elected officials salaries.

Keith Coleman, Emergency Management Coordinator, brought up a memorandum of understanding that he signed for the American Red Cross.

Ken Yager, Minneapolis, was an observer.

John Copple, Highway Administrator, met with the commissioners. Others present were Garrett Clay, Foley Equipment, and Clyde Adams, Murphy Tractor. John brought up interest proposals from the banks for motor graders, for approximately \$400,000 on a 5 year note. Bank of Tescott, 4.75%; Ottawa County Bank, 4.97%; Bennington State Bank, 4.15%, however, the proposal was for only 4 years. Commissioner McGavran moved to accept the proposal from Bank of Tescott for 4.75%. Commissioner McCullick seconded. Motion carried. John gave the board his cost analysis and recommendation for motor graders. Commissioner McCullick moved to accept the proposal from Foley Equipment, for 2 Cat motor graders, for \$313,300, which includes trade-in. Commissioner McGavran seconded. Motion carried. John gave the commissioners the quotes for a new pickup. Bennett Autoplex, Inc., \$22,914; Conklin Cars Salina, either \$23,463 or \$22,843; and Long McArthur Ford, \$19,995. Commissioner McGavran moved to purchase the pickup from Long McArthur for \$19,995. Commissioner McCullick seconded. Motion carried. John gave the board two solid waste exemptions from Bob Paige, Delphos. The commissioners approved the exemptions.

Elbert Drummond, Minneapolis, talked to the board about the recycling center.

Ken White, County Sheriff, gave prisoner count of 33.

With no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.