

REDWOOD COUNTY, MINNESOTA
SEPTEMBER 15, 2015

JOINT JUDICIAL DITCH #29

- A teleconference was held on September 15, 2015 between Brown and Redwood County at 8:15 a.m. to discuss a repair on JD 29 B&R. Representing the joint drainage authority were Commissioners Simonsen, Potter and Windschitl from Brown County and Redwood County Commissioners Walling and Groebner. Also present were Commissioners Salfer, Klabunde and Hollatz, Administrator Knobloch and Auditor/Treasurer Price. Commissioner Potter was elected chair for this meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to consider a request from Larry Christensen to increase the width of his field approach in Section 5 of Prairieville Township to no less than 28 feet and replace the culvert. A motion was made by Commissioner Walling and seconded by Commissioner Windschitl to allow the landowner to proceed with the requested repair with the full cost being paid by the landowner.

- There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 8:20 a.m.

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' Room in the Government Center, Redwood Falls, Minnesota.

Present for all or portions of the meeting were Commissioners Priscilla Klabunde, Sharon Hollatz, Jim Salfer, Lon Walling, Denny Groebner and County Administrator Vicki Knobloch. Also present were County Attorney Steve Collins; Auditor/Treasurer Jean Price; Human Resources Coordinator Peter Brown; Economic Development Director Julie Rath, Western Community Action Executive Director John Fitzgerald; Planning and Zoning Supervisor Nick Brozek; City of Redwood Falls Attorney Amy Busse; City of Redwood Falls Administrator Keith Muetzel; Ted Suss, Tom Breitreutz, Phil Johanneck; Loran Kaardal; Gary Runck; Jeff Rice and Sue Wessels,

Chair Walling called the meeting to order asking for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

On motion by Salfer, second by Hollatz, the Board voted unanimously to approve the September 15th agenda.

Chair Walling asked the Board members to identify any areas for which they had a Conflict of Interest. There were none.

CONSENT AGENDA

- On motion by Klabunde, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to approve the consent agenda.
- September 1st minutes.
 - Payment of bills as follows:

General Fund	\$ 58,485.87
Building Fund	\$ 217.19
Ditch Maintenance Fund	\$ 4,922.94
Solid Waste Fund	\$ 14,785.65
Debt Service Fund	\$ 212.50

WESTERN COMMUNITY ACTION

- Fitzgerald presented overview of 2015 and future developments into 2016.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Rath presented August Activity Report to the Board.

PUBLIC HEARING – ATV ORDINANCE

- At 9:00 a.m., the Board entered into a Public Hearing for an ATV Ordinance.
- Knobloch presented Affidavit of Publication.
- Collins presented the ATV Ordinance. After public input, Collins will be obtaining clarification from the Attorney General's office regarding a permitting process to the ATV Ordinance. No action was taken on the ATV Ordinance.
- Chair Walling closed the Public Hearing at 9:44 a.m.

ADMINISTRATOR**2016 PRELIMINARY LEVY BUDGET DISCUSSION**

- Knobloch presented the 2016 Preliminary Tax Levy for approval.
- On motion by Hollatz, second by Walling, the Board voted unanimously to set the Redwood County 2016 Preliminary Certified Tax Levy at \$11,674,151 (\$11,572,158 without Regional Library), with the adjusted tax levy for the 2016 budget set at \$11,373,770 (\$11,271,777 without Regional Library), after deducting County Program Aid and Public Employees Retirement Association representing a 3.7% increase from the 2015 Levy. The County Program Aid decreased \$10,682.
- On motion by Klabunde, second by Hollatz, the Board voted unanimously to award the bid for the 108 acre parcel to Kyle Hentges in the amount of \$112,752 for a three year lease agreement.

Bids received were as follows:

Name	Amount
Christopher Kuehn	\$271/acre, \$87,804
Kyle Hentges	\$348/acre, \$112,752
Scott Kohler	\$100/acre, \$32,400
Thomas Morley	\$187.50/acre, \$60,750
Paul Daub	\$226/acre, \$73,224

- On motion by Hollatz, second by Salfer, the Board voted unanimously to award the bid for the 9 acre parcel to Thomas Morley in the amount of \$3,442 for a three year lease agreement.

Bids received were as follows:

Name	Amount
Scott Kohler	\$100/acre, \$2,700
Kyle Hentges	\$100/acre, \$2,700
Thomas Morley	\$127.50/acre, \$3,442.50

- On motion by Groebner, second by Hollatz, the Board voted unanimously to approve a Courthouse Facility Planning proposal from WOLD Architect and Engineers in the amount of \$8,000.
- On motion by Klabunde, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to set a bid letting date for October 15, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. for the sale of the Human Services building.
- August Jail Population was presented to the Board.

- On motion by Klabunde, second by Hollatz, and in a roll-call vote with Hollatz, Groebner, Walling, Klabunde and Salfer all voting aye, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR SIGNALS AT THE INTERSECTION
OF CSAH 101/UNION DRIVE/TRUNK HIGHWAY 19/71

WHEREAS, Redwood County is working with the Minnesota Department of Transportation & the City of Redwood Falls to create stop gaps in traffic to allow motorists traveling North and South to traverse the intersection; and

WHEREAS, the lack of funding for transportation has caused the delay of the installation of signals at the intersection; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Transportation has applied for HSIP funding to install a center left turn lane along Trunk Highway 19/71 for 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Economic Development Program provides funding for projects that promote and accelerate transportation improvements to enhance safety and mobility;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That Redwood County supports the 2015 Transportation Economic Development Program solicitation for signals at the intersection of Union Drive/CSAH 101/TH 19/17.

AUDITOR/TREASURER

- On motion by Hollatz, second by Salfer, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following:
 - Cash Balance Report
 - Investment Summary
 - Budget Reports, General Fund, Building Fund, Ditch Maintenance, Solid Waste, Debt Service Fund.
 - August, 2015 Disbursements in the amount of \$311,397.65.

- On motion by Walling, second by Salfer, the Board voted unanimously to approve the repurchase of property to Amy Josephine Schreifels in the amount of \$2,921.95 as the repurchase will best serve the public interest.
- On motion by Walling, second by Klabunde, and in a roll-call vote with Hollatz, Groebner, Walling, Klabunde and Salfer all voting aye, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION FOR REPURCHASE OF TAX FORFEITED LAND

WHEREAS, Amy Josephine Schreifels, has applied to repurchase the hereinafter described parcel of tax forfeited land, in accordance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section §282.241, which land is situated in the County of Redwood, Minnesota, and described as follows, to-wit:

#92-360-0030

Lots Eleven (11) and Twelve (12), Block Nine (9) of First Addition, Village of Vesta, County of Redwood

WHEREAS, The Applicant has agreed to pay all delinquent taxes, assessments, penalties and interest owing on this particular parcel, along with all other costs related to the repurchase, plus full payment of the 2015 real estate taxes and penalty; and

WHEREAS, Allowing the repurchase will best serve the public interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Applicant's repurchase of the above described parcel of tax forfeited land is approved, and the Redwood County Auditor-Treasurer is hereby directed to permit such repurchase.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Redwood County Board of Commissioners this 15th day of September, 2015.

- On motion by Klabunde, second by Hollatz, and in a roll-call vote with Hollatz, Groebner, Walling, Klabunde and Salfer all voting aye, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION BY COUNTY BOARD AUTHORIZING AND FIXING
TERMS OF SALE**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the parcels of land forfeited to the State for non-payment of taxes, appearing on the list filed with the County Auditor-Treasurer, which have been classified and appraised as provided by Laws 1935, Chapter 386, as amended, shall be offered for sale by the County Auditor-Treasurer; said sale to commence at 9:30 o'clock a.m. on October 27th, 2015, at the County Board Room of the Government Center and the County Auditor-Treasurer is hereby directed to publish a notice of sale as provided by law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sale price for each property sold shall be the appraised price or the bid price, whichever is higher; plus a \$25.00 charge for the State Deed, plus 3.0% of the sale price for the State Tax forfeited land assurance account, plus \$46.00 for recording the State Deed, plus State Deed Tax, plus \$50.00 fee if well certificate is needed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the terms of sale shall be for cash or credit card(2.49% consumer fee); to be paid the day of the sale. If not paid by 4:30 p.m. on October 27th, 2015, the sale will be null and void.

RECESS

- The Board recessed at 10:35 a.m.

COUNTY DITCH AUTHORITY

- The Board entered into Ditch Authority at 10:36 a.m.
- On motion by Hollatz, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Order for Redetermination of Benefits and appoint viewers John Schueller, Kevin Vickerman and Luke Olson for County Ditch #23, 41, 42, 68 and 68, Lat A, 70 and 93.
- There being no further business, Chair Walling declared the Ditch Authority meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

RECONVENED

- The Board reconvened into regular session at 10:40 a.m.

Personnel Action Items:

- On motion by Hollatz, second by Salfer, the Board voted unanimously to approve to set the 2016 Group Health Insurance Premium Rates.
- On motion by Salfer, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to set 2016 County Cafeteria monthly Contribution.
- On motion by Klabunde, second by Hollatz, the Board voted unanimously to approve a Memorandum of Understanding to change the Cafeteria Contribution rates in the LELS and AFSCME union contracts.
- On motion by Hollatz, second by Salfer, the Board voted unanimously to approve the renewal of the Select Account, 3rd Party Administrator for employee HSA's, VEBA's and FSA's.
- On motion by Klabunde, second by Hollatz, the Board voted unanimously to approve 2016 Dental Insurance rates.
- On motion by Klabunde, second by Hollatz, the Board voted unanimously to approve to set 2016 Life, Long Term Disability and Vision insurance rates.
- On motion by Hollatz, second by Salfer, the Board voted unanimously to set the monthly VEBA account contribution amounts.
- On motion by Hollatz, second by Klabunde, the Board voted unanimously to acknowledge the resignation of Sonya Hoffman, Accountant in the A/T Office effective 9/16/15.
- On motion by Salfer, second by Walling, the Board voted unanimously to acknowledge the resignation of Rachel Ingebretson, Office Manager in the Environmental Office effective 9/18/15.
- On motion by Hollatz, second by Salfer, the Board voted unanimously Transfer/promote Marisa Silbernagel from full-time Account Technician in A/T Office to full-time Accountant in the A/T Office effective September 16, 2015 at Grade 10/Step 1 of the AFSCME Salary Schedule at \$16.37/hr.
- On motion by Klabunde, second by Salfer, the Board voted unanimously to change the Office Manager position in Environment Services to an Administrative Assistant at Grade 8.

PLANNING AND ZONING

- An application for an Extraction Conditional Use Permit #13-15 for gravel extraction filed by Brey Tiling and Doris Cauwels on the following described real property, situated in the County of Redwood, State of Minnesota, to wit: NW ¼ of Section 14, Township 112N, Range 39W, Underwood Township. On motion by Walling, second by Klabunde, the Board voted unanimously to approve CUP #13-15 with (16) conditions as set forth by the Planning Commission.
- An application for an expansion for a trucking business, Conditional Use Permit #14-15, filed by Rick Kramer on the following described real property, situated in the County of Redwood, State of Minnesota, to wit: NW ¼ except 6.69 acre tract, of Section 26, Township 113N, Range 36W, Delhi Township. On motion by Hollatz, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to approve CUP #14-15 with (12) conditions as set forth by the Planning Commission.
- An application for a feedlot expansion, Conditional Use Permit #15-15, filed by Joe Seifert for the construction of a barn on concrete slab with a maximum of 200 total animal units on the following described real property, situated in the County of Redwood, State of Minnesota, to wit: Tract 610 feet by 965 feet NW ¼ of SE ¼ of Section 36, Township 111N, Range 35W, Three Lakes Township. On motion by Groebner, second by Hollatz, the Board voted unanimously to approve CUP #15-15 with (12) conditions as set forth by the Planning Commission.
- An application for a feedlot expansion, Conditional Use Permit #16-15, filed by Mark Christensen for the construction of a barn on concrete slab with 432 cattle on the following described real property, situated in the County of Redwood, State of Minnesota, to wit: NW COR SW ¼ in Section 1, Township 110N, Range 34W, Brookville Township. On motion by Groebner, second by Klabunde, the Board voted unanimously to approve CUP #16-15 with (12) conditions as set forth by the Planning Commission.

- The commissioners reported on meetings they attended:

Groebner:

- Redwood/Renville Regional Solid Waste Authority
- Annual Township Meeting
- Redwood Soil and Water
- Drug Task Force

Klabunde:

- Restorative Justice
- Drug Task Force

Walling:

- Redwood/Renville Regional Solid Waste Authority
- Area II/RCRCA
- Planning and Zoning
- Annual Township Meeting
- Insurance Committee Meeting

Salfer:

- EDC/RADC
- Jackpot Junction Ribbon Cutting

Hollatz

- Annual Township Meeting
- Port Authority – Community Development Strategy
- Technology Committee
- Southwest Regional Development
- RADC/EDC

ADJOURN

- There being no further business, Chair Walling declared the meeting adjourned at 12:33 p.m.

Lon Walling, Chair
Board of Commissioners

Attest: _____
Vicki Knobloch
County Administrator