

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF MARCH 21, 2023

The Board of County Commissioners of Chippewa County, Minnesota, met in regular session on Tuesday, March 21, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in the Courthouse in Montevideo, Minnesota. Commissioners present were David Nordaune, Bill Pauling, Candice Jaenisch, and David Lieser. Commissioner Matt Gilbertson was absent.

Commissioner Jaenisch called the meeting to order and requested any changes to the agenda. Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator Michelle May requested to add HR Generalist Molly Barborek and a discussion on the Lake Snoopy Trail to the regular agenda. Commissioner Lieser moved, second by Commissioner Nordaune to approve the agenda. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

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

Approve the minutes of the March 7, 2023 regular meeting

Opioid Settlement Resolution

Family Services Union Contract

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

Anoka County Human Services	2,300.00
Burmeister Auto Body	10,850.40
Bytespeed Llc	29,043.00
CCM Health	2,450.00
Cenex	16,807.62
Clara City Herald	4,041.75
Countryside Public Health Service	4,182.50
Farmers Coop Oil Company	6,356.35
H & L Mesabi Company	13,254.00
Little Falls Machine Inc	6,098.50
Lj Design & Manufacturing	4,235.65
Nelson Oyen Torvik Pllp	6,643.83
Pioneerland Library System	52,213.00
Professional Development Academy Llc	3,000.00
Stevens County Sheriff'S Office	2,000.00
Streichers Prof Police Equip	2,735.05
SW Emergency Communications Boa	2,364.00
The Home Store Design Center	7,592.20
Tostenson Inc	16,143.08
Widseth Smith Nolting & Assoc	35,093.00
Yellow Medicine Co Jail	4,282.96
Vendor payments less than \$2,000	30,864.50
Final Total:	\$262,551.39

County Engineer Jeremy Gilb presented bids for SAP 012-615-030, 012-630-003, and CP 41-002 with the low bid from Duininck, Inc. for \$3,194,857.89. Motion by Commissioner Lieser, second by Commissioner Nordaune to approve the low bid and award the contract to Duininck, Inc. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Mr. Gilb updated the Board on several upcoming projects including pavement strength testing. Motion by Commissioner Lieser, second by Commissioner Pauling to authorize Mr. Gilb to enter into a contract with Braun at a cost of \$14,417.00. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Motion by Commissioner Lieser, second by Commissioner Pauling to close the public meeting to discuss the purchase of parcel 05-018-4401. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

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

Randy Fordice and Matthew Langan from Xcel Energy gave a presentation on their transmission line reroute project.

Family Services Director Lisa Schultz updated the Board on activities in the Family Services department including staffing changes, PrimeWest and SPCC transition, and employee training. Commissioner Jaenisch appointed Commissioner Pauling as the alternate delegate to the Southern Prairie Community Care Board.

Countryside Public Health Director Liz Auch updated the Board on activities during 2022 and plans for 2023.

Safe Avenue representatives presented to the Board regarding their services, programs, and funding. Motion by Commissioner Pauling, second by Commissioner Lieser to approve a \$2,700 contribution to Safe Avenues for 2023. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Motion by Commissioner Lieser, second by Commissioner Pauling to enter into a closed session to conduct the probationary evaluation of Linda DeGrote, License Bureau Director. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

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

Motion by Commissioner Pauling, second by Commissioner Lieser to authorize a step increase to Grade 7, step 9 effective April 1st for Ms. DeGrote. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

HR Generalist Molly Barborek presented an out-of-state travel request for herself and Briana Prokasky to attend a conference and training conducted by the County's HRIS vendor. Motion by Commissioner Lieser, second by Commissioner Pauling to authorize the out of state travel with maximum expenses of \$4,165.00. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Board discussed the proposed Lake Snoopy Trail project.

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

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

/s/ Candice Jaenisch
Vice-Chairman of the Board

(Auditor's Seal)