

FARIBAULT COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
SEPTEMBER 16, 2014

The Faribault County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to the recess of September 2, 2014 at the Faribault County Courthouse in the City of Blue Earth at 9:00 a.m. on September 16, 2014. The following members were present: Bill Groskreutz, John Roper, Greg Young, and Tom Warmka Commissioners. Commissioner Tom Loveall was absent. Auditor-Treasurer-Coordinator John Thompson and County Attorney Troy Timmerman were also present.

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Groskreutz.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

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Warmka/Young motion carried unanimously to approve the synopsis and official proceedings of the September 2, 2014 regular meeting.

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Warmka/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve the agenda of September 16, 2014 as amended.

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Calendar was updated.

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Committee reports were given. Roper report on MCIT workshop, Workforce meeting, and AMC policy meetings; Warmka reported on AMC policy meetings, Young reported on local sex offender meeting in Delavan, and Groskreutz reported on MRCI, Human Services, AMC policy meeting, and Buildings and Grounds committee.

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Solid Waste Coordinator Billee Rabbe met regarding office business.

Warmka/Roper motion carried unanimously to present a proposed agreement to the City of Wells with them administrating a recycling program for the townships of Dunbar, Clark, Walnut Lake, and Foster.

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Blue Earth City Attorney David Frundt and Administrator Todd Bodem met regarding a forfeited tax parcel.

Commissioner Loveall joined the meeting.

Young/Roper motion carried unanimously to share with the City of Blue Earth the cost for engineering and demolition of a tax forfeited building in the City of Blue Earth.

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Winnebago City Administrator Chris Ziegler and Brian Selfar of LS Engineers met regarding a forfeited tax parcel in the City of Winnebago. A report was presented showing that the building is in disrepair and in need of demolition for safety reasons.

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Public Works Director John McDonald met regarding office business. Soil and Water Program Administrator Michele Stindtman also attended. A construction update was provided.

Young/Groskreutz motion carried to approve Resolution 14-CB-42 authorizing a road agreement with ITC Midwest LLC. Commissioner Loveall recused himself. Commissioners Groskreutz, Roper, Warmka, and Young voted yes.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, ITC Midwest LLC (“ITC Midwest”) wishes to rebuild an existing 161 kV electrical transmission line to the same voltage from Freeborn County to an area south of the City of Winnebago in Faribault County (the “Project”); and,

WHEREAS, this work will impact county and township roads in Clark, Walnut Lake, Barber, Prescott, and Verona Townships in Faribault County (the “County”);

WHEREAS, aggregate surfaced roads during spring load restrictions are posted to 5 ton per axle loading;

WHEREAS, there are some weight posted bridges in this location; and,

WHEREAS, ITC plans to begin work on this project in the fall of 2014 in Freeborn County and will be working westward across Faribault County and finishing up by the City of Winnebago in the fall of 2015.

NOW, THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY MUTUALLY AGREED AND UNDERSTOOD THAT:

1. ITC Midwest will designate haul routes and be responsible for all maintenance and upkeep on these routes during this Project.
2. ITC Midwest designates its Field Supervisor for coordination with the affected road authority.
3. ITC Midwest is allowed an exemption for the spring load restrictions for the haul routes listed.
4. ITC Midwest will repair the haul routes it damages as a result of the Project in a manner reasonably acceptable to the affected road authority.
5. Overweight and oversize permits will be required on all loads not using the designated haul routes.
6. ITC Midwest will not be granted any exemptions to weight posted bridges.

Young/Groskreutz motion carried to approve Resolution 14-CB-43 authorizing a drainage agreement with ITC Midwest LLC. Commissioner Loveall recused himself. Commissioners Groskreutz, Roper, Warmka, and Young voted yes.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, ITC Midwest LLC (“ITC Midwest”) wishes to rebuild an existing 161 kV electrical transmission line to the same voltage from Freeborn County to an area south of the City of Winnebago in Faribault County (the “Project”); and,

WHEREAS, this work will likely impact county drainage systems within Clark, Walnut Lake, Barber, Prescott, and Verona Townships in Faribault County (the “County”);

WHEREAS, the possibility exists for damage to the Public Drainage Systems by the Project installation and its associated work; and,

WHEREAS, ITC plans to begin work on this project in the fall of 2014 in Freeborn County and will be working westward across Faribault County and finishing up by the City of Winnebago in the fall of 2015.

NOW, THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY MUTUALLY AGREED AND UNDERSTOOD THAT:

1. ITC Midwest will work with the drainage department to designate easement and work areas.
2. ITC Midwest designates its Field Supervisor for coordination with the Drainage Inspector.
3. ITC Midwest will repair public drainage systems it damages as a result of its work on the Project in a manner reasonably acceptable to the County.
4. ITC Midwest will be responsible for repairing County drainage issues it causes as a result of its work on the Project.
5. ITC Midwest will replace any public drainage system tile lines or open ditches under roads damaged by construction traffic associated with the Project in a manner reasonably acceptable to the Drainage Authority.
6. ITC Midwest will work with affected landowners in regard to private drainage issues.
7. The County shall conduct on-site inspections of all damaged and repaired public drainage and tile systems. ITC Midwest will reimburse the County for the cost of the personnel necessary to do the above inspections at the applicable county billing rate for the inspection required. The County shall, upon reasonable request by ITC Midwest, furnish a copy of the applicable billing rates for the County’s inspection related services.
8. ITC Midwest shall map, in GPS form, all locations where heavy equipment crosses a county tile or ditch. ITC Midwest shall, upon completion of the Project, furnish to the County a GPS map of the complete route, which includes the above mentioned heavy equipment crossing, within Faribault County.

Groskreutz/Young motion carried unanimously to approve final payment of \$6,793.20 to Ulland Brothers, Inc. for the Stateline Coop project.

Groskreutz/Warmka motion carried unanimously to approve the quote received from Ron’s Plumbing of Wells for heaters in the Wells shop in the amount of \$8,686. One other quote was received of \$9,210 from TC Services of Wells which includes \$650 from Anderson Electric for wiring in the heaters.

Warmka/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve advertising for quotes for a new motor grader.

Commission Young and McDonald will set up a committee to meet with the Blue Earth City street committee to discuss parking.

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Central Services Director Dawn Fellows met regarding office business.

Groskreutz/Warmka motion carried unanimously to hire Jessica Blair of Blue Earth as Tax/Accounting Clerk (B21) in the Auditor/Treasurer office effective September 23, 2014.

Young/Roper motion carried unanimously to hire Graham Berg-Moberg as Assistant County Attorney (C42) in the County Attorney office.

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Young/Groskreutz motion carried unanimously requests from A. Huston to attend a 1-day Mn Fraud Investigator Assoc. fall training in Chaska and M. Purvis to attend a 5-day Precision Long Range Rifle training in Albert Lea.

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Discussion was held regarding the 2015 Budget and levy.

Warmka/Young motion carried to approve Resolution 14-CB-44 setting the 2015 budget at \$20,101,840 for revenues and \$19,357,237 for expenditures and the gross levy be set at \$10,136,456. Commissioners Loveall, Warmka, and Young voted yes. Commissioners Groskreutz and Roper voted no.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faribault County Board of Commissioners has reviewed the proposed budget and levy for taxes payable in 2015, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the proposed budget for payable 2015 be set at \$20,101,840 for revenues and \$19,357,237 for expenditures and the proposed gross levy be set at \$10,136,456.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of the proposed budget be on file with the County Auditor.

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Young/Groskreutz motion carried unanimously to pay bills totaling \$ 453,237.25 as follows:

COUNTY REVENUE FUND	\$ 146,038.65
PUBLIC WORKS FUND	85,489.93
HUMAN SERVICES FUND	167,846.00
COUNTY LIBRARY FUND	42,791.19
NON REVENUE/DISB A	3,467.50
DITCH FUNDS	<u>7,603.98</u>
	\$ 453,237.25

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The meeting was recessed to 1:00 p.m. Drainage Authority meeting.

Tom Loveall, Chairman

John Thompson, Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator