

REDWOOD COUNTY, MINNESOTA

OCTOBER 16, 2018

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 Bob Van Hee, Dave Forkrud, Jim Salfer, Lon Walling, Dennis Groebner and County Administrator Vicki Knobloch. Also present were County Attorney Jenna Peterson; Auditor/Treasurer Jean Price; Sheriff Randy Hanson; Human Resource Coordinator Peter Brown; Highway Engineer Keith Berndt; Planning and Zoning Supervisor Nick Brozek; Environmental Director Scott Wold; Child Advocacy Coordinator Sarah Reynolds; Technology Coordinator Paul Parsons; Greg Hanson; Jacob Jenniges, RRRSWA Director Jon Mitchell; Louis Louwagie and Randy Malecha.

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

On motion by Walling, second by Van Hee, the Board voted unanimously to approve the October 16th agenda.

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

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- On motion by Groebner, second by Forkrud, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda.
- October 2<sup>nd</sup> minutes.
  - Payment of bills as follows:

General Fund	\$ 20,667.37
Ditch Maintenance Fund	\$ 1,626.76
Insurance Fund	\$ 822.00

- Bills exceeding \$2,000: ACE of SW MN \$6,944.75, Henle Printing \$3,910.50, Seachange Print Innovations \$10,936.30, American Communications \$2,650.00, Crysteel Distributing Co. \$7,011.00, Law Enforcement Technology \$2,921.00, Mend Correctional \$2,592.33, Redwood County Highway Department \$2,952.14, Tersteeg's Holiday Market \$5,814.77, John Deere \$7,500.00, Regents of the University of Minnesota \$18,048.00.

**EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION**

- The Board recognized Kenneth Jensen, Highway Department, for 20 years of service to Redwood County.

**CITY OF WALNUT GROVE**

- Walnut Grove Mayor Greg Hanson and Walnut Grove EDA President Jacob Jenniges presented costs totaling \$70,000 for the demolition and removal of asbestos of the old grain elevator located in the City of Walnut Grove. The current owner will pay \$5,000 and deed the land to the city. A request was made to share the remaining cost of \$65,000 equally between the City of Walnut Grove, Walnut Grove EDA and Redwood County for \$21,666 each.
- On motion by Walling, second by Van Hee, in a 3-2 vote, with Groebner and Forkrud voting nay, the Board approved contributing \$20,000 to the demolition and removal of asbestos of the old grain elevator in Walnut Grove pending the land is deeded to the City of Walnut Grove prior to demolition.

**SHERIFF**

- Hanson presented the September Jail Population
- On motion by Walling, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Region Five Homeland Security and Emergency Management Association Mutual Aid Agreement.

**AUDITOR/TREASURER**

- On motion by Groebner, second by Van Hee, the Board voted to approve the following:
  - Cash Balance Report
  - Investment Summary
  - Budget Reports, General Fund, Health Fund, Ditch Maintenance and Solid Waste Fund.
  - September, 2018 Disbursements in the amount of \$1,498,170.29.
  - Bills exceeding \$2,000: Further \$5,915.77, \$5,915.77, Preferred One \$51,828.10, \$21,410.67, \$5,102.04, \$6,284.94, \$5,702.13, Redwood Electric \$2,748.10, Redwood Falls Public Utilities \$9,068.15, Wells Fargo \$245,000, MN Dept. of Revenue \$24,257, U.S. Postal Service \$3,000, MN Energy Resources \$16,741.44, T. Kuehn \$3,850, SWHHS \$4,485.41, H. Beran \$3,333.33, M. Beran \$3,333.33, N. Beran \$3,333.34, T. Brandt \$5,840, Carlson Revocable Trust \$2,240, M. Christensen \$10,320, B. Czmowski \$2,400, D. Nelson-Dahms \$5,840, E. Dahms \$8,240, R. Dahms \$8,800, L. Dolan \$12,280, S. Geis \$2,080, F. Groebner \$4,000, B. Hoffbeck \$17,120, L. Jensen \$15,120, Klabunde Revocable Trust \$9,600, \$9,600, Kodet Farms \$6,400, M. Larsen \$22,640, S. Macholda \$10,320, M. Madsen \$8,160, I. Mathiowetz \$9,760, D. Peterson \$6,000, L. Plotz \$18,400, J. Prokosch \$11,280, L. Prokosch \$11,120, R & R Partnership \$2,400, J. Rothmeier \$21,760, K. Rothmeier \$3,360, M. Rothmeier \$31,120, R. Rothmeier \$3,360, T. Rothmeier \$37,040, W. Rothmeier \$3,360, L. Schloesser \$15,200, K. Seifert \$45,120, D. Sell \$6,400, Shank Ag \$25,200, R. Steffl \$14,160, Tierney Family Partnership \$18,400, R. Treml \$11,520, K. Veenstra \$25,440, A. Walter \$9,360, M. Walter \$9,360, P. Walter \$9,120, L. Zempel \$12,280, MN Commission of Finance \$6,815, Springsted \$3,100, Healthpartners \$2,862.10, Kohls-Weelborg \$32,828.50, Redwood Soil and Water \$33,526, SWHHS \$49,180.75, Central Specialties \$39,997.49, Duininck Inc. \$152,236.74, Flint Hills Resources \$174,963.64.

**PLANNING AND ZONING**

- On motion by Groebner, second by Van Hee, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Paxton Township Subdivision Plat – Paxton 5 Fourth.

**REDWOOD COUNTY DITCH AUTHORITY**

- At 9:10 a.m., the Board entered into County Ditch Authority.
- Present for the discussion from Redwood County were Commissioners Walling, Forkrud, Van Hee, Groebner and Salfer, Administrator Knobloch and Environmental Director Scott Wold.
- Wold presented the compensation rates of Drainage Viewers in Redwood County and surrounding counties.
- On motion by Forkrud, second by Van Hee, the Board voted unanimously to increase the Lead Viewer rate to \$60/hour and the Team rate to \$50/hour.
- Chair Walling declared Ditch Authority meeting adjourned at 9:14 a.m.

**JOINT DITCH AUTHORITY WITH LYON COUNTY**

- Salfer nominated Walling and Groebner as Redwood County members to the JD 15 L&R Board, Anderson seconded.
- Graupmann nominated Crowley, Sanow and Anderson as Lyon County members to the JD 15 L&R Board, Ritter seconded.
- Motion made by Sanow, seconded by Walling to approve Commissioners Walling, Groebner, Crowley, Sanow and Anderson as the 5 members to serve on the JD 15 L&R Drainage Authority. All voted in favor, motion carried.
- Motion made by Walling, seconded by Sanow to nominate Commissioners Walling, Groebner, Forkrud, Crowley and Anderson as the 5 members to serve on the JD 14 R&L Drainage Authority. All voted in favor, motion carried.
- The County Board recessed at 9:42 a.m. and the Drainage authority convened.
- Motion made by Walling, seconded by Sanow to appoint Anderson as JD 15 L&R chair. All voted in favor, motion carried.
- Motion made by Groebner, seconded by Crowley to nominate Walling as JD 15 L&R vice chair. All voted in favor, motion carried.
- Maes: I have reviewed this petition and obtained additional signatures. The petition is to be approved if there is 26% of the owners affected or 26% of affected property that the system passes over. From my review, I have verified that the signatures on the petition are from the true property owners. I believe the statutory requirement has been met in this case. The bond has been filed. Your decision here is to find that the petition has met the statutory requirements and it has been signed by the 26% of the property owners and you can also find that 26% of the property area has been affected. Once you accept it, you will be appointing an Engineer to do the preliminary study and report.
- Motion made by Crowley, seconded by Sanow to accept the petition regarding JD 15 L&R based on all of the requirements set by statute. All voted in favor, motion carried.
- Motion made by Walling, seconded by Sanow to appoint Bolton & Menk to be the engineer for the JD 15 L&R Improvement. All voted in favor, motion carried.
- Maes: The only other discussion the board should have is any direction to give to Bolton & Menk.
- Motion made by Walling, seconded by Sanow to direct Bolton & Menk to survey the existing tile with video and prove that the existing tile is in need of separable maintenance. All voted in favor, motion carried.
- Chair Anderson declared Joint Ditch Authority meeting adjourned at 9:54 a.m.

**RECONVENE**

- The Board reconvened into regular session at 9:57 a.m.

**CENTRA-CARE FINANCING BOND**

- A conference call was placed with Nathan Canova of Dorsey and Whitney, LLP regarding the proposed Public Hearing for Revenue bonds.
- On motion by Van Hee, second by Salfer, in a roll-call vote with Van Hee, Forkrud, Walling, Groebner and Salfer all voting aye, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON AN ISSUE  
OF REVENUE BONDS BY THE CITY OF ST. CLOUD,  
MINNESOTA, ON BEHALF OF CENTRACARE HEALTH SYSTEM

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners (the “Board”) of Redwood County, Minnesota (the “County”), as follows:

1. CentraCare Health System, a Minnesota nonprofit corporation, on behalf of itself and its nonprofit affiliates (collectively, the “Corporation”), has advised this Board of its desire to (i) finance all or a portion of the costs of (a) the acquisition, construction and equipping of a new hospital and medical services facility to be located in the County, and (b) the renovation, improvement and equipping of the Corporation’s existing facilities located in the City of Albany, Minnesota, and in the City of St. Cloud, Minnesota (the “Issuer”); and (ii) the refinancing of all or a portion of the Health Care Revenue Bonds, Series 2011A (CentraCare Health System), issued by the Issuer on behalf of the Corporation to finance a portion of the costs of constructing improvements to the Corporation’s facilities in the corporate limits of the Issuer, all with the proceeds of revenue bonds (the “Bonds”) issued by the Issuer under the authority of Minnesota Statutes, Sections 469.152 through 469.165 (the “Act”).

2. Since a portion of the facilities proposed to be financed by the Bonds are located in the County, the Act and Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and regulations promulgated thereunder, require that prior to the issuance of the Bonds, this Board approve the issuance of the Bonds by the Issuer, after conducting a public hearing thereon. A public hearing on the proposal that the Issuer issue the Bonds is hereby called and shall be held on November 20, 2018, at 8:30 a.m., in the Commissioners’ Room of the County Government Center located at 403 South Mill Street in Redwood Falls, Minnesota.

3. The County Administrator shall cause notice of the public hearing, in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, to be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the County, once not fewer than 14 days prior to the date fixed for the public hearing.

EXHIBIT A  
COUNTY OF REDWOOD  
403 SOUTH MILL STREET  
REDWOOD FALLS, MINNESOTA

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ISSUANCE OF REVENUE BONDS BY THE CITY OF ST. CLOUD, MINNESOTA, UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTIONS 469.152 TO 469.165, ON BEHALF OF CENTRACARE HEALTH SYSTEM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing shall be conducted by the Board of County Commissioners of Redwood County, Minnesota (the "County"), in the Commissioners' Room of the County Government Center located at 403 South Mill Street in Redwood Falls, Minnesota, on November 20, 2018, at 8:30 a.m., on a proposal that the City of St. Cloud, Minnesota (the "Issuer"), issue its revenue bonds (the "Bonds") on behalf of CentraCare Health System, a Minnesota nonprofit corporation and its nonprofit affiliates (collectively, the "Corporation"), in one or more series, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sections 469.152 to 469.165, in an amount not to exceed \$[120,000,000]. The Bonds are proposed to be issued for the purpose of (i) financing all or a portion of the costs of (a) the acquisition, construction and equipping of a new hospital and medical services facility to be located at [\_\_\_\_\_] in the [City / Town of \_\_\_\_\_] in Redwood County, Minnesota, and (b) the renovation, improvement and equipping of the Corporation's existing facilities located at 320 Third Avenue in the City of Albany, Minnesota, and in the corporate limits of the Issuer; and (ii) refinancing all or a portion of the Health Care Revenue Bonds, Series 2011A (CentraCare Health System), issued by the Issuer on behalf of the Corporation to finance a portion of the costs of constructing improvements to the Corporation's facilities in the corporate limits of the Issuer. The facilities located in the County and financed by the Bonds will be operated by the Corporation. The Bonds will not be issued by the County.

All persons interested may appear and be heard at the time and place set forth above, or may submit written comments with the County Administrator prior to the date of the hearing set forth above.

#### **TECHNOLOGY**

- On motion by Van Hee, second by Forkrud, the Board voted unanimously to approve the membership to the Minnesota County Information Technology Leadership Association in the amount of \$1791 annually.
- On motion by Walling, second by Forkrud, the Board voted unanimously to approve the MalwareBytes License Agreement in the amount of \$3,809.85.
- On motion by Walling, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Matrix CSGView Contract in the amount of \$4,300.00 pending County Attorney approval.
- On motion by Van Hee, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to approve the three year Professional Service Agreement between Minnesota Counties Computer Cooperative and TRIMIN Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$2,487.00 per year.

#### **ROAD AND BRIDGE**

- Berndt updated the Board on current road construction projects, flood repairs and FEMA projects.

**ENVIRONMENTAL**

- On motion by Groebner, second by Walling, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Cooperative Agreement between Redwood County and the Redwood Soil and Water Conservation District.

**ADMINISTRATOR**

- On motion by Forkrud, second by Van Hee, the Board voted unanimously to approve the 108 acre Farmland Lease Agreement with Kyle Hentges pending County Attorney updates to the prior lease agreement.
- On motion by Walling, second by Forkrud, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity ACT Joint Powers Agreement pending County Attorney approval.
- On motion by Van Hee, second by Walling, the Board voted unanimously to declare old equipment from Redwood-Renville Regional Solid Waste Authority excess and sell by auction.
- On motion by Walling, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to approve the WOLD Updated Fee Schedule and authorize completion of the schematic design phase of the Justice Center project.
- On motion by Groebner, second by Forkrud, the Board voted unanimously to approve the 2019 State of Minnesota Snowmobile Grant Agreement in the amount of \$101,125.73.
- On motion by Forkrud, second by Van Hee, the Board voted unanimously to approve the membership to the Minnesota Rural Broadband Coalition in the amount of \$500.

*Personnel*

- On motion by Walling, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to approve the increase in the 2019 Dental insurance rates, the 2019 VEBA contribution amounts with no change from 2018, set the 2019 health insurance premiums with no increase and set the 2019 monthly county cafeteria contribution with no change.
- On motion by Van Hee, second by Walling, the Board voted unanimously to acknowledge the termination of the Part-Time Forensic Interviewer, Andrea Moldestad.
- On motion by Van Hee, second by Groebner, the board voted unanimously to approve the Forensic Interviewer position status to full-time and post for the position.
- On motion by Walling, second by Van Hee, the Board voted unanimously to approve the BCBSMN Senior Gold/Medicare Blue RX annual renewal.
- On motion by Forkrud, second by Groebner, the Board voted unanimously to approve the job description for the Deputy Administrator for Soil and Water Conservation District, Grade 10, and post for the position.

**COMMISSIONER ITEMS**

- On motion by Van Hee, second by Forkrud, in a roll-call vote with Forkrud, Salfer, Groebner and Van Hee all voting aye and Walling voting nay, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION FOR COUNTY-BASED PURCHASING ELECTION AND COMMITMENT TO  
JOIN THE PRIMEWEST RURAL MINNESOTA HEALTH CARE ACCESS INITIATIVE  
(dba PRIMEWEST HEALTH)

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes 256B.692 authorizes county boards or groups of county boards to elect to purchase or provide health care services on behalf of persons eligible for medical assistance who would otherwise be required to or may elect to participate in the prepaid medical assistance program; and

WHEREAS, county-based purchasing promotes publicly transparent operations and direct accountability for the health care resources provided by our County, State and Federal governments, and the taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, the rural and local government ownership structure of county-based purchasing will facilitate integration with county Public Health and Social Services agencies, which play key roles in addressing social determinants of health, behavioral health, and community health needs; improving population health; and providing case management services; and

WHEREAS, participation in county-based purchasing will provide greater local control and input over public health care resources expended in our County, improve our citizens' health care experience and population health, and reduce unnecessary health care costs; and

WHEREAS Redwood County has an opportunity to join PrimeWest Health, a county-based purchasing organization that currently serves members in the counties of Beltrami, Big Stone, Clearwater, Douglas, Grant, Hubbard, McLeod, Meeker, Pipestone, Pope, Renville, Stevens, and Traverse.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that Redwood County hereby elects to participate in county-based purchasing or provision of health care services on behalf of persons eligible for medical assistance in Redwood County. Redwood County will participate in county-based purchasing as follows:

1. Redwood County shall join PrimeWest Health upon execution of the Families and Children contract between the Minnesota Department of Human Services and PrimeWest Health engaging PrimeWest Health to administer Prepaid Medical Assistance and MinnesotaCare in Redwood County. Upon execution of such contract, Redwood County shall join PrimeWest Health by becoming a signatory to the Second Amended and Restated Health Care Access Joint Powers Agreement, in the form attached to this Resolution as Exhibit A.
2. Upon joining PrimeWest Health, Redwood County shall make a financial contribution to PrimeWest Health risk based capital reserves in the amount of \$1,665,014.99. A minimum of one half this amount shall be paid to PrimeWest Health upon Redwood County's execution of the Second Amended and Restated Health Care Access Joint Powers Agreement. Redwood County shall have an option to pay the remaining balance of the financial contribution to PrimeWest Health by May 1, 2020. Any such remaining balance shall be secured by a Promissory Note in the form attached to this Resolution as Exhibit B.

**COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

- The commissioners reported on meetings they attended:

Groebner: Redwood Soil and Water

Van Hee: Technology Meeting, Economic Development Meeting, Southwest Regional Development Commission

Salfer: FEMA Meeting, Personnel Sub-Committee, SW MN Adult Mental Health

Walling: FEMA Meeting, JD #14 & 15, Area II

**ADJOURN**

- There being no further business, Chair Salfer declared the meeting adjourned at 11:28 a.m.

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Jim Salfer, Chair  
Board of Commissioners

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Vicki Knobloch  
County Administrator