

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MURRAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MURRAY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER – SLAYTON, MINNESOTA
April 28, 2020 8:30 a.m.

Pursuant to notice, the Murray County Board of Commissioners convened with the following members present in person: Commissioners Dennis Welgraven and Lori Gunnink. Present via phone were Commissioners David Thiner, James Jens and James Kluis. Also present in person were County Administrator Thomas Burke and Human Resources Director Ronda Radke. County Attorney Travis Smith joined the meeting via phone.

Heidi Winter, Travis Radke, Randy Groves, Jean Christoffels, Janet Timmerman, Jacob Etrheim, and Carl Nyquist joined the meeting via phone.

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

It was moved by Jens and seconded by Kluis to approve the agenda. The motion passed with a roll call vote as follows:

- James Jens: Yes
- Lori Gunnink: Yes
- James Kluis: Yes
- Dennis Welgraven: Yes
- David Thiner: Yes

No conflicts of interest were identified.

It was moved by Jens and seconded by Thiner to approve the minutes from the April 21, 2020 meeting. The motion passed with a roll call vote as follows:

- James Jens: Yes
- Lori Gunnink: Yes
- James Kluis: Yes
- Dennis Welgraven: Yes
- David Thiner: Yes

OPEN FORUM / PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no one present for Open Forum.

DITCH BILLS

It was moved by Kluis and seconded by Jens 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.

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DITCH BILLS CONTINUE ON THE NEXT PAGE*

<u>Bill's Backhoe Service, LLC</u>					
JD 10	240.00	#2019-099	Approved T.Radke 4-20-2020	3-Welgraven	
Subtotal	<u>240.00</u>				
<u>Riley Land Improvement, LLC</u>					
CD 40	579.00	#2019-087	Approved T.Radke 4-20-2020	1-Jens	
JD 2N	360.00	#2018-065	Approved T.Radke 4-20-2020	3-Welgraven	
JD 2N	295.50	#2019-091	Approved T.Radke 4-20-2020	3-Welgraven	
JD13	499.00	#2019-106	Approved T.Radke 4-20-2020	5-Thiner	
JD 18	814.50	#2019-063	Approved T.Radke 4-20-2020	1-Jens	
Subtotal	<u>2,548.00</u>				
Total Ditch Bills	<u>2,788.00</u>				

The motion passed with a roll call vote as follows:

- James Jens: Yes
- Lori Gunnink: Yes
- James Kluis: Yes
- Dennis Welgraven: Yes
- David Thiner: Yes

2020 PERFORMANCE MEASURES PROGRAM

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

RESOLUTION 2020-04-28-01

A Resolution to Participate in the 2020 Performance Measures Program

WHEREAS, the 2010 Legislature created the Minnesota Council on Local Results and Innovation, and

WHEREAS, in February 2011 the council released a standard set of ten performance measures for counties that will aid residents, taxpayers and state and local elected officials in determining the efficacy of counties in providing services, and

WHEREAS, counties that elect to participate in the Performance Measures Program for 2019 are eligible for a reimbursement of \$0.14 per capita in local government aid, and are also exempt from levy limits under section 275.70 to 275.74 for taxes payable in the following calendar year, if levy limits are in effect, and

WHEREAS, Murray County was certified for the program in 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Murray County Board of Commissioners that Murray County hereby elects to participate in the 2020 Performance Measures Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following performance benchmarks are adopted by the Murray County Board of Commissioners:

- **Public Safety:** Part I and II Crime Rates, as Reported by the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension; Deputy Response Time; total number of accidents that occur on County State Aid Highways, County Roads and Un-Organized Township Roads that involve fatalities and injury.
- **Probation/Corrections:** Percent of adult offenders with a newly felony conviction within three (3) years of discharge.
- **Public Works:** Hours to plow complete system during a snow event – and - Average County Pavement Condition Rating, Based on County Engineer’s Evaluation.
- **Public Health:** Life Expectancy Generally and by Sex and Race.
- **Social Services:** Workforce Participation Rate Among MFIP and DWP Recipients – and – Percentage of Children Where There is a Recurrence of Maltreatment Within 12 Months Following an Intervention.
- **Taxation:** Level of Assessment Ratio.
- **Elections:** Accuracy of Post-Election Audit.
- **Veterans’ Service:** Percentage of Veterans Surveyed Who Said His/Her Questions Were Answered When Seeking Benefit Information from the County Veterans’ Office.
- **Parks:** Citizens’ Rating of the Quality of County Parks, Recreational Programs, and/or Facilities.
- **Libraries:** Number of Annual Visits per 1,000 Residents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the results of the adopted performance measures will be published on the Murray County Website by December 31, 2020.

The foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Commissioner Gunnink, and was adopted with a roll call vote as follows:

- James Jens: Yes
- Lori Gunnink: Yes
- James Kluis: Yes
- Dennis Welgraven: Yes
- David Thiner: Yes

DITCH INSPECTION REPORT

A motion was made by Thiner and seconded by Welgraven 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.

- Discussion on Redetermination of Benefits for Joint Ditches with Nobles County
- Petition 2020-012 (JD26, Belfast Twp. Sec.34, District 1–Jens)
- Petition 2020-013 (CD42, Des Moines Twp. Sec.31, District 1–Jens)
- Petition 2020-014 (JD07, Fenton Twp. Sec.29, District 3–Welgraven)
- Petition 2020-015 (CD61, Bondin Twp. Sec.2, District 5–Thiner)
- Petition 2020-016 (JD20A, Shetek Twp. Sec.3, District 1–Jens)

The motion passed with a roll call vote as follows:

- James Jens: Yes
- Lori Gunnink: Yes
- James Kluis: Yes
- Dennis Welgraven: Yes
- David Thiner: Yes

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT: LOST TIMBER BIBLE CAMP

It was moved by Gunnink and seconded by Welgraven to approve Conditional Use Permit #1370 for Lost Timber Bible Camp to erect one sign with greater than 32 square feet and less than or equal to 64 square feet per surface in the Agriculture District in the NE1/4, Section 2, Moulton Township, with the findings and no special conditions recommended by the Planning Commission. The motion passed with a roll call vote as follows:

- James Jens: Yes
- Lori Gunnink: Yes
- James Kluis: Yes
- Dennis Welgraven: Yes
- David Thiner: Yes

MURRAY COUNTY SWCD ALLOCATION REQUEST

It was moved by Thiner and seconded by Jens to approve the Murray County Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) quarterly allocation request. The motion passed with a roll call vote as follows:

- James Jens: Yes
- Lori Gunnink: Yes
- James Kluis: Yes
- Dennis Welgraven: Yes
- David Thiner: Yes

RETURN OF UNUSED GRANT FUNDS

It was moved by Thiner and seconded by Gunnink to authorize an expenditure of \$500 of unused grant funds to the Minnesota Historical Society from the End-O-Line Railroad Park and Museum's Turntable Conditions Assessment Grant in 2019. The motion passed with a roll call vote as follows:

- James Jens: Yes
- Lori Gunnink: Yes
- James Kluis: Yes
- Dennis Welgraven: Yes
- David Thiner: Yes

TURNTABLE GRANT APPLICATION

It was moved by Welgraven and seconded by Gunnink to authorize Museum Department staff to apply for a Legacy Grant through the Minnesota Historical Society for preservation projects on the manual turntable at End-O-Line Railroad Park and Museum with a county contribution of up to \$5,000.00. The motion passed with a roll call vote as follows:

- James Jens: Yes
- Lori Gunnink: Yes
- James Kluis: Yes
- Dennis Welgraven: Yes
- David Thiner: Yes

SET BID OPENING FOR BOX CULVERT PROJECT SP 051-617-011

It was moved by Jens and seconded by Gunnink to set a bid opening for box culvert project SP 051-617-011 for June 2, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. The motion passed with a roll call vote as follows:

- James Jens: Yes
- Lori Gunnink: Yes
- James Kluis: Yes
- Dennis Welgraven: Yes
- David Thiner: Yes

ROAD STRIPING CONTRACT: CP 01-20

It was moved by Welgraven and seconded by Gunnink to approve the CP 01-20 maintenance striping contract with Traffic Marking Service, Inc. and authorize the Board Chair and Auditor-Treasurer to sign it. The motion passed with a roll call vote as follows:

- James Jens: Yes
- Lori Gunnink: Yes
- James Kluis: Yes
- Dennis Welgraven: Yes
- David Thiner: Yes

COVID-19 UPDATE County Administrator Thomas Burke and Emergency Management/Safety Director Carl Nyquist led a discussion on Murray County's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

ATTEST:

Ronda Radke, Human Resources Director

Dennis Welgraven, Chairman of the Board