

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF MARCH 15, 2022**

The Board of County Commissioners of Chippewa County, Minnesota, met in regular session on Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at 10:30 a.m. in the Courthouse in Montevideo, Minnesota. Commissioners present were Matt Gilbertson, Candice Jaenisch, David Lieser, Bill Pauling, and David Nordaune.

Commissioner Lieser called the meeting to order and requested any changes to the agenda. Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator (ATC) Michelle May requested to add a conditional use permit amendment to the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Gilbertson moved, second by Commissioner Nordaune to approve the amended agenda. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

County Engineer Jeremy Gilb met before the Board to discuss Spring road restrictions and present a request from Transystem for a variance to the load restrictions. The Board discussed the request and took no action.

County Engineer Gilb requested to purchase 8 radios from West Central Communications for \$24,598.00. Motion by Commissioner Nordaune, second by Commissioner Jaenisch to authorize the purchase. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Mr. Gilb presented quotes to purchase a new pressure washer and repurpose the current pressure washer from the Montevideo Shop to the Watson Shop. Motion by Commissioner Pauling, second by Commissioner Gilbertson to purchase an Aladin pressure washer for \$8,280.00. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Board reviewed quotes for a pull behind rubber tire roller and recommended purchasing a unit from Swanston Equipment for \$19,200.00. Motion by Commissioner Jaenisch, second by Commissioner Pauling to authorize the purchase for \$19,200.00. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Mr. Gilb presented quotes for a disc mower and recommended purchasing a unit from Tjosvold Equipment, Inc. for \$13,900.00. Motion by Commissioner Nordaune, second by Commissioner Gilbertson to authorize the purchase of the disc mower for \$13,900.00. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Mr. Gilb updated the Board on maintenance plans for county roads in the municipalities.

IT Director Aaron Steinbach updated the Board on activities in the IT Department and introduced the County's Systems Administrator Keith Olson. Mr. Steinbach presented two quotes to replace the County phone system plus installation. Motion by Commissioner Nordaune, second by Commissioner Gilbertson to purchase the new phone system plus implementation from High Point Networks at \$39,366.00. Motion passed by unanimous vote. The Board also directed Mr. Steinbach to look at resell options for the old phone system or trade in options with High Point.

Commissioner Jaenisch moved, second by Commissioner Gilbertson to approve the following items on the consent agenda.

Approve the minutes of the March 1, 2022 regular meeting

Approve the Pheasants Forever Gambling Permit

Approve the Riverview LLP Conditional Use Permit Amendment

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 375.12 vendors receiving payments in excess of \$2,000 are listed individually below:

Arcasearch Llc	3,584.00
Baycom Inc.	2,291.00

Brookside Senior Living	4,374.72
Capital One Trade Credit	3,416.00
Cenex	5,389.79
Chippewa County SWCD	3,077.35
Emergency Services Marketing Corp., Inc	3,990.00
Erickson Engineering Co. Llc	12,744.00
Farmers Coop Oil Company	3,637.16
I S Group Inc	7,358.19
Kandiyohi Co Sheriff	3,497.36
Klein McCarthy Architects	3,935.82
Mend Correctional Care	2,806.02
MSOP	9,625.50
Olsen Plumbing & Heating Inc	6,030.45
Pioneerland Library System	3,050.18
Pro-West & Assoc Inc	3,485.00
Tostenson Inc	22,704.05
Tyler Technologies Inc	2,083.00
Widseth Smith Nolting & Assoc	7,333.52
Vendor Payments less than 2000	18,869.03
Final Total	\$133,282.14

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Montevideo City Manager Robert Wolfington presented a request from the Airport Commission to work with SEH on the runway indicator light project. This project would require a local match from the City of Montevideo and Chippewa County. Motion by Commissioner Jaenisch, second by Commissioner Pauling to approve the \$2,000 local match for the light project. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Board discussed an agreement with SEH to provide engineering and professional services for publicly owned hangar upgrades. Motion by Commissioner Gilbertson, second by Commissioner Nordaune to approve the agreement with SEH. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Board and ATC May reviewed several funding requests from area organizations. Motion by Commissioner Nordaune, second by Commissioner Jaenisch to approve a \$1,000.00 contribution for the Art Meander and to approve funding for the Pioneerland Library at the 2021 contribution level. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Board discussed the hiring process for the Family Services Director position. Motion by Commissioner Pauling, second by Commissioner Nordaune to retain the consultation services of Chris Sorenson to assist the Board in the hiring process up to 20 hours. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Motion by Commissioner Gilbertson, second by Commissioner Nordaune to close the public meeting to conduct an annual performance evaluation of Veterans Service Officer Tim Kolhei. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Motion by Commissioner Gilbertson, second by Commissioner Pauling to open the public meeting. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Motion by Commissioner Nordaune, second by Commissioner Jaenisch to approve a satisfactory performance evaluation and authorize a step increase to Grade 9, step 12 effective March 1, 2022. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

/s/ Michelle May  
Aud/Treas & Clerk of the Board

/s/ David Lieser  
Chairman of the Board

(Auditor's Seal)