

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MURRAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MURRAY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER – SLAYTON, MINNESOTA
January 17, 2017 8:30 a.m.

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

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 conflict of interest were identified.

It was moved by Thiner, seconded by Jens and passed to approve the agenda as modified.

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

County Assessor Marcy Barritt took the oath of office.

A motion was duly made by Jens, seconded by Gunnink and carried that all claims as presented were approved for payment. The Chairman was authorized to sign the Audit List dated January 17, 2017 with fund totals as follows and warrants numbered 151868 – 151937:

County Revenue Fund	63,178.73
County Road & Bridge Fund	21,725.51
EDA	200.00
Health Insurance	89.70
Sunrise Terrace	1,749.78
SAWSD	154.00
Total	87,097.72

A motion was made by Jens, seconded by Thiner 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 6	576.75		Redetermination of Benefits
	JD 8	934.20	2014-085	Improvement
	JD 19	1,454.10		Redetermination of Benefits
	Subtotal	<u>2,965.05</u>		
<u>Steve Johnson (Viewer)</u>				
	JD 8	130.60	2014-085	Improvement
	JD 19	130.60		Redetermination of Benefits
	CD 43A	542.50		Redetermination of Benefits
	CD 43B	350.00		Redetermination of Benefits
	CD 43M	945.00		Redetermination of Benefits
	CD 40	840.00		Redetermination of Benefits
	CD 6	95.60		Redetermination of Benefits
	Subtotal	<u>3,034.30</u>		
<u>William Moldestad (Viewer)</u>				
	JD 20A	4,595.00	2013-037	Improvement
	Subtotal	<u>4,595.00</u>		
<u>Bolton & Menk, Inc.</u>				
	CD 61	1,437.50	2014-070	Improvement
	JD 20A	1,480.00	2013-037	Improvement
	Subtotal	<u>2,917.50</u>		
<u>Rinke Noonan</u>				
	Admin	200.00	Monthly Retainer	
	Subtotal	<u>200.00</u>		
Total for All Ditch Bills		<u>13,711.85</u>		

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Jens and passed to approve cancelling the County Board meeting on February 21, 2017 and rescheduling it to February 14, 2017.

It was moved by Thiner, seconded by Jens and passed to approve tabling the purchase of the John Deere yard tractor and have the Building Committee review it.

It was moved by Thiner, seconded by Jens and passed to approve the 2017 Law Enforcement Agreements with the cities of Avoca, Chandler, Currie, Lake Wilson and Iona, further moving to authorize the Sheriff, Board Chair and Auditor-Treasurer to sign the agreements on behalf of the County and also further moving that approval is subject to receipt of a fully executed agreement and payment received from each respective city.

It was moved by Jens, seconded by Gunnink and passed to approve Pay Application No. 3 (Final) to Granite City Roofing, Inc. for the Government Center Roof Project in the amount \$7,856.54.

It was moved by Jens, seconded by Kluis to approve an expenditure of \$9,193.25 to Len's Awning and Canvas to replacing the two solar panel curtains on the government center. Voting in Favor: None. Opposed: Thiner, Gunnink, Jens, and Kluis. Motion failed 4 to 0.

The Building Committee will review the solar panel curtains and panels.

The Building Committee, Sheriff's Office, County Attorney, Auditor/Treasurer, EDA Director, Community Relations Director will work on the Safe and Secure Courthouse Initiative Grant Program.

It was moved by Thiner, seconded by Gunnink and passed to approve purchasing a trailer from Dierk's Trailer Sales in the amount of \$6,900 plus tax and license fees for storing mattresses.

It was moved by Kluis, seconded by Gunnink and passed to approve setting the fee for recycling a mattress and box spring at \$3.00 above the disposal cost per item.

Jamie Lanners, Minnesota River Area Agency on Aging, met with the County Board and reviewed the programs they offer.

10:05 a.m. Several Landowners on County Ditch 22 were present. Swede Campbell, George Erbes, and Clayton Campbell spoke regarding County Ditch 22.

Connie Wieneke, Deputy Registrar, gave the year end numbers of 2016.

The County Board discussed the Murray County Purchase Proposal for county land to build a practice gymnasium. County Attorney Smith will prepare a counter proposal and bring it to the January 24th meeting.

It was moved by Jens, seconded Thiner to approve allowing Soil and Water to remain on the county email address until the current licenses expire.

It was moved by Jens, seconded by Thiner to table the motion until James Reinert can be present. Voting in Favor: None. Opposed: Thiner, Jens, Kluis and Gunnink. Motion failed.

It was moved by Thiner, seconded by Jens and passed to amend the pending motion to allow Soil and Water to maintain county email addresses and software subscriptions, they will billed annually, and for the county Network Administrator to provide Network support billed at an hourly rate including hourly rate of pay, PERA, FICA and health insurance.

The County Board reviewed the following area Soil and Water funding levels:

County	Population	2017 Levy Amount	Cost per Capita	Additional Notes
Cottonwood	11,616	\$74,750*	\$6.44	\$22,750 of this is a match for GIS position
Jackson	10,260	\$106,924*	\$10.42	Shared with Land Management Office – SWDC staff paid for by

				grants only – no county levy money used.
Lac qui Parle	7,027	\$103,000*	\$14.66	Based on 2016 Levy. SWCD reimburses county from this amount for some staff costs.
Lincoln	5,830	\$138,000	\$23.67	
Lyon	25,487	\$219,050*	\$8.60	Based on 2016. This represents cost for SWDC and planning and zoning offices combined.
Murray	8,533	\$186,279	\$21.83	Direct appropriation to SWCD
Nobles	21,617	\$115,000*	\$5.32	Funded through Public Works Department
Pipestone	9,270	\$50,000*	\$5.40	\$18K of this gets paid back to the county for BWSR grant. Staff shared with Environmental Office.
Redwood	15,744	\$125,000	\$7.94	
Rock	9,529	\$200,000*	\$20.98	Shared with Environmental Service Offices and paid for via solid waste assessment.
Yellow Medicine	10,143	\$112,398	\$11.08	Based on 2016 Levy

The Board discussed the cumulative wage increase between the two Soil and Water employees, totaling over \$24,000, approved by the Soil and Water Board effective January 1, 2017.

It was moved by Kluis, seconded by Jens and passed to approve a contract with David Drown Associates for a compensation/classification study as amended furthermore authorizing the Board Chair and County Coordinator sign the agreement.

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Thiner and passed to approve any Commissioner to attend the Legislative Roundtable Meeting at 10:00 a.m. on February 10th, 2017, at the 4-H building.

It was moved by Thiner, seconded by Gunnink and passed to approve appointing John Risacher to the Board of Adjustment. Voting in Favor: Gunnink, Jens, Kluis. Opposed: Thiner. Motion carried 3 to 1.

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Jens and passed to approve setting a special meeting for Monday January 30th at 2:00 p.m. at the MCMC Dining Room for the Community Health Assessment Survey Results.

It was moved by Thiner, seconded by Kluis and passed to approve hiring Jason Wentzel as a Part time Recycling Center Worker at a labor grade 5, step 1, effective January 18, 2017.

It was moved by Jens, seconded by Gunnink and passed to approve a Preferred One Amendment regarding coupons and prescriptions.

The Commissioners gave their committee reports for the period of January 1, 2017 to January 14, 2017.

James Jens reported on Commissioner Board Meeting – January 3, Met with Economic Development (No Per Diem Claimed) – January 4, Shetek Area Water and Sewer District Board Meeting – January 9, District 8 Land Use Board Meeting – January 11, Worked on Food Service Building (took out cooler) – January 14.

Lori Gunnink reported on Commissioner Board Meeting – January 3, MN River Basin Area II and RCRC Board Meetings – January 5, Shetek Area Water and Sewer Board Meeting – January 9.

David Thiner reported on Commissioner Board Meeting – January 3, Heron Lake Watershed Board Meeting – January 12.

Glenn Kluis reported on Commissioner Board Meeting – January 3.

It was moved by Thiner, seconded by Gunnink and passed to approve the Commissioner Vouchers for the period of January 1, 2017 to January 14, 2017.

12:38 p.m. The meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

Aurora Heard, County Coordinator

Glenn Kluis, Chairman of the Board