

REDWOOD COUNTY, MINNESOTA

MARCH 3, 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 Lon Walling; Priscilla Klabunde; Jim Salfer and Sharon Hollatz; Administrator Vicki Knobloch; Human Resource Coordinator Peter Brown; Land Use & Zoning Supervisor Nick Brozek; Highway Engineer Willy Rabenberg; County Attorney Steve Collins and Claire Meyers.

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 agenda.

Chair Walling asked the Board members to identify any areas for which they had a conflict of interest. There were none.

CONSENT AGENDA

- On motion by Hollatz, second by Klabunde, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following:
 - February 17, 2015 Board minutes.
 - Payment of bills as follows:

Revenue Fund	\$ 44,396.61
Ditch Maintenance Fund	\$ 40,237.91
Solid Waste Fund	\$ 13,094.89

SOUTHERN PRAIRIE COMMUNITY CARE

- Presentation was rescheduled to March 17, 2015.

ENVIRONMENTAL

Planning and Zoning

- An application for Conditional Use Permit #3-15 filed by the City of Morgan for construction and operation of wastewater treatment ponds to replace the city's current mechanical wastewater treatment plant on the following described real property, situated in the County of Redwood, State of Minnesota, to wit: SW ¼, SW ¼ of Section 9 of Morgan Township, TWP 111N, Range 34W. On motion by Klabunde, second by Salfer, the Board voted unanimously to approve CUP #3-15 with (16) conditions as set forth by the Planning Commission.

- An application for Conditional Use Permit #2-15 filed by Highwater Ethanol for construction and use of a 24 million gallon water holding pond on the following described real property, situated in the County of Redwood, State of Minnesota, to wit: S/T/R 21-109-37 S1/2 Lying N of RR R/W EX TRS, 123.36A Section 21, Township 109N, Range 37W, Lamberton Township. On motion made by Salfer, second by Hollatz, the Board voted unanimously to approve CUP #2-15 with (17) conditions as set forth by the Planning Commission.
- On motion by Hollatz, second by Salfer, the Board voted unanimously to approve amendment to Conditional Use Permit #12-14, Todd Schouvieller, to change the orientation of the barn from east-west to north-south, subject to the existing conditions.

ROAD AND BRIDGE

- On motion by Klabunde, second by Hollatz, the Board voted unanimously to approve payment of Road & Bridge bills in the amount of \$41,715.05.
- On motion by Walling, second by Hollatz, the Board voted unanimously to authorize letting date for Area 2 Water Retention Project for Springdale Township for April 7, 2015 at 11:15 a.m.
- On motion by Klabunde, second by Salfer, the Board voted unanimously to award Bituminous Road Repair Materials bid to Flint Hills Resources in the amount of \$166,335.20. Note was given from County Attorney, Collins, regarding concerns with bid.

ADMINISTRATOR

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

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING \$1,000 FOR BROADBAND PLANNING AND PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, The Blandin Foundation, wishes to donate \$1,000 to Redwood County and;

WHEREAS, Redwood County will utilize the \$1,000 for broadband planning and project development;

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners appreciates the generosity of the Blandin Foundation in supporting Redwood County;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners hereby approves the acceptance of \$1,000 from the Blandin Foundation to Redwood County.

- On motion by Klabunde, second by Salfer the Board voted unanimously to approve the Joint Powers Agreement with Commerce Guaranteed Energy Savings Program.
- On motion by Klabunde, second by Salfer, with Hollatz abstaining, the Board voted unanimously to approve a roadway and utility easement for David and Jodi Bunting.
- On motion by Salfer, second by Hollatz, the Board voted unanimously to declare Sheriff Department items as excess property and authorize disposal of items.

- The Board reviewed different sign options and quotes for Plum Creek Park. No decision was made.
- On motion by Hollatz, second by Salfer, the Board voted unanimously to acknowledge receipt of the Confession of Judgment for Larry and Kathleen Dukek.

Personnel Action Items:

- On motion made by Klabunde, second by Hollatz, the Board voted unanimously to approve the 2015 lump sum payment of 2% of their annual salary up to \$1,200 to non-union hourly employees.
- On motion made by Klabunde, second by Kokesch, the Board voted unanimously to hire Kali Schmoll as Full-time Custody Officer in the Sheriff's office; Jailer/Dispatcher Grade, step 1 of the LELS Pay Table at \$14.60/hour, effective March 9, 2015.
- On motion by Hollatz, second by Salfer, the Board voted unanimously to acknowledge the resignation of Nate Dittbenner, Part-time Jailer/Dispatcher effective March 22, 2015.
- On motion by Klabunde, second by Hollatz, the Board voted unanimously to hire Marcus Bruflat as Part-time Custody Officer/Dispatcher in the Sheriff's Office, Jailer/Dispatcher Grade, step 1 of the LELS Pay Table at \$14.60/hour, effective March 16, 2015.

COMMISSIONERS ITEMS

- On motion by Walling, second by Hollatz, the Board voted unanimously to pay Minnesota Rural County Caucus membership dues in the amount of \$2,100.
- Commissioners reviewed Per Diems for 2014.

COMMISSIONERS

- The commissioners reported on meetings they attended.

Walling

- Compensation Study Meeting

Klabunde

- Advocate-Connect- Educate (A.C.E)
- Southern Prairie Community Care
- Southwest Health and Human Services
- Western Mutual Health
- Western Community Transit

Salfer

- Planning and Zoning Commission
- Southwest Health and Human Services
- Broadband Planning Session
- SWRDC

Hollatz

- ATV Meeting
- Minnesota Valley Regional Rail Authority

ADJOURN

- There being no further business, Chair Walling declared the meeting adjourned at 9:57 a.m.

Lon Walling, Chair
Board of County Commissioners

Attest: _____
Vicki Knobloch
County Administrator