

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MURRAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MURRAY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER – SLAYTON, MINNESOTA
December 1, 2015 9:00 a.m.

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

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

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

No conflicts of interest were identified.

It was moved by Kluis, seconded by Magnus and passed to approve the agenda as modified.

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of the Minutes from November 24, 2015

It was moved by Moline, seconded by Thiner and passed to approve consent agenda item number 1.

A motion was duly made by Kluis, seconded by Magnus and carried that all claims as presented were approved for payment. The Chairman was authorized to sign the Audit List dated 12/1/2015 with fund totals as follows and warrants numbered 148056 – 148106:

County Revenue Fund	38,557.34
County Road & Bridge Fund	2,520.80
EDA	25.00
Sunrise Terrace	50.00
 Total	 41,153.14

It was moved by Moline, seconded by Magnus and passed to send the 2016 Ambulance Service Agreements to Townships and Cities with territory in the Murray County Ambulance Primary Service Area, further moving to approve 2016 Ambulance Agreement rates as follows:

Townships: \$35.00 per section included in the Murray County Ambulance Primary Service Area.

Cities: \$10.00 per capita based on most current Household Estimates from the Minnesota State Demographer.

Judicial Ditch 8 Preliminary Hearing Date

It was moved by Moline, seconded by Magnus and passed to set the Preliminary Hearing for the Improvement of Judicial Ditch 8 (Petition #2014-085) for Tuesday, December 29, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioner Room of the Murray County Government Center.

County Ditch 73 Improvement Pay Application Number 3

It was moved by Jens, seconded by Thiner and passed to approve Pay Application No. 3 to Onken Backhoe Service, Inc. for the County Ditch 73 Improvement Project in the amount \$2,839.50.

Ditch Inspection Reports – There were no reports for the December 1, 2015 meeting.

Crop Damage on petition #2013-029

It was moved by Magnus, seconded by Kluis and passed to approve denying the claim and to approve County Attorney Smith draft a letter regarding why the claim was denied.

Ditch Bills

A motion was made by Moline, seconded by Jens 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>Commissioner</u>
G&B Construction				
	JD20A	275.87	2015-054	District 1
	Subtotal	275.87		
Johnson Ditching				
	JD 16	749.49	2015-077	District 2
	Subtotal	749.49		
Total for All Ditch Bills		1,025.36		

Ditch Inspector Position Description

It was moved by Magnus, seconded by Thiner and passed to approve the Full time Ditch Inspector position description at a labor grade 10.

It was moved by Moline, seconded by Thiner and passed to approve the recruitment process for the ditch inspector position.

9:30 a.m. Chairman Jens opened the public hearing for the program income project. No members of the public were present. Murray County has pledged with the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development Small Cities Development Program for funds to rehabilitate low to moderate income, owner-occupied single family households.

9:35 a.m. The public hearing was closed.

It was moved by Thiner, seconded by Kluis and passed to approve replacing the carpet in the Sunrise Terrace lobby from the low quote from Randy’s Floor covering in the amount of \$4,102.57.

Snowmobile Maintenance Grant

It was moved by Moline, seconded by Thiner and passed to approve the 2016 snowmobile maintenance grant (Grant Amount: \$27,535.20), further moving to authorize the Board Chair and Auditor/Treasurer to sign the agreement on behalf of the County.

The County Board reviewed the 2016 ditch ledger balance.

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

Commissioner Thiner introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-12-01-01

RESOLUTION OF MURRAY COUNTY, MINNESOTA, APPROVING A NOTICE OF SALE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,700,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION DITCH BONDS, SERIES 2016A

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

Section 1. Authority. Under and pursuant to the authority contained in Minnesota Statutes, Chapters 475 and 103E, as amended (collectively the “Act”), the Issuer is authorized to issue general obligation bonds to finance a portion of the costs of improvements to County Ditch 82, County Ditch 35, and County Ditch 73; and costs associated with Bond issuance. The Bonds are valid and binding general obligations of the Issuer payable from special assessments against benefitted properties. The full faith and credit of the Issuer is pledged to their payment, and the Issuer has validly obligated itself to levy ad valorem taxes in the event of any deficiency in the debt service account established for this issue (the “Project”). The Project is ordered as required by Minnesota Statutes, Section 429.091, Subdivision 1.

Section 2. The Bonds. The Board determines that it is necessary, expedient, and in the best interests of the Issuer’s residents that the Issuer, as permitted by the Act, issue, sell and deliver its General Obligation Ditch Bonds, Series 2016A (the “Bonds”), in one or more series, for the purpose of financing the costs of the Project and paying the costs of issuing the Bonds.

Section 3. Notice of Sale. The Issuer’s administrative staff is hereby authorized and directed to work with Northland Securities, Inc., municipal advisor to the Issuer, and Fryberger, Buchanan, Smith & Frederick, P.A., bond counsel, to solicit bids and arrange for the sale of the initial series of the Bonds in the amount of approximately \$1,700,000 in substantial compliance with the Notice of Sale attached hereto as Exhibit A, which Notice of Sale is hereby approved.

Section 4. Form and Terms of the Bonds. The form, specifications and provisions for repayment of the Bonds shall be set forth in a subsequent resolution of the Board.

Adopted: December 1, 2015.

The foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Moline and thereupon being put to a vote the following members voted in favor:

Magnus
Moline
Kluis
Thiner
Jens

Opposed: None
Motion carried 5 to 0.

James Jens, Chair

ATTEST:

Municipal Advisory Service Agreement

It was moved by Magnus, seconded by Jens and passed to approve and authorize the Board Chair to sign the Municipal Advisory Service Agreement.

The County Board reviewed the 2016 ditch ledger balance.

11:56 a.m. The meeting was recessed until 1:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m. The meeting was reconvened.

Gary Weirs, David Drown Associates, met with the County Board and reviewed the organizational study. Several members of the public and employees were present.

It was moved by Moline, seconded by Thiner and passed to set a special meeting to review the organizational study for 12:30 p.m. on December 21, 2015.

2:30 p.m. The meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST: _____
Aurora Heard, County Coordinator

James Jens, Chairman of the Board