

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MURRAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MURRAY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER – SLAYTON, MINNESOTA  
January 25, 2022 8:30 a.m.

Pursuant to notice, the Murray County Board of Commissioners convened with the following members present in person: Commissioners; Molly Malone, Lori Gunnink, David Thiner, and Dennis Welgraven. Commissioner James Kluis via Zoom, with no voting privileges. 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. None were added.

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Welgraven and passed to approve the agenda as presented.

No conflicts of interest were identified.

It was moved by Welgraven, seconded by Gunnink and passed to approve the minutes from the January 18, 2022, with changes.

OPEN FORUM / PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no one present for open forum.

DITCH BILLS

It was moved by Thiner, seconded by Welgraven and passed to approve the report of bills for payment of the Murray County Drainage Authority as follows:

**Rinke Noonan**

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| 21-807-6260 | JD3             | 520.00               | JD 3 Improvement - Legal |
| 21-868-6260 | Admin           | 200.00               | Monthly Retainer - Legal |
|             | <b>Subtotal</b> | <b><u>720.00</u></b> |                          |

**Total Ditch Bills 720.00**

EDA UPDATE

Economic Development Coordinator, Justine Wettschreck, gave a year-end department review.

QUARTERLY ALLOCATION REQUEST

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Thiner and passed to approve Murray Soil and Water Conservation District quarterly allocation request in the amount of \$49,069.75.

PARKS DEPARTMENT 2021 UPDATE

Parkes Director, Justin Hoffmann, gave a year-end review for the parks department.

#### FAIRGROUNDS RENTAL AGREEMENT

It was moved by Thiner, seconded by Gunnink, and passed to approve the new fairgrounds rental agreement.

#### CODE RED

It was moved by Welgraven, seconded by Gunnink and passed to approve paying the Code Red Service contract in the amount of \$7,989.63.

#### AMC LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE MARCH 2-3, 2022

County Administrator, Thomas Burke, informed the board that the AMC Legislative Conference will be March 2-3, 2022.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT WORKSHEET FOR CSAH 13

It was moved by Welgraven, seconded by Gunnink and passed to approve the Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) Application for County State Aid Highway 13 at Lake Shetek.

#### ADVANCE CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT AND RESOLUTION FOR NEW BRIDGE

It was moved by Malone, seconded by Thiner and passed to approve the Advance Construction Agreement and adopt Resolution for new bridge 51541 in Currie.

#### SET BID OPENING DATE FOR BRIDGE PROJECT SP 051-638-026

It was moved by Thiner, seconded by Malone and passed to set the bid opening for project SP 051-638-026 for June 7, 2022, at 9:30 a.m.

#### BUFFALO RIDGE TASK FORCE APPROPRIATION

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Welgraven and passed to approve paying the 2022 Buffalo Ridge Drug and Violent Crime task force appropriation in the amount of \$36,805.50.

#### OPEN DISPATCHER POSITION

It was moved by Thiner, seconded by Welgraven and passed to approve the recruitment process for a full-time Dispatcher/Jailer.

#### PERSONNEL COMMITTEE UPDATE

Human Resources Director, Ronda Radke gave a personnel committee update. She announced Extension Office Manager, Nancy Pieske, will be retiring on March 28, 2022. She is currently working with Nancy to update the job description.

The board gave consensus for the Human Resource Director, and County Administrator, to work with the Sunrise Terrace Director to create a job description for the dietary position that is needed at Sunrise Terrace. It was asked that the job description be brought to the board on February 1, 2022.

#### COMMITTEE UPDATES FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 9-22, 2022

David Thiner: Commissioner Thiner gave an update on SMOC, the administrator is hoping to be done at the end of February. An internum will serve after the current administrator is done. Head Start Director, Lori Gunnink, is trying to build a head start center that is equivalent to what is in Worthington. It will help with daycare and low-income families.

Commissioner Welgraven gave an update on the Lyon Murray Collaborative. The collaborative gave \$19,000 to Murray County Central for different programs.

Commissioner Gunnink informed the board that the Friends of the Casey Jones Trail had a Zoom session with Senator Bill Weber, last Friday, asking him to support a bill that is going through the Senate for funding for the Casey Jones Trail.

Commissioner Gunnink also stated that the Historical Society is looking for additional funding for the RSVP Volunteer.

Commissioner Malone reported that the net income for the hospital was 3.9 million.

The meeting adjourned 10:10 a.m.

ATTEST:

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Samantha McClellan, General Assistant

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Molly Malone, Chairman of the Board