

REDWOOD COUNTY, MINNESOTA

OCTOBER 19, 2021

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, Rick Wakefield, Dennis Groebner and County Administrator Vicki Knobloch-Kletscher. Also present were County Engineer Anthony Sellner; Auditor/Treasurer Jean Price; Human Resource Coordinator Peter Brown; Environmental Director Scott Wold; Economic Development Coordinator Briana Mumme and Broadband Coordinator Patrick Garry.

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 October 19th 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 Wakefield, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda.
- October 5th minutes.
- Per Diem for Van Hee was removed from the Consent Agenda.
 - Payment of bills as follows:

General Fund	\$ 121,580.56
Ditch Maintenance Fund	\$ 40,935.51
Solid Waste Fund	\$ 964.64
Building Fund	\$ 15,415.89
Debt Service Fund	\$ 12,155.57
Road and Bridge Fund	\$ 7,379.79

- Bills exceeding \$2,000: ACE of SW MN \$8,049.25; G & R Controls \$7,354.25; Northern Safety Technology \$44,542.24; Redwood County Hwy. Department \$5,005.02; River Valley Arms & Ammo \$3,407.42; Tersteeg's Holiday Market \$7,786.40; Regents of U of MN \$23,517.50; S & P Global Ratings \$7,379.79; Redwood Falls Nursery \$6,441.00; WOLD Architects \$8,974.89; Gordy Serbus \$2,480.09; L & S Construction \$2,463.00; Northland Erosion Control \$26,826.82; Soupier Estate \$2,224.00; Glen Soupier \$2,463.00; Jeffrey Soupier \$2,463.00; S & P Global \$12,155.57.

ROAD AND BRIDGE

- On motion by Wakefield, second by Forkrud, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Amendment to the MnDOT Local Bridge Replacement Program Grant Agreement for SAP 064-701-019 tied to SAP 064-601-015 for the CSAH 101 Bridge Replacement.
- On motion by Forkrud, second by Van Hee, the Board voted 4-1, with Groebner voting nay, to approve the installation of two street lights on CR 24 and MN 67 to be paid from local levy dollars at an expected cost of up to \$14,000.00.
- On motion by Van Hee, second by Wakefield, the Board voted unanimously to authorize Sellner to apply for federal funding for street lighting at various road intersections in Redwood County.

AUDITOR/TREASURER

- On motion by Wakefield, second by Groebner, the Board voted to approve the following:
 - Cash Balance Report
 - Investment Summary
 - Budget Reports, General Fund, Road and Bridge Fund, Human Services Fund, Building Fund, Ditch Fund, Health Fund, Debt Service Fund, Insurance Fund, Soil and Water Conservation District Fund and Solid Waste Fund.
- September 2021 Disbursements in the amount of \$1,783,890.89.
- Bills exceeding \$2,000: Further \$8,310.24, \$3,016.78; Redwood Electric Cooperative \$3,432.46; Redwood Falls Public Utilities \$9,744.92, \$2,037.15; Preferred One \$22,894.49, \$27,401.92, \$5,390.66, \$32,729.22, \$15,398.39, \$16,683.82, \$6,378.36, \$20,334.97; BCBS of MN \$2,218.50; Further \$8,019.24; MN Department of Revenue \$85,511.85; Redwood County License Center \$2,092.50, \$2,198.50; MN Commission of Finance \$5,433.00; Redwood Soil and Water \$10,000.00; SWHHS \$4,651.91; Delta Dental \$5,049.78; L & S Construction \$12,500.00; Sun Life \$2,115.07; Election Systems & Software \$3,860.38; South Forty Meat Market \$25,000.00; Duinink, Inc. \$1,312,066.15; M & K Bridge \$59,665.48; Weltsch Equipment \$28,750.00.
- On motion by Groebner, second by Van Hee, the Board voted unanimously for the temporary transfer of \$400,000.00 on 9-30-21 from the General Fund to the Building Fund to cash flow the Justice Center until bond proceeds are received and authorize Auditor/Treasurer and Administrator to make additional temporary transfers for October.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Mumme presented a request on behalf of Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water System to utilize American Rescue Plan funds to invest in the state's drinking water infrastructure. Request was tabled for 3 months for review in January 2022.
- Garry presented an overview of the Mobilize Broadband Access Project he's been working on for Redwood County.
- On motion by Forkrud, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to approve an Amendment to the Federal Grant Sub-Recipient Monitoring Policy and Procedure.

ADMINISTRATOR

- Knobloch-Kletscher presented the September 2021 Jail Population.
- On motion by Van Hee, second by Wakefield, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Justice Center Change Orders: Change Order # 003 to Marshall Machine Shop in the amount

of \$1,500.00, Change Order #001 to Molin Concrete Products in the amount of (\$1,500.00), Change Order #003 to Kendell Doors in the amount of \$1,139.97, Change Order #004 to RTL Construction in the amount of \$1,047.02 and Change Order #001 to Schmidt Construction in the amount of \$7,430.00.

- On motion by Forkrud, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to approve to transfer \$33,827.09 from Unassigned Fund Balance Account #01-2836 Early Retirement to Committed Fund Balance Account #01-2869 Veteran Cemetery.
- Knobloch-Kletscher presented information on the national opioid settlement.
- The Red Rock Rural Water Resolution was tabled to the November 2, 2021 board meeting.

Personnel

- On motion by Salfer, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to acknowledge the resignation of Maintenance Specialist Kenneth Jensen from the Highway Department effective December 26, 2021.
- On motion by Van Hee, second by Wakefield, the Board voted unanimously to set the 2022 Health Insurance premiums for COBRA participants.
- On motion by Forkrud, second by Wakefield, the Board voted unanimously to change the short term disability carrier to Lincoln Financial with the same rates as 2021.
- On motion by Van Hee, second by Salfer, the Board voted unanimously to award County Engineer, Anthony Sellner, with 10 years of experience for accrual rates pursuant to County Policy 6.07 effective October 1, 2021.
- On motion by Van Hee, second by Wakefield, the Board voted unanimously to award the sole bid for a Compensation Study to Bjorklund Compensation Consulting not to exceed \$26,800.00.
- On motion by Groebner, second by Wakefield, the Board voted unanimously to approve the amended health insurance rates for 2022.
- On motion by Salfer, second by Forkrud, the Board voted unanimously to approve the amended County Cafeteria Contributions for 2022.

ENVIRONMENTAL

- On motion by Van Hee, second by Wakefield, the Board voted unanimously to approve funding not to exceed \$25,000.00 to the Springdale 19 Water Retention Project from the Buffer Funds.
- Board consensus to incorporate the spray equipment and recycling sheds into the Historical Society Lease Agreement to be used for storage.

REDWOOD COUNTY DITCH AUTHORITY

- At 10:15 a.m. the Board entered into Redwood County Ditch Authority to present the Findings and Order for the Petition to outlet CD #24. Present for the meeting was Commissioners Forkrud, Salfer, Groebner, Wakefield and Van Hee, County Administrator Knobloch-Kletscher, Administrative Assistant Wersal, Environmental Director Wold
- On motion by Groebner, second by Forkrud, in a roll-call vote with Groebner, Salfer, Van Hee, Forkrud and Wakefield all voting aye, the Board approved the Findings and Order for CD #24, to use CD #24 as an outlet for draining filed by Redwood County Highway Engineer, Anthony Sellner.

- Chair Wakefield appointed Salfer as an alternate for Redwood County Ditch Authority November 18th Joint Ditch Authority meeting with Brown County due to Forkrud’s absence.
- Chair Wakefield adjourned Redwood County Ditch Authority at 10:30 a.m.

RECONVENED

- The Board reconvened into regular session at 10:30 a.m.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

- The commissioners reported on meetings they attended:

Groebner: Redwood-Renville Regional Solid Waste Authority, Veteran Cemetery Groundbreaking; EDA Starlink

Van Hee: AMC Fall Conference; Fair Board; Southwest Regional Development Commission

Wakefield: RCRCA/Area II

Forkrud: Redwood-Renville Regional Solid Waste Authority; Veteran Cemetery Groundbreaking; Personnel Sub-Committee

Salfer: Personnel Sub-Committee; EDA Starlink Meeting; Veteran Cemetery Groundbreaking

ADJOURN

- There being no further business, Chair Salfer declared the meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Jim Salfer, Chair
Board of Commissioners

Attest: _____
Vicki Knobloch-Kletscher
County Administrator