

FARIBAULT COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
OCTOBER 1, 2013

The Faribault County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at the Courthouse in the City of Blue Earth at 9:00 a.m. on October 1, 2013. The following members were present: Bill Groskreutz, Tom Loveall, John Roper, Tom Warmka, and Greg Young Commissioners. Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator John Thompson was also present.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Young. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

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Groskreutz/Warmka motion carried unanimously to approve the synopsis and official proceedings of the September 10, 2013 special meeting and the September 17, 2013 regular meeting.

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Loveall/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve the agenda of October 1, 2013 as amended for closed meetings.

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The calendar was updated.

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Committee reports were given. Warmka reported on Radio Board, Association of Minnesota Counties Board, Rural Energy Board, Emergency Management System meeting, and Comp Use Plan meeting; Roper reported on MN Health conference; Loveall reported on personnel meeting/labor negotiations; Groskreutz reported on MN Health conference, transit restructuring meeting, Comp Use Plan meeting, and Minnesota River Board; and Troy Timmerman updated the board on the County Attorney's office.

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Tax Clerk Lorrie Bosma met regarding SSTS business.

Warmka/Groskreutz motion carried unanimously to approve an SSTS loan of \$8,531.34 to Michael and Aubrey Niebuhr of Wells on Parcel No. 04.017.0301 in Clark Township.

Warmka/Groskreutz motion carried unanimously to approve an SSTS loan of \$9,399.78 to Thomas and Cindy Wood of Wells on Parcel No. 04.017.1000 in Clark Township.

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Faribault County Fair Board and Ag Society Chair Darryl Murry met regarding the board's budget and activities. Income and Expense statements were discussed.

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Warmka/Roper motion carried unanimously to close the meeting to discuss possible litigation. Present were Commissioners Groskreutz, Roper, Loveall, Warmka, and Young; Central Services Director Dawn Fellows; Sheriff Mike Gormley; Chief Deputy Scott Adams; County Attorney Troy Timmerman; and Auditor-Treasurer-Coordinator John Thompson.

Meeting was opened. County Attorney Timmerman gave a synopsis of the closed session.

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Central Services Director Dawn Fellows met regarding office business.

Warmka/Groskreutz motion carried unanimously to approve the Sheriff Department setting up training for county staff on security.

Loveall/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve the promotion of Amanda Miller of Alden to full-time dispatch/jailer in the Sheriff Department.

Loveall/Groskreutz motion carried unanimously to hire Donna Steele of Blue Earth and Angela Murphy of Blue Earth as temporary part-time help in the Veteran Services office.

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Mary Schimek of the Faribault County Historical Society met regarding their budget and allocation.

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Public Works Director John McDonald met regarding office business. A construction update was given.

Loveall/Roper motion carried to accept the bid of \$405,575 from Structural Specialties of Hutchinson for Walnut Lake Bridge contract at the recommendation of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources. Commissioner Warmka voted no.

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Veteran Services Officer David Hanson met to regarding office business. Hanson discussed the effect of the federal government shutdown on the office.

Groskreutz/Warmka motion carried unanimously to enter into a grant contract with the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs for a County Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant of \$10,000 and authorize the Chair and Auditor-Treasurer-Coordinator to sign the agreement.

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Soil and Water/Planning and Zoning Program Administrator Michele Stindtman and Urban Outreach Specialist Michele Wigern met regarding office business.

Loveall/Roper motion carried unanimously to authorize Michele Stindtman to apply for a grant for the Blue Earth River Watershed Improvement Partnership from the Clean Water Fund on behalf of Faribault County.

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Groskreutz/Warmka motion carried unanimously to approve the following financial institutions as depositories of funds for Faribault County for a one-year period: First Bank of Blue Earth, Wells Fargo Bank, First Financial Bank of Winnebago, Farmers Trust & Savings Bank, Alliance Bank, Pioneer Bank, and State Bank of Easton.

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Warmka/Groskreutz motion carried unanimously to approve request from J. McDonald to attend a one-day Recertification Design of Construction in Mankato.

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Groskreutz/Roper motion carried unanimously to award carpet purchase and installation to Dikkens of Blue Earth with the low bid of \$13,790.16. Other bids received were \$15,220 from Armon Decorating of Blue Earth and \$19,480 from Gudahl Painting and Decorating of Blue Earth.

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Loveall/Roper motion carried unanimously to award the painting of Human Services offices to Tammy Zabel of Blue Earth with the low bid of \$3,000. Other bids received were \$4,555 from Gudahl Painting and Decorating of Blue Earth, \$5,900 from Dikkens of Blue Earth, and \$8,350 from Armon Decorating of Blue Earth.

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The meeting was closed for union negotiation discussion. Present were Commissioners Groskreutz, Roper, Loveall, Warmka, and Young; Central Services Director Dawn Fellows; and Auditor-Treasurer-Coordinator John Thompson.

Meeting was opened. A synopsis of the closed session was given.

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Roper/Loveall motion carried unanimously to pay bills totaling \$101,009.22 as follows:

COUNTY REVENUE FUND	\$ 91,212.88
PUBLIC WORKS FUND	9,346.34
DITCH FUND	<u>450.00</u>
	\$ 101,009.22

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The meeting was recessed to Drainage Authority meeting.

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Greg Young, Chair

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John Thompson, Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator