

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MURRAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MURRAY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER – SLAYTON, MINNESOTA  
August 6, 2019 8:30 a.m.

Pursuant to notice, the Murray County Board of Commissioners convened with the following members present: Commissioners Lori Gunnink, James Jens, James Kluis, David Thiner, and Dennis Welgraven. Also present were County Administrator Thomas Burke, County Attorney Travis Smith, and Economic Development Director Amy Rucker.

The Chairman asked if there were any additions to the agenda. One item was added.

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Welgraven, and passed to approve the agenda as modified.

No conflicts of interest were identified.

It was moved by Jens, seconded by Kluis, and passed to approve the minutes from the July 23 meeting.

COMMISSIONER WARRANTS

A motion was duly made by Welgraven, seconded by Jens and carried that all claims as presented were approved for payment. The Chairman was authorized to sign the Audit List dated August 9, 2019 with fund totals as follows and warrants numbered 159750 through 159820 and ET 61453 (MCIT):

|                           |                   |
|---------------------------|-------------------|
| County Revenue Fund       | 90,885.52         |
| County Road & Bridge Fund | 7,649.52          |
| EDA                       | 224.00            |
| Ditch                     | 70.35             |
| Sunrise Terrace           | <u>2,135.92</u>   |
| Total                     | <u>100,965.31</u> |

AUDITOR WARRANTS

Auditor Warrants were reviewed.

DITCH BILLS

A motion was made by Gunnink, 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.

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DITCH BILLS CONTINUE ON THE NEXT PAGE*

| <u>Vendor</u>                            | <u>Ditch #</u>  | <u>Amount</u>          |          |                                      |
|--|-----------------|------------------------|----------|--------------------------------------|
| <b><u>Riley Land Improvement LLC</u></b> |                 |                        |          |                                      |
|  | CD 6            | 2,078.00               | 2019-079 | ok'd by T. Radke 7/30/2019 2-Gunnink |
|  | CD 43M          | 204.00                 | 2019-053 | ok'd by T. Radke 7/30/2019 1-Jens    |
|  | <b>Subtotal</b> | <b><u>2,282.00</u></b> |          |                                      |
| <b>Total Ditch Bills</b>                 |                 | <b><u>2,282.00</u></b> |          |                                      |

#### JUDICIAL DITCH 3 IMPROVEMENT - PAY APPLICATION NO. 2

It was moved by Jens and seconded by Welgraven to approve Pay Application No. 2 to Cooreman Contracting, Inc. for the Judicial Ditch No. 3 Improvement Project in the amount \$149,816.34. The motion passed with a roll call vote as follows:

- James Jens: Yes
- Lori Gunnink: Abstain
- James Kluis: Abstain
- Dennis Welgraven: Yes
- David Thiner: Yes

#### SET HEARING FOR REDETERMINATION OF BENEFITS ON COUNTY DITCHES 63, 67, 75, AND JUDICIAL DITCH 10

It was moved by Welgraven, seconded by Gunnink, and passed to set a Public Hearing on September 3, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. in the Murray County Commissioner Room to receive the Viewer's Reports and take public comment on the Redetermination of Benefits for the following Murray County Drainage Systems:

- County Ditch 63
- County Ditch 67
- County Ditch 75
- Judicial Ditch 10

#### PAY APPLICATION 2 – SUNDQUIST PARK BATHROOM

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Jens, and passed to approve Pay Application No. 2 to Doom & Cuypers Construction, Inc. for the Sundquist Park Bathroom, Septic & Sidewalk Project in the amount \$28,320.25.

#### DITCH INSPECTION REPORT

A motion was made by Gunnink, seconded by Jens, and carried that the Commissioners in conjunction with the appointed ditch inspector in and for the County of Murray, have examined and inspected 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 ordered said repairs to be made, by this report given thereon at a Murray County Board of Commissioner's meeting, held in the Commissioners Room of the Murray County Government Center, Slayton, Minnesota.

- Petition 2019-071 (CD 27, Mason Twp. Sec. 25, District 1 – Jens)
- Petition 2019-081 (JD 20A, Shetek Twp. Sec. 9, District 1 – Jens)
- Petition 2019-082 (CD 76A, Mason Twp. Sec. 16, District 1 – Jens)
- Petition 2019-083 (JD 10, Lime Lake Twp. Sec. 17, District 3 – Welgraven)
- Petition 2019-084 (CD 43, Belfast Twp. Sec. 16, District 1 – Jens)
- Petition 2019-085 (JD 24, Des Moines Twp. Sec. 12, District 1 – Jens)
- Petition 2019-086 (JD 14, Chanarambie Twp. Sec. 24, District – Gunnink)

#### COUNTY DITCH 11

County Attorney Travis Smith will contact Kurt Deter of Rinke Noonan regarding scheduling a meeting with the Murray County Board of Commissioners regarding County Ditch 11.

#### HOSPITAL UPDATE

Michael Ladevich, Interim Chief Executive Officer of Murray County Medical Center, gave an update on the hospital’s financial status.

Supervisor of Plant Operations Arl Weinrebe advised that the hospital has surplus items to sell: The blue bus and the Fulda Clinic building. The Murray County Medical Center Board has approved the sale of these surplus items, but policy is that the County Board must approve the sale as well.

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Welgraven, and passed to permit the hospital to sell the surplus items as indicated.

#### MACAI ANNUAL SHORT COURSE

Ag & Solid Waste Administrator Jon Bloemendaal summarized the Minnesota Association of County Agricultural Inspectors (MACAI) Annual Short Course that he attended.

#### PAY APPLICATION 1 (FINAL) – ACE BUILDING ROOF

It was moved by Jens, seconded by Kluis, and passed to approve Pay Application No. 1 to James Lozinski Construction, Inc. for the ACE Building Roof Project in the amount \$32,125.00.

#### PAY APPLICATION 1 (FINAL) – ACE BUILDING ICE DAMAGE REPAIRS

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Welgraven, and passed to approve Pay Application No. 1 (FINAL) to Tri-State General Contracting for the ACE Building Ice Damage Repair Project in the amount \$28,785.00.

#### PAY APPLICATION 1 (FINAL) – DINEHART-HOLT HOUSE GARAGE SHINGLES AND SIDING

It was moved by Jens, seconded by Gunnink, and passed to approve Pay Application No. 1 to Jerome Schreier Construction for the Dinehart-Holt House Garage Shingles and Siding Project in the amount \$22,275 as follows:

|               |                           |
|---------------|---------------------------|
| \$22,200.00   | Original Quote            |
| -350.00       | Deduct Change: House wrap |
| <u>425.00</u> | Add Change: New walk door |

\$22,275.00 Final Price

## 2ND HALF MURRAY COUNTY AG SOCIETY APPROPRIATION

It was moved by Jens, seconded by Gunnink, and passed to pay to the Murray County Ag Society \$17,000, the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the Ag Society's annual appropriation.

## 2019 BUDGET AMENDMENTS

It was moved by Jens, seconded by Kluis, and passed to authorize an amendment to the 2019 Murray County Budget as follows:

|    | Department                        | Account No.          | Original Budget | Amendment Amount | Revised Budget   | Date Approved by Board |          |
|----|-----------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------|----------|
| 1. | Buffer Strip/Riparian Protection  | 01-628-000-0000-5216 | (163,208)       | 28,501           | (134,707)        | 8/6/2019               | *pending |
| 2. | Other General Government          | 01-149-003-0000-6911 | -               | 250,000          | 250,000          | 8/6/2019               | *pending |
|    | Capital Projects                  | 32-901-000-0000-5911 | -               | (250,000)        | (250,000)        | 8/6/2019               | *pending |
| 3. | Other Health                      | 01-490-000-0000-5861 | (272,727)       | 272,727          | -                | 8/6/2019               | *pending |
|    | Other Health                      | 01-490-000-0000-6242 | 567,837         | (567,837)        | -                | 8/6/2019               | *pending |
| 4. | Economic Development - Operations | 18-881-000-0000-6452 | 850             | 4,016            | 4,866            | 8/6/2019               | *pending |
|    | <b>totals</b>                     | <b>TOTALS</b>        | <b>132,752</b>  | <b>(262,593)</b> | <b>(129,841)</b> | <b>262,098</b>         |          |

## OPEN FORUM / PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no one present for Open Forum.

## INTRODUCTION OF NEW PARKS WORKER

Parks & Fairgrounds Director Justin Hoffmann introduced Timothy Kunselman, new Parks Maintenance Worker, who started on July 30.

## REQUEST TO RENT 4-H BUILDING

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Welgraven, and passed to permit Kelly Meyeraan to rent the 4-H building for a high school graduation on May 30, 2020.

## SUNDQUIST PARK PROJECT CHANGE ORDER

It was moved by Jens, seconded by Gunnink, and passed to add motion sensor light switches in the men's and women's restrooms at Sundquist park for an additional cost of \$469.00.

## PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER RESIGNATION

It was moved by Jens, seconded by Gunnink, and passed to accept with regret Doug Stewart's resignation from the Murray County Planning Commission and the Murray County Board of Adjustment.

## OPEN FORUM TIME CHANGE

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Welgraven, and passed to change the time of Open Forum on the Murray County Board of Commissioners regular meeting agendas to be 8:35 a.m., effective September 3.

**LAKE SHETEK AND BEAVER CREEK WATERSHEDS RESTORABLE BASINS MAP**  
James Jens shared a map he received from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) showing Lake Shetek and Beaver Creek Watersheds Restorable Basins.

**FINAL PAYMENT APPLICATION FOR SAP 51-599-103**

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Welgraven, and passed to approve final payment for project SAP 51-599-103 to Prahm Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$21,771.23.

**5-YEAR CONSTRUCTION PLAN**

County Engineer Randy Groves and the Board reviewed the 5-year road and bridge construction plan.

**CURRENT ROAD AND BRIDGE PROJECTS**

Groves updated the Board on current road and bridge projects.

**GRANT APPLICATION FOR END-O-LINE PARK**

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Jens, and passed to permit Museum staff to apply for a grant from the Carl & Verna Schmidt Foundation to purchase materials and labor for exterior painting of the Currie Depot building at End-O-Line Park.

**HEALTH CARE PLAN SELECTION MEDIATION REQUEST: PROCUREMENT**

Beth Wilms, Director of Southwest Health and Human Services, updated the Board on the Managed Care Organization (MCO) procurement process.

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Welgraven, and passed to request mediation with the Minnesota Department of Human Services to reduce the number of MCOs from three to two for the Minnesota Senior Care Plus (MSC+) and Minnesota Seniors Health Option (MSHO) programs.

**COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE OPERATIONAL ENHANCEMENT GRANT PROGRAM**

Commissioner Welgraven introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

2019-08-06-01

**RESOLUTION OF MURRAY COUNTY**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Murray County board of Commissioners that the County enter into the attached Grant Contract with the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs (MDVA) to conduct the following Program: County Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant Program. The grant must be used to provide outreach to the county's veterans; to assist in the reintegration of combat Veterans into society; to collaborate with other social service agencies, educational institutions, and other community organizations for the purposes of enhancing services offered to veterans; to reduce homelessness among veterans; and to enhance the operations of the county Veterans service office, as specified in Minnesota Laws 2019, Chapter 10, Article 1, Section 37, Subdivision 2. This Grant should not be used to supplant or replace other funding.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Murray County board of Commissioners that James Reinert, the Murray County Veterans Service Officer, be authorized to execute the attached Grant Contract for the above-mentioned Program on behalf of the County.

WHEREUPON the above resolution was adopted at a Regular Meeting of the County Board on this 6th day of August 2019.

The foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Commissioner Kluis with all members voting in favor.

**PROPOSED BROADBAND PROJECT – LISMORE COOPERATIVE TELEPHONE CO.**  
Lismore Cooperative Telephone Company General Manager Bill Loonan, Board President Darwin Veld and Secretary/Treasurer Mark Loosbrock presented a proposed project that would include a fiber loop which would also serve those alongside the loop, fiber to the home in Iona, fiber to the home in Chandler, and a new fixed wireless tower by Avoca. They will apply for a grant, without which the project won't be financially feasible. They also requested financial support from the County and will need letters of support from various entities who will benefit from broadband access. No action was taken.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Commissioners gave their committee reports for the period of July 14, 2019 to July 27, 2019.

James Jens reported on Commissioner Board Meeting (partial per diem claimed) – July 16, Health and Human Services (no per diem claimed) – July 17, JD 20A/JD 6 Hearing (partial per diem claimed) – July 17, Business and Industry Development (no per diem claimed) – July 18, Building Meeting (partial per diem claimed) – July 18, Hospital Finance Committee (partial per diem claimed) – July 22, Commissioner Board Meeting (partial per diem claimed) – July 23, Hospital Board Meeting (partial per diem claimed) - July 24, Meeting with Tom Burke (partial per diem claimed) – July 25, Southern Prairie Community Care (partial per diem claimed) – July 26.

Lori Gunnink reported on Commissioner Board Meeting (partial per diem claimed) – July 16, JD20A Hearing (partial per diem claimed) – July 17.

Dennis Welgraven reported on Commissioner Board Meeting (partial per diem) – July 16, Southwest Health and Human Services/Ditch Meeting (partial per diem claimed) – July 17, Business and Industry Development (partial per diem claimed) – July 18, Solid Waste/Rural Energy (partial per diem claimed) – July 22, Commissioner Board Meeting (partial per diem claimed) – July 23, Fair Board Meeting (partial per diem claimed) – July 25.

Jim Kluis reported on Southwest Minnesota Opportunity Council (partial per diem claimed) – July 15, Commissioner Board Meeting (partial per diem claimed) – July 16, Meeting with Tom Burke/Hospital Board Meeting – July 24.

David Thiner reported on Commissioner Board Meeting (partial per diem claimed) – July 16, JD20A Hearing (partial per diem claimed) – July 17, Personnel Committee/Building Committee (partial per diem claimed) – July 22, Commissioner Board Meeting/Heron Lake Watershed – July 23, RAC/ECB Radio Board (partial per diem claimed) – July 24.

It was moved by Jens, seconded by Gunnink, and passed to approve the Commissioner Vouchers for the period of July 14, 2019 to July 27, 2019.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:27 a.m.

ATTEST:

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Amy Rucker, Economic Development Director

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David Thiner, Chairman of the Board