

REDWOOD COUNTY, MINNESOTA

AUGUST 20, 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 Bob Van Hee, Dave Forkrud, Jim Salfer, Lon Walling, Dennis Groebner and County Administrator Vicki Knobloch. Also present were Auditor/Treasurer Jean Price; Human Resource Coordinator Peter Brown; Assistant Highway Engineer Jeff Bommersbach; Sheriff Randy Hansen; Environmental Director Scott Wold; Restorative Justice Coordinator Eric Johnson; Economic Development Coordinator Briana Mumme; County Attorney Jenna Peterson and Baker Tilly Representative Doug Green.

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

On motion by Groebner, second by Van Hee, the Board voted unanimously to approve the revised August 20th 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 Walling, the Board voted unanimously to approve the consent agenda.
 - August 6th minutes.
 - Amended July 16th minutes
 - Payment of bills as follows:

General Fund	\$ 16,233.40
Ditch Maintenance Fund	\$ 2,688.13
Solid Waste Fund	\$ 29.00
Insurance Fund	\$ 226.07
Soil and Water Fund	\$ 1,967.09
Building Fund	\$ 1,128.11

- Bills exceeding \$2,000: Mend Correctional \$3,912.54; Redwood County Highway Department \$4,141.42; Tersteeg’s Holiday Market \$7,866.33; Prairie Lakes Youth Programs \$2,629.00; WOLD Architects \$25,894.98; M & K Bridge Construction \$6,725.00; Ryan Robinson \$21,255.18

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

- The Board recognized Joel Bill, Sheriff’s Department, for 20 years of service and Jason Mathiowetz, Highway Department, for 20 years of service.

AUDITOR/TREASURER

- On motion by Groebner, second by Van Hee , the Board voted unanimously to approve the following:
 - Cash Balance Report – Directed Price to include Soil and Water in the future Cash Balance reports.
 - Investment Summary
 - Budget Reports, General Fund, Building Fund, Ditch Maintenance, Insurance Fund, Soil and Water Fund and Solid Waste.
 - July, 2019 Disbursements in the amount of \$1,562,421.18.
 - Bills exceeding \$2,000.00: Preferred One \$13,068.53, \$9,684.94, \$4,444.01, \$5,801.50, \$24,448.71, \$29,049.53, \$7,203.12, \$4,926.04, \$2,732.68, \$3,640.73; Redwood Falls Public Utilities \$7,986.56; Further \$7,150.23, \$7,150.23; BCBS of MN \$2,260.00; MN Dept. of Revenue \$47,847.43; One Office Solution \$2,352.00; Joel Kerkhoff \$22,650.00; MN Dept. of Transportation \$3,197.28; MN Commission of Finance \$5,278.00; Sun Life Financial \$2,618.48; Healthpartners \$2,976.65; SWHHS \$46,912.50; City of Redwood Falls \$2,639.22; School District #2754 \$2,403.42; School District #2884 \$5,957.83; School District #2897 \$39,327.84; School District #2898 \$3,742.72; School District #640 \$24,910.43; Charlestown Township \$7,013.43; Delhi Township \$5,945.94; Honner Township \$2,046.71; Johnsonville Township \$2,294.20; Lamberton Township \$3,593.56; North Hero Township \$3,292.10; Paxton Township \$2,033.78; Vesta Township \$7,252.72; Sun Life Financial \$2,481.78; Indigo Signworks \$8,160.00, \$8,140.00; MR Paving \$427,451.94, \$346,829.61; M&K Bridge Construction \$89,957.80, \$80,601.82; City of Morgan \$176,293.90.
- On motion by Walling, second by Van Hee, the Board voted unanimously to approve the repurchase application for Tamera McFarlin, Parcel #94-200-0540 determining that the repurchase will best serve the public interest.
- On motion by, Walling, second by Forkrud, in a roll-call vote with Walling, Forkrud, Groebner, Salfer and Van Hee all voting aye, the Board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION FOR REPURCHASE OF TAX FORFEITED LAND

WHEREAS, Tamera McFarlin, daughter of the late Jack D. and Ruth E. Parker, has applied to repurchase the hereinafter described parcel of tax forfeited land, in accordance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section §282.241 Subd. 1., which land is situated in the County of Redwood, Minnesota, and described as follows, to-wit: Lots Eight (8), Nine (9), and Ten (10), in Block Five (5), of the Original Plat of the City of Walnut Grove. Parcel #94-200-0540, and;

WHEREAS, The Applicant has agreed to pay all delinquent taxes, assessments, penalties and interest owing on this particular parcel, along with all other costs related to the repurchase, plus full payment of the 2019 real estate taxes and penalty; and

WHEREAS, Allowing the repurchase will promote the use of the lands that will best serve the public interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Applicant’s repurchase of the above described parcel of tax forfeited land is approved, and the Redwood County Auditor-Treasurer is hereby directed to permit such repurchase.

ROAD AND BRIDGE

- Bommersbach updated the Board on the status of the CSAH 5 Bridge Project, SAP 064-605-030.
- On motion by Van Hee, second by Forkrud, the Board voted unanimously to award the 2019-2020 salt bid to Central Salt in the amount of \$90.26/ton.

All Bids Received:

Company	Bid Amount
Central Salt	\$90.26 per ton
Jakel Trucking, LLC	\$95.31 per ton
BlackStrap, Inc.	\$102.00 per ton
Johnson Feed, Inc.	\$123.00 per ton

- Bommersbach updated the Board on the status of the CSAH 101 Bridge Replacement, SAP 064-701-019 and 065-601-013. On motion by Walling, second by Forkrud, the Board voted unanimously to table the project to the September 3, 2019 board meeting upon meeting with Renville County.

PUBLIC HEARING – CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

- At 9:00 a.m., the Board entered into a Public Hearing for the presentation of the 2019-2023 Capital Improvement Plan for Redwood County.
- Knobloch presented the Affidavit of Publication. Present were Redwood County Commissioners Walling, Forkrud, Salfer, Van Hee and Salfer and Administrator Knobloch and Doug Green, Baker Tilly.
- Knobloch presented the 2019-2023 Capital Improvement Plan for Redwood County.
- On motion by Forkrud, second by Van Hee, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the 2019-2023 Capital Improvement Plan for Redwood County.

BAKER TILLY

- Green presented proposals to provide bond counsel services to Redwood County.
- On motion by Forkrud, second by Van Hee, the Board voted unanimously to award the bond counsel services to Kennedy and Graven in the amount of \$5,000.00.

Other bids received:

Company	Amount
Briggs and Morgan	\$8,000.00
Dorsey & Whitney	\$10,000.00
Fryberger, Buchanan, Smith & Frederick	\$8,000-10,000.00
Kennedy & Green	\$5,000.00

RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

- Johnson presented an overview of the Restorative Justice Program.

ENVIRONMENTAL

- On motion by Forkrud, second by Walling, the Board voted unanimously to approve a letter drafted by Environmental Director Wold to Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council regarding possible land acquisitions within Redwood County.

Commissioner Walling exited the meeting from 9:56 a.m. – 9:59 a.m.

Commissioner Walling exited the meeting from 10:00 a.m.- 10:02 a.m.

- On motion by Groebner, second by Forkrud, with Walling absent for the vote, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the 2019 Lake Laura Dam Inspection.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- On motion by Van Hee, second by Walling, the Board voted unanimously to approve a total of \$25,000 in business development grant awards to 11 recipients within Redwood County.

Grant Recipients

Business	Amount
Bar RL Performance Horses	\$2,900.00
Brake Away Trailers and Auto Care	\$1,800.00
Chapter 2	\$2,750.00
Hilltop Harvest	\$2,250.00
Lightfoot Heating and Cooling	\$2,900.00
My Kupcake Factory	\$2,900.00
Red Rock Chiropractic	\$2,900.00
Stephens Funeral	\$ 500.00
Stitchin it Up Quilt Shop	\$2,900.00
Tender Loving	\$2,700.00
Z's Bees and Apple Trees	\$ 500.00

- Mumme reviewed the Economic Development Strategic Plan. Chair Salfer directed review by EDA Board.
- On motion by Walling, second by Forkrud, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Redwood Community Center Rental Contract in the amount of \$104.00.

SHERIFF

- Reviewed July 2019 Jail Population and the Sentence to Serve quarterly report.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

- On motion by Forkrud, second by Van Hee, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Contract for Prosecution Services with the City of Delhi.

ADMINISTRATOR

- The CGI-Contegrity Construction Manager Agreement was tabled to the September 3, 2019 board meeting.
- On motion by Forkrud, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to approve the 9 acre farmland lease agreement with Thomas Morley.
- On motion by Groebner, second by Walling, the Board voted unanimously to approve the County Veterans Service Office Operational Improvement Grant Agreement in the amount of \$10,000.00.
- On motion by Walling, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to acknowledge the Recorder's Annual Compliance Report at 99.97%.
- On motion by Forkrud, second by Walling, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Crime Victim Services Grant Agreement in the amount of \$212,814.00 effective from October 2019-September 2021.
- On motion by Walling, second by Van Hee, in a roll-call vote with Walling, Van Hee, Salfer, Groebner and Forkrud all voting aye, the Board adopted the following resolution:

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE DONATION OF MOBILE EOC TRAILER FROM REGION 5 EMERGENCY MANAGERS

WHEREAS, Region 5 Emergency Managers., wish to donate a Mobile EOC Trailer to Redwood County Emergency Management.

WHEREAS, the Emergency Management will utilize the donation of the Mobile EOC Trailer for the purpose of enhancement of the County EOC as well as enhancement of mobile command at scenes as well as assisting other counties in times of emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners appreciates the generosity of Region 5 Emergency Managers in supporting the Redwood County Emergency Management;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners hereby approves the acceptance of a Mobile EOC Trailer from Region 5 Emergency Managers to Redwood County Emergency Management on behalf of the County.

- On motion by Van Hee, second by Forkrud, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Fiscal Agent Agreement with the Minnesota Association of County Health Plans and Redwood County and appointed Vicki Knobloch as the agent contact.

Personnel

- On motion by Walling, second by Forkrud, the Board voted unanimously to hire Lisa Jones as full-time Program Assistant in the Restorative Justice Department on the 2019 AFSCME Scale, Grade 8, Step 6 at \$18.38/hour, due to experience, effective August 21, 2019.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

- The commissioners reported on meetings they attended:

Van Hee: Restorative Justice; Highwater Ethanol Open House; Economic Development; Dekalb Street Construction Meetings; United Community Action

Walling: Building Committee; Redwood/Renville Regional Solid Waste Authority; Milroy School Board Meeting; Judicial Ditch 15; DeBaut Project

Salfer: Farmfest; Highwater Ethanol Open House; Redwood Falls City Council Planning Meeting; Soil Health Coalition; Personnel Subcommittee; Economic Development

Groebner: Highwater Ethanol Open House; Redwood/Renville Regional Solid Waste Authority; Soil and Water Conservation District; Building Committee; Gilfillan Concert

Forkrud: Highwater Ethanol Open House; Soil Health Coalition; Personnel Sub-committee; Explore SW Minnesota; Extension Committee

ADJOURN

- There being no further business, Chair Salfer declared the meeting adjourned at 11:47 a.m.

Attest:

 Vicki Knobloch
 County Administrator

 Jim Salfer, Chair
 Board of County Commissioners