

REDWOOD COUNTY, MINNESOTA

APRIL 6, 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 Lon Walling, Priscilla Klabunde, Dennis Groebner, Jim Salfer and Sharon Hollatz; Administrator Vicki Knobloch; Highway Engineer Willy Rabenberg; County Attorney Steve Collins; Child Advocacy Intern Katie Salden; Land Use & Zoning Supervisor Nick Brozek; Sheriff Randy Hanson; Environmental Director Scott Wold; Soil and Water Conservation District Director Marilyn Bernhardson; Human Resource Coordinator Peter Brown; Auditor/Treasurer Jean Price; A.C.E. Program Coordinator Karen Christensen; Restorative Justice Coordinator Eric Johnson; Restorative Justice volunteers: Jason Livingston; Joshua Joyce; Kelly Sandgren; Deb Hess; Mark Dressen and Probation Officer Duane Frank; participants of Boys' and Girls' County Day.

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

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

Chair Klabunde 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 Walling, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following:
 - March 15th, 2016 Board minutes.
 - Payment of bills less John Cunningham bill in the amount of \$4,246.20

Revenue Fund	\$ 98,705.42
Ditch Maintenance Fund	\$ 10,376.26
Solid Waste Fund	\$ 2,872.08
Building Fund	\$ 621.34
Road and Bridge Fund	\$ 845.19

COUNTY DAY PROCLAMATION

- The Board recognized Karen Christensen, A.C.E. Program Coordinator, on National Service Recognition Day, April 5, 2016 and thanked her for her years of service.

BOYS AND GIRLS COUNTY DAY

- Redwood County students entered the Board meeting at various times representing Wabasso, Red Rock Central, Cedar Mountain, Redwood and Westbrook-Walnut Grove.

PLANNING AND ZONING

- An application to construct up to a 4 MW Community Solar garden, Conditional Use Permit #3-16 filed by Dan & Mary Tauer, SunShare/MorganSun LLC Community Solar Garden on the following described real property, situated in the County of Redwood, State of Minnesota, to wit: E ½ NW ¼ of Section 22, Twp 111N, Range 34W, Morgan Township. On motion by Walling, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to approve CUP #3-16 with (11) conditions as set forth by the Planning Commission.

ROAD AND BRIDGE

- On motion by Salfer, second by Walling, the Board voted unanimously to approve payment of Road & Bridge bills in the amount of \$77,431.30.
- On motion by Hollatz, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to award the bid for Bituminous Road Repair to Flint Hills in the amount of \$213,487.50. No other bids were received.
- On motion by Walling, second by Hollatz, the Board voted unanimously to approve the final payment for SAP 64-599-101, Bridge replacement 64J49 to Midwest Contracting in the amount of \$7,939.22.
- On motion by Walling, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to authorize the letting date of 5-11-16 at 10:00 a.m. for SAP 64-599-105, Bridge #L6921, Granite Rock Township.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

- Collins introduced Katie Salden, Child Advocacy Intern to the County Board. Salden and Collins updated the Board on work being done in the Child Advocacy program and informed the Board of an additional grant to help fund the program that they will be applying for.
- On motion by Walling, second by Hollatz, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Child Advocacy Contract Amendment increasing the contracted hours from 50 hours to 100 hours per month and to extend the date of the Agreement to September 30, 2016.

SHERIFF

- On motion by Groebner, second by Hollatz, the Board voted unanimously to approve the 2016 State of Minnesota County Boat and Water Safety Grant Agreement in the amount of \$1,942.
- Reviewed the March 2016 Jail population.

ENVIRONMENTAL

- On motion by Hollatz, second by Walling, the Board voted unanimously to award the bid for Plum Creek Park Septic System to L & S Construction in the amount of \$5,400.

Bids received were as follows:

Company	Bid
L & S Construction	\$5,400
Kropp Sewer Service, Inc.	\$7,730
Kerkhoff Bros. Construction	\$8,500 (Tank on north end)
Kerkhoff Bros. Construction	\$10,000 (Tank on south end)

- On motion by Walling, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to award the Plum Creek shower remodeling to Nelson Flooring in the amount of \$5,050. Bids received were as follows:

Company	Bid
Nelson Flooring	\$5,050
Kirchner Carpentry and Tile	\$5,482.88

- Plum Creek 50 amp Electrical upgrade was tabled due to the project being amended and new bids will be required.
- On motion by Hollatz, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Amendment to the Plum Creek Park Policy to expand on the “Pets rules” to include more detail on barking and dangerous dogs.
- Wold and Bernhardson discussed pending legislation regarding new buffer laws.

SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

- Bernhardson presented an overview of ongoing Soil and Water Conservation District programs and activities.

ADMINISTRATOR

- On motion by Hollatz, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to approve the implementation of a bi-annual County Newsletter to be published in June and December up to 12 pages and award the publication of the newsletter to Henle Printing.

Bids received were as follows:

Company	Bid
H & L Printing	\$2,154/8 pages plus postage \$2,810/12 pages plus postage
Henley Printing	\$1,171.09/8 pages plus postage \$1,702.06/12 pages plus postage

Personnel Action Items:

- On motion by Klabunde, second by Salfer, the Board voted unanimously to approve the ACSME Healthcare Savings Plan.

RESTORATIVE JUSTICE VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

- Eric Johnson recognized the volunteers in the Restorative Justice Program. Over 1,116 hours of service were provided by 26 volunteers in 2015. Volunteers present updated the Board on their positive experiences of the program.

COUNTY DITCH AUTHORITY

- At 11:14 a.m., the Board entered in County Ditch Authority with Chair Walling presiding for County Ditch #1202 and #1203. Present for the discussion were Commissioners Walling, Hollatz, Salfer, Groebner and Klabunde, Administrator Knobloch, County Attorney Collins and Auditor/Treasurer Price.

- On motion by Klabunde, second by Hollatz, the Board voted unanimously to approve the order for redetermination of benefits and appointment of viewers Bill Moldestad, Duane Bendixen and John Cunningham for County Ditch #1202.
- On motion by Salfer, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to approve the order for redetermination of benefits and appointment of viewers Bill Moldestad, Duane Bendixen and John Cunningham for County Ditch #1203.
- On motion by Klabunde, second by Hollatz, to set Ditch Viewer per diem at \$45 for lead viewer and \$40 for all other viewers. Motion was then rescinded and motion dies.
- On motion by Klabunde, second by Hollatz, in a four to one vote with Walling voting nay, approved payment of bill as submitted to John Cunningham in the amount of \$4,246.20 at \$45.00 per hour.
- On motion by Klabunde, second by Salfer, in a four to one vote with Groebner voting nay, approved to set the Ditch Viewer per diem at \$40.00 per hour for all viewers, including any lead viewer.
- On motion by Klabunde, second by Hollatz, the Board voted unanimously to set the Ditch Viewer per diem for John Cunningham for the remainder of the redetermination of County Ditch #12A, County 12 LAT B, County 12 LAT C, County 12 LAT D, County 12 LAT E, County 12, LAT A, BR 5, County Ditch #1202 & 1203 at \$45.00 per hour as a one time exception to complete County Ditch #12.
- There being no further business, Chair Walling declared the Drainage Authority meeting adjourned at 11:38 a.m.

CLOSED SESSION

- The Board entered into Closed Session at 11:38 a.m. for the purpose of a real estate consideration, Parcel 62-580-0060. Present were Commissioners Hollatz, Klabunde, Walling, Salfer and Groebner and County Administrator Knobloch.
- The Board directed the Administrator to advertise the former Recycling Building for sale pursuant to MN Statute 373.01 (5) (b)

Closed session ended at 11:48 a.m.

RECESS

- The Board recessed at 12:02 p.m. to attend a lunch for Boys' and Girls' County Day.

RECONVENED

- The Board reconvened in regular session at 1:08 p.m.

COMMISSIONER ITEMS

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

A Resolution Supporting Amendment to MN Statutes 270C.19

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Revenue is authorized to enter into tax agreements with each Minnesota Tribal government, and

WHEREAS, qualifying Counties presently share in the State share of such agreements, and

WHEREAS, a change in the County share of the State share does not disrupt the referenced Tribal/State relationship, and

WHEREAS, an increase in the proceeds to Counties from the State provides funding to help cover costs that are otherwise paid for by local sources including property tax, and

WHEREAS, providing State funding in this manner may provide expanded opportunities for local Tribal/County joint projects.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Redwood County supports amendment to MN Statutes 270C.19 as follows:

Subdivision 4. Payments to counties. (a) The Commissioner shall pay to a county in which an Indian gaming casino is located:

- (1) Twenty percent of the state share of all taxes generated from activities on reservations and collected under a tax agreement under this section with the tribal government for the reservation located in the county; or
- (2) Ten percent of excise taxes collected by the state that are determined by the department to have been generated from activities on a reservation located in the county, the tribal government of which does not have a tax agreement under this section and did not have a tax agreement on June 30, 2003.

If the tribe has casinos located in more than one county, the payment must be divided equally among the counties in which the casinos are located.

(b) The commissioner shall make the payments required under this subdivision by February 28 of the year following the year the taxes are collected.

(c) An amount sufficient to make the payments authorized by this subdivision is annually appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner.

COMMISSIONERS

- The commissioners reported on meetings they attended.

Walling

- Veteran's Cemetery

Groebner

- Ditch Meeting in Morgan
- Historical Society
- SW Regional Solid Waste Commission

Klabunde

- A.C.E.

- Western Mental Health

Salfer

- Southwest Health and Human Services
- Travel SW Minnesota
- Broadband Roundtable

Hollatz

- Southwest Regional Development Commission
- Building Committee - Courthouse
- MN Rural Counties Caucus
- Rural MN Energy Board

ADJOURN

- There being no further business, Chair Klabunde declared the meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m. and entered into Worksession.

WORKSESSION

- MN DOT staff Ann McLellan, Mike Kilanowski and Todd Broadwell were present and discussion held on State Aid for local transportation.

The Board adjourned from the Worksession at 2:34 p.m.

Priscilla Klabunde, Chair
Board of County Commissioners

Attest: _____
Vicki Knobloch
County Administrator