

REDWOOD COUNTY, MINNESOTA

SEPTEMBER 18, 2018

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 Bob VanHee, Dave Forkrud, Jim Salfer, Lon Walling, Denny Groebner and County Administrator Vicki Knobloch. Also present were Auditor/Treasurer Jean Price; Human Resources Coordinator Peter Brown; County Engineer Keith Berndt; Technology Coordinator Paul Parsons; Veteran Service Officer Dustin Hunter; Economic Development Coordinator Briana Mumme; County Attorney Jenna Peterson; Child Advocacy Coordinator Sarah Reynolds; Environmental Director Scott Wold; LINC Representative Claire Meyers and Heather Koffler; University of Minnesota Extension Lead Educator Christy Kallevig; MnDOT Planning Director Lyndsey Bruer and Joe Goblisch.

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

Joe Goblisch was present for Open Forum with concerns of flooding on his farm land which he states is because of issues with CSAH 10 Bridge.

On motion by Groebner, second by Van Hee, the Board voted unanimously to approve the September 18th agenda.

Chair Salfer asked the Board members to identify any areas for which they had a Conflict of Interest. There were none.

CONSENT AGENDA

- On motion by Groebner, second by Forkrud, the Board voted unanimously to approve the consent agenda.
 - September 4th minutes; September 4th Ditch Authority Minutes
 - Payment of bills as follows:

General Fund	\$ 14,766.43
Public Health Service	\$ 41.50
Ditch Fund	\$ 6,668.58
Insurance Fund	\$ 1,123.77
Forfeited Tax Sale	\$ 444.00

- Bills exceeding \$2,000: Minnesota State Auditor \$7,640; CPU \$4,174; CW Technology \$2,965; Alpha Wireless \$14,297.97; MEND Correctional Care \$2,592.33; Minnesota Sheriff's Assn. \$4,000; Redwood County Hwy. Dept. \$4,170.86; Tersteeg's Holiday Market \$7,360.14; Reliance Telephone \$2,000; Wenck Assoc. \$3,934.30, \$6,215.38; Kerkhoff Bros. \$2,081; Redwood County Auditor \$7,706

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

- The Board recognized Jared Amberg, Highway Department, for 10 years of service, Michael Gaffney, Sheriff's Office, for 15 years of service, Larry Hubert, Highway Department, for 30 years of service, Kevin Steffensmeier, Highway Department, 20 years of service and Lorraine Henning, Maintenance Department, for 10 years of service.

TECHNOLOGY

- On motion by Van Hee, second by Forkrud, the Board voted unanimously to approve the CPS annual contract renewal in the amount of \$1,536 pending County Attorney approval.

AUDITOR/TREASURER

- On motion by Van Hee, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following:
 - Cash Balance Report
 - Investment Summary
 - Budget Reports, General Fund, Human Services, Building Fund, Ditch Maintenance, Ditch Bond Interest and Solid Waste.
 - August 2018 Disbursements in the amount of \$2,223,739.42.
 - Bills exceeding \$2,000: Preferred One \$6,973.97; 12,874.69, 21,106.98, \$44,151.08, \$28,346.88, \$9,669.68, \$8,673.17, \$2,579.97, Further \$5,915.77, \$5,915.77; Rdwd. Falls Public Utilities \$9,514.61; MN Dept. Revenue \$25,281.44; C. Baune \$11,480; MN Comm. Finance \$5,026.50; MN Dept. Veterans \$5,946.83; B. Berg \$5,390; Healthpartners \$2,592.72; Duininck \$582,946.98, \$495,983.31 M & K Bridge \$121,224.61, \$32,225.50, \$148,181.15, \$110,352.03; Zimmermann Maint. \$7,997.50, \$4,806; Farmward \$12,200; RSS Group \$12,119.70; Central Spec. \$429,982.62; Flint Hills \$7,448.43; Brokaw Supply \$5,298.

CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER

- On motion by Walling, second by Van Hee, the Board voted unanimously to authorize Reynolds to apply for the Otto Bremer grant.

LINC REDWOOD COUNTY

- Meyers and Mumme presented an overview of the 2017-18 LINC program year as well as the the upcoming 2018-2019 program year.

VETERAN SERVICE OFFICE

- VSO Officer, Dustin Hunter, updated the Board on various events/activities occurring in the Veteran Service Department.
- Hunter reported that the 14 passenger veterans bus is used very little for veteran transportation and veterans prefer using the DAV vehicle for medical appointments. Hunter recommended the vehicle be declared excess property and authorize the sale.
- On motion by Forkrud, second by Walling, the Board voted unanimously to declare the 14 passenger veterans bus excess property and authorized to sell the van.

ENVIRONMENTAL

- On motion by Van Hee, second by Walling, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Amendment to Pictometry Agreement to provide aerial imagery in the fall of 2019 or spring of 2020 in the amount of \$103,988.50 pending County Attorney approval.
- On motion by Forkrud, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to approve the 2019 State of Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources MPCA SSTS Program Grant Agreement in the amounts of \$14,221 and \$18,600.

ROAD AND BRIDGE

- On motion by Van Hee, second by Groebner, in a 4-1 vote with Walling voting nay, the Board awarded ServPro the contract to clean the Highway Department building not to exceed \$13,000.

Other Bids Received:

Company	Amount
ServPro	\$13,000 (not to exceed)
Servicemaster Clean	\$19,404.22
SRM	\$27,967.76

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

- Lyndsey Bruer presented the 4 and 10 year Area Transportation Improvement Program and discussed local highway projects.

ADMINISTRATOR

- Knobloch presented the August 2018 Jail Population.
- On motion by Bob, second by Salfer, in a 3-2 vote, with Walling and Forkrud voting nay, the Board approved to join the Prime West County Based Purchasing Health Plan in the amount of \$1.4 million.
- Knobloch presented the 2019 Preliminary Tax Levy for approval.
- On motion by Forkrud, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to set the Redwood County 2019 Preliminary Certified Tax Levy at \$13,162,792 with the adjusted tax levy for the 2019 budget set at \$12,514,151 representing a 3.1% increase from the 2018 Levy.

Personnel

- The Board acknowledged the resignation of Stacey Gareis from the Child Advocacy Center effective September 21, 2018.

SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

- The Board discussed entering into a cooperative agreement with Redwood Soil and Water due to the upcoming retirement of existing SWCD Administrator.
- On motion by Forkrud, second by Groebner, in a roll-call vote with Forkrud, Groebner, Van Hee, Walling and Salfer all voting aye, the Board adopted the following resolution:

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COOPERATIVE
AGREEMENT BETWEEN REDWOOD COUNTY AND THE REDWOOD COUNTY SOIL
AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, Redwood County "County" is a duly organized and existing political subdivision of the State of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, The Redwood County Soil and Water Conservation District "SWCD" is a soil and water conservation district organized and operating in accordance with Minnesota Statutes Chapter 103C; and

WHEREAS, The parties are hereto authorized and empowered to enter into a cooperative agreement for the purpose of carrying out and exercising the powers common to each of the parties hereto; and

WHEREAS, Preliminary discussions have been taking place to explore the establishment of a Cooperative Agreement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County supports the establishment of a Cooperative Agreement and supports the continued negotiation.

CLOSED SESSION

- On motion by Walling, second by Van Hee, the Board voted unanimously to enter into closed session at 11:16 a.m. for the purpose of a real estate consideration. Present were Commissioners Forkrud, Salfer, Walling, Groebner and Van Hee; County Administrator Knobloch and Economic Development Coordinator Mumme. Closed session ended at 11:38 a.m. No action was taken.

- The commissioners reported on meetings they attended:

Groebner: Redwood/Renville Regional Solid Waste Authority, Personnel Committee

VanHee: Annual Township Meeting, AMC Legislative Conference

Walling: Redwood/Renville Regional Solid Waste Authority, Soil and Water Tour, MN Public Sector Collaborative, Economic Development, Walnut Grove Elevator, Petition for improvement for JD 15/Lyon County, Water Retention Project Meeting and Bridge #5, Counties Providing Technology

Salfer: AMC Fall Policy Conference, Township Meeting, Nurse Family Partnership, Personnel Committee

Forkrud: Redwood/Renville Regional Solid Waste Authority, Economic Development

ADJOURN

- There being no further business, Chair Salfer declared the meeting adjourned at 12:22 p.m.

Jim Salfer, Chair
Board of Commissioners

Attest: _____
Vicki Knobloch
County Administrator