

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MURRAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MURRAY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER – SLAYTON, MINNESOTA
December 23, 2014 – 8:00 a.m.

Pursuant to notice, the Murray County Board of Commissioners convened with the following members present: Commissioners Robert Moline, Gerald Magnus, David Thiner, James Jens and Glenn Kluis. Also present Aurora Heard, County Coordinator, Paul Malone, County Attorney and Heidi Winter, Auditor-Treasurer

The meeting opened by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

No conflict of interest identified.

The Vice-Chairman asked if there were any additions to the agenda. Several items were added.

It was moved by Moline, seconded by Kluis and passed to approve the agenda as modified and consent agenda item 1:

1. Approval of the Minutes from December 16, 2014

Heidi Winter presented the following petitions for repair:

- #2014-107 (CD 20, 28-Lowville Township, Moline)

A motion was made by Moline, seconded by Magnus and carried that the Commissioners appointed as Inspectors in and for the County of Murray, are hereby instructed to examine and inspect that portion of the foregoing described County and Judicial Ditches, lying within the County of Murray, for the purpose of determining what repairs are necessary, and if deemed necessary, to prepare either a cost estimate of said repair, or order said repairs to be made, with a report to be given thereon at a Murray County Board of Commissioner's meeting, held in the Commissioners Room of the Murray County Government Center, Slayton, Minnesota.

Ditch Bills

A motion was made by Magnus, seconded by Moline with all members of the Board voting their approval to accept the report of the Ditch Committee of the County and Judicial Ditches lying within the County of Murray on those petitions for repair that have been inspected for determining what repairs, if any, are necessary, the extent and nature of such repairs, an estimated costs of such repairs or a list of bills presented for payment that will enable said ditches to answer their purposes and to pay all bills contained within the report.

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Ditch #</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Petition #</u>	<u>Inspector</u>
<u>Duane Bendixen - Viewer</u>				
	CD 35	2,565.00	2013-006	Improvement
	Subtotal	2,565.00		
<u>Spartz Plumbing & Heating</u>				
	CD 20	923.50	2014-107	Moline
	Subtotal	923.50		
<u>Onken Backhoe Service, Inc</u>				
	CD 53	225.00	2014-084	Moline
	CD 66	645.00	2013-034	Moline
	Subtotal	870.00		
Total for All Ditch Bills		4,358.50		

The County Board clarified the 2015 budget.

Passport Camera Equipment

It was moved by Thiner, seconded by Kluis and passed to approve purchasing a camera for the Recorder's office to take passport photos from Pakor System P/N 11580 in the amount of \$1,254.23.

The County Board met with County Recorder Elect Evey Larson regarding her 2015 salary.

Commissioner Magnus introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION 2014-12-23-01
RESOLUTION FOR AQUATIC INVASIVE
SPECIES PREVENTION AID

WHEREAS, 2014 Session Law Chapter 308 enacted by the Legislature provides Minnesota counties a County Program Aid grant for Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) prevention. The amount designated for each county is based on the number of watercraft trailer launches as well as the number of watercraft trailer parking spaces within each county. Murray County was allocated approximately .9% of the total, which equates to \$42,354 for 2014 and \$94,118 for 2015 and years following, and;

WHEREAS, the legislation requires that Murray County must establish, by resolution or through adoption of a plan, guidelines for the use of the proceeds which are to prevent the introduction or limit the spread of aquatic invasive species at all access sites within the County, and;

WHEREAS, the County may appropriate the proceeds directly or may use any portion of the proceeds to provide funding for a joint powers board or cooperative agreement with another political

subdivision, a soil and water conservation district in the county, a watershed district in the county, or a lake association located in the County. Any money appropriated by the County to a different entity or political subdivision must be used as required under this section, and;

WHEREAS, the County must submit a copy of its guidelines for use of the proceeds to the Department of Natural Resources by December 31 of the year the payments are received, and;

WHEREAS, A stated goal in the Water Plan is to “*Prevent further degradation of stream and lake water quality, with a priority for Beaver Creek, Shetek, and Heron Lake watersheds.*”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Commissioners of Murray County, Minnesota, designated oversight of Murray County’s AIS prevention efforts to the Murray County Water Resources Department and delegates to them the responsibility to prepare, implement and report annually a plan to allocate the funding in accordance with the above legislation. For 2014, to draft unapproved plan is on file in the Water Resources Department.

The foregoing resolution was seconded by Commissioner Moline and thereupon being put to a vote all members of the Board voted in favor.

End O Line and Museum Brochures and Rack Cards

It was moved by Moline, seconded by Jens to approve purchasing 5,000 brochures and 5,000 rack cards for a cost of \$1,521.66 from account code: 01-503-560-6232.

Voting in Favor: Magnus, Moline, Jens and Kluis

Opposed: Thiner

Motion carried 4 to 1.

End O Line Park Rental in the Off Season – Consensus for County Attorney Malone to review the application and permit and the proposed fees will be sent to Coordinator Heard to include in the 2015 fee schedule.

The Board was informed that beginning January 1, 2015 the standard mileage rates for the use of an automobile will be .575 cents per mile pursuant to Murray County Resolution 2001-12-31-05, which follows the Federal Mileage Reimbursement rate.

The Commissioners gave their committee reports for the period of December 7, 2014 to December 20, 2014.

Gerald Magnus reported on AMC Convention – December 7 – 9, Personnel Meeting – December 11, Personnel Meeting – December 15, Commissioner Board Meeting – December 16, Southwest Health & Human Services (No Per Diem Claimed) – December 17, Rural Minnesota Energy Board Legislative Committee – December 18, Personnel Meeting – December 19.

Robert Moline reported on AMC Convention – December 7 – 9, Labor Meeting – December 10, Commissioner Board Meeting – December 16, Southwest Health & Human Services and Southern

Prairie Health Purchasing Alliance (Partial Per Diem Claimed) – December 17, Personnel Meetings – December 18 & 19, Ditch Inspection (CD#20) (Partial Per Diem Claimed).

David Thiner reported on AMC Convention – December 7 – 9, Regional Library Board – December 11, CEOB Meeting (No Per Diem Claimed) – December 15, Commissioner Board Meeting – December 16.

Glenn Kluis reported on Commissioner Board Meeting – December 16, ACE Meeting – December 18.

James Jens reported on AMC Convention – December 7 – 9, Personnel Meeting and Ditch Inspection (#22) – December 10, Personnel Meeting and Soil & Water – December 11, Commissioner Board Meeting – December 12, Personnel Meeting – December 15, Commissioner Board Meeting – December 16, Personnel Evaluations – December 18 & 19, Ditch Inspection (CD#22) – December 20.

It was moved by Moline, seconded by Thiner and passed to approve the Commissioner Vouchers for the period of December 7, 2014 to December 20, 2014.

10:00 a.m. Open Forum/Public Comment – No members of the public were present.

10:15 a.m. It was moved by Moline, seconded by Kluis and passed to approve going into closed session for County Coordinator Heard's Annual Performance Evaluation pursuant to Minnesota Statute 13D.05 Subd. 3 a.

10:45 a.m. It was moved by Magnus, seconded by Moline and passed to approve to come out of closed session.

The Board Chair summarized County Coordinator Heard's annual evaluation as excellent.

Auditor/Treasurer Heidi Winter met with the County Board in open session regarding the consideration of her 2015 salary. Other items discussed were the staffing levels and job duties of employees in the Auditor's office, a compensation / classification plan and the offices duties regarding ditches.

Sheriff Telkamp met with the Board in open session regarding the consideration of his 2015 salary. Items discussed include the 2014 overtime pay and compensatory time accrued. The Sheriff discussed a new schedule he would be implementing for part time deputies to aid in the overtime costs. The staffing levels of the Sheriff's office compared to other counties was discussed.

12:30 p.m. It was moved by Thiner, seconded by Jens and passed to adjourn.

ATTEST: _____
Aurora Heard, County Coordinator

James Jens, Vice-Chairman of the Board