

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF MAY 18, 2021

The Board of County Commissioners of Chippewa County, Minnesota, met in regular session on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 at 10:30 a.m. in the Courthouse in Montevideo, Minnesota. Commissioners present were David Nordaune, David Lieser, Matt Gilbertson, Candice Jaenisch, and Bill Pauling.

Commissioner Nordaune requested any additions or deletions to the agenda. Auditor/Treasurer/Coordinator (ATC) Michelle May requested to add a request for Brouwer Construction to haul clay to the Landfill to the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Lieser moved, second by Commissioner Jaenisch to approve the agenda. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

County Engineer Jeremy Gilb met before the Board to provide updates on activities in the Road & Bridge Department. The City of Montevideo’s Fiesta Day celebration has requested to close County Road 42 if needed for the fireworks display on June 18, 2021. Motion by Commissioner Gilbertson, second by Commissioner Pauling to approve the road closure, if needed, for the fireworks display. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Mr. Gilb presented a letter of support for the US Highway 212 Rural Freight Mobility and Safety Project. Motion by Commissioner Lieser, second by Commissioner Jaenisch to approve the letter of support. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Board reviewed options to purchase a skid loader included in the 2021 budget. Mr. Gilb presented a quote for a CAT skid loader at a cost of \$72,460.00 less trade-in of \$30,000.00 for a net cost of \$42,460.00. Motion by Commissioner Pauling, second by Commissioner Gilbertson to approve the purchase of the CAT skid loader. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Mr. Gilb updated the Board on the CSAH 15 right-of-way easements for the improvement of CSAH 15. Motion by Commissioner Lieser, second by Commissioner Jaenisch to approve the purchase of right-of-way easements on Plat No. 21-1 for CSAH 15 at the appraised value. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Mr. Gilb presented a quote for the purchase of a desk from Northern Business Products at a cost of \$4,134.20. Motion by Commissioner Gilbertson, second by Commissioner Jaenisch to approve the desk purchase. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

County Ag./Drainage Inspector Josh Macziewski updated the Board on drainage issues along County Road 15 and Highway 7 from the County slough. No action was taken.

Mr. Macziewski presented a quote from Abner for a sprayer at an approximate cost of \$4,500.00. Motion by Commissioner Lieser, second by Commissioner Pauling to approve the purchase of a sprayer from Abner. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

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

- Approve the minutes of the May 4, 2021 regular meeting
 - Authorize the hiring of Zach Brower to haul clay for landfill at approximately \$20,000
 - Approve the Assessment Agreement with Kragero Township
- Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 375.12 vendors receiving payments in excess of \$2,000 are listed individually below:

Baycom Inc.	3,702.00
Brookside Senior Living	3,980.16
Cenex	7,998.91
Clare Paint & Wallpaper	2,639.16
Diamond Mowers Inc	57,230.00

DLT Solutions Llc	2,296.83
Farmers Coop Oil Company	2,394.72
I S Group Inc	2,756.00
Jacobs/Joe	2,280.00
Marco Technologies	2,526.42
Mend Correctional Care	2,751.00
Mn Pollution Control Agency	40,230.62
Mn Valley Testing Labs Inc	2,099.80
Motorola Solutions Inc	17,917.80
Powerphone Inc	13,610.00
Tostenson Inc	22,212.14
Two Rivers Cabinets & Furniture	2,600.00
Widseth Smith Nolting & Assoc	9,494.50
Vendor payments less than \$2,000	24,047.22
Final Total:	222,767.28

ATC May updated the Board on the American Rescue Plan funds expected to be received for Chippewa County.

The Board discussed the request for support for the Wildwood Montessori School and Daycare. Motion by Commissioner Pauling, second by Commissioner Lieser to authorize a \$2,000.00 contribution to Wildwood Montessori. Motion failed with Commissioner Lieser and Pauling voting in favor, and Commissioner Nordaune, Gilbertson, and Jaenisch voting against.

The Board reviewed a request to obtain the ChippewaCountyMN.gov domain. Motion by Commissioner Jaenisch, second by Commissioner Lieser to obtain and maintain the ChippewaCountyMN.gov domain. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

HR Specialist Vonnie Erickson met with the Board to present a Bullying Policy for County employees. Motion by Commissioner Lieser, second by Commissioner Jaenisch to approve the policy contingent on review of the County's labor attorney and suggested updates. 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 Nordaune
Chairman of the Board

(Auditor's Seal)