

FARIBAULT COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
NOVEMBER 21, 2017

The Faribault County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to the recess of November 7, 2017 at the Courthouse in the City of Blue Earth at 9:00 a.m. on November 21, 2017. The following members were present: Bill Groskreutz, Tom Loveall, John Roper, Tom Warmka, and Greg Young Commissioners. County Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator John Thompson and County Attorney Troy Timmerman were also present.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Roper.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

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Groskreutz/Warmka motion carried unanimously to approve the synopsis and official proceedings of the November 7, 2017 regular and drainage meeting.

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Warmka/Groskreutz motion carried unanimously to approve the amended agenda of November 21, 2017.

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

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Committee reports were given. Groskreutz reported on transit meeting, MRCI, and mental health meeting with Senator Rosen, EDA meeting, DECA presentation, and MVAC meeting; and Warmka reported on EMS Joint Powers meeting and GBERBA.

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Young/Loveall motion carried unanimously to appoint Jack Heinitz of Blue Earth to a 5-year term on the EDA ending December 31, 2022.

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Groskreutz/Loveall motion carried unanimously to approve the request to issue a credit card to County Engineer Mark Daly with a limit of \$2,500.00 for uses approved in the Faribault County Credit Card Policy.

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Young/Loveall motion carried unanimously to ratify the professional services agreement between MnCCC and Strategic Technologies Incorporated to provide the maintenance and support of Minnesota County Attorney Practice System (MCAPS) January 2, 2018 through December 31, 2022.

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Warmka/Loveall motion carried unanimously to accept the following donations and contributions for the Veterans Service Office: \$1,000 from the South Central Chapter 32 DAV for a veteran services van purchase, 12 - \$25.00 Kwik Trip gift cards from the Methodist Church for veterans in need; and \$12 from anonymous donors for veteran needs.

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Young/Loveall motion carried unanimously to approve the purchase forfeited tax Parcel No.21.272.0650 by the City of Blue Earth for the appraised value of \$100 with plans to eliminate the blighted structure.

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Warmka/Loveall motion carried unanimously to approve Resolution 17-CB-39 granting the request of Francis Molina to repurchase Parcel No. 22.200.0910 for \$7,515.00. Commissioners Groskreutz, Loveall, Roper, Warmka, and Young voted yes.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Parcel No. 22.200.0910 was forfeited to the State of Minnesota in favor of the Taxing Districts on September 1, 2017, and

WHEREAS, Francis Molina has made application to repurchase from the State of Minnesota Parcel No. 22.200.0910 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 282.241

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Faribault County Board of Commissioners hereby grants the request of Francis Molina to repurchase Parcel No. 22.200.0910 for \$7,515.00.

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Staff Engineer William Goo met regarding office business.

Young/Groskreutz motion carried unanimously to approve Resolution 17-RB13-40 supporting Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP) application and street improvements for Rice and 17th Street in the City of Blue Earth. Commissioners Groskreutz, Loveall, Roper, Warmka, and Young voted yes.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of Blue Earth wishes to apply for funding through the Local Road Improvement Program administered by the Minnesota Department of Transportation for street improvements by reconstructing Rice Street from 14th Street East to 17th Street East and 17th Street East from Rice Street to Ramsey Street, and

WHEREAS, the proposed project includes reconstructing an existing rural section of roadway to a 36-foot-wide urban roadway with curb and gutter, and

WHEREAS, Rice Street includes the only access to a multi-field baseball complex and home of the Blue Earth Junior Pirates baseball team, and

WHEREAS, Rice Street provides the only access to the Blue Earth High School football field and track and field complex which is the primary playing and competition facility the local high school football, soccer, and track and field teams, and

WHEREAS, Rice Street and 17th Street East provides access to the St. Luke's Lutheran Care Center which provides assisted living, subsidized housing, and adult day care services to approximately 150 residents and is staffed by approximately 200 full and part-time employees, and

WHEREAS, the proposed project will promote pedestrian safety and provide multimodal transportation options with the construction of sidewalk along the west side of Rice Street and north side of 17th Street East, and

WHEREAS, the proposed sidewalk facility will provide St. Luke's Lutheran Care Center employees a safe and accessible option for walking to work, and its residents safe and accessible outside walking and recreation opportunities, and

WHEREAS, the proposed sidewalk will provide safe and accessible options for pedestrian travel to sporting and practice events at the nearby high school sports facility and the baseball complex, and

WHEREAS, the Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP) requires a city, such as Blue Earth, that is not a State Aid city, to have a county sponsor, and

WHEREAS, the proposed year for said project construction is 2018.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Faribault supports the City of Blue Earth's pursuit of Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP) funds for the reconstruction of Rice Street and 17th Street.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County of Faribault agrees to sponsor the City of Blue Earth Local Road Improvement Project application to MnDOT and act as the city's fiscal agent for this project.

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Clarann Sayre was recognized for her 37 years of service as an Extension Committee member. Extension staff attended.

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Faribault County Fair Board Treasurer Daryl Murray met to discuss fair activity and finances.

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Drainage Manager Merissa Lore met regarding office business.

Loveall/Young motion carried unanimously to approve change order No. 5 on CD7.

Loveall/Young motion carried unanimously to approve the revised 2017 and 2018 crop price for rye at \$2.25 per bushel.

Loveall/Groskreutz motion carried unanimously to approve 2017 crop damages totaling \$55,648.67 for various drainage projects.

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Veteran Services Officer Jenna Schmidtke met regarding office business. Kevin Benson and Steve White from KBEW radio station also attended.

Groskreutz/Loveall motion carried unanimously to accept a \$1,000 donation to Veteran Services from KBEW radio station from proceeds of the annual tractor ride.

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Young/Loveall motion carried unanimously to pay bills totaling \$267,845.99 as follows:

COUNTY REVENUE FUND	\$ 93,455.61
PUBLIC WORKS FUND	129,913.71
DITCH FUND	<u>44,476.67</u>
	\$ 267,845.99

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The meeting was adjourned for November.

John Roper, Chair

John Thompson, Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator