



Commissioner Kubicek offered a **Resolution**, seconded by Commissioner Johnson to change the name of the Southeastern Regional Radio Board to the Southeastern Regional Emergency Communication Board with approval from the County Attorney and to authorize the Chairman to sign.

Upon the vote being taken, five Commissioners voted in favor thereof, none absent and not voting. A copy of the Resolution is on file in the Auditor's office.

Commissioner Huntington offered a **Resolution**, seconded by Commissioner Ebeling to appoint Maralou Brose to serve as the Board's authorized agent for Toward Zero Deaths (TDZ) Safe Roads Grant.

Upon the vote being taken, five Commissioners voted in favor thereof, none absent and not voting. A copy of the Resolution is on file in the Auditor's office.

Commissioner Ebeling offered the following **Resolution**, seconded by Commissioner Johnson

**Whereas**, the four lane expansion of U.S. Highway 14 from Highway 218 to Dodge Center will require a turn back of existing US Highway to Steele County; and,

**Whereas**, Highway 14, between Owatonna and Dodge Center, is the last two lane segment of that highway between Mankato and Rochester; and,

**Whereas**, the fatality rate on Highway 14 is 1.91, almost 1.5 times the statewide average for rural two-lane highways with similar traffic counts; and,

**Whereas**, traffic volumes for this segment are projected to grow by over 50% by 2034, which will only add to corridor's safety concerns; and, infrastructure that supports the region's growing population and promotes economic development; and,

**Whereas**, the State of Minnesota, Olmsted County, the City of Rochester and the Mayo Clinic have committed \$3.5 billion in investment to create a "Destination Medical Center"; and,

**Whereas**, this segment of Highway 14 is a restriction for safe, reliable and efficient ground transportation between Interstate I35 and Rochester; and,

**Whereas**, the cost of delayed and deferred completion of this segment will only increase, cost measured in terms of lives lost, personal injury and property loss as well as the ever escalating cost of construction; and,

**Whereas**, absence of a turn back agreement may cause delay in securing funding for right of way acquisition, design and construction of this segment;

**Now, therefore, be it resolved;** that the Steele County Board of Commissioners desires to enter into substantive discussions with MnDOT regarding the turn back of current US Highway 14 to Steele County when the four lane expansion of U.S. Highway 14 from Highway 218 to Dodge Center occurs with the expectation that a definitive turn back agreement will facilitate expedited funding for this critical expansion.

Upon the vote being taken, five Commissioners voted in favor thereof, none absent and not voting. A copy of the Resolution is on file in the Auditor's office.

Motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Huntington to go into closed session for the Highway 14 turn back at 7:28 p.m. Ayes all.

Motion by Commissioner Huntington, seconded by Commissioner Ebeling to adjourn the closed session at 8:36 p.m. Ayes all.

Motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Huntington to set a special meeting of the Board of Commissioners for Tuesday, November 5, 2013, at 12 p.m. at the Boardroom Administration Center for the express purpose of a Closed Meeting for Attorney advice regarding Highway 14 West turn back litigation. Ayes all.

Motion by Commissioner Huntington, seconded by Commissioner Ebeling to approve of the following listing of bills and Human Services in the amount of \$239,887.91. Ayes all.

Listing of Bills  
10/22/13

A 'viands LLC	10,302.20
Advanced Correctional Healthcare Inc	10,629.18
Alcohol Monitoring System Inc	2,061.70
Cavalier Coaches Inc	34,533.32
Cedar Lake Electric Inc	2,133.00
Clark Equipment Co	70,760.82
Clifton Larson Allen LLP	14,260.00

Computer Professional Unlimited Inc	4,310.28
Hansen Excavation Inc	3,895.00
Industrial Properties LLC	17,344.82
Insty Prints	2,425.31
Jones Haugh & Smith Inc	3,485.00
Leo A Hoffmann Center Inc	7,492.50
Loken Excavating & Drainage	35,130.33
MCCC MI 33	4,823.75
MN Dept of Public Safety BCA	6,780.00
NEC Financial Services LLC	4,269.61
Olmsted County Community Svcs	2,640.00
Owatonna Heating & Cooling Inc	14,077.92
Owatonna Park and Recreation	4,560.00
Owatonna Police Dept	5,861.95
Penguin Management Inc	3,673.00
Rinke – Noonan	2,550.00
Riverside Psychological Services	2,100.00
S & T Office Products Inc	4,760.39
Schultz Excavating	5,752.00
Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc	23,003.11
Steele County Revenue	7,773.06
Trane U.S. Inc	2,490.00
Turnkey Corrections	5,552.80
Ulland Brothers Inc	2,386.80
Village Ranch Inc	5,153.40
Waste Management of WI – MN	48,093.41
149 Warrants under \$2,000	<u>60,832.68</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$435,897.34</b>

Motion by Commissioner Kubicek, seconded by Commissioner Ebeling to adjourn to the Call of the Chair at 8:38 p.m. Ayes all.

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CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
AUDITOR