

FARIBAULT COUNTY  
 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
 OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
 DRAINAGE AUTHORITY MEETING  
 APRIL 1, 2014

The Faribault County Board of Commissioners met at the Faribault County Ag Center in the City of Blue Earth as the Faribault County Drainage Authority pursuant to the recess of the regular session on April 1, 2014. The following members were present: Bill Groskreutz, Tom Loveall, John Roper, Tom Warmka, and Greg Young Commissioners. County Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator John Thompson, Drainage Engineer Joe Mutschler and Drainage Inspector Merissa Lore and Soil and Water/Planning and Zoning Program Administrator Michele Stindtman were also present.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Loveall.

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Warmka/Young motion carried unanimously to approve the April 1, 2014 agenda.

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Groskreutz/Young motion carried unanimously to approve the synopsis and official proceedings from the April 25, 2014 CD 24 meeting and the March 4, 2014 drainage authority meeting.

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Groskreutz/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve the following bills totaling \$3,000.00:

System	Repair	Order#	Branch	Comm Dist	Twp	Section	Landowner	Repair Type	Vendor	Contractor	Percentage	Cost
JCD514MF	13-047	4	Main	2	Jo Daviess	26	Loren Benz	Large Trees and old spoil	6778	Snyder Tree Service	90%	\$3,000.00
											Total:	\$3,000.00

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No projects were presented for approval.

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Commissioner Roper reviewed progress on negotiations on an easement for CD41.

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The final order on CD 24 was signed April 1, 2014 and the 30-day appeal period starts today.

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Discussion was held regarding the bid process for seeding buffer strips. Mike Weber and Matt Truska also attended.

Young/Warmka motion carried unanimously to accept the low quote for buffer strip planting and maintenance contract from Weerts Construction of Winnebago for a total bid of \$129.50 per acre (\$32.50/acre for preparation, \$52.00/acre for planting, and \$85.00/acre for seeding). Five other bids were received: Weber Lawn Service of Wells with a total bid of \$800 per acre (\$350/acre for preparation, \$350/acre for planting, and \$100/acre for seeding), LeSueur River Seeding And Conservation of Waseca with a total bid of \$230 per acre (\$80.00/acre for preparation, \$100.00/acre for planting, and \$50.00/acre for seeding), Customized Landscape of Blue Earth with a total bid of \$225.00 per acre (\$70.00/acre for preparation, \$95.00/acre for planting, and \$60.00/acre for seeding). The bids received from Evergreen Companies of Good Thunder and Performance Landscaping of Albert Lea were eliminated due to incomplete bids submitted.

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Discussion was held regarding conducting a joint meeting to approve a \$30,000 repair in Martin County. It is not necessary to have a repair petition.

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Roper/Young motion carried unanimously to acquire buffer strip in Section 13 of Barber Township in the area that is affected by the FEMA project on CD3 and to direct the staff to set up the process.

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Discussion was held regarding a private crossing for Pat Moore in Pilot Grove Section 6.

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Discussion was held regarding the notification of accessing a public drainage system.

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Discussion was held regarding the joint county drainage program structure.

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A handout was presented with a possible structure for the drainage program.

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Roper/Young motion carried unanimously to recommend the successful completion of the six-month probation for Merissa Lore to the Soil and Water Board.

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The Faribault County Drainage Authority was adjourned for April 2014.

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Tom Loveall, Chair

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John Thompson, Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator