

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MURRAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MURRAY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER – SLAYTON, MINNESOTA
September 26, 2017, 8:30 a.m.

Pursuant to notice, the Murray County Board of Commissioners convened with the following members present: Commissioners Glenn Kluis, Gerald Magnus, James Jens, Lori Gunnink and David Thiner. Also, present Aurora Heard, County Coordinator.

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.

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

No conflicts of interest were identified.

Consent Agenda

1. Approve Minutes from September 19, 2017

It was moved by Magnus, seconded by Gunnink and passed to approve consent agenda item 1.

A motion was made by Jens, seconded by Magnus 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>Commissioner District</u>
<u>B & W Control Specialists</u>	JD 10	1,731.50		Open Ditch Spraying	
	CD 19	639.25		Open Ditch Spraying	
	CD 22	1,075.50		Open Ditch Spraying	
	CD 27	731.50		Open Ditch Spraying	
	CD 29	1,129.00		Open Ditch Spraying	
	JD 20a	3,207.50		Open Ditch Spraying	
	Subtotal		<u>8,514.25</u>		
<u>Bill's Backhoe Service, LLC</u>	CD 35	350.00	2017-038	Ok'd by Howard 9/20/17	2 - Magnus
	Subtotal				
		<u>350.00</u>			
<u>Riley Land Improvement, LLC</u>	CD 35	304.00	2017-038	Ok'd by Howard 9/7/17	2 - Magnus
	Subtotal				
		<u>304.00</u>			
Total for All Ditch Bills		<u>9,168.25</u>			

A motion was made by Gunnink, seconded by Thiner 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 #2017-044 (CD 11, Leeds Twp. Sec. 23, District 2 – Gunnink)

It was moved by Jens, seconded by Gunnink and passed to approve tabling ditch petition #2017-045 and #2017-011 (CD 29, Shetek Twp. Sec. 25 & 26, until more information is provided.

It was moved by Thiner, seconded by Jens and passed to approve Soil and Water’s 2017 third quarter appropriation in the amount of \$46,569.75.

City of Wilmont Law Enforcement Services

City of Wilmont Council members Travis Halbur and George Hoffman and Wilmont City Clerk Rita Vaskey, Sheriff Telkamp and EM Director/Deputy Sheriff Heath Landsman were present at the meeting to discuss the possibility of Murray County Sheriff’s Office providing law enforcement services for the city of Wilmont. The County Board consensus was to review a proposal from the City of Wilmont when they had one.

It was moved by Magnus, seconded by Jens and passed to approve the low quote from Ankrum Cabinets and Construction in the amount of \$10,400.00 for the Lime Lake Park Shelter from account code: 01-521-526-6610.

10:00 a.m. Open Forum/Public Comment – Steve Illg was present to discuss aeration on Lake Shetek. Park/Aeration Director Hoffmann will talk to the landowner regarding a price.

Commissioner Thiner introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

Resolution 2017-09-26-01
A Resolution Setting the 2018 Preliminary Levy and Budget Hearing

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Murray County Board of Commissioners set the 2018 Preliminary Levy as follows:

	Gross Levy for 2018	County Program Aid for 2018	Net Levy for 2018	
County Revenue	4,552,386	(318,402)	4,233,984	_____
Road & Bridge	1,433,006	(100,227)	1,332,779	_____
Special Levy for Debt Service	356,068		356,068	_____
Human Services	1,204,494	(84,245)	1,120,249	_____
TOTAL LEVY	7,545,954	(502,874)	7,043,080	_____

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 2018 Budget Hearing is scheduled as part of the regular meeting on November 28, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the Murray County Board of Commissioners Room at which time the public will be allowed to speak and the budget and levy will be discussed.

2018 Preliminary Levy Worksheet							
	Last Year			This Year			
	A			B			C
	County Program			County Program			Increase (Decrease) for 2018
	Gross Levy from 2017	Aid for 2017	Net Levy from 2017	Gross Levy for 2018	Aid for 2018	Net Levy for 2018	
County Revenue	4,147,386	(94,652)	4,052,734	4,552,386	(318,402)	4,233,984	181,249
Road & Bridge	1,198,006	(27,341)	1,170,665	1,433,006	(100,227)	1,332,779	162,114
Special Levy for Debt Service	354,572		354,572	356,068		356,068	1,496
Human Services	1,178,782	(26,902)	1,151,880	1,204,494	(84,245)	1,120,249	(31,630)
TOTAL LEVY	6,878,746	(148,895)	6,729,851	7,545,954	(502,874)	7,043,080	313,229

Column Above			
	2018 Proposed Levy	\$ 7,043,080	B
-	2017 Final NTC Levy	\$ 6,729,851	A
=	Increase from prior year	\$ 313,229	C
÷	2017 Final NTC Levy	\$ 6,729,851	A
=	Increase of	4.65%	

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

The County Board reviewed the Southwest Health and Human Services lease costs.

It was moved by Jens, seconded by Magnus and passed to approve and authorize the Chair sign a Minnesota Governor’s Broadband Task Force.

The Commissioners gave their committee reports for the period of September 10, 2017 to September 23, 2017.

James Jens reported on Broadband Meeting & SAWS (Partial Per Diem Claimed) – September 11, Recycling Meeting (Partial Per Diem Claimed) – September 12, MCMC Foundation (Partial Per Diem Claimed) – September 13, Aeration Meeting (Partial Per Diem Claimed) – September 15, Commissioner Board Meeting (Partial Per Diem Claimed) – September 19, Southwest Health and Human Services and Casey Jones Meeting (No Per Diem Claimed) – September 20.

Gerald Magnus reported on Insurance Meeting and Broadband Meeting – September 11, Recycling Meeting (Partial Per Diem Claimed) – September 12, Township Annual Meeting (Partial Per Diem Claimed) – September 14, Southern Prairie Conference (Partial Per Diem Claimed) – September 18, Commissioner Board Meeting (Partial Per Diem Claimed) – September 19, Southwest Health and Human Services (No Per Diem Claimed)- -September 20.

Lori Gunnink reported on Saws Meeting (Partial Per Diem Claimed) – September 11, Fairground Advisory Meeting - September 12, AMC Conference - September 13 – 15, Commissioner Board Meeting (Partial Per Diem Claimed) – September 19, Fair Board Meeting and Casey Jones Meeting – September 20.

David Thiner reported on AMC Conference – September 13 – 15, CEOB Private Industry Council Meeting and SMOC (Partial Per Diem Claimed) – September 18, Commissioner Board Meeting (Partial Per Diem Claimed) – September 19, Parks Meeting and Planning & Zoning – September 21.

Glenn Kluis reported AMC Conference (Partial Per Diem Claimed) – September 13 – 15, Commissioner Board Meeting and Fair Board Meeting (Partial Per Diem Claimed) – September 19.

10:50 a.m. The meeting was recessed.

The meeting was called back to order at 1:00 p.m. to discuss costs associated with the re-route of Murray County Ditch No. 11 tile out from under State Highway 30 in Sections 11 and 12 of Leeds Township.

Present: Commissioners Glenn Kluis, James Jens, Lori Gunnink and David Thiner. Also, present Aurora Heard, County Coordinator; Heidi Winter, Auditor/Treasurer; Kurt Deter, Attorney for Drainage Authority; Howard Konkol, Ditch Inspector; Randy Groves, County Engineer; Landowners Kevin Nelson, Steve Fresk, Harry Brands and Doug Halbur; MnDOT representatives, Angela Forsythe, Dave Johnston and Nathan Pederson; Others, Katie Beers, Wheel Herald; Dorothy Bloemendaal, Murray County News. Excused Absence: Commissioner Gerald Magnus.

The following costs were presented:

CD 11/TH 30 Emergency Repair Expenses

MURRAY COUNTY SUBMITTALS	COSTS	NOTES
Johnson's Re-route 24" tile (labor, materials)	\$45,514.07	Already Paid by Murray County
Riley's Land Improvement (camera)	\$ 680.00	Already Paid by Murray County
Johnson's Ditching (clean-up/leveling dirt piles)	\$ 281.19	Already Paid by Murray County
Attorney Fees	\$ 3,839.00	Already Paid by Murray County
Bolton & Menk (as-built tile re-route)	\$ 746.00	Already Paid by Murray County
Drainage Authority (per diam, etc.)	\$ 488.99	Already Paid by Murray County
Security Deposit (MNDOT permit)	\$ 2,000.00	Already Paid by Murray County
Crop Damage (3.29 ac./\$600, corn & alfalfa)	\$ 1,974.00	
Engbarth Directional Drilling (labor, materials)	\$11,877.80	
Johnson Ditching (time, materials, 3 days)	\$ 3,458.20	
TOTAL MURRAY COUNTY SUBMITTALS	\$70,859.25	
LESS COSTS THAT HAVE BEEN PAID	\$53,549.25	
TOTAL COSTS REMAINING	\$17,310.00	
MNDOT SUBMITTALS	COSTS	NOTES
TH 30 Road Repair	\$50,242.49	
Emergency Detour	\$6,968.39	Daily Charge + Mob and Install/Removal
Plugging Existing Tile Line	\$26,686.79	
TOTAL MNDOT SUBMITTALS	\$83,897.67	
***No payment has been made by MNDOT		

TOTAL EMERGENCY REPAIR EXPENSES = \$154,756.92

The group acknowledged that County Ditch No. 11 was established by Order in 1905 and the construction plans for State Highway 30 were from 1931. There is no record of an agreement between MnDot and the Ditch Authority for the highway to be constructed over the established county tile.

The Drainage Authority's position is that the landowners should be responsible for what it would have cost to replace the tile as a typical farm drainage repair if a road had not been built over the top of it (less than \$10,000). They felt MnDOT should be responsible for the rest of the costs. They asked the representatives from MnDOT to take this back to their agency and respond with their position.

The Board briefly discussed the timing of when to abandon the old tile line. Kurt Deter will obtain the necessary data from Howard Konkol to prepare the abandonment petition. The landowners will be notified and a hearing will be held at a future meeting.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

ATTEST:

Aurora Heard, County Coordinator

Glenn Kluis, Chairman of the Board

