

REDWOOD COUNTY, MINNESOTA

FEBRUARY 16, 2016

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' Room in the Government Center, Redwood Falls, Minnesota.

Present for all or portions of the meeting were Commissioners Sharon Hollatz, Lon Walling, Priscilla Klabunde, Jim Salfer and Dennis Groebner; County Administrator Vicki Knobloch, County Attorney Steve Collins, Auditor-Treasurer Jean Price, Hwy. Engineer Willy Rabenberg, Sheriff Randy Hanson, Economic Development Director Julie Rath, Doug Kerkhoff and Valerie Stephens

Chair Klabunde called the meeting to order asking for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

On motion by Groebner, second by Hollatz, the Board voted unanimously to approve the revised agenda.

Chair Klabunde asked the Board members to identify any areas for which they had a conflict of interest. Klabunde identified a conflict within the Abstract of Bills.

CONSENT AGENDA

- On motion by Hollatz, second by Walling, and excluding the bill from Klabunde Electric in the amount of \$339.50, the Board voted unanimously to approve the consent agenda.
 - February 9, 2016 Board minutes.
 - Payment of bills as follows:

Revenue Fund	\$ 149,926.06
Building Fund	\$ 2,347.57
Ditch Maintenance Fund	\$ 1,981.09
Solid Waste Fund	\$ 459.06

- On motion by Walling, second by Salfer with Klabunde abstaining due to the Conflict of Interest, the Board voted to approve the bill from Klabunde Electric in the amount of \$339.50.

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

- The Board recognized Loren Gewerth, Maintenance Department, and Jim Hildebrandt, Sheriff's Department, for 25 years of Service.

SHERIFF

- Hanson updated the Board on the Redwood County Jail Population for January, 2016.
- On motion by Hollatz, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to declare Sentence to Serve equipment excess equipment and authorized disposal.

- On motion by Walling, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to declare a 2009 Ford Crown Victoria squad car as excess property and authorized disposal by sale.
- Hanson presented the 2015 Drug Task Force Statistics.
- On motion by Hollatz, second by Klabunde, the Board voted unanimously to approve an out of state travel request for Jason Jacobson for an Oxygen Forensic Software Users Conference in Indianapolis, IN in the amount of \$1,168.

AUDITOR-TREASURER

- On motion by Hollatz, second by Walling, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following consent agenda: Cash Balance Report; Investment Summary; Budget Report: Revenue, Building, Ditch Maintenance, Ditch Bond Interest and Solid Waste Funds; and January Disbursements in the amount of \$695,079.02.
- On motion by Walling, second by Salfer, the Board voted unanimously to approve 2016 Budget Adjustments in the Attorney's office for the Child Advocacy Grant.

ROAD AND BRIDGE

- On motion by Groebner, second by Walling, in a roll-call vote with Klabunde, Hollatz, Groebner, Walling and Salfer all voting aye, the Board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION REQUESTING A VARIANCE FROM MINNESOTA DESIGN STANDARDS FOR THE COUNTY STATE AID HIGHWAY (CSAH) 2 PROJECT (S.A.P. 064-602-024) IN THE CITY OF MORGAN, MN.

WHEREAS, the County of Redwood, is preparing plans for CSAH 2, From Trunk Highway 67 to Reetz Street; and

WHEREAS, CSAH 2 between 4th Street and St. John's Street within the City of Morgan has an existing horizontal curve; and

WHEREAS, the existing horizontal curve has a radius of 114 feet and does not meet the requirements for a 30 mph design speed; and

WHEREAS, advisory signs have been constructed on both sides of the curves; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Department of Transportation Road Design Manual Low Speed Urban Horizontal Curve Design requires that for a 30 mph curve with a rate of super equal to -0.02, that the minimum radius shall be 300 feet; and

WHEREAS, right of way constraints will prohibit the construction of a horizontal curve with a 300 foot radius; and

WHEREAS, it is proposed to maximize the length of the radius within the existing right of way limits; and

WHEREAS, the proposed design would have a centerline curve radius of 182 feet; and

WHEREAS, the proposed curve would meet the MNDOT Road Design Manual Low Speed Urban Horizontal Curve Design for a design speed of 25 mph; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Board of Commissioners do hereby request a variance from the Minnesota Department of Transportation to allow a curve radius of 182 feet for a 25 mph design speed in lieu of a curve radius of 300 feet for 30 mph design speed as required in Rule 8820.9936 MINIMUM DESIGN STANDARDS, URBAN; NEW OR RECONSTRUCTION PROJECTS;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Redwood County Board of Commissioners hereby indemnifies, saves and hold harmless the State of Minnesota and its agents and employees of and from claims, demands, actions, or causes of action arising out of or by reason of (CSAH 2 Reconstruction Project – S.A.P. 064-602-024) in accordance with Minnesota Department of Transportation State Aid Manual Chapter 5.4 Plans & Proposals, III. Design Standards (Low Speed Urban Horizontal Curve Design) and further agrees to defend at their sole cost and expense any action or proceeding commenced for the purpose of asserting any claim arising as a result of the granting this variance.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

- Collins reviewed the summary of 2015 activities in the Attorney's Office.

ADMINISTRATOR

- On motion by Klabunde, second by Hollatz, in a roll-call vote with Klabunde, Hollatz, Groebner, Walling and Salfer all voting aye, the Board adopted the following Proclamation:

We are proud to join in a nationwide salute that will highlight the importance of citizen engagement and recognize the dedication of National Service AmeriCorps members and Senior Corps – RSVP volunteers, and inspire more residents to get involved in their communities.

The nation's counties are increasingly turning to National Service and volunteer programs as a cost-effective strategy to meet county needs.

National Service programs expand economic opportunity by creating more sustainable communities and providing education, career skills, and leadership abilities for those who serve.

National Service provides a unique public-private partnership that invests in community solutions to strengthen community impact and increase the return on taxpayer dollars.

National Service AmeriCorps members and Senior Corps – RSVP volunteers demonstrate commitment, dedication, and patriotism by making an intensive commitment to service.

More than 13,700 Minnesota Senior Corps Volunteers provided 2,255,450 hours of service in 2014. Cottonwood County was served by 3 AmeriCorps members and 219 Senior Corps – RSVP volunteers in 2014. The Senior Corps – RSVP volunteers perform their volunteer service work under the guidance of A.C.E. of SW Minnesota – Cottonwood County office. These volunteers provide vital support to county residents and improve the quality of life in Cottonwood County. As a County Commission, we work hard every day to make life better for our constituents, and strengthening the spirit and commitment of the volunteers who serve our county is just one of our many goals. We are grateful for the dedication and sacrifice of these citizens who are helping make our great county stronger, safer, and healthier.

Today we thank National Service AmeriCorps members and Senior Corps – RSVP volunteers for their commitment. Let us pledge to do our part to strengthen our county through services and volunteering.

Therefore, be it resolved, that I, Priscilla Klabunde, County Board Chair of Redwood County, do hereby proclaim April 5, 2016, as National Service Recognition Day, and encourage residents to recognize the positive impact of National Service programs in our county, to thank those who serve; and to find ways to give back to our communities.

HUMAN SERVICES BUILDING

- Kerkhoff reviewed the status of the activity on the sale of the Human Services Building.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Rath presented monthly activity report.

COMMISSIONERS

- The commissioners reported on meetings they attended.

Walling

- Redwood/Renville Regional Solid Waste

Klabunde

- Lower Sioux Community Meeting

Salfer

- EDC/RADC
- Regional Extension Meeting

Hollatz

- Technology Committee
- EDA/RADC

Groebner

- Redwood/Renville Regional Solid Waste

ADJOURN

- There being no further business, Chair Klabunde declared the meeting adjourned at 10:37 a.m.

Priscilla Klabunde, Chair
Board of County Commissioners

Attest: _____
Vicki Knobloch
County Administrator