

**MINUTES OF THE
OTTER TAIL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Government Services Center, Commissioners' Room
500 Fir Avenue W., Fergus Falls, MN
Tuesday, February 6, 2007
9:30 a.m.**

Call to Order

The Otter Tail County Board of Commissioners Convened Tuesday, January 30, 2007, at 9:30 a.m. at the Otter Tail County Government Services Center with Commissioners Dennis Mosher, Chair; Syd Nelson, Vice-Chair; Bob Block, Roger Froemming, and Everett Erickson present.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Nelson, second by Block, and unanimously carried to approve the County Board Agenda of February 6, 2007, as mailed.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Erickson, second by Nelson, and unanimously carried to approve the County Board Minutes of January 30, 2007, as presented.

Approval to Pay Bills

Motion by Nelson, second by Froemming, and unanimously carried to approve payment of the County Board bills per Attachment A of these minutes.

Approval of Hauler's License Applications

Motion by Nelson, second by Block, and unanimously carried to approve the following applications for solid waste hauler's license for year 2007:

Ballard Sanitation Pelican Rapids, MN	Big Red Boxes Fergus Falls, MN	City Dray Sanitation Wadena, MN
Corrie's Sanitation Carlos, MN	Denzel's Region Waste Dalton, MN	Fuch Sanitation Glyndon, MN
Ken Saurer Garbage Service Clitherall, MN	Metro Disposal Fargo, ND	Minn-Kota Recycling Fargo, ND
Severence Enterprise Herman, MN	Steve's Sanitation Perham, MN	Stockman's Glencoe, MN
Toutges Sanitation Henning, MN	Waste Management, Inc. Detroit Lakes, MN	Waste Management, Inc. Milwaukee, WI
West Central Roll Off Vining, MN		

Approval of MPCA Household Hazardous Waste Funding Agreement

Motion by Block, second by Erickson, and unanimously carried to approve the MPCA Household Hazardous Waste Funding Agreement effective March 1, 2007.

Ditch No. 16

Otter Tail County Ag/Ditch Inspector, Randy Wasvick, presented to the County Board pictures that were taken while he was investigating Ditch No 16. Motion by Froemming, second by Block, and unanimously carried to deny the petition from landowners, having investigated and the ditch is in working order.

Recess & Reconvene

At 9:57 a.m., Chairman Mosher declared the meeting of the Otter Tail County Board of Commissioners recessed for a short break. The meeting was reconvened at 10:04 a.m., with Commissioner Nelson absent.

2007 Permit Fees

Land and Resource Management Director, Bill Kalar provided the Board with a handout comparing the current permit fee schedule with increase percentages. Mr. Kalar discussed with the Board raising permit fees to help cover rising costs.

Lake Reclassification

Mr. Kalar provided information to the Board following up on a previous discussion with the Board on the concern that some of the lakes within the county are inappropriately classified. Land & Resource looked at lakes that were a 150 acres or less. There are 200 General Development Lakes and 16 recreational development lakes that fit into the category of 150 acres or less. Mr. Kalar handed out a map that showed distribution of these lakes throughout the county. Discussion followed.

Sewage System Abatement Program

Mr. Kalar provided the Board with an update on the Sewage System Abatement Program. Discussion followed.

Recess & Reconvene

At 10:45 a.m., Chairman Mosher declared the meeting of the Otter Tail County Board of Commissioners recessed for a committee meeting. The meeting was reconvened at 11:06 a.m., with all Commissioners present.

Facility Master Plan Discussion

Physical Plant Manager, Rick Sytsma and Architect, David Shultz presented the Board with a Facility Planning and Implementation History outline and Criminal Justice Facility Planning and Implementation Pivotal Decision Outline. Discussions followed regarding what has been accomplished up to this point, plans currently in progress, and plans that will need to be implemented in the future.

Minnesota County Engineers Association (MCEA)

2006 Outstanding County Engineer Award

Don Theisen, President of the MCEA and Dave Robley, Vice President of the MCEA, presented Rick West with the Minnesota County Engineer Association, 2006 Outstanding County Engineer award.

Recess

At 11:54 a.m., Chairman Mosher declared the meeting of the Otter Tail County Board of Commissioners recessed for a committee meeting and lunch break.

Public Hearing – South Turtle Lake Storm Water System Project

At 1:02 p.m., Chair Mosher announced that the meeting was convened for the purpose of conducting a public hearing and considering a resolution regarding the South Turtle Lake Storm Water System Project.

County Attorney, David Hauser, stated that before the Board is a proposal to create a storm water sewer system, which the county authorized to do under Minnesota Statute No. 444.075 and the county has been asked to exercise its authority to create such a system under the statute. The cost of the project will be assessed to the landowners that will benefit from the entire project and therefore requires a public hearing. David Hauser read for the record a letter from DNR Area Hydrologist, Terry Lejcher containing information regarding the history of the climatology in the area including South Turtle Lake. Mr. Hauser also read two letters addressed to the Board from landowners Boyd and Janice Froemke, and landowners Mike and JoEllen Thacker stating that they supported the project. County Engineer, Rick West, spoke on the scope of the project. The project will be an underground pipeline drainage system that will run from South Turtle Lake; under Hwy 210; ending in Pomme De

Terre. There will be a control structure at the end of South Turtle for adjusting the down stream flow. The project is estimated to cost \$350,000. Mr. West reviewed the draft of the Operations Plan detailing the water surface levels, runout elevations, ordinary high water elevations and the proposed drawdown elevations of both North and South Turtle Lakes. Drawdown time is estimated at ten months.

Ag and Ditch Inspector, Randy Wasvick explained how the Ditch viewers determined who would benefit from the project.

Chair Dennis Mosher asked if anyone was opposed to the project, and no one in attendance objected to the project.

At 2:00 p.m. Chair Dennis Mosher closed the public hearing and reconvened the regular session of the county Board.

South Turtle Lake Storm Water Sewer Project Resolution
Otter Tail County Resolution No. 2007 – 10

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on February 6, 2007 at which time the county board received a report from its Engineer, Richard West, and a report from Randy Wasvick, the Ditch Inspector who was involved in the determination of benefits to property in South Turtle Lake Storm Sewer system; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Storm Sewer System is necessary to protect property on South Turtle Lake, which would otherwise be subject to a potential 9 foot increase in the water level of the lake, causing great destruction to property; and

WHEREAS, the system is anticipated to cost \$350,000, it is cost effective, the storm sewer system is feasible, and it is in the best interest of the property owners affected; and

WHEREAS, the methodology used to calculate the individual assessments was based upon the actual increase in market value of the property by having the storm sewer system in place,

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED: that Otter tail County proceed with the South Turtle Lake Storm Sewer System and assess the property owners in accordance with the assessed benefits as determined, which assessed benefits were included in the notice.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the assessments may not exceed the total of \$350,000 unless additional hearings take place.

Commissioner Block seconded the motion and upon being put to a vote, was unanimously carried as follows:

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>
Commissioner Erickson	X	
Commissioner Froemming	X	
Commissioner Block	X	
Commissioner Nelson	X	
Commissioner Mosher	X	

Adopted this 6th day of February, 2007

Dated: _____ OTTER TAIL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

By: _____
Dennis R. Mosher, Board of Commissioners Chair

Attest: _____
Larry Krohn, Clerk

Commissioner Block was absent at 2:10 p.m.

Credit Card Approval

Motion by Nelson, second by Froemming, and unanimously carried to approve the application for an Otter Tail County Credit Card (maximum limit of \$500) for Scott Ellingson, in the Land and Resource Department.

Amendment for Approval

Motion by Froemming, second by Erickson, and unanimously carried to approve the amendment for additional \$5,000 in funds for road improvement to the Ethanol Plant.

Contract Approval

Motion by Nelson, second by Erickson, and unanimously carried to approve a contract with Lakeland Mental Health for court ordered evaluation services.

Adjournment

At 2:15 p.m., Chairman Mosher declared the meeting of the Otter Tail County Board of Commissioners adjourned until Tuesday, February 13, 2007.

Dated: _____ OTTER TAIL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

By: _____
Dennis R. Mosher, Board of Commissioners Chair

Attest: _____
Larry Krohn, Clerk

WARRANTS APPROVED ON 2/06/2007 FOR PAYMENT 2/06/2007

<u>VENDOR NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
A'VIANDS LLC	6,929.80
ACCESS TELEVISION	70.00
ADVISOR MEDIA INC	99.00
AMERICAN INSTITUTIONAL SUPPLY	490.45
ARK & SPARK	213.00
RUDOLPH AUCH	30.00
AUTO GLASS SPECIALISTS INC	496.15
AUTO VALUE FERGUS FALLS	329.18
SCOTT BACKSTROM	291.84
BALLARD SANITATION INC	293.00
BATTLE LAKE AUTO PARTS	26.87
BJORN'S HEATING & AIR CONDITIO	585.75
BOB'S STANDARD BULK SERVICE	192.13
SUSAN BOLSTAD	48.05
BRAUN VENDING INC	33.59
BRIGGS CORPORATION	60.46
CHECKERS	11.92
CO OP SERVICES INC	58.63
COOPERS TECHNOLOGY GROUP	558.90
CRANE JOHNSON LUMBER CO	597.47
CRONATRON WELDING SYSTEMS INC	265.61
CUTLER MAGNER COMPANY	12,820.16
DACOTAH PAPER COMPANY	22.47
DAKOTA PRINTER REPAIR LLC	1,450.00
DENZEL'S REGION WASTE INC	1,432.99
DEX MEDIA EAST	19.95
DYNAFAB CORPORATION	471.85
EAGLE POINT	2,715.75
EVERTS LUMBER CO	28.77
MAYNARD FALK	145.00
FARMERS STATE BANK	30.00
FARNAM'S GENUINE PARTS INC	387.32
FASTENAL COMPANY	3.89
FERGUS FALLS POLICE DEPT	1,872.31
FERGUS INTERNATIONAL INC	123.99
FERGUS POWER PUMP INC	1,855.00
FERGUS TIRE CENTER	312.16
FERRELLGAS	75.12
GALL'S INC	234.82
GR GRAPHICS INC FARGO	50.00
NEILL HARDINA	120.00
OLIVER HARRISON	60.00
HEDAHLS HEADQUARTERS	10.52
HILLTOP LUMBER INC	216.04
SANDY HOLO	442.31
INNOVATIVE OFFICE SOLUTIONS	123.54
INTERSTATE INC	245.72
J CRAFT DIV OF CRYSTEEL MFG IN	30.44
MICHAEL JENSEN	248.02
JK SPORTS	373.00
ERWIN JOHNSON	210.00
JUERS' REPAIR INC	124.82
KELLY SERVICES INC	1,070.96
JEFFREY KERR	25.12
MARCIE KNUDSEN	19.99
L & L SERVICE	118.65
LAKE REGION HEALTHCARE CORP	367.56
LAKES COUNTRY SERVICE CO OP	65.00
LAKEWAY MARKET LLC	1,202.31
LARRY OTT INC TRUCK SERVICE	320.00
LARRY'S SUPERMARKET	72.63
PAT LARUM	46.97

LOCATORS & SUPPLIES INC	13.26
JERRY LOKEN	18.23
KAREN LUNDIN	9.87
MCCC MI 33	6,767.04
MERICKEL LUMBER & ACE HARDWARE	583.30
THE MIDWEEK	87.84
MN MOTOR COMPANY	94.23
MN POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY	400.00
MPELRA	100.00
NAPA OF PERHAM	27.63
NATIONAL ASSOC OF COUNTY ENGIN	475.00
NELSON DODGE GMC	131.11
NELSON FORD LINCOLN MERCURY IN	230.64
OFFICEMAX CONTRACT INC	131.00
OTTER TAIL CO TREASURER	58,749.00
OTTERTAIL TRUCKING INC	4,161.60
VIRGINIA PAULSON	60.00
QUARTERMASTER	29.47
QUICK'S NAPA AUTO PARTS	19.53
QWEST COMMUNICATIONS	150.00
RECOVERY SYSTEMS CO INC	27,200.00
SANITATION PRODUCTS INC	129.87
CHERI SCHULTZ	17.53
DAVID SILLERUD	226.91
PAUL SIMENGAARD	71.41
STEINS INC	813.98
STEVE'S SANITATION INC	171.99
STRAND ACE HARDWARE	47.08
STREICHERS	73.85
STRINGER BUSINESS SYSTEMS INC	42.89
THE INTERNET YELLOWPAGES.COM	379.99
TOM AVANT PAINTING	4,400.00
TRI STAR RECYCLING	3,664.90
SUSAN ULSCHMID	141.37
UNIVERSITY OF MN	200.00
VERGAS ACE HARDWARE	44.03
VICTOR LUNDEEN COMPANY	946.46
VIKING COCA-COLA	221.85
VOSS LIGHTING	49.54
WELDING SUPPLIES & FIRE EQUIPM	148.42
WILKIN CO HIGHWAY DEPT	103,923.50
**** FINAL TOTAL.....	\$256,401.27 ****