

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MARTIN
COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2006
@ 9:00 A.M.

The regular meeting of the Martin County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Gerald Boler.

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

Motion by Commissioner Potter, seconded by Commissioner Donnelly, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve the agenda with the following additions: Consider Final Contract for C.P. 06:07 and C.P. 06:08 Maintenance Gravel Production – Highway Department; and delete Consider City of Fairmont Request for County Engineer to act as Program Administrator for City of Fairmont’s Bridge Inspection Program. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Schmidtke, seconded by Commissioner Donnelly, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve the minutes of the October 17, 2006 regular Board of Commissioners meeting and November 1, 2006 Special Budget Meeting as presented. Carried unanimously.

Terry Viesselman, Martin County Attorney, was present and had nothing to report.

Scott Higgins, Martin County Coordinator, stated union negotiations with the Martin County AFSCME Highway Union have been completed and a tentative agreement has been drafted for Board approval. Higgins stated the contract is for a duration of three years (2007 – 2009). Higgins went on to note the following items have been ratified by the union:

1. Article XII Vacation and Article XIII Sick Leave: Delete these sections and replace with Paid Time Off Plan (PTO) plan to include the county’s current Short Term Disability Plan (STD) and Long Term Disability Plan (LTD)
2. Article XIV – Leaves of Absence: Wording change to reflect PTO instead of Vacation and Sick leave use
3. Article XVIII Insurance – Change language from a 50/50 split in premium increases or decreases to “monthly contribution rate for single coverage and for family coverage shall be the same as it is for non-union County Employees.”
4. Article XXIV – Salary Rates: 2007 – 2.5%, 2008 – 3%, 2009 – 3%
5. Article XXV – Duration: 3 years – January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2009

Motion by Commissioner Schmidtke, seconded by Commissioner Pierce, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve the Tentative Agreement of the Martin County AFSCME Highway Union Contract for a three-year period of January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2009; and authorize Board Chair to sign the Martin County AFSCME Highway Union Contract upon final review by County Coordinator. Carried unanimously.

Higgins stated union negotiations with the Martin County AFSCME Library Local 1204C Union have been completed and a tentative agreement has been drafted for Board Approval. Higgins noted the contract is for a duration of three years (2007 – 2009). Higgins went on to note the following items have been ratified by the union:

1. Article 5 – Vacation and Article 6 – Sick Leave: Delete these sections and replace with Paid Time Off (PTO) plan to include the county’s Short Term Disability (STD) and offer Long Term Disability plan to those who are eligible for full benefits.
2. Article 7 – Bereavement Leave: To reflect use of “extended sick leave bank” or PTO instead of “sick leave”
3. Article 13 – Insurance: Deleted language to split premium increases 50/50 to “monthly contribution rate for single coverage and for family coverage shall be the same as it is for non-union County Employees”
4. Article 15 – Wages: 2007 – 2.5%, 2008 – 3%, 2009 – 3%
5. Article 16 – Duration: 3 years – January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2009

Motion by Commissioner Schmidtke, seconded by Commissioner Donnelly, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve the Tentative Agreement of the Martin County AFSCME Library Local 1204C Union Contract for a three-year period of January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2009; and authorize Board Chair to sign the Martin County AFSCME Library Local 1204C Union Contract upon final review by County Coordinator. Carried unanimously.

Commissioner Pierce congratulated and thanked the Personnel Committee for a job well done.

Higgins presented proposed dates for a special joint meeting with the Martin County Soil and Water Conservation District. Dates to consider are: Thursday, November 9th, Thursday, December 7th, or Thursday, December 14th.

It was decided by consensus of the Board to set the date of Thursday, December 7th, 2006 for a special joint meeting with SWCD. The meeting will begin at noon at the Holiday Inn, Fairmont.

James Forshee, Martin County Auditor/Treasurer, presented a resolution authorizing the public sale of tax forfeited land in the county. The resolution sets the terms and conditions, date and time of sale. The sale is set for Wednesday, November 29, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners Board Room.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the parcels of land described in the List of Tax-Forfeited Land #7 that is contained herein shall be sold to the highest bidder at public sale. The sale will be governed by the provision of M.S. 282.01 and by the resolution of the Martin County Board of Commissioners authorizing such sale. The resolution reads as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED, that all parcels of tax-forfeited land listed on the List of Tax-Forfeited Land #7 be classified as non-conservation land; that the basic sale price of each parcel on the List of Tax-Forfeited Land #7, that is on file with the Martin County Auditor/Treasurer, be approved and authorization for a public sale of this land be granted, pursuant to M.S. 282.01; that the sale will be held at 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, November 29, 2006 by the Martin County Auditor/Treasurer in the Commissioners Room, 1st Floor in the Martin County Courthouse, 201 Lake Avenue, Fairmont, Minnesota, beginning and not less than the basic sale price; and that all sales shall be full payment and on the terms set forth on the List of Tax-Forfeited Land #7 dated November 7, 2006.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the conditions and terms of the public sale shall be as described in the list contained here in and approved by the Martin County Board of Commissioners.

LIST OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND #7 FOR PUBLIC SALE

ASSMTS SUBDIVISION	SEC/ LOT	TWP OR BLOCK	RANGE	APPRAISED VALUE OF LAND	SPEC. BEFORE FORFEITURE
<u>CENTER CREEK TOWNSHIP</u>					
02.014.0250	14	103	29	\$800.00	
	\$24.50				
2 AC Tract NE ¼ NW ¼					
<u>CITY OF CEYLON</u>					
21.060.0060					
ORIGINAL					
S 35.08' OF N 45'	7	1		\$1.00	\$400.00
<u>CITY OF FAIRMONT</u>					
23.040.0688					
ORIGINAL	6	15		\$100.00	
\$45,000.00					

23.040.0690					
ORIGINAL	7	15		\$100.00	
\$45,000.00					
23.041.0030					
AUDITOR'S PLAT					
W 35' OF E 75' OF AP		2		\$1.00	\$2,316.65
23.165.0280					
LARSEN'S SUBD	18	3		\$1.00	\$1,323.20
<u>CITY OF GRANADA</u>					
35.100.0270					
AUDITORS PLAT		28		\$5,000.00	
	\$261.40				
N 50'					
35.180.0010					
BECKERS ADDN.	1 & 2	2		\$500.00	\$3,012.25
<u>CITY OF SHERBURN</u>					
38.650.0540					
SOUTH SIDE ADDITION	10	2		\$500.00	
\$8,312.63					
N 113.4'					

TERMS FOR THE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND IN MARTIN COUNTY

PUBLIC SALES: Basic Sale Price

All parcels are offered at public auction and sold to the highest bidder, in the order shown, by description. The minimum bid acceptable is the basic sale price that is shown on the list of tax-forfeited land. The basic sale price is equal to the appraised value of land or the appraised value of land plus extra charges for new special assessments levied after forfeiture.

EXTRA FEES AND COSTS: In Addition to the Basic Sale Price

In accordance with M.S. Sect. 284.28, Subd. 8, at the time of sale of a parcel of tax forfeited land, the County Auditor/Treasurer shall charge and collect an amount equal to three percent (3%) of the total sale price for the state assurance account in addition to the total price of the land and a fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) shall be added to the sale price to cover the state charge for the issuing of a state deed and a fee of Forty six dollars (\$46.00) shall be added to the sale price to cover recording fees of the state deed, and a fee of thirty dollars (\$30.00)

shall be added to the sale price to cover the recording fee of a well certificate (if needed), and a fee equal to (.0033) cents of the sale price or a minimum due of one dollar sixty-five cents (\$1.65) whichever is greater, for state deed tax.

PAYMENT TERMS: Cash Only

SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS: Levied Before and After Forfeiture

Pursuant to M.S. Sect. 282.02, the notice shall also indicate the amount of any special assessments before forfeiture which may be the subject of a reassessment or new assessment or which may result in the imposition of a fee or charge pursuant to Sect. 429.071, Subd. 4, 435.23 and 444.076. The amounts in the "Special Assessments before Forfeiture" column may be re-certified by the city or other taxing jurisdiction upon the sale of the property and will be the responsibility of the new owner. Improvements not yet assessed are the responsibility of the purchaser. It is recommended to check with the city/township in which the parcel is located to verify amounts that may be assessed.

BUYER PURCHASING "AS-IS":

Condition of Property: The parcel(s) being purchased by Buyer(s), are sold "as is". We recommend that you thoroughly research any tax-forfeited parcel before purchase and consider contacting your attorney for specific legal questions. No representations have been made regarding these parcels. The County makes no warranty that the lands are "buildable". No representations have been made regarding contamination of any type, soil conditions, load bearing, soil compaction, buildability or any other condition, by the Seller (State of Minnesota, Martin County Trustee on behalf of the State of Minnesota), or the Seller's employees or agents, except as follows: None

CONDITIONS: Restrictions on the Use of the Properties

Sales are subject to the following restrictions on the use of the properties:

- (1) existing leases,
- (2) easements obtained by a governmental subdivision or state agency for a public purpose,
- (3) building codes (including but not limited to well & septic) and zoning laws,
- (4) all sales are final with no refunds or exchanges allowed,
- (5) the appraised value does not represent a basis for future taxes and
- (6) all mineral rights are reserved to the State of Minnesota.
- (7) Minnesota Pollution Control regulations.

PRIVATE SALES: Parcels Not Sold at Public Auction

Any parcel not sold at a public sale may be purchased after the public sale by paying the basic sale price, plus extra fees and costs (see above). This does not include parcels withdrawn from sale. The basic sale price cannot be changed until the parcel is reappraised, republished, and again offered at a later public sale.

TITLE: Proof of Ownership

The buyer will receive a receipt at the time of the sale. The Department of Revenue will issue a state quitclaim deed after full payment is made. A state deed has the characteristics of a patent from the State of Minnesota. However, services of an attorney may be necessary to make the title marketable.

Further information about the sale of tax-forfeited land in Martin County can be obtained at the Martin County Auditor/Treasurer's Office, Courthouse, 201 Lake Avenue, Suite 201, Fairmont, Minnesota 56031-1852. Telephone: (507) 238-3211.

Given under my hand and official seal at Fairmont, Minnesota this 7th Day of November, 2006.

(SEAL)

James Forshee
Martin County Auditor/Treasurer

Roll Call AYES: Commissioners Pierce, Donnelly, Boler, Potter, and Schmidtke.
NAYS: None. Duly passed and adopted this 7th day of November, 2006.

Commissioner Pierce opened discussion regarding a stipulation being attached to future properties sold at auction; that there should be a plan of action as to what the buyer intends to do with that piece of property.

Higgins presented Change Order No. 001 received from Feder Mechanical of Madelia, MN for the Courthouse Natural Gas Heating System Conversion Project pertaining to electrical, with a DEDUCT in the amount of \$680. Higgins noted the contract is changed as follows:

1. Delete the 600 amp fuse disconnect and the line and load feeds.
2. Leave the existing MDP as is.

3. Add a 200 amp main breaker and enclosure above the existing CT cabinet. Feed the 200 amp breaker from the line side of the existing CTs and route through the new meter socket.
4. Change H-MDP to a MLO panel.
5. Move the existing meter and socket to accommodate these changes.

Original Contract Sum	\$109,820.00
Net Change by Previously Authorized Change Orders	\$ 0.00
Contract Sum Prior to this Change Order	\$109,820.00
Contract Sum will be DECREASED by this Change Order	\$ 680.00
The new Contract Sum including this Change Order	\$109,140.00

Motion by Commissioner Donnelly, seconded by Commissioner Potter, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve change order received from Feder Mechanical of Madelia, MN for a deduct in the amount of \$680 for electrical services in connection with the Courthouse Natural Gas Heating System Conversion Project. Carried unanimously.

Higgins noted the 2006 Annual Meeting of the Minnesota Counties Insurance Trust will be held on Monday, December 4, 2006 at 12:30 – 2:30 p.m. An election will be held for one seat on the MCIT Board of Directors. The MCIT Bylaws provide for the designation of official voting delegates and alternates. Current voting delegate is Commissioner Steve Donnelly and alternate is Scott Higgins.

Motion by Commissioner Pierce, seconded by Commissioner Potter, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby reappoint Commissioner Steve Donnelly as voting delegate and Scott Higgins, Martin County Coordinator, as voting alternate to the 2006 Annual Meeting of the Minnesota Counties Insurance Trust to be held on Monday, December 4, 2006 at 12:30 – 2:30 p.m. in Rochester, MN. Carried unanimously.

Higgins continued that annually the Board reviews and (re) appoints individuals to the various County Citizen Advisory Boards/Commissions. Higgins noted there are two openings on the Planning & Zoning Commission. Rodney Erickson (Commissioner District #5) and Gary Schaub (Commissioner District #2) both have indicated they are interested in serving another term. There are two openings on the Extension Committee. Don Rudolph (Commissioner District #5) has served two terms in a row and is not eligible. Nancy Olson (Commissioner District #2) is eligible to serve another term. Martin County Library Board has one opening that will be left by Wes Clerc. He will not be able to be reappointed as he has served three full terms at the end of this year. This seat has historically been filled by a Fairmont City Council person. Bryan McCormick, Martin County Library Director, will contact Jim Zarling, Fairmont City Administrator, for a recommendation to fill this seat. Martin County Water Plan Advisory Board has two member term openings. Wendell Rode (Commissioner District #4) and Steve Flohrs (Commissioner District #5). Martin County Park Board currently has no term limit. The board is in the process of formalizing the structure of the Park Board to have official

appointments and terms. Current Park Board members include John Meier, Glen Personius, Scott Drever, Rod DeBoer, Kevin Peyman, Glen Klug, Mary Ebeling, Ken Benton, Jim Forshee, Brad Hady, Nedra Connelly, Gerald Boler, and Jim Kain. After discussion,

It was decided by consensus of the Board to table Citizen Advisory Committee (re) appointments until the next regular Board of Commissioners meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Pierce, seconded by Commissioner Donnelly, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve and authorize the Martin County Coordinator's Office to advertise for bids for designation of the official newspaper for Martin County for the year 2007; and that the bid opening will be held on Tuesday, December 19, 2006 at the regular Board of Commissioners meeting. Carried unanimously.

Randy Markl, Area Wildlife Supervisor – Department of Natural Resources, was present to seek Board approval for the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to purchase approximately 155 acres from Keith and Gwen Sickler, located in Section 30 and 31 of Fox Lake Township. Markl went on to state that the property, if acquired, will become a State Wildlife Management Area and will include designated hunting areas. Of the 155 acres, 82 are crop ground, about 54 are CREP, there is a 5 acre abandoned building site and about 14 acres of non-crop and road. After discussion,

Motion by Commissioner Potter, seconded by Commissioner Donnelly,

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Martin County
Board of County Commissioners
Review of Proposed State Land Acquisition

In accordance with Minnesota Statutes 97A.145, Subd. 2, the Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources on November 7th, 2006 provided the county board with a description of lands to be acquired by the State of Minnesota for water, forestry, wildlife, and natural plant community conservation purposes.

Lands to be acquired are described as follows:

Parts of Section 30 and 31, Fox Lake Township as described in Exhibit A.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Martin County on November 7th, 2006 that the State's proposed acquisition of the attached described property be approved.

This resolution was presented by Commissioner Potter, seconded by Commissioner Donnelly and upon vote was duly adopted.

I, James Forshee, County Auditor of the County of Martin, State of Minnesota, certify that the foregoing resolution is a true and correct excerpt of the minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, County of Martin, State of Minnesota held at Fairmont, Minnesota, on the 7th day of November, 2006.

James Forshee, County Auditor
County of Martin
State of Minnesota

Exhibit A

The Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$); the Southwest Fractional Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (SW FR' 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$), also known as Government Lot Seven (7), Containing 41.49 acres, more or less, according to the Government Survey thereof; Government Lot Four containing 14.09 acres, more or less; and Government Lot Eight, containing 13.16 acres, more or less, all in Section Thirty-One (31), Township One Hundred-Three (103) North, Range Thirty-Two (32) West of the Fifth Principal Meridian.

All that part of Sections 30 and 31, Township 103 North, Range 32 West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, bounded by lines as follows: Beginning Six chains and Six links North, Seventy degrees and Twenty-one minutes East of meander corner Seven; run thence North Fourteen degrees, nineteen minutes West, Fourteen chains, Ninety-three links; thence North No degrees, Ten minutes West, Four chains, Seventy-two links; thence South Eighty-seven degrees, Five minutes East, Seventeen chains, Nineteen and Seven-tenths links, thence South No degrees, Four and one-half minutes West, Six chains, eighty-eight and one-half links; thence South Sixty degrees, Twenty minutes East, Twenty-two chains, Twenty-nine and two tenths links; thence South No degrees, Fifty-two minutes East, No chains, Three and one-half links; thence South Thirty-four degree, Six Minutes West, One Chain, Nine and three-tenths links; thence South Seventy-two degrees, Six Minutes West, Ten chains, Twenty-nine and seven-tenths links; thence North Twenty-nine degrees, Twenty-four degrees, Twenty-four minutes West, Seven Chains, Two and two-tenths links; thence North Forty-eight degrees, Twenty-four minutes West, Four Chains, Sixty-eight links; thence South Seventy degrees, Twenty-one minutes West, Sixteen chains, Forty and three-tenths links to the place of beginning, containing 36.34 acres of land; the said tract of land being also known and designated as Tract "D" of the Subdivision of McGowan's Lake, according to the original survey and plat thereof on file in the office of the Clerk of the District Court in and for Martin County Minnesota, a certified copy of which plat was filed in the office of the Register of

Deeds in and for said County and State on December 5, 1935, and recorded in Book 12 of Miscellaneous Records on Page 459.

All that part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (NW ¼ NW ¼) of Section 31, Township 103 North, Range 32 West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, bounded by lines as follows: Beginning at the meander corner of Range Line Fifteen chains, Ninety-six and two-tenths links South of the Northwest corner of Section 31 aforesaid; running thence North on Range Line Eleven chains, Seventy and three-tenths links to an iron stake; thence North eighty-nine degrees, Ten minutes East, Three chains, Twenty-two and Seven-tenths links; thence South Fourteen degrees, Nineteen minutes East Ten chains and one-half link; thence South Seventy degrees Sixteen minutes West, Six chains, and Six links to place of beginning, containing 4.91 acres of land.

All that part of Sections 30 and 31, Township 103 North, Range 32 West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, bounded by lines as follows: Beginning at the Southwest corner of said Section 30, running thence North Five chains, Thirty-seven links; thence South Eighty-seven degrees, Five minutes East, Two chains; thence South No degrees, Ten minutes East, Four chains, Seventy-two links; thence South Fourteen degrees, Nineteen minutes East, Four chains, Ninety-two and one-half links to a stone monument in the center of the public highway as now traveled; thence Westerly along the center line of said highway Three chains, Twenty-two and seven-tenths links to an iron stake on Range Line; thence North Two hundred eighty-one and one-tenth feet, more or less, to the place of beginning, containing a total area of 2.20 acres of land, of which said area 1.08 acres is in said Section 30 and 1.12 acres is in said Section 31.

Roll Call AYES: Commissioners Donnelly, Boler, Potter, Schmidtke, and Pierce.
NAYS: None. Duly passed and adopted this 7th day of November, 2006.

Higgins next stated that Martin County solicited proposals for the operation of the Martin County Transit service for a three-year term commencing January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2009. Higgins went on to state that one bid has been received from Fairlakes Transportation, Inc. Higgins opened the bid received from Fairlakes Transportation, Inc. and read aloud the cost and delivery of purchased services bid over the next three years:

Period 1 (January 1, 2007 – December 31, 2007)	\$296,198.98
Period 2 (January 1, 2008 – December 31, 2008)	\$308,046.93
Period 3 (January 1, 2009 – December 31, 2009)	<u>\$320,368.80</u>
TOTAL BID	\$924,614.71

It was noted that there is approximately 4% increase from year to year. Higgins also stated that 85% of the yearly purchase of service fee is paid for by the state and is subject to Mn/DOT approval. After discussion,

It was decided by consensus of the Board, to table bid award for operation of the Martin County Express Public Transit Service for a three year term commencing January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2009.

Higgins stated the Board has approved the faux marbling of wainscoting in the Courthouse contingent upon receiving additional quotes for this project. Higgins noted that in addition to the quote received from Van Oel Evans & Company, quotes were solicited from Whitmore Painting & More of Fairmont, MN; Char Kahler of Fairmont, MN; and Allan & Rhonda Walters (Home Expressions Painting & Decorating) of Good Thunder, MN.

**INFORMATION ON QUOTES RECEIVED
For FAUX MARBLING OF WAINSCOTING
IN COURTHOUSE**

HOME EXPRESSIONS PAINTING AND DECORATING

Allan & Rhonda Walters of Good Thunder, MN

Hallway	\$5,800.00
Faux marble and apply finish layers. All product and Materials included.	
All walls must be smooth and sanded between coats.	
(STS to do all prep work)	

VAN OEL EVANS & COMPANY

Rick Van Oel of Des Moines, IA

First Floor Entry (South) Up to the first landing	\$1,520.00
Second Floor (along Auditor's Office)	\$1,480.00
Second Floor (along MIS Hallway)	\$ 840.00
Third Floor (along Law Library Hallway)	<u>\$1,180.00</u>
(STS to do all prep work)	
Total	\$5,020.00

CHAR KAHLER

Fairmont, MN

Declined offer to quote this project.

WHITMORE PAINTING & MORE

Ron Whitmore of Fairmont, MN

Declined offer to quote this project.

Motion by Commissioner Pierce, seconded by Commissioner Donnelly, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve and award bid for faux marbling of wainscoting in Courthouse to Rick Van Oel of Van Oel Evans & Company of Des Moines, IA in the amount of \$5,020; and to be expended from the CIP Fund.

Carried unanimously.

Higgins and the Board reviewed the minutes of the September 21, 2006 Area Transportation Partnership meeting; the 2006 Annual MCIT Meeting announcement and Notice of Board Election to be held on Monday – December 4, 2006 from 12:30 – 2:30 p.m.; Commissioner Schmidtke stated his Labor Management Committee term will expire the end of 2006; and it was noted that the Canvass Board will meet on Thursday, November 9th, 2006 at 9:00 a.m.

The Board recessed at 9:45 a.m.

The Board reconvened at 9:50 a.m.

Kevin Peyman, Martin County Engineer, was present to review final contract for C.P. 06:07 Maintenance Gravel Production – Maschoff Pit in the amount of \$69,235.27, and C.P. 06:08 Maintenance Gravel Production – Lorenz Pit in the amount of \$92,612.42 with Rupp Construction Co. Inc. of Slayton, MN. Peyman stated that all work had been completed and the total contract amount certified to date is \$161,847.69.

Motion by Commissioner Pierce, seconded by Commissioner Potter, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, upon the recommendation of Kevin Peyman, County Engineer, hereby approve the final contract payment for C.P. 06:07 and C.P. 06:08 Maintenance Gravel Production with Rupp Construction Co. Inc. of Slayton, MN in the total contract amount of \$161,847.69. Carried unanimously.

Peyman next presented the Martin County Highway Department Annual Report for CY2005 to the Board.

Motion by Commissioner Potter, seconded by Commissioner Schmidtke, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby accept the Martin County Highway Department Annual Report for CY2005 as presented. Carried unanimously.

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

Motion by Commissioner Pierce, seconded by Commissioner Potter, Be It Resolved that the Martin County Board of Commissioners, hereby approve and authorize per diems and expenses for Commissioners to attend, if they so choose, the Farming Our Fuel Energy Seminar to be held November 15th, 2006 beginning at 9:00 a.m. at Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter, MN. Carried unanimously.

With no further business to wit, Motion by Commissioner Donnelly, seconded by Commissioner Potter, to adjourn the meeting. Carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:59 a.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MARTIN COUNTY, MN

Gerald Boler, Chair

ATTEST: _____
Scott Higgins, County Coordinator