

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF MAY 19, 2020

The Board of County Commissioners of Chippewa County, Minnesota, met in regular session on Tuesday, May 19, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. via teleconference in accordance with MN Statute 13D due to the COVID-19 pandemic and in the Courthouse in Montevideo, Minnesota. Commissioners present were David Lieser, Jim Dahlvang, Matt Gilbertson, David Nordaune, and Jeffrey Lopez.

Commissioner Gilbertson requested any additions or deletions to the agenda. Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator (ATC) Michelle May requested to add an additional payment to Becker Soil & Water Conservation District for \$350.00 and the 2020 State of Minnesota Boat & Water Safety Grant to the Consent Agenda, and add an additional property tax penalty abatement request, the summer seasonal hiring for the Ag./Drainage Committee, and discussion of the Montevideo Airport to the Regular Agenda. Commissioner Nordaune moved, second by Commissioner Dahlvang to approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Commissioner Dahlvang moved, second by Commissioner Nordaune to approve the following items on the consent agenda. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

- Set the date for next regular meeting of June 2, 2020
 - Approve the minutes of the May 5, 2020 regular meeting
 - Approve the Southwest Minnesota Joint Powers Agreement
 - Authorize the resubmittal of the LCCMR Grant Proposal
 - Approve the 2020 State of Minnesota Boat & Water Safety Grant
 - Approve the payment to Becker Soil & Water Conservation District for \$350.00
- Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 375.12 vendors receiving payments in excess of \$2,000 are listed individually below:

Brookside Senior Living	\$3,915.00
Carlson McCain Inc	3,187.58
Cenex	5,691.38
Clare Paint & Wallpaper	5,033.65
Emmons & Olivier Resources Inc	6,501.75
Farmers Coop Oil Company	3,058.23
Golden/Alan R	2,100.00
Govconnection Inc	4,290.02
Guardian Fleet Safety Llc	11,493.34
Hillyard-Hutchinson	3,689.77
Houston Engineering Inc	19,053.75
Mend Correctional Care	2,697.06
Mn Pollution Control Agency	65,653.01
Mn State Auditor	9,548.55
Pioneerland Library System	15,000.00
Stoney Brook Fire & Safety	3,467.50
Tostenson Inc	19,233.02
Yellow Medicine Co Jail	4,088.54
Vendor Payments Less Than \$2000	19,383.07
Total	<u>\$207,085.22</u>

Gary Weiers, David Drown Associates, reviewed the County Engineer hiring process. The Board agreed to conduct interviews for the County Engineer position on July 20th starting at 1:00 p.m.

ATC May presented a draft job description for a Human Resources Specialist. Mr. Weiers and ATC May responded to questions from the Board regarding the position. Motion by Commissioner Dahlvang, second by Commissioner Nordaune to approve the job description and proposed wage at Grade 9 and authorize ATC May to advertise for the position. Motion passed with Commissioner Dahlvang, Nordaune, and Lopez voted in favor and Commissioner Lieser voted against.

The Board reviewed the County building security quotes for the purchase of security cameras, panic buttons, software and network wiring for the Courthouse, Family Services, and Montevideo Highway Building. Motion by Commissioner Lieser, second by Commissioner Dahlvang to approve the purchase of cameras and software licenses from Audio Security Engineers, push button remotes from Amazon, and wiring from Molde's Electric at an approximate cost of \$25,500. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

ATC May presented two property tax penalty abatement requests due to unemployment issues related to COVID-19. Motion by Commissioner Lieser, second by Commissioner Nordaune to approve a penalty abatement on parcel 40-170-0130 and 70-160-0450 until July 15, 2020. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

ATC May presented a petition from the Minnesota Department of Transportation to make alterations to County Ditch 16 & 71 along Trunk Highway No. 40. Motion by Commissioner Lopez, second by Commissioner Lieser to accept the petition and set a public hearing date for June 16, 2020 in the Courthouse Assembly Room. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

A hiring request was presented for temporary, seasonal workers in the Ag./Drainage Department. Motion by Commissioner Dahlvang, second by Commissioner Lopez to approve the hiring of Dick Koopman at Grade 1, Step 8, John Mader at Grade 1, Step 9, and Jacob Knapper at Grade 1, Step 8. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Assistant County Engineer Kevin Enevoldsen presented a detour agreement from Minnesota Department of Transportation during construction on Trunk Highway No. 40. The detour runs along County Road 6 and County Road 13 for a total compensation of \$9,187.74. Motion by Commissioner Nordaune, second by Commissioner Dahlvang to accept the detour agreement with MNDOT. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Commissioner Lopez updated the Board on the status of the Montevideo Airport engineer review. The County and City of Montevideo will hold a joint special meeting on May 28, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at the Montevideo Community Center to hear Bollig's report on the engineering review of proposed construction at the Airport.

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

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

/s/ Matt Gilbertson
Chairman of the Board

(Auditor's Seal)