

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MARTIN
COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2008
@ 9:00 A.M.

The regular meeting of the Martin County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 8:58 a.m. by Chairman Pierce.

Those present were Commissioners Potter, Donnelly, Schmidtke, and Boler. Also present were Scott Higgins, Martin County Coordinator, James Forshee, Martin County Auditor/Treasurer, Terry Viesselman, Martin County Attorney, Kevin Peyman, Martin County Highway Engineer, Rod Halvorsen, KSUM/KFMC Radio, Jennifer Brookens, Sentinel Newspaper, Julie Walters, Administrative Assistant, and members of staff and public.

Motion by Commissioner Schmidtke, seconded by Commissioner Potter, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve the agenda as presented. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Donnelly, seconded by Commissioner Potter, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve the minutes of the August 19, 2008 regular Board of Commissioners meeting as presented. Carried unanimously.

Terry Viesselman, Martin County Attorney, stated he has reviewed the Iowa Lakes Regional Water (ILRW) resolution Receiving Preliminary Report and Calling Public Hearing on Rural Water System Improvements and has approved as to content and form. Viesselman further stated that he has received a letter from the firm Dorsey & Whitney, to serve as Bond Counsel for Martin County for the ILRW rural water project. Viesselman presented the letter to Board Chair for required signature, noting that he has reviewed the letter from Dorsey & Whitney and approves it, which authorizes the firm to prepare the required documents and other documents for the upcoming public hearings for the construction of the ILRW rural water project in portions of Martin County during the October 7, 2008 regular Board of Commissioners meeting.

Viesselman presented a resolution naming Joe Smentek as newly appointed Assistant County Attorney effective September 3, 2008. Viesselman stated Smentek was a law clerk for Judge Titus in Jackson County before accepting the assistant county attorney position in Martin County.

Motion by Commissioner Donnelly, seconded by Commissioner Boler,

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF MARTIN)

RESOLUTION

Be It Resolved, upon the request of Terry W. Viesselman, Martin County Attorney that the Martin County Board of Commissioners of Martin County consents to the appointment of Joseph L. Smentek as Assistant County Attorney. This appointment to be effective upon the signing and filing of the other as required by law.

Motion by Commissioner Donnelly, seconded by Commissioner Boler, passed and approved this 2nd day of September, 2008.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MARTIN COUNTY, MN

Steve Pierce, Board Chair

ATTEST: _____
James Forshee
Martin County Auditor/Treasurer

Roll Call AYES: Commissioners Potter, Donnelly, Boler, Schmidtke, and Pierce.
NAYS: None. Duly passed and adopted this 2nd day of September, 2008.

Scott Higgins, Martin County Coordinator, stated the Planning Commission is recommending approval of a Conditional Use Permit request from OREG 3, Inc. proposing to construct and operate a Waste Heat Recovery Project at the existing Northern Border Pipeline (NBPL) Compressor Station 13 facility located approximately 1.5 miles west of the Community of Trimont in Martin County, MN (Section 1, T103N, R33W, 5th Principal Meridian). Higgins continued the project will utilize the waste heat from existing natural gas compression equipment along the NBPL pipeline to generate electricity. Construction is scheduled to begin in fall of 2008, and facility startup and commercial operations are scheduled to begin by the summer of 2009 once construction is completed on the unit. After discussion and review,

Motion by Commissioner Boler, seconded by Commissioner Potter,

R-#26/'08

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT
WASTE HEAT RECOVERY FOR ELECTRICAL POWER GENERATION ON
EXISTING NORTHERN BORDER GAS PIPELINE COMPRESSOR STATIONS
COMPRESSOR STATION 13, MARTIN COUNTY, MN

Motion by Commissioner Boler, seconded by Commissioner Potter,

WHEREAS, a Conditional Use Permit was requested by OREG 3, Inc., applicant and Northern Border Pipeline Company, owner of property; and

On the 26th day of August, 2008 concerning the following described property located in the County of Martin and State of Minnesota to wit:

The South 934.00 feet of the West 967.0 feet of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (NW ¼ NW ¼) of Section One (1), Township One Hundred Three (103) North, Range Thirty-three (33) West of the 5th P.M., Martin County, Minnesota, containing 20.73 acres, more or less, including 0.71 acres, more or less, for County Road purposes.

AND WHEREAS, on the 2nd day of September, 2008 the action requested in the foregoing application was recommended for approval to the Board of Commissioners by the Martin County Planning Commission.

AND WHEREAS, the said application was approved by the Martin County Board of Commissioners this 2nd day of September, 2008 with the following conditions, to wit:

To construct and operate a Waste Heat Recovery Project
with respect to the above described property.

This permit shall remain in full force and effect provided that the conditions as described above are met and maintained by the applicant and his/her successors in interest. This permit is binding upon the applicant, the record title holder to the property, and his/her successors in interest.

Notice is hereby given that this permit is issued for the above described use only, and may be revoked upon the discontinuance of the said use for more than 90 days, or is said is not initiated within one year of the date thereof.

Notice is further given that this permit may be revoked if the conditions set forth above are not maintained as described above.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MARTIN COUNTY, MN

Steve Pierce, Board Chair

ATTEST: _____
Scott Higgins, County Coordinator

Roll Call AYES: Commissioners Donnelly, Schmidtke, Potter, Boler, and Pierce.
NAYS: None. Duly passed and adopted this 2nd day of September, 2008.

Kevin Peyman, Martin County Highway Engineer, presented and recommended step increases for four Highway Department employees that have met criteria for step movement per the union contracts.

Motion by Commissioner Schmidtke, seconded by Commissioner Potter, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, upon the recommendation of County Highway Engineer, hereby approve and authorize step increases according to union contracts for Robert Koch, Motorgrader Operator, from Grade 12 Step 10 at \$20.91/hour to Grade 12 Step 11 at \$21.39/hour, effective September 1, 2008; for James Kain, Maintenance Worker I, from Grade 10 Step 6 at \$16.27/hour to Grade 10 Step 7 at \$16.63/hour, effective September 3, 2008; for Jeff Krumwiede, Shop Foreman, from Grade 15 Step 8 at \$25.43/hour to Grade 15 Step 9 at \$26.04/hour, effective September 7, 2008; and for Steve McMurtry, Highway Technician, from Grade 13 Step 8 at \$21.64/hour to Grade 13 Step 9 at \$22.15/hour, effective September 15, 2008. Carried unanimously.

Peyman concluded with a brief Highway Department project update.

Sheriff Brad Gerhardt was present to recommend approval for the renewal agreement with GeoComm Inc., for providing E-911 System Maintenance Consulting Services for the Sheriff's Office. The renewal contract's annual fee is \$4,650 and is effective October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009.

Motion by Commissioner Boler, seconded by Commissioner Potter, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve and authorize the Board Chair to sign the maintenance and support contract between GeoComm Inc., of St. Cloud, MN and Martin County, for professional services for E-911 System Maintenance Consulting Services effective October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009 in the amount of an annual fee of \$4,650. Carried unanimously.

Gerhardt next presented a Sheriff's Office update that included: letter received from Ronald Vegemast regarding public safety electronic communications projects and the Metro 800 MHz system. Gerhardt stated that 800 MHz works well in the metro area and not necessarily in the rural area. Many other counties do not have good radio systems, whereas Martin County has recently upgraded its radios, going to the new radio system is good for those counties. However, negative for Martin County. Gerhardt stated that he sees a hybrid for Martin County, to go with digital and be able to connect to 800 MHz.; jail continues to be overcrowded now averaging 8-12 out of county; commended all area Law Enforcement, especially the Sheriff's Posse and the Fairmont COPS, with their help during the Martin County Fair; Ham Radio is now available in our Communications truck; and stressed the importance of being extremely careful as we move into the hunting season and to respect the trespassing laws.

Boler inquired the number of clients on EHM. Gerhardt would find out the number currently on monitoring. Gerhardt further stated that the issues have been worked out with Midwest monitoring. Board stated the need to talk with Probation and Courts to ensure that electronic home monitoring is being used to its fullest.

Higgins stated that the County Assessor position is an appointed position according to Minnesota Statute 273.061 and is up for reappointment every four years. Higgins

continued that Dan Whitman's initial term will be up December 31, 2008. After discussion,

Motion by Commissioner Potter, seconded by Commissioner Schmidtke, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, after careful consideration and in accordance with Minnesota Statute 273.061, hereby approve the reappointment of Danial Whitman as Martin County Assessor for a four year term beginning January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2012. Carried unanimously.

James Forshee, Martin County Auditor/Treasurer, requested that the Board set a date and time for the annual Road and Tax Forfeited Land tour in order to put values on tax forfeited land in the County.

Consensus of the Board is to set the annual Road and Tax Forfeited Land Tour for Thursday, September 11, 2008 beginning at 7:00 a.m. at The Ranch Restaurant, Fairmont, MN.

Steve McDonald, MIS Director, presented an update on the Manatron tax software stating the project is making progress but is still behind schedule. The Minnesota Counties Computer Cooperative (MCCC) is still committed to see how the three pilot counties of Washington, Brown, and Stearns fare before any other options are considered. McDonald noted that Manatron had admitted to underestimating the complexity of the Minnesota tax laws before trying to break into this software market and that the interface program is one of the disputed issues.

Donnelly inquired if the county can get out of the Manatron project. McDonald responded that the county has committed approximately \$184,000 through the year 2009. The total cost of the project is \$6,000,000.

Whitman stated that the new program is slated to go live April, 2009 and we'll be able to see whether Manatron has a product or not. Whitman stated the purpose of getting the new software product was the desire to go to a more window based application and server platform rather than the AS400. Whitman further stated that ACS is working on a product as well to operate on a server.

Discussion ensued regarding money that has already been paid to Manatron for the software package.

Dan Whitman, Martin County Assessor, stated that approximately \$184,000 has been paid to MCCC; however, almost nothing has been paid to Manatron because they have not delivered a useable product yet.

McDonald concluded the user group should know within four to six weeks whether or not Manatron's product is up and running correctly with the three pilot counties and will provide updates to the Board at a later date.

The Board recessed at 10:00 a.m.
The Board reconvened at 10:05 a.m.

Chairman Pierce opened the public hearing at 10:05 a.m. for consideration of the proposed Improvement and Partial Abandonment of portions of JD #47.

Kurt Deter, legal counsel for the Drainage Matters to the County Board, was present and reviewed the procedure for the public hearing regarding JD #47 and needing to meet the findings of fact in order to approve such an improvement.

Deb Mosloski, Drainage Administration, was also present and stated the notices to the landowners were mailed out and that the notice was published the required three weeks in the official county newspaper.

Kevin Bittner, Bolton & Menk Engineering, reviewed the final engineer's report for the petitioned ditch improvement of JD #47, for an area starting about 430 feet west of Trunk Highway 15 to the Outlet a distance of approximately 5,900 feet, the Outlet being one mile east of Highway 15 at 230th Avenue. Included in Bittner's report was a map of the existing site area, a history and background of the ditch system including the capacity of the existing system, overland flow, design objectives, proposed design, hydraulic and hydrologic analysis, water surface elevations, main drain tile capacity, outlet, outlet proposed conditions, land requirements, environmental issues, estimate of cost, and summary in which it is stated that the existing ditch system is significantly undersized; existing system does not provide a hydraulic profile suitable for Truman storm sewer outlet; an open ditch improvement as proposed would: lower the hydraulic grade line, provide additional runoff storage in the system, improve capacity of the existing system upstream, decrease erosion and crop loss through containment, limit outlet flow to not exceed existing conditions; and total preliminary estimated project cost at \$767,800.

Chairman Pierce asked for input from the public.

Wayne Maloney was present and questioned the land prices for acquisition of property.

Bittner stated a value of \$4,000 per acre was used as an estimate for the proposed project and is not based on any discussion with landowners. Bittner further stated that all figures are an estimate at this point until the project is approved at which time the project will proceed forward and actual bids are received for construction costs.

Deter further added that the Viewer's report will have land values and recommendations will be offered to the Board for the acquisition of property. The Board will either approve or not approve the Viewer's report and will be able to address the concerns of Mr. Maloney. If the Viewer's report is approved and the project moves forward, an Order is issued that will incorporate the approved value for acquisition of land, at which time landowners then have a thirty (30) day appeal period.

Ron Ringquist, Drainage Systems Viewer, stated that he along with Viewers Charles Bowers and Bill Moldestad, were the appointed viewers for the current proposed redetermination. Ringquist continued that benefits were first redetermined in 2002 and the only adjustments made in the redetermination were property splits where the properties have been sold or subdivided and the removal of the outland acres from within the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) easement areas. Ringquist went on to state in 2002 we had a benefit of the existing system of \$884,500 and with the change in land values we now have benefits of \$1,698,600 plus. Ringquist noted the Viewer's report is important because as part of this project, it will be replacing the existing mile and 9,000 feet of 24" tile that the system is responsible to maintain. Ringquist stated that the tile is now pushing 100 years old and will within a reasonable length of time start having major problems. The cost of replacing the old tile with new tile is considered a separable maintenance and it is our anticipation that the estimated cost of \$234,300 will be spread on the existing redetermined benefits of the system. The balance of the project cost will be considered an improvement.

Ringquist next reviewed the determination of benefits stating that the ditch system as designed will provide an outlet that now meets the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) design standards. Ringquist addressed the damage values for the right-of-way acquisitions. Ringquist noted that the damage values the engineer estimated are \$4,000 per acre. Ringquist stated the viewers looked at current land sales for the acquisition of the permanent easement and the buffer strip both considered as permanent acquisitions because they no longer will be farmed, and allowed \$5,000 per acre for the land they are actually taking and \$400 per acre for land impacted during construction (\$200 the first year and prorated an additional \$200 for three years). The breakdown on that is the one year cash rent is the whole loss use of that land during the year of construction and then a prorated additional year cash rent to offset the reduced yields that will occur for up to the next three years. That's typically the way that we look at the four year cycle, but we anticipate that after the first year you will be able to farm that land and in the long term does not show that there is an impact in the sale value of that property after about three years so the resale of the property would be paid the same.

Steve Graham was present and stated he does not feel the project is warranted due to the fact that after the top water is gone, the ground will dry out in three or four days; therefore questioning the improvement and costs associated with the project. Graham also questioned the \$400 per acre for land impacted during construction, asking what happens if after five or ten years and that land still isn't producing and is not worth anything.

Ringquist stated historically records indicate there appears to be no impact on the resale value per acre of the impacted land and that severance of the ditch itself does not tend to impact the value of property.

Deter stated if the Board approves the payment of \$400 per acre for land that is being impacted, there is no coming back and changing it and that is why it is important to discuss today whether this is the amount that is to be set.

Maloney stated he has a small piece of land that is on the north side and would like to know how many feet he will have from that property line to the ditch. Maloney also asked if he does not agree on the proposed price, what happens then.

Bittner stated he did not have mapping information with him to answer Maloney's footage question and would need to get the answer to Mr. Maloney.

Deter stated when the Board approves a certain price for the permanent taking and a certain price for the temporary construction area and you don't agree with that, then when an Order is filed, there is a thirty (30) day appeal period from when the Order is filed for landowners to appeal and then the matter goes to District Court. Deter stressed the importance that if the landowners have a different number other than the \$400 or the \$5,000 to let the Board know it today and discuss further. The Board has nothing else to go on but the Viewer's report and if somebody doesn't give them a different number then the Board has no other evidence to decide on.

Graham said he believes bare farmland is selling for \$5,000 per acre plus and thinks it is worth more than that, maybe \$7,000 per acre.

Maloney stated there is ground that has sold for \$10,000 per acre and has high as \$12,000 per acre. This is some of my best ground, so just because this ditch is going through this property doesn't mean it is poor ground.

Ringquist stated land appraisal is based on past sales figures, taking all of the sales current to the time that we filed the report a month ago that we believed to be comparable and made calculations accordingly to come up with the \$4,500 per acre. There have been higher sales and there have been much lower sales and felt that \$4,500 was a comparable value in looking at the sale of the properties. This is a taking issue and not a true arms length sale.

Maloney next inquired about the number of crossings noting only one crossing is shown where the gas line is going in.

Bittner stated additional crossings are part of operations and that the drainage authority will handle.

Deter stated the value of the property is whatever the Board decides. The crossing issue is either an issue of where do you want to add a crossing versus if they (the landowners) have access to their property and it might be an additional damage for additional inconvenience for farming.

Much discussion ensued regarding the gas line crossing and potential additional crossings in order for Maloney and Graham to easily access their property.

Deter stated that based on the issue of access and some other issues regarding the acquisition of additional land, he recommends continuing this hearing to allow the

engineer a chance to meet with the landowners on this issue and bring a recommendation back to the Board.

Motion by Commissioner Donnelly, seconded by Commissioner Schmidtke, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, acting as the Drainage Authority for Martin County, and upon careful consideration and review, hereby approve setting the date of Tuesday, September 16th, 2008 at 9:30 a.m. to hold a Continuation Hearing for the Improvement and Partial Abandonment of portions of JD #47 based on the issue of landowner access and other additional acquisition of land concerns and issues. Carried unanimously.

Mosloski asked the Board to set a public hearing date for the impoundment/repair/abandonment of a portion of drainage system waters of CD #11 in Manyaska Township.

Motion by Commissioner Schmidtke, seconded by Commissioner Donnelly, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, acting as the Drainage Authority for Martin County, hereby set a public hearing date of Tuesday, October 7, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. for the proposed Impoundment/Repair/Abandonment of a portion of CD #11. Carried unanimously.

Doug Landsteiner, Veterans Service Officer, presented the annual Summary of Veterans Benefits received for Martin County.

Motion by Commissioners Donnelly, seconded by Commissioner Potter, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby receive and accept the FY2007 Annual Summary of Veterans Benefits Received for Martin County as presented. Carried unanimously.

Randy Van Dyke, Iowa Lakes Regional Water, presented a resolution for consideration to set a public hearing for the assessment process. The proposed rural water system improvements consist of the acquisition and construction of a new water tower and a new water pipeline to provide water from Iowa Lakes Regional Water via the Osgood water source in Iowa. The total estimated cost of the Improvements, including a portion to be assessed to property owners in Jackson County, Minnesota is \$9,125,000. The area proposed to be assessed for Martin County's portion of the cost comprises Lake Fremont Township and that part of Jay Township that is south of I-90. Van Dyke stated that the law firm of Dorsey and Whitney on behalf of the counties have prepared the proceedings and have selected October 7 at 10:00 a.m. to hold the public hearing. After discussion,

Motion by Commissioner Schmidtke, seconded by Commissioner Boler,

R-#31/'08

RESOLUTION RECEIVING PRELIMINARY REPORT AND CALLING PUBLIC HEARING ON RURAL WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Martin County, Minnesota (the “County”), as follows:

SECTION 1. RECITALS.

1.01. Acting pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 471.59, the County contemplates the execution and delivery of a joint powers agreement (the “Agreement”) entitled “AGREEMENT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF JACKSON/MARTIN RURAL WATER SYSTEM” with Jackson County, Minnesota, and Iowa Lakes Regional Water, an Iowa rural water district (the “District”). Under the Agreement, the County and the District will jointly own, and the District will operate, a rural water system in the County. In order to carry out its obligations under the Agreement, the Board of Commissioners of the County (the “Board”) deems it necessary and expedient to acquire and construct certain rural water system improvements in the County (the “Improvements”) pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 429.021, subdivision 1, and as described in and in accordance with the preliminary plans and report (the “Preliminary Engineering Report”) prepared by DeWild Grant Reckert and Associates (the “Consulting Engineers”).

1.02. The Board has been advised by the Consulting Engineers that the Improvements are necessary, cost-effective, and feasible and should best be made as proposed, and the Preliminary Engineering Report has heretofore been received by the Board and filed with the County Coordinator.

1.03. The County may not undertake the Improvements under Minnesota Statutes Section 429.031, subdivision 1, unless (i) the Board shall have held a public hearing on such Improvements following mailed notice and two publications thereof in the official newspaper stating time and place of the hearing, the general nature of the improvements, the estimated costs thereof, and the area proposed to be assessed; and (ii) a reasonable estimate of the total amount to be assessed and a description of the methodology used to calculate individual assessments for affected parcels (the “Impact of Assessments”) shall have been available at the hearing, all in accordance with law.

1.04. This Board has heretofore discussed and made determinations about the Impact of Assessments.

SECTION 2. PUBLIC HEARING CALLED. A public hearing will be held at the time and place set forth in the form of Notice of Hearing attached hereto as Exhibit A (the “Notice of Hearing”) to consider said proposed improvements.

SECTION 3. CONTENT AND FORM OF NOTICE. The nature of the improvements, the estimated cost thereof, and the area proposed to be assessed therefor are described in the Notice of Hearing. The notice of the public hearing shall be in substantially the form contained in Notice of Hearing.

SECTION 3. AUTHORIZATION.

3.01. The County Coordinator is hereby authorized and directed to cause the Notice of Hearing to be given two publications in the official newspaper. Said publications shall be one week apart, and at least three days shall elapse between the last publication and the public hearing. Not less than ten days before the hearing the County Coordinator shall mail notice of the hearing to the owner of each parcel of land within the area proposed to be assessed as described in the Notice of Hearing. For the purpose of giving such mailed notice, owners shall be those shown to be such on the records of the County Auditor/Treasurer. As to properties not listed on such records, the County Coordinator shall ascertain such ownership by any practicable means and give mailed notice to such owners.

3.02. The County Coordinator is hereby authorized and directed to cause to be prepared the Impact of Assessments, which shall be in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B, consistent with the determinations of this Board on and prior to the date hereof.

Motion by Commissioner _____, seconded by Commissioner _____, and was duly passed and adopted this 2nd day of September, 2008.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MARTIN COUNTY, MN

Steve Pierce, Board Chair

ATTEST: _____
Scott Higgins, County Coordinator

Roll Call AYES: Commissioners Donnelly, Potter, Boler, Schmidtke, and Pierce.
NAYS: None. Duly passed and adopted this 2nd day of September, 2008.

Higgins stated Employee Recognition Day will be held on Tuesday, September 16th, 2008 beginning at 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and recommends closing all county offices during that time so all employees may attend the recognition program.

Motion by Commissioner Schmidtke, seconded by Commissioner Donnelly, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve and authorize the closing of all county offices, with the exception of Law Enforcement (due to the nature of work) from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 16th, 2008 so all county employees may attend the Employee Recognition Program. Carried unanimously.

Forshee reviewed the proposed 2009 levy increase of 7.9% which is still below the state's cap of 3.9%. Forshee noted that with current adds and deletes and exceptions that have been made to the state's levy cap for debt services, human services, and costs of running the jail and salaries for sheriff's office staff, we are now at 5.9314% increase over last year and are still way under the state's recommendation. After discussion,

Motion by Commissioner Potter, seconded by Commissioner Donnelly,

R-#27/'08

RESOLUTION

PROPOSING PRELIMINARY TAX LEVY FOR CY2009

WHEREAS, the Martin County Board of Commissioners met to review the recommended 2009 budget; and

WHEREAS, the 2009 recommended budget and levy was prepared with the participation of the Martin County Department Directors and elected officials.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that on September 2, 2008 following discussion by the Martin County Board of Commissioners, the Board set the 2009 proposed levy at \$10,572,236 which equates to 7.9% increase over CY2008 levy; with proposed expenditures in the amount of \$20,221,350 and revenues in the amount of \$9,799,022.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT BEFORE ADOPTION OF THE FINAL 2009 BUDGET, the Board may reduce the proposed levy but cannot increase the levy from the amount set on this date.

UPON, Motion by Commissioner Potter, seconded by Commissioner Donnelly and unanimously carried said resolution was duly passed and adopted this 2nd day of September, 2008.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MARTIN COUNTY, MN

Steve Pierce, Board Chair

ATTEST: _____

Scott Higgins, County Coordinator

Roll Call AYES: Commissioners Boler, Schmidtke, Donnelly, Potter, and Pierce.

NAYS: None. Duly passed and adopted this 2nd day of September, 2008.

The Board gave their reports and reviewed their calendars of previous and upcoming meetings and activities.

With no further business to wit, Board Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MARTIN COUNTY, MN

Steve Pierce, Board Chair

ATTEST: _____
Scott Higgins, County Coordinator