

This is a preliminary draft of the November 9, 2021, minutes as interpreted by the Clerk of the Board for use in preparing the official minutes. It is expected that there will be corrections, additions, and/or omissions before the final minutes are reviewed and officially approved by the County Board.

*****The Board of County Commissioners of Fillmore County, Minnesota met in regular session this 9th day in November, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Board Room, Fillmore County Courthouse, in the City of Preston.

The following members were present: Commissioners Marc Prestby, Larry Hindt, Randy Dahl, Mitch Lentz and Duane Bakke.

Others present: Bobbie Hillery, Administrator/Clerk; Ron Gregg, County Engineer; Lindsie Engle, Human Resources Officer; Chris Hahn, EDA Director; Anne Koliha, SWCD; Christy Smith, Auditor/Treasurer; John DeGeorge, Sheriff; Jill Huffman, Harmony Telephone/ MiBroadband; Nicole Schulte, Harmony Telephone/ MiBroadband; Zachary Raskovich, Mediacom Communications; Bonita Underbakke; and Karen Reisner, Fillmore County Journal.

Also, present via WebEx: Lori Affeldt, Finance Director; Kristi Ruesink, Accounting Technician; Jessica Erickson, Director of Nursing; Cristal Adkins, Zoning Administrator; Carolina Escobar, Mediacom; Corey Hauer, LTD Broadband appeared; Haley Tollefson, LTD Broadband; Christopher Lord, Mediacom Communications; Tom Kaase; Ken Dittrich; and Julia McCaslin, Accounting Technician.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

On motion by Lentz and seconded by Hindt, the Board unanimously approved the amended agenda, with the addition of the approval to advertise the surface reconditioning project on CSAH 30, SAP 023-630-006.

On motion by Prestby and seconded by Lentz, the Board unanimously approved the following Consent Agenda:
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Anne Koliha, SWCD was present.

On motion by Bakke and seconded by Lentz, the Board unanimously approved the County Feedlot Program Delegation Agreement Work Plan for 2022-2023.

On motion by Bakke and seconded by Prestby, the Board unanimously approved the Delegated County Feedlot Grant Agreement in the amount of \$66,082.

Cristal Adkins, Zoning Administration appeared via WebEx.

On motion by Bakke and seconded by Lentz, the Board unanimously approved the FY2022 and 2023 State of MN Board of Water and Soil Resources Natural Resources Block Grant Agreement in the total amount of \$70,096.00.

Christy Smith, Auditor/Treasurer was present.

On motion by Bakke and seconded by Hindt, the Board unanimously reviewed and approved the classification of tax-forfeited land as non-conservation property.

On motion by Bakke and seconded by Prestby, the Board unanimously approved:
RESOLUTION 2021-055: for Tax Forfeiture Land Classification.

On motion by Hindt and seconded by Lentz, the Board unanimously approved:

RESOLUTION 2021-056: to set tax forfeiture auction date.

Citizen's input opened and closed at 9:30 a.m. as no one was present to speak.

Jessica Erickson, Director of Nursing appeared via WebEx.

On motion by Hindt and seconded by Bakke, the Board unanimously approved the request for Haakenson Electric to add a panel for additional outlets in the amount of \$3,569.53 funded by the Public Health COVID grant.

Erickson requested approval of "Reflective Practice" monthly employee contact to prevent fatigue and burn out funded by workforce grant. The contract is covered by the workforce grant and would cover 4 hours a month. Dahl thanked Erickson for taking care of her employees.

On motion by Lentz and seconded by Hindt, the Board unanimously approved the "Reflective Practice" professional consultation contract with Melissa McLaurin, MA, LPCC to prevent fatigue and burn out funded by the Public Health Workforce Grant once received.

Ron Gregg, Highway/Airport was present.

On motion by Bakke and seconded by Lentz, the Board unanimously approved the request to advertise Bridge No. 88938 replacement project in Arendahl Township LOST 88938-105.

On motion by Bakke and seconded by Lentz, the Board unanimously approved the final payment **RESOLUTION 2021-057:** for the Concrete Overlay Project on CSAH 21, SP 023-621-023.

On motion by Prestby and seconded by Lentz, the Board unanimously approved to advertise the Surface Reconditioning Project on CSAH 30, SAP 023-630-006.

John DeGeorge, Sheriff was present.

On motion by Hindt and seconded by Lentz, the Board unanimously approved the lease of a 2022 Dodge Charger unmarked squad car in the amount of \$35,745 from Enterprise.

On motion by Lentz and seconded by Bakke, the Board unanimously approved the equipment and setup from EATI in the amount of \$5,528.73 for the 2022 Dodge Charger unmarked squad car.

The board discussed the next steps regarding a possible request for proposal on a jail architect. DeGeorge reached out to consultant Tom Weber, who suggested having potential architects send their qualifications and set up interviews. DeGeorge noted this would not cost the county money and would determine who we want to work with. DeGeorge and Hillery will look further into jail architects.

Lindsy Engle, Human Resources Officer was present.

On motion by Hindt and seconded by Bakke, the Board unanimously approved the request to approve temporary employment of Bryant Bollman, Transfer Station Attendant at Grade 3/Step 1 from 11/3/2021 through 11/17/2021.

On motion by Hindt and seconded by Lentz, the Board unanimously approved the request to hire Carrie Boyum, PHN as a .08 FTE Public Health Nurse at Grade 13/Step 6 effective 11/30/2021.

Bobbie Hillery, Administrator was present.

On motion by Bakke and seconded by Lentz, the Board unanimously approved the Meeting Delegates & Policy Committee Members.

On motion by Hindt and seconded by Prestby, the Board unanimously approved the MCIT Voting Delegate Bobbie Hillery and Alternate Duane Bakke.

The Board heard presentations from Mediacom, LTD Broadband, and Harmony Telephone/ MiBroadband with request for American Recovery Act dollars from the County.

The chair recessed the meeting at 10:44 a.m. and resumed back in session at 10:51a.m.

Hillery provided a summary of American Recovery Act expenditures. Board has approved the following: Registered Nurse, Case Aide, Social Worker, HVAC is being quoted, technology and Broadband proposals. Bakke noted we are looking for additional dollars to be recovered with the hope of getting revenue back.

Hillery asked for approval to advertise for a copy machine. The lease with our current vendor is up March 2022.

On a motion by Lentz and seconded by Hindt, the board unanimously approved to advertise for request for proposal for five year lease for all County copy machines.

The following announcements, calendar review and committee reports were given: Lentz/Bakke - Extension; Bakke- DFO Task Force, Strategic Planning, Pre-Trial, and Criminal Expungement and how it effects people getting housing/employment, still opening for District 2; Prestby/Hindt- Safety/EM; Dahl- Semcac; Hillery- next board meeting is November 23 after that December 14th at 3:00 p.m. with Truth and Taxation hearing at 6:30 p.m.

On a motion by Hindt and seconded by Bakke, the Board Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:53 a.m.