

REDWOOD COUNTY, MINNESOTA

January 22, 2019

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 Dave Forkrud, Jim Salfer, Lon Walling, Dennis Groebner and Bob Van Hee. Also present were Administrator Vicki Knobloch; County Attorney Jenna Peterson; County Auditor-Treasurer Jean Price; HR Coordinator Peter Brown; Environmental Director Scott Wold; Sheriff Randy Hanson; Restorative Justice Coordinator Eric Johnson and Economic Development Coordinator Briana Mumme.

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

On motion by Walling, second by Van Hee, the Board voted unanimously to approve the revised 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.
 - January 8th minutes
 - Payment of bills as follows:

Revenue Fund	\$ 22,978.12
Ditch Maintenance Fund	\$ 4,348.21
Solid Waste Fund	\$ 2,423.00
Insurance Fund	\$ 1,748.98

- Bills exceeding \$2,000: ACE of SW Minnesota \$7,447.00; Assn. of MN Counties \$13,675.00; Jones Law Office \$4,075.00; MN Counties Intergovernmental \$106,101.00; Safe Assure \$7,957.36; MN Counties Computer Cooperative \$8,300.00; MN County Attorney Association \$3,278.00; Trimin Systems \$30,000.00; G & R Controls \$9,254.27; Alpha Wireless \$15,789.75; American Aluminum \$4,419.00; Brown-Lyon-Redwood Drug Task Force \$52,818.05; MN Sheriff’s Association \$6,348.69; Southwest MN Regional Rail Authority \$3,040.00; Alpha Wireless \$16,779.00; Plum Creek Library System \$2,500.00; Maverick Drone Systems \$12,759.00; Redwood-Cottonwood Rivers \$24,825.00; Rural MN Energy Board \$2,500.00; SW Regional Development Commission \$6,336.00; SW MN Workforce Development \$3,440.00; Brey Tiling and Excavating \$3,734.29; Country Enterprises \$7,495.70; Maas Construction \$5,746.44; TNT Construction \$10,133.35

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

- The Board recognized Heidi Wersal, Administration Office, and Eric Johnson, Restorative Justice, for 5 years of service to Redwood County.

ENVIRONMENTAL

- On motion by Forkrud, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Amendment to the Redwood County Soil and Water Conservation District and Redwood County Cooperative Agreement.
- On motion by Walling, Second by Groebner, in a 4-1 vote, with Forkrud voting nay, the Board approved the Hemish Farm Lease Agreement.
- The Camper Cabin Quotes was removed from the Agenda as quotes were not available at this time.

SHERIFF

- The Board voted reviewed the December Jail Report.
- On motion by Walling, second by Van Hee, the Board voted unanimously to approve the 2018 Emergency Management Performance Grant in the amount of \$21,503.00.
- On motion by Van Hee, second by Forkrud, the Board voted unanimously to approve the purchase of a 2019 Chevy Tahoe off State Contract #134735 in the amount of \$36,214.94 plus taxes and license fees.
- On motion by Van Hee, second by Forkrud, the Board voted unanimously to rescind the motion to purchase the 2019 Chevy Tahoe off the State Contract #134735 and purchase the 2019 Chevy Tahoe from Marthaler Chevrolet in the amount of \$36,931.40 plus taxes and license fees.
- The Copier Lease Agreement was removed from the Agenda pending review by County Attorney.

AUDITOR-TREASURER

- On motion by Van Hee, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following consent agenda: Cash Balance Report; Investment Summary; Budget Report: Revenue, Building, Ditch Maintenance, Ditch Bond Interest, Human Services and Solid Waste Funds; and December Disbursements in the amount of \$7,908,733.23.
- Bills exceeding \$2,000: Preferred One \$3,069.41, \$5,089.47, 21,463.94, \$12,739.62, \$6,853.09; 4,319.60; \$17,879.49; \$6,981.66; \$5,760.59, \$10,721.52 Redwood Falls Public Utilities \$7,557.82; MN Commission of Finance \$25,830.47; Wells Fargo Advisors \$245,000; \$245,000, \$245,000; \$245,000; \$490,000; Further \$5,940.77, \$5,940.77; MN Dept. of Revenue \$25,774.81; City of Redwood Falls \$8,052.40; Highwater Ethanol \$33,774.80; RRRSWA \$263,262.30; SWHHS \$947,843.13; City of Belview \$42,914.99; City of Clements \$29,300.04; City of Delhi \$16,583.45; City of Lamberton \$220,354.03; City of Lucan \$63,606.10; City of Milroy \$71,022.96; City of Morgan \$178,938.81; City of Redwood Falls \$1,187,826.17; City of Revere \$23,561.52; City of Sanborn \$41,145.73; City of Seaforth \$11,953.08; City of Vesta \$72,120.11; City of Wabasso \$207,015.43; City of Walnut Grove \$130,857.41; City of Wanda \$12,607.24; Lincoln-Pipestone Rural Water \$2,666.76; Red Rock Rural Water \$8,832.33; School District #2190 \$7,336.72; School District #2754 \$160,565.47; School District #2884 \$63,970.53; School District #2897 \$357,810.50; School District #2898 \$49,329.28; School District #2904 \$23,943.89; School

District #635 \$40,748.64; School District #640 \$234,215.68; School District #85 \$37,231.99; SW Regional Development \$21,367.27; Brookville Township \$34,187.63; Charlestown Township \$28,712.16; Delhi Township \$30,520.05; Gales Township \$17,588.50; Granite Rock Township \$27,007.13; Honner Township \$3,263.95; Johnsonville Township \$43,670.15; Kintire Township \$28,369.38; Lamberton Township \$36,153.27; Morgan Township \$39,937.92; New Avon Township \$26,195.93; North Hero Township \$26,671.17; Paxton Township \$39,582.16; Redwood Falls Township \$35,612.66; Sheridan Township \$30,269.23; Sherman Township \$29,068.24; Sprindale Township \$32,080.84; Sundown Township \$28,970.91; Swede's Forest Township \$18,203.28; Three Lakes Township \$24,487.55; Underwood Township \$23,811.73; Vail Township \$24,398.26; Vesta Township \$28,571.82; Waterbury Township \$23,644.09; Westline Township \$23,544.63; Willow Lake Township \$29,901.40; MN Commission of Finance \$4,746.00; RRRSWA \$33,865.00; Baier Construction \$6,596.31; Fleet Services \$4,364.88; MN Valley Snow-riders \$45,506.58; MN Counties Intergovernmental Trust \$6,983.00; Redwood County Hwy. Dept. \$2,445.02; Schmidt Construction \$50,512.50; SWHHS \$89,114.24; Custom Built Contracting \$3,482.00; R & G Construction \$37,716.97; Central Specialties \$24,784.97; Duinck \$64,623.26; M & K Bridge \$30,500.56; AAA Striping \$3,708.92; City of Morgan \$131,331.22; R & G Construction \$14,421.72; Redwood Falls Public Utilities \$2,300.45; Salfer Welding \$11,659.20; Ziegler \$240,681.00; Dave's Auto \$4,237.60; Dunn Right Installation \$3,500.00; Farmward Coop \$5,180.90; H & L Mesabi \$2,593.96; Krueger International \$47,028.62; Lavoy's Repair \$5,296.50; M & K Bridge \$2,060.00 Newman Signs \$2,267.46; Northern States \$3,110.60; Salfer Welding \$3,325.12; TNT Construction \$5,870.00; WSN \$3,980.00; Ziegler \$8,530.00.

- The Board acknowledged the Confession of Judgment for Jean and Bryant Moravec, Parcel #90-923-0100.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

- On motion by Walling, second by Forkrud, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Contract for Prosecution Services between the City of Vesta and Redwood County.
- On motion by Groebner, second by Forkrud, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Contract for Prosecution Services between the City of Clements and Redwood County.

ROAD AND BRIDGE

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

Resolution of Sponsorship for Sponsoring Agency

The following Resolution was offered by Commissioner Van Hee and moved for adoption at a Regular Meeting held on January 22, 2019 at the Redwood County Board Room, Redwood Falls, MN:

WHEREAS, the City of Wabasso is a city with a population under 5000; and

WHEREAS, the City of Wabasso would like to submit a project for Local Road Improvement Program Funds; and

WHEREAS, the City of Wabasso has requested Redwood County be the sponsoring agency;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Redwood County, Minnesota agrees to act as sponsoring agency for a Local Road Improvement Program Project identified as Front Street from Main Street to Dewey Street in the City of Wabasso and has reviewed and approved the project as proposed. Sponsorship includes a willingness to secure and guarantee the local share of costs associated with this project and responsibility for seeing this project through to its completion, with compliance of all applicable laws, rules and regulations;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Redwood County Highway Engineer is hereby authorized to act as agent on behalf of this applicant.

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

Resolution of Sponsorship for Sponsoring Agency

The following Resolution was offered by Commissioner Salfer and moved for adoption at a Regular Meeting held on January 22, 2019 at the Redwood County Courthouse, Redwood Falls, MN:

WHEREAS, the City of Wabasso is a city with a population under 5000; and

WHEREAS, the City of Wabasso would like to submit a project for Local Road Improvement Program Funds; and

WHEREAS, the City of Wabasso has requested Redwood County be the sponsoring agency;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Redwood County, Minnesota agrees to act as sponsoring agency for a Local Road Improvement Program Project identified as Cedar Street from TH 68 to May Street in the City of Wabasso and has reviewed and approved the project as proposed. Sponsorship includes a willingness to secure and guarantee the local share of costs associated with this project and responsibility for seeing this project through to its completion, with compliance of all applicable laws, rules and regulations;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Redwood County Highway Engineer is hereby authorized to act as agent on behalf of this applicant.

- On motion by Groebner, second by Walling, the Board voted unanimously to approve a contract with Widseth, Smith, Nolting to design the replacement culvert on CSAH 4.

ADMINISTRATION

- On motion by Walling, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to approve a letter of support of Area II Minnesota River Basin Projects Funding.

RECESS

- The Board recessed at 9:30 a.m.

RECONVENE

- The Board reconvened at 9:38 a.m.

Personnel

- On motion by Forkrud, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to approve the submission of the Pay Equity Compliance Report..
- On motion by Van Hee, second by Forkrud, the Board voted unanimously to transfer Jessica Tressler from part-time Custody Officer to full-time Dispatcher at Step 1 of the Dispatcher Wage Scale at \$17.91 per hour effective January 28, 2019.
- On motion by Forkrud, second by Van Hee, the Board voted unanimously to hire Shannon Ness as full-time Assistant County Attorney on the Non-Union Scale at Grade 16, Step 1 at \$29.64/hour effective February 4, 2019.
- On motion by Walling, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Health Care Savings Plan LELS Union #404 Memorandum of Understanding.
- On motion by Forkrud, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Health Care Savings Plan LELS Union #114 Memorandum of Understanding.
- On motion by Van Hee, second by Walling, the Board voted unanimously to approve a lump sum uniform allowance each year for non-union employees; Sheriff, Chief Deputy and Jail Administrator.

RECESS

- The Board recessed at 9:56 a.m. to enter into Closed Session.

CLOSED SESSION

- The Board entered into Closed Session at 9:56 a.m. for the purpose of a real estate consideration, Parcel #88-200-1010. Present were Commissioners Forkrud, Salfer, Walling, Groebner and Van Hee; County Administrator Knobloch and Economic Development Coordinator Briana Mumme. Closed Session ended at 10:21 a.m. No action was taken.

RECONVENED

- The Board reconvened into Regular Session at 10:21 a.m.

RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

- Eric Johnson discussed the Restorative Justice Program.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

- The Commissioners reported on meetings they attended:

Salfer: Southwest Health and Human Services, Personnel Committee, Economic Development

Walling: Building Committee, Redwood County Soil and Water Conservation District, Redwood-Renville Regional Solid Waste Authority, County Road 5 Water Retention Project

Groebner: Minnesota Rail Authority, Historical Society

Van Hee: Restorative Justice, Southern Prairie, Economic Development, Redwood County Fair Board, Southwest Regional Development Commission

Forkrud – Personnel Committee

ADJOURN

Chair Salfer adjourned the meeting at 11:18 a.m.

Jim Salfer, Chair
Board of County Commissioners

Attest: _____
Vicki Knobloch
County Administrator