

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MURRAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MURRAY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER – SLAYTON, MINNESOTA  
September 21, 2021 8:30 a.m.

Pursuant to notice, the Murray County Board of Commissioners convened with the following members present in person: Commissioners; Dennis Welgraven, Lori Gunnink, James Kluis, Molly Malone, and David Thiner. Also present in person was County Administrator, Thomas Burke, and General Assistant, Samantha McClellan. County Attorney, Travis Smith, via Zoom.

The Chairman asked if there were any additions to the agenda, several were added.

No conflicts of interest were identified.

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Malone and passed to approve the agenda with additions.

It was moved by Kluis, seconded by Gunnink and passed to approve the minutes from the September 7, 2021 meeting.

OPEN FORUM / PUBLIC COMMENT

No one was present for open forum.

COMMISSIONER WARRANTS

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Malone and passed that all claims as presented were approved for payment. The Chairman was authorized to sign the Audit List dated September 21, 2021 with fund totals as follows and warrants numbered 166204 through 166268:

County Revenue Fund	88,261.33
County Road & Bridge Fund	13,190.28
EDA	80.01
Ditch	84.11
Self-Insurance	65.54
Sunrise Terrace	1,771.37
SAWS	171.38
Total	103,624.02

DITCH BILLS FOR APPROVAL

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Malone and passed to approve accepting the report of the petitions for payment, having been inspected for determining what repairs, if any, are necessary, the extent and nature of such repairs and a list of bills presented for payment that will enable said ditches to answer their purposes and to pay all bills contained within the report.

**Bolton & Menk**

21-807-6260	JD 3	1,449.00	JD 3 Improvement - Engineering
21-810-810-6260	JD 6	329.00	JD 6 Improvement - Engineering
21-847-847-6260	JD 20A	329.00	JD 20A Improvement - Engineering
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b><u>2,107.00</u></b>	

**Rinke Noonan**

21-674-6260	CD 22	97.50	CD 22 Appeal - Legal
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b><u>97.50</u></b>	

**Total Ditch Bills 2,204.50**

**LEVY**

Auditor/Treasure, Heidi Winter led a discussion regarding setting the levy. The deadline to set the levy is September 30, 2021.

**2022 SQUAD'S**

It was moved by Malone, second by Kluis and passed to approve the purchase of 2 new 2022 Chevrolet Pick-Ups from North Country GM for \$65,153.24.

**FULL-TIME DEPUTY SHERIFF**

It was moved by Thiner, second by Gunnink and passed to approve the recruitment process for a full-time Deputy Sheriff immediately.

**RECYCLING CENTER POSITION STATUS CHANGE**

It was moved by Thiner, second by Kluis and passed to approve the status change from a full-time Recycling Center Worker to Part-time (up to 29 hours) Recycling Center Worker effective September 21, 2021.

**MURRAY COUNTY EMPLOYEE POLICIES UPDATED**

It was moved by Malone, second by Gunnink and passed to approve the updated Murray County Employee Policies #301, 302, 303, 305, 306, 307, 309, 312, 314, 315, 318, 319 effective September 21, 2021.

**APPROVAL OF EDA LOAN**

It was moved by Malone, second by Kluis and passed to approve a loan in the amount of \$130,000.00 from the EDA Revolving Loan Fund to Mr. Jayden King for his purchase of the Valhalla Campground.

**FAIRGROUND TILE PROJECT**

It was moved by Thiner, second by Gunnink and passed to approve hiring Gass Trenching to install tile at the fairgrounds at a cost of \$69,272.50.

#### ESRI RENEWAL

It was moved by Gunnink, second by Malone and passed to approve the annual software update and renewal for ArcGis, utilizing Land Use Funds to cover the cost of the renewal.

#### COURTS BUILDING BATHROOM REMODEL

It was moved by Gunnink, second by Kluis and passed to approve moving forward with the Court Building bathroom remodel project, going out for bids with a bid opening date of October 19, 2021, at 8:55 a.m., with the expectation that the contractor will submit required plumbing drawings to the state.

#### SHERIFF HVAC COMMISSIONING

It was moved by Thiner, second by Kluis and passed to approve the Agreement for Professional Services with Dunham Associates, Inc for HVAC retro-commissioning services for the Murray County Law Enforcement Center Building.

#### AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA)

It was moved by Gunnink, second by Kluis and passed to approve appointing Molly Malone and Dennis Welgraven to the Murray County American Rescue Plan Committee.

#### LEGISLATOR

County Administrator, Thomas Burke, led a discussion about have a meeting with to have discussion with some concerns that the Commissioners may have.

#### DINEHART PROJECT TOUR

Janet Timmerman, and Mike Lovato, of LHB Architects, gave a tour of the progress on the Dinehart House repairs. Repairs include scraping, repairing, and repainting the exterior siding on the house, repairing and re-tuckpointing the foundation walls and the foundation of the central chimney, and rebuilding the exterior basement entry walls and stairs along with interior and exterior doors.

#### DINEHART PROJECT DISCUSSION

It was moved by Thiner, second by Malone and passed to approve the additional overage amount of \$15,116.00 with funds coming out of the Museum budget, or another approved location.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS FOR THE PERIOD OF SEPTEMBER 5-18, 2021

Molly Malone: 9/7 Regular Board Meeting, 9/13 Casey Jones Trail, 9/14 Murray County Judicial Chamber Meeting, 9/15-17 Association of Minnesota Counties Conference.

Lori Gunnink: 9/7 Regular Board Meeting, 9/14 Murray County Judicial Chamber Meeting, 9/15-17 Association of Minnesota Counties Conference, 9/16 Ruthton Water Management Meeting with DNR.

Jim Kluis: 9/7 Regular Board Meeting.

Dennis Welgraven: 9/7 Regular Board Meeting, Exit Audit, Southwest Health and Human Services, 9/8 Southwest Regional Development Commission, 9/14 Murray County Judicial Chamber Meeting, 9/15-17 Association of Minnesota Counties Conference.

David Thiner: 9/7 Regular Board Meeting, 9/8 Building/Facilities Committee, 9/10 Des Moines River Watershed.

It was moved by Kluis, seconded by Malone and passed to approve committee reports for the period of September 5-18, 2021.

The meeting adjourned 10:38 a.m.

ATTEST:

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Samantha McClellan, General Assistant

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Dennis Welgraven, Chairman of the Board