

FARIBAULT COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
AUGUST 4, 2015

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 August 4, 2015. The following members were present: Bill Groskreutz, Tom Loveall, John Roper, Tom Warmka, and Greg Young Commissioners. Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator John Thompson and County Attorney Troy Timmerman were also present.

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

* * * * *

Warmka/Young motion carried unanimously to approve the synopsis and official proceedings of the July 7, 2015 CD62 preliminary hearing and July 21, 2015 regular meeting.

* * * * *

Warmka/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve the agenda of August 4, 2015.

* * * * *

The calendar was updated. No member of the public appeared to make comment.

* * * * *

Committee reports were given. Warmka reported on Minnesota Energy Board and drainage inspector interviews and Groskreutz reported on MRCL.

* * * * *

Blue Earth Chamber Executive Director Cindy Lyon met regarding tourism business.

* * * * *

Central Services Director Dawn Fellows met regarding office business.

Warmka/Roper motion carried unanimously to hire Merissa Lore of Blue Earth as Drainage Manager effective August 10, 2015.

Warmka/Loveall motion carried unanimously to hire Cassandra Lewis of Delavan as secretary in the Extension Office effective August 17, 2015.

Warmka/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve a \$75.00 stipend for cell data plan and \$30 for phone only per the personnel plan.

* * * * *

Veteran Services Officer Dave Hanson met regarding office business.

Warmka/Young motion carried unanimously to approve Resolution 15-CB-28 to enter into a contract with the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs to conduct County Veterans Service Office Operation Enhancement Grant Program. Commissioners Groskreutz, Loveall, Roper, Warmka, and Young voted yes.

R E S O L U T I O N

BE IT RESOLVED, that Faribault County enter into a grant contract with the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs (MDVA) to conduct the County Veterans Service Office Operation Enhancement Grant Program. The grant must be used to provide outreach to the county's veterans; to assist in the reintegration of combat veterans into society; to collaborate with other social service agencies, educational institutions, and other community organizations for the purposes of enhancing services offered to veterans; to reduce homelessness among veterans; and to enhance the operations of the county veterans service office, as specified in Minnesota Laws 2013 Chapter 142 Article 4. This grant should not be used to supplant or replace other funding.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that David Hanson, the Faribault County Veterans Service Officer, be authorized to execute the grant contract for the above mentioned program on behalf of the county.

* * * * *

Public Works Director Mark Daly met regarding office business. A construction update was given.

Warmka/Young motion carried unanimously to approve the bid from Midwest Contracting for SAP 022-635-005 of \$514,462. One other bid was received from Swenke Ims Contracting for \$615,398.

Loveall/Young motion carried unanimously to approve the bid from W W Blacktopping, Inc of Mankato for 12 ton of bituminous overlay on County Road 19 of \$93,600. One other bid was received from Southern Mn Construction of Mankato for \$95,400.

* * * * *

Warmka/Roper motion carried unanimously to approve requests from J. Blair and L. Bosma to attend a 2-day legal description training in St. Paul, P. Campbell to attend a 3-day Desert Snow training in Arden Hills, M. Daly to attend a 2-day grant writing class in St. Paul, and G. Berg-Moberg to attend a 2-day Criminal Justice Institute in St. Paul.

* * * * *

Young/Loveall motion carried unanimously to approve the order appointing Charles Brandel of the I+S Group as the engineer for CD 21 petition.

ORDER APPOINTING ENGINEER IMPROVEMENT OF COUNTY DITCH 21 FARIBAULT COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION to approve County Ditch 21 in the County of Faribault, State of Minnesota,

WHEREAS, a petition having been filed with the Office of County Auditor on July 31, 2015 accompanied by a proper bond approved by the County's legal counsel for the

improvement of County Ditch 21 in Faribault County, Minnesota, the route of which is fully described in said petition,

BE IT ORDERED that Charles Brandel, I&S Group, a competent and qualified engineer is appointed as the engineer in said ditch proceedings and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that said engineer make a preliminary survey of the lands likely to be affected by the construction of said improvement and to examine all matters set forth in the petition and file his report as to the necessity for, and the feasibility of, constructing the proposed improvement of said ditch with the County Auditor at the earliest possible date.

* * * * *

Young/Warmka motion carried unanimously to pay bills totaling \$127,926.61 as follows:

COUNTY REVENUE FUND	\$ 57,866.08
PUBLIC WORKS FUND	27,282.78
COUNTY LIBRARY FUND	<u>42,777.75</u>
	\$ 127,926.61

* * * * *

The meeting was recessed to Drainage Authority meeting.

William Groskreutz Jr., Chair

John Thompson, Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator