

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MURRAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MURRAY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER – SLAYTON, MINNESOTA  
October 5, 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.

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

No conflicts of interest were identified.

It was moved by Kluis, seconded by Gunnink and passed to approve the minutes from the September 28, 2021 meeting.

OPEN FORUM / PUBLIC COMMENT

No one was present for open forum.

SENATOR BILL WEBER

Senator Bill Weber was present to discuss projects and concerns of the Murray County Commissioners, and Murray County Department Heads. Key topics of conversation included Minnesota Department of Transportation/ Highway Projects, Ditch 11, Childcare Shortage, Solar Production, and COVID-19.

FAIRGROUND TILE PROJECT

Parks/Fairgrounds Director, Justin Hoffman, and Justin Wildfeuer, from Gass Trenching Inc, gave an update on the fairgrounds tile project.

MURRAY COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER HOSPITAL UPDATE

Luke Schryvers, Murray County Medical Center Chief Executive Officer, gave an update on staffing, outreach for Nero Diagnostic Services, Risk Assessments, Finances, Capital Improvement, and COVID-19.

COMMISSIONER WARRANTS

It was moved by Kluis, seconded by Gunnink and passed that all claims as presented were approved for payment. The Chairman was authorized to sign the Audit List dated October 5, 2021 with fund totals as follows and warrants numbered 166302 through 166351:

County Revenue Fund	\$25,237.49
County Road & Bridge Fund	\$26,083.80

Self-Insurance	\$1,651.16
Sunrise Terrace	\$475.03
Total	\$53,447.48

**DITCH INSPECTION REPORT**

A motion was made by Gunnink, seconded by Thiner and carried that the Commissioners in conjunction with the appointed ditch inspector in and for the County of Murray, have examined and inspected that portion of the foregoing described County and Judicial Ditches, lying within the County of Murray, for the purpose of determining what repairs are necessary and ordered said repairs to be made, by this report given thereon at a Murray County Board of Commissioner’s meeting, held in the Commissioners Room of the Murray County Government Center, Slayton, Minnesota

- Petition 2021-027 (CD86, Lake Sarah Twp. Sec.8, District 2–Gunnink)
- Petition 2021-028 (CD75, Slayton Twp. Sec.17, District 3–Welgraven)
- Petition 2021-029 (JD14, Leeds Twp. Sec.9, District 2–Gunnink)

**PAY APPLICATION 1 – DINEHART HOUSE**

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Malone and passed to approve pay application No. 1 for the Dinehart House restoration project to A&M Construction, Inc for \$80,808.90.

**LAKE FARM PROPERTIES, LLC**

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Malone and passed to approve Conditional Use Permit #1392 for Lake Farm Properties, LLC to open and operate a private campground for up to ten (10) sites on a General Development Lake in the Agricultural and Shoreland Overlay Districts in the NE1/4 NE1/4, Section 14, Lake Sarah Township with the findings and three (3) special conditions recommended by the Planning Commission.

**RESOLUTION FOR 2022 HEALTH INSURANCE**

Commissioner Thiner presented the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-10-5-01**  
**A Resolution Setting 2022 Employer Contribution to**  
**Murray County Cafeteria Plan, Including VEBA/HSA Accounts**

WHEREAS, the 2021 monthly Employer Contribution to the Murray County Cafeteria Plan was \$746.00 for single and \$1,424.00 for family health insurance coverage.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the 2022 monthly Employer Contribution to the Murray County Cafeteria Plan be set at \$746.00 for single health insurance coverage and \$1,424.00 for family health insurance coverage.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

That the 2022 monthly Employer Contribution to the employee’s VEBA/HSA account be set at:

2022 Plans	Coverage	VEBA/HSA
\$2,800 (100%) deductible	Single	\$0.00
	Family	\$0.00
	Single	\$28.15

\$2,800 (80%) deductible	Family	\$0.00
\$5,000 (100%) deductible	Single	\$115.15
	Family	\$0.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the employee’s bi-weekly contributions are to be deposited into the individual employee VEBA/HSA account after each bi-weekly payroll.

The foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Commissioner Kluis and thereupon being put to a vote, all members of the Board voted for its adoption.

**RESOLUTION SETTING 2022 EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION**

Commissioner Thiner presented the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-10-5-02  
A Resolution Regarding 2022 Murray County Health Insurance

WHEREAS, Murray County Murray County offered the following choices for health insurance through Preferred One in 2021:

- Single VEBA/HSA Plan - \$2,800.00 deductible, 80/20 plan, with a monthly premium of \$709.75;
  - Single VEBA/HSA Plan - \$2,800.00 deductible with a monthly premium of \$765.50;
  - Single VEBA/HSA Plan - \$5,000.00 deductible with a monthly premium of \$622.75;
  - Family VEBA/HSA Plan - \$5,200.00 deductible, 80/20 plan, with a monthly premium of \$1,905.00;
  - Family VEBA/HSA Plan - \$5,200.00 deductible with a monthly premium of \$2,048.00;
  - Family VEBA/HSA Plan - \$10,000.00 deductible with a monthly premium of \$1,682.00;
- and

WHEREAS, Murray County’s health insurance premiums through PreferredOne will be the same in 2022 as in 2021;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Murray County will offer the same health insurance options in 2022 as in 2021.

The foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Commissioner Malone and thereupon being put to a vote, all members of the Board voted for its adoption.

**TIRE PROCESSING**

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Kluis and passed to approve adjusting the appropriate landfill budget for 2021 of up to \$8,000 for tire processing, with the possibility of funds not being used until 2022.

**DISTRICT 8 ASSOCIATION OF MINNESOTA COUNTIES MEETING**

County Administrator, Thomas Burke, led a discussion regarding the District 8, Association of Minnesota Counties Meeting, being held October 28<sup>th</sup> in Worthington.

#### DECEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup> MEETING

It was moved by Thiner, seconded by Gunnink and passed to approve moving the December 7, 2021, Regular Board Meeting to November 30, 2021, due to scheduling conflicts with the Association of Minnesota Counties Annual Meeting that is taking place on December 7, 2021.

#### REDWOOD-COTTONWOOD CONTROL AREA ANNUAL MEETING

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Malone and passed to approve all Murray County Commissioners to attend the Annual Redwood-Cottonwood River Control Area Meeting, on November 4, 2021, in New Ulm, Minnesota.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Molly Malone: 9/21 Regular Board Meeting, 9/23 Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission, 9/27 Murray County Medical Center Finance Meeting, Personnel Committee, Rural Minnesota Energy Board 9/28 Regular Board Meeting, American Rescue Plan Act Committee, 9/29 Murray County Medical Center Regular Board Meeting

David Thiner: 9/20 Chief Elected Official Board, Southwest Minnesota Opportunity Council, 9/21 Regular Board Meeting, 9/22 Southwest Regional Radio Board/Public Safety Board, 9/23 Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission, 9/28 Regular Board Meeting.

Lori Gunnink: 9/21 Regular Board Meeting, 9/28 Regular Board Meeting.

Dennis Welgraven, 9/20 Economic Development Authority, 9/21 Regular Board Meeting, Personnel Committee, 9/27 Rural Minnesota Energy Board, Western Mental Health Center, 9/28 Regular Board, American Rescue Plan Act Committee.

James Kluis: 9/21 Regular Board, 9/28 Hospital Board Meeting.

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Kluis and passed to approve Committee Reports for the period of September 19, 2021 – October 2, 2021.

#### MURRAY COUNTY NATION HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Thiner and passed to approve all Murray County Commissioners attending the annual meeting of the Murray County Historical Society on Sunday, October 17, 2021, at 2 p.m. The event will be held in the Currie City Hall/Community Center at 801 Third Street.

The meeting adjourned 10:37 a.m.

ATTEST:

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Samantha McClellan, General Assistant

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Dennis Welgraven, Chairman of the Board