

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF AUGUST 16, 2022

The Board of County Commissioners of Chippewa County, Minnesota, met in regular session on Tuesday, August 16, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in the Courthouse in Montevideo, Minnesota. Commissioners present were Matt Gilbertson, Bill Pauling, Candice Jaenisch, David Lieser, and David Nordaune.

Commissioner Lieser called the meeting to order and requested any changes to the agenda. Commissioner Gilbertson moved, second by Commissioner Nordaune to approve the agenda. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

County Engineer Jeremy Gilb updated the Board on activities in the Road & Bridge Department. Mr. Gilb presented a contract with Widseth, Smith & Nolting to prepare construction plans on County Road 15 at a cost of \$12,000. Motion by Commissioner Nordaune, second by Commissioner Jaenisch to approve the contract and authorize Mr. Gilb to execute the contract. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Commissioner Nordaune moved, second by Commissioner Pauling to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda.

Approve the minutes of the August 2, 2022 regular meeting

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

All Traffic Solutions Inc	18,552.00
American Engineering Testing Inc	6,985.00
Brookside Senior Living	4,092.00
CCM Health	2,700.00
Cenex	15,421.08
Duininck Inc	5,590.20
Farmers Coop Oil Company	3,780.24
High Point Networks Llc	16,907.50
Kdma - Am	2,400.00
Mactek Systems Inc	3,518.00
Mend Correctional Care	2,806.02
Midwest Machinery Co	5,000.00
Motorola Solutions Inc	5,000.00
Nutrien Ag Solutions Inc	3,837.02
Seachange Print Innovations	6,506.35
Tostenson Inc	51,856.45
Ziegler Inc	10,935.77
Vendor payments less than \$2,000	25,989.90
Final Total:	\$191,877.53

Recorder Amy Rodeberg presented a proposal from ArcaSearch to digitally archive the remaining Recorder's books over a two or four year process. Motion by Commissioner Jaenisch, second by Commissioner Pauling to approve a two-year contract with ArcaSearch at a total cost of \$273,720 to be paid from the Recorder's restricted funds. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Assessor Bonnie Crosby and HR Generalist Molly Barborek met before the Board to discuss the hiring of a replacement Assessment Tech. Motion by Commissioner Pauling moved to authorize the advertisement of the position. Motion failed due to lack of a second.

The Board further discussed the position and approach to advertising internally and externally. Motion by Commissioner Nordaune, second by Commissioner Pauling to authorize the advertising of the Assessment Tech position both internally and externally. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Board then discussed the hiring of the License Bureau Director position. Motion by Commissioner Jaenisch, second by Commissioner Nordaune to authorize the advertising of the License Bureau Director position. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator Michelle May presented a quote for \$8,000 from Tom Pauling to clean garbage from a tax-forfeited property in Montevideo. Motion by Commissioner Nordaune, second by Commissioner Jaenisch to approve the quote. Motion passed with Commissioners Nordaune, Jaenisch, and Gilbertson voting in favor. Commissioner Pauling abstained.

Sheriff Derek Olson updated the Board on local response to the edible cannabinoid legislation. Motion by Commissioner Jaenisch, second by Commissioner Gilbertson to authorize an emergency ordinance regulating the sale of edible cannabinoid products for one-year. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Klein McCarthy Architects and Contegrity presented the County's capital improvement master plan report to the Board.

Family Services Director Lisa Schultz and Social Services Supervisor Becky Deterling updated the Board on activities in the Family Services Department including opioid response, homelessness, and position changes. Ms. Deterling presented two contracts for transportation services for students in the MACCRAY and Montevideo school districts. Motion by Commissioner Gilbertson, second by Commissioner Nordaune approved the contracts. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Ms. Schultz presented a donation for foster care services from a local fundraiser at Talking Waters Brewery. Motion by Commissioner Nordaune, second by Commissioner Pauling to accept the donation. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Board and Ms. Schultz discussed the Merit System and the loss of county participation in the system and the rising cost. Motion by Commissioner Pauling, second by Commissioner Jaenisch to authorize Ms. Schultz to begin the process of leaving the Merit System.

The Board reviewed the Family Services warrants for payment. Motion by Commissioner Gilbertson, second by Commissioner Nordaune to approve the payment of warrants. 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)