

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF FEBRUARY 7, 2023

The Board of County Commissioners of Chippewa County, Minnesota, met in regular session on Tuesday, February 7, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in the Courthouse in Montevideo, Minnesota. Commissioners present were Matt Gilbertson, Candice Jaenisch, David Nordaune, and Bill Pauling. Commissioner David Lieser was absent.

Commissioner Gilbertson called the meeting to order and requested any changes to the agenda. Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator Michelle May requested to add a DVHHS Fiscal Host Agent Master Agreement and DHS Respite Care Grant contract to the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Jaenisch moved, second by Commissioner Pauling to approve the agenda. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Each Commissioner gave an update on meetings attended in January.

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

- Approve the minutes of the January 17, 2023 regular meeting
- Clara City Per Capita Request
- Credit Card Approval for Elijah Akers
- Des Moines Valley HHS Fiscal Host Master Agreement
- MN DHS Respite Care Grant Contract

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

Brookside Senior Living	8,587.20
Cee Vi Task Force	72,438.50
Chappell Central Inc	2,915.43
Cherryroad Media	2,781.80
Chippewa Co Fair Association	11,750.00
Chippewa Co Historical Society	11,750.00
Chippewa Co Soil & Water Conservation	20,500.00
Creative Products Source Inc	2,338.34
Elite Unmanned Llc	2,315.00
Erickson Engineering Llc	5,596.00
Guardian Fleet Safety Llc	14,856.67
Marco Technologies	3,401.08
Milan/City Of	2,130.00
MN Sheriffs Association	5,397.21
Monte Fire & Safety Llc	2,224.00
MSOP	9,974.25
Nelson Oyen Torvik Pllp	41,264.20
Onsolve Intermediate Holding Company	7,642.00
Peters Construction	40,900.00
Pioneerland Library System	10,500.18
Ratwik Roszak & Maloney Pa	2,294.25
Runnings Supply Inc	2,511.49
Upper Mn Valley Reg Dev Commission	19,502.00
West Central Communication Inc	6,676.00
Widseth Smith Nolting & Assoc	35,004.00
Yellow Medicine Co Jail	4,786.18
Vendor payments less than \$2,000	27,981.00
Final Total:	\$378,016.78

County Engineer Jeremy Gilb presented a recommendation to award a contract to the low bid from R&G Construction for aggregate surfacing projects totaling \$528,518.50. Motion by Commissioner Nordaune, second by Commissioner Pauling to award the contract to R&G Construction. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Mr. Gilb updated the Board on various grant applications and trail projects, as well as CSAH 4 progress. A contract with Widseth Smith Nolting to provide engineering services on CSAH 4 was presented for consideration. Motion by Commissioner Pauling, second by Commissioner Nordaune to authorize Mr. Gilb to execute a contract with Widseth. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Sheriff Derek Olson met before the Board to provide an update of activities in the Sheriff and Jail during the month of January. Sheriff Olson updated the Board on medical services for the Jail and equipment needs. Motion by Commissioner Nordaune, second by Commissioner Pauling to authorize the replacement of dispatch chairs from Concept Seating for \$4,415.65 and the replacement of department computers for approximately \$13,000. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Land Resource Director Scott Williams presented a comparison of feedlot ordinances from surrounding counties. The Board discussed the feedlot ordinance and fee amounts and requested Mr. Williams bring back additional information from the DNR on water requirements. Motion by Commissioner Nordaune, second by Commissioner Pauling to increase the conditional use permit fee to \$400, variance fee to \$400, and the land use permits increase to \$50 for residential properties and \$100 for commercial properties. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Prairie Five representatives Ted Nelson and Erick Hedman updated the Board on the Prairie Five food program serving Chippewa County and surrounding communities.

The Board and Family Services Director Lisa Schultz discussed the MinnWest Bank building and next steps to evaluate the feasibility of the building for Family Services. The Board directed ATC May and Ms. Schultz to move forward with a request for proposals for a contractor to complete an assessment of the space.

Motion by Commissioner Nordaune, second by Commissioner Pauling to close the public meeting to conduct the annual performance evaluation of Maintenance Supervisor Joey Buseman. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Motion by Commissioner Nordaune, second by Commissioner Jaenisch to open the public meeting. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Motion by Commissioner Jaenisch, second by Commissioner Pauling to approve the satisfactory performance of Mr. Buseman and authorize a step increase to Grade 7, step 10 effective February 1, 2023. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Motion by Commissioner Jaenisch, second by Commissioner Pauling to close the public meeting to discuss union negotiations. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Motion by Commissioner Jaenisch, second by Commissioner Nordaune to open the public meeting. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Motion by Commissioner Nordaune, second by Commissioner Pauling to acknowledge AFSCME union's agreement that Reed Molden and Kevin Enevoldsen as non-union members pursuant to Minnesota Statute 179A.03, subd. 14 and authorize the employees to retain the calculation of Sunday, holiday, and overtime pursuant to the AFSCME Highway union contract, authorize early start premium of \$5 per hour, and authorize accumulation of compensatory time

over 80 hours, but not more than 80 hours at year-end, and approve the longevity pay per the County Personnel Policy. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Motion by Commissioner Jaenisch, second by Commissioner Pauling to approve the 2023-2024 AFSCME Highway Union Contract. 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/ Matt Gilbertson
Chairman of the Board

(Auditor's Seal)