

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MURRAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MURRAY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER – SLAYTON, MINNESOTA
August 15, 2017, 8:30 a.m.

Pursuant to notice, the Murray County Board of Commissioners convened with the following members present: Commissioners Gerald Magnus, Glenn Kluis, James Jens, Lori Gunnink and David Thiner. Also, present Ronda Radke, Assistant Human Resources Director and Travis Smith, County Attorney.

The meeting opened by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The Chairman asked if there were any additions to the agenda. Several items were added.

It was moved by Thiner, seconded by Gunnink and passed to approve the agenda as modified.

No conflicts of interest were identified.

It was moved by Thiner, seconded by Magnus and passed to approve consent agenda item 1 with corrections.

1. Approve Minutes from August 1, 2017

A motion was duly made by Magnus, seconded by Gunnink and carried that all claims as presented were approved for payment. The Chairman was authorized to sign the Audit List dated August 15, 2017 with fund totals as follows and warrants numbered 153588 through 153661:

County Revenue Fund	107,613.33
County Road & Bridge Fund	11,381.93
EDA	322.53
Ditch	283.20
Health Insurance	46.50
Sunrise Terrace	572.58
SAWSD	154.00
 Total	 120,374.07

A motion was made by Jens, seconded by Gunnink, with all members of the Board voting their approval to accept the report of the Ditch Committee of the County and Judicial Ditches lying within the County of Murray on those petitions for repair that have been inspected for determining what repairs, if any, are necessary, the extent and nature of such repairs, an estimated costs of such repairs or 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.

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Ditch #</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Petition #</u>	<u>Inspector</u>	<u>Commissioner District</u>
<u>Johnson Ditching</u>					
	CD 53	1,954.24	2017-001	Ok'd - Howard Konkol 8-7-17	2-Gunnink
	Subtotal	1,954.24			
<u>Bill's Backhoe Service, LLC</u>					
	CD 82	358.00	2017-032	Ok'd - Howard Konkol 7-18-17	1-Jens
	Subtotal	358.00			
<u>LJG Backhoe, LLC</u>					
	JD 6	468.80	2017-033	Ok'd - Howard Konkol 7-18-17	1-Jens
	Subtotal	468.80			
	Total for All Ditch Bills	2,781.04			

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Jens and passed to approve Pay Application No. 1 to Loo Con, Inc. for the Judicial Ditch 8 Improvement Project in the amount \$83,565.58.

Board reviewed the 2017 MCIT dividends. No Board action was taken

A motion was made by Magnus, seconded by Gunnink 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 #2017-038 (JD 02, Lime Lake Twp. Sec. 15, District 3 – Magnus)
- Petition #2017-039 (CD 06, Cameron Twp. Sec. 13, District 2 – Gunnink)

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Jens and passed expending End O Line Railroad Parks budgeted money from grounds and grounds improvement budget line #560-6302 and # 560-6502 to move a 2018 project forward into 2017 for boardwalk railings and aggregate, furthermore getting two quotes for the project.

Jean Christoffels met with the County Board regarding Conditional Use Permit #1337 (Doug Brake was present), for Doug, Jerry & Jared Brake to expand an existing feedlot by constructing a total confinement barn with concrete manure storage pit for 1000 head swine (300 animal units) in the Agriculture District, SE ¼, Section 34, Fenton Township. The Board reviewed the Murray County Planning Commission public hearing minutes from the July 27, 2017 meeting, which included the findings.

It was moved by Magnus, seconded by Gunnink and passed to approve Conditional Use Permit # 1337, for Doug, Jerry & Jared Brake to expand an existing feedlot by constructing a total confinement barn with concrete manure storage pit for 1000 head swine (300 animal units) in the

Agriculture District, SE ¼, Section 34, Fenton Township, with four of the five special conditions recommended by the Planning Commission. Due to the location of the barn on the north side of the building site, and due to the fact that the nearest neighbors are beyond ¼ mile from the barn, special condition number five was stricken.

Jean Christoffels met with the County Board regarding Conditional Use Permit #1336, for Auriga Community Solar Garden, LLC (Kara Bakke and Andy Catania were present) to construct and operate a 1 MW Community Solar Garden in the Agriculture District, NE ¼, Section 31, Slayton Township. The Board reviewed the Murray County Planning Commission public hearing minutes from the July 27, 2017 meeting, which included the findings.

It was moved by Thiner, seconded by Gunnink and passed to approve Conditional Use Permit #1336, for Auriga Community Solar Garden, LLC to construct and operate a 1 MW Community Solar Garden in the Agriculture District, NE ¼, Section 31, Slayton Township, with all six special conditions recommended by the Planning commission, including the following amendment to special condition number 6: and the Murray County Ditch Inspector.

Jean Christoffels met with the County Board regarding Conditional Use Permit #1335, for Leo Community Solar Garden, LLC (Kara Bakke and Andy Catania were present) to construct and operate a 1 MW Community Solar Garden in the Agriculture District, NW ¼, Section 23, Leeds Township. The Board reviewed the Murray County Planning Commission public hearing minutes from the July 27, 2017 meeting, which included the findings.

It was moved by Thiner, seconded by Gunnink and passed to approve Conditional Use Permit #1335, for Leo Community Solar Garden, LLC to construct and operate a 1 MW Community Solar Garden in the Agriculture District, NW ¼, Section 23, Leeds Township, with all five special conditions recommended by the Planning Commission, and with the following sixth special condition added: The Applicant must work with the Murray County Ditch Inspector for locating existing tile lines prior to the pre-construction meeting.

10:00 a.m. Open Forum/Public Comment – No members of the public were present.

Discussion on setting a date for Tessia Melvin, David Drown Assoc. to make a presentation to the Board on the Compensation/Classification Study for September 26, 2017.

It was moved by Magnus, seconded by Jens and passed for the Emergency Management Director Heath Landsman to apply for the 2017 Emergency Management Performance Grant for \$18,030.00.

Discussion on the replacement of the Courts building roof. Auditor/Treasurer will have everything ready to go for bids for a new roof on the Courts building in the spring.

The Commissioners gave their committee reports for the period of July 30, 2017 to August 12, 2017.

James Jens reported on Commissioner Board Meeting (Partial Per Diem Claimed) – August 1; EDA (No Per Diem Claimed) – August 2; Foundation (Partial Per Diem Claimed) – August 3; Budget Meeting – August 9; Budget Meeting – August 10.

Gerald Magnus reported on Rural Minnesota Energy Board – July 31; Commissioner Board Meeting – August 1; EDA/SWHHS (No Per Diem Claimed) – August 3; Comp Study Appeals – August 3; Supporting Hands Nurse Family Partnership – August 7; Budget Meeting – August 9; Budget Meeting – August 10.

Lori Gunnink reported on Budget Meeting – August 9; Budget Meeting – August 10.

David Thiner reported on Commissioner Board Meeting – August 1; Sunrise Terrace Advisory Meeting – August 2; Comp Study Appeals – August 3; Budget Meeting – August 9; Budget Meeting – August 10.

Glenn Kluis reported on RSVP Meeting – July 31; Commissioner Board Meeting – August 1; Sunrise Terrace Advisory Meeting – August 2; Budget Meeting – August 9; Budget Meeting – August 10.

It was moved by Magnus, seconded by Jens, and passed to approve the Commissioner Vouchers for the period of July 30, 2017 to August 12, 2017.

At 10:30 a.m. the Board Chair called for a bid opening for bridge project numbers SAP 51-634-13 & SAP 51-634-14 along County State Aid Highway 34.

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Duininck, Inc	\$588,508.25
Henning Construction, Inc.	\$544,559.00
Landwehr Construction, Inc.	\$505,605.50
Midwest Contracting, LLC	\$471,875.00
Quam Construction Co. Inc.	\$537,977.55
R and G Construction Co.	\$484,772.00

County Engineer Groves will review the bids for accuracy and will report back.

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Magnus and passed to approve the Bridge Replacement Agreement with Lowville Township.

10:43 a.m. The meeting was recessed

11:00 a.m. The meeting was called back to order

County Engineer Groves reported that the bid amounts were correct.

It was moved by Thiner, seconded by Gunnink and passed to approve the low bid for the bridge project SAP 51-634-13 and SAP 51-634-14 in the amount of \$471,875.00 and award the project to Midwest Contracting, LLC.

11:03 a.m. The meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

Ronda Radke, Assistant Human Resources Director

Glenn Kluis, Chairman of the Board