

REDWOOD COUNTY, MINNESOTA

AUGUST 18, 2015

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 Priscilla Klabunde, Sharon Hollatz, Jim Salfer, Lon Walling, Dennis Groebner and County Administrator Vicki Knobloch. Also present were Auditor/Treasurer Jean Price; County Attorney Steve Collins; Human Resource Coordinator Peter Brown; Sheriff Randy Hansen; Planning and Zoning Supervisor Nick Brozek; Veteran's Service Officer Martin Caraway; Walnut Grove Mayor Greg Hansen and Council Member Leonard McLaughlin, Lamberton Council Member Dave Irlbeck

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

On motion by Klabunde, second by Hollatz, the Board voted unanimously to approve the August 18th agenda.

Chair Walling asked the Board members to identify any areas for which they had a Conflict of Interest. Klabunde identified a conflict in the Abstract of Bills.

CONSENT AGENDA

- On motion by Hollatz, second by Groebner, and excluding the bill from Klabunde Electric in the amount of \$676.30, the Board voted unanimously to approve the consent agenda with amendment to August 4th minutes.
- On motion by Salfer, second by Hollatz, with Klabunde abstaining due to a Conflict of Interest, the Board voted to approve the bill from Klabunde Electric in the amount of \$676.30.
 - August 4th minutes.
 - Payment of bills as follows:

General Fund	\$ 71,087.24
Building Fund	\$ 18,211.57
Ditch Maintenance Fund	\$ 15,771.41
Solid Waste Fund	\$ 15,123.03

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

- The Board recognized Jean Brezina, Assessor's Dept. for 10 Years of Service and Debrorah Kottschade, Sheriff's Dept. for 20 Years of Service.

SHERIFF

- Reviewed July 2015 Jail Population.
- On motion by Klabunde, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to approve Emergency Management Performance Grant in the amount of \$21,194.

- On motion by Hollatz, second by Klabunde, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Hazard Mitigation Assistance Program decrease in funds from \$8,750 to \$6,687.87.
- Hanson updated the Board on Jail Staffing since hiring two full time and one part time jailers.

AUDITOR/TREASURER

- On motion by Klabunde, second by Salfer, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following:
 - Cash Balance Report
 - Investment Summary
 - Budget Reports, General Fund, Building Fund, Ditch Maintenance Solid Waste, Public Health, Debt Service Fund.
 - July, 2015 Disbursements in the amount of \$1,008,324.01.

CITY OF WALNUT GROVE AND LAMBERTON

- Hansen, McLaughlin and Irlbeck were present to discuss upcoming tax forfeiture properties in their respective cities. A work session will be held after auction with all municipalities involved.

VETERAN'S SERVICE

- Caraway reported on his trip to Washington DC on July 27-28th.
- On motion by Salfer, second by Hollatz, the Board voted unanimously to approve the 2016 CVSO Operational Enhancement Grant Agreement.
- On motion by Groebner, second by Salfer, in a roll call vote with Hollatz, Groebner, Salfer, Walling and Klabunde all voting aye, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the following resolution:

Resolution of Redwood County

BE IT RESOLVED by the Redwood 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 Enhancement Grant Program**. This grant must be used to enhance the operations of the County Veterans Service Office under Minn. Stat. §197.608 Subd. 4 (1), and should not be used to supplant or replace other funding.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Redwood County Board of Commissioners that Martin Caraway, the Veteran's Service Officer, be authorized to execute the attached Grant Contract for the above-mentioned Program on behalf of the County.

PLANNING AND ZONING

- On motion by Klabunde, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Farmer's Union/Artex Tile Easement Agreement.

ADMINISTRATOR

- On motion by Walling, second by Hollatz, the Board voted unanimously to send letter in sponsorship of Area II, Minnesota River Basin Projects, Inc. to join MCIT Joint Powers Organization.

- On motion by Klabunde, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to direct Knobloch to draft letter to support the State's participation in funding the proposed Lake Redwood Reclamation and Enhancement Project.
- On motion by Groebner, second by Hollatz, the Board voted unanimously to award the bid for driveway and sidewalk concrete replacement at the Law Enforcement Center to Sussner Construction in the amount of \$21,608.

Bids received were as follows:

Company	BID
Sussner Construction	\$21,608
Vick Construction	\$29,749
F & S Concrete Paving, Inc.	\$25,147.30

Personnel:

- On motion by Klabunde, second by Salfer, the Board voted unanimously to transfer and promote Amy Groebner from Account Technician in Auditor/Treasurer's Office to Recording Technician in the Recorder's Office effective 8-19-15 at \$16.37/hr, Grade 10/Step 1 of the AFSCME Union Scale.
- On motion by Hollatz, second by Salfer, the Board voted unanimously to approve to pay Amy Groebner for working out of class at Grade 10/Step 1 at \$16.37/hr. effective 8-25-15.

RECESS

- The Board recessed at 10:50 a.m.

CLOSED SESSION – NEGOTIATION STRATEGIES

- On motion by Hollatz, second by Salfer, the Board voted unanimously to enter into closed session at 11:00 a.m. for the purpose of Negotiation Strategies. Present were Commissioners Hollatz, Salfer, Groebner, Klabunde and Walling; County Administrator Knobloch and County Attorney Collins. Closed session ended at 11:30 a.m. No action taken.

RECONVENED

- The Board reconvened into regular session at 11:30 a.m.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

- The commissioners reported on meetings they attended:

Salfer:

- EDC Meeting
- Extension
- Fair Board
- Vail Township
- Sanborn City Council Meeting
- Farmfest

Hollatz:

- Extension
- EDC /RADC
- Technology Committee Meeting
- Minnesota Rural County Caucus

Walling:

- Redwood-Renville Regional Solid Waste
- Area II Minnesota River Basin
- Insurance Committee

Klabunde:

- Southern Prairie
- Community Development Strategy
- Restorative Justice

Groebner:

- Redwood-Renville Regional Solid Waste
- Redwood Soil and Water

ADJOURN

- There being no further business, Chair Walling declared the meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Attest: _____
Vicki Knobloch
County Administrator

Lon Walling, Chair
Board of County Commissioners