

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MURRAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MURRAY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER – SLAYTON, MINNESOTA
February 5, 2019, 8:30 a.m.

Pursuant to notice, the Murray County Board of Commissioners convened with the following members present: Commissioners Lori Gunnink, James Jens, James Kluis, David Thiner, and Dennis Welgraven. Also present were County Attorney Travis Smith, and Economic Development Director Amy Rucker.

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

It was moved by Welgraven, seconded by Kluis, and passed to approve the agenda as modified.

No conflicts of interest were identified.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve minutes from January 22, 2019

It was moved by Kluis, seconded by Welgraven, and passed to approve consent agenda item number 1.

COMMISSIONER WARRANTS

A motion was duly made by Jens, seconded by Gunnink and carried that all claims as presented were approved for payment. The Chairman was authorized to sign the Audit List dated February 5, 2019 with fund totals as follows and warrants numbered 158206 through 158257:

County Revenue Fund	17,475.09
County Road & Bridge Fund	54,077.94
EDA	400.00
Ditch	6.99
Self Insurance	106.15
Sunrise Terrace	<u>573.71</u>
Total	<u>72,639.88</u>

AUDITOR WARRANTS

Auditor Warrants were reviewed.

DITCH 3 APPEAL/REMAND HEARING

A motion was made by Thiner and seconded by Jens to approve the report of the Ditch Committee of the Judicial Ditch 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 cost 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. The motion passed with a roll call vote as follows:

- David Thiner: Yes
- Lori Gunnink: Abstain

- James Jens: Yes
- Dennis Welgraven: Yes
- James Kluis: Abstain

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JD 3	\$	1,429.00	JD 3 Appeal - Engineering
Subtotal	\$	1,429.00	

Total JD 3 Ditch Bills 1,429.00

ALL OTHER DITCH BILLS

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>Vendor</u>	<u>Ditch #</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Petition #</u>	<u>Inspector</u>
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Steve Johnson (Ditch Viewing Services)

CD 22	405.00	CD 22 Improvement Viewing Services
JD 11	2,091.80	JD 11 Redetermination of Benefits -
Subtotal	2,496.80	

Murray County Treasurer

CD 22	103.93	CD 22 Mailing Costs
Subtotal	103.93	

Total for Other Ditch Bills 2,600.73

JD 18A – CALL TO ORDER REDETERMINATION OF BENEFITS

Commissioner Jens and Commissioner Thiner met jointly with Cottonwood County members of the joint board for Judicial Ditch 18 via phone regarding ordering a redetermination of benefits on Cottonwood/Murray Judicial Ditch 18.

JUDICIAL DITCH 14 – MNDOT REQUEST FOR MINOR ALTERATION (M.S. §161.28)

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Welgraven, and passed to set a public hearing for March 5, 2019 at 10:45 a.m. for a petition from the State of Minnesota, Department of Transportation for the right to make minor alterations or changes in Judicial Ditch No. 14 in Murray County.

COUNTY DITCH 22 PETITION FOR REPAIR

A petition for repair to County Ditch 22 was received and per the recommendation of Ditch and Drainage Attorney Kurt Deter it will be considered in conjunction with the improvement petition on February 19, 2019.

LEGAL REVIEW OF ALL AMENDMENTS TO THE LAND USE ORDINANCES

It was moved by Jens, seconded by Gunnink, and passed to retain Scott Anderson of Rupp, Anderson, Squires & Waldspurger, P.A., to conduct a legal review of all amendments to all Murray County land use ordinances, including: Zoning, Subdivision, Renewable Energy, and Adult Use.

HOSPITAL UPDATE

Michael Ladevich, Interim Chief Executive Officer of Murray County Medical Center, gave an update on the hospital's financial status.

CITY OF CURRIE SEWER TO END-O-LINE PARK

Currie City Council Member Gene Short, Scott LaVoy of SEH, Inc. and Randy Groves, Murray County Highway Engineer, joined the meeting at 9:30 a.m. to discuss the potential connection of End-O-Line Railroad Park & Museum to the City of Currie's sewer system.

OPEN FORUM / PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no one present for Open Forum.

PURCHASE OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT: EAST LAKE SARAH PARK

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Jens, and passed to purchase playground equipment for East Lake Sarah Park at an installed cost of \$35,000.

PURCHASE OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT: SWENSON PARK

It was moved by Kluis, seconded by Welgraven, and passed to purchase playground equipment for Swenson Park at an installed cost of \$35,000.

ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICE DISCUSSION

Jean Christoffels, Murray County Zoning/Environmental Administrator, gave an update on her department.

FEE SCHEDULE UPDATE

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Kluis, and passed to approve the 2019 Murray County Fee Schedule with changes.

DEPUTY SHERIFF START DATE

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Welgraven, and passed to approve the start date for Deputy Sheriff Eian Denton as January 22, 2019.

FULL-TIME LICENSE CENTER CLERK

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Jens, and passed to approve the recruitment process for a full-time License Center Clerk.

RETIREMENT OF DITCH INSPECTOR

It was moved by Jens, seconded by Welgraven, and passed to accept, with regret, the retirement of Howard Konkol, Murray County Ditch Inspector, effective March 31, 2019.

DITCH INSPECTOR JOB DESCRIPTION

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Welgraven, and passed to approve the updated job description with changes.

DITCH INSPECTOR RECRUITMENT

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Jens, and passed to approve the recruitment process for a full-time Ditch Inspector.

COURTS SECURITY PROJECT UPDATE

It was moved by Jens, seconded by Kluis and passed to approve the quote of \$4,164.56 from Randy's Floor Covering for the Courts Building Remodel project.

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Jens and passed to approve the proposals from Sussner Construction for the construction of a closet in the courts meeting room, a new door from the courtroom to the hallway for use by the judge, and to modify the main courtroom doors. Total proposal increases are in the amount of \$14,540.00 for the Courts Meeting Remodel project.

PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY PROGRAM (PACE) APPROPRIATION

It was moved by Gunnink, seconded by Thiner, and passed to approve payment of a \$6,336.00 one-time appropriation to the Southwest Minnesota Regional Development Commission for the PACE program from the Economic Development Revolving Loan Fund (EDRLF) if approved by the Murray County Economic Development Authority (EDA) or from other sources if not approved.

COORDINATOR/ADMINISTRATOR DISCUSSION

It was moved by Welgraven, seconded by Jens, and passed that staff is to be notified that the County Board will proceed with hiring either a coordinator or an administrator.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Commissioners gave their committee reports for the period of January 13, 2019 to January 26, 2019.

David Thiner reported on Commissioner Board Meeting (partial per diem claimed) – January 15, EMS – January 16, Personnel Committee (partial per diem claimed) – January 17, SMOC (partial per diem claimed) – January 21, Commissioner Board Meeting (partial per diem claimed) – January 22, Building Committee (partial per diem claimed) – January 23, Heron Lake Watershed (partial per diem claimed) – January 25.

Dennis Welgraven reported on Commissioner Board Meeting (partial per diem claimed) – January 15, Southwest Health and Human Services (no per diem claimed) – January 16, Commissioner Board Meeting (partial per diem claimed) – January 22, AMC Newly Elected

Conference – January 23, AMC Newly Elected Conference – January 24, AMC Newly Elected Conference – January 25.

Lori Gunnink reported on Commissioner Board Meeting (partial per diem claimed) – January 15, Plum Creek Library (partial per diem claimed) – January 16, Commissioner Board Meeting (partial per diem claimed) – January 22.

James Jens reported on Shetek Area Water and Sewer (partial per diem claimed) – January 14, Commissioner Board Meeting (partial per diem claimed) – January 15, Health and Human Services (no per diem claimed) – January 16, Hospital Finance/Hospital Planning – January 21, Commissioner Board Meeting (partial per diem claimed) – January 22, Hospital Board Meeting (partial per diem claimed) – January 23.

Jim Kluis reported Commissioner Board Meeting (partial per diem claimed) – January 8, Hospital Board Meeting (partial per diem claimed) – January 21, Commissioner Board Meeting (partial per diem claimed) – January 22.

It was moved by Jens, seconded by Thiner, and passed to approve the Commissioner Vouchers for the period of January 13, 2019 to January 26, 2019.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:16 a.m.

ATTEST:

Amy Rucker, Economic Development Director

David Thiner, Chairman of the Board