

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MURRAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MURRAY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER – SLAYTON, MINNESOTA
September 1, 2015 8:30 a.m.

Pursuant to notice, the Murray County Board of Commissioners convened with the following members present: Commissioners James Jens, Robert Moline, Gerald Magnus, David Thiner and Glenn Kluis. Also present Aurora Heard, County Coordinator, Heidi Winter, Auditor-Treasurer, Travis Smith, County Attorney.

The meeting opened by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The Chairman asked if there were any additions to the agenda. Several items were added.

Commissioner Kluis identified a conflict of interest regarding a Conditional Use Permit. No other conflicts of interest were identified.

It was moved by Moline, seconded by Magnus and passed to approve the agenda as modified.

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of the Minutes from August 25, 2015

It was moved by Kluis, seconded by Thiner and passed to approve consent agenda item number 1.

A motion was duly made by Moline, seconded by Magnus and carried that all claims as presented were approved for payment. The Chairman was authorized to sign the Audit List dated September 1, 2015 with fund totals as follows and warrants numbered 147206 – 147267:

County Revenue Fund	22,146.15
County Road & Bridge Fund	18,275.06
EDA	136.80
Health Insurance	1,292.00
Total	41,850.01

A motion was made by Moline, seconded by Jens and carried that the Commissioners in conjunction with the appointed ditch inspector in and for the County of Murray, have examined and inspected that portion of the foregoing described County and Judicial Ditches, lying within the County of Murray, for the purpose of determining what repairs are necessary and ordered said repairs to be made, by this report given thereon at a Murray County Board of Commissioner’s meeting, held in the Commissioners Room of the Murray County Government Center, Slayton, Minnesota.

- 2015-059 CD 20 (21-Lowville Twp, District 2)
- 2015-060 CD 20 (16-Lowville Twp, District 2)

There were no ditch bills for the September 1, 2015 meeting.

Fairgrounds Building Storage Rent

It was moved by Magnus, seconded by Moline to advertise for fairgrounds building storage rent for the Creative Arts Building and the Commercial building and to open quotes at 9:30 a.m. on September 22, 2015.

Voting in Favor: Magnus, Moline, Kluis and Jens
Opposed: Thiner
Motion carried 4 to 1.

Forfeited Land Values

It was moved by Moline, seconded by Kluis and passed to set the values for the 2015 Forfeited Land Sale Parcels as follows:

Parcel Identification Number	Value
07.010.004.1	\$10,000.00
24.100.011.0	\$4,000.00
29.016.004.0	\$50.00
29.370.004.0	\$7,000.00
29.380.043.0	\$4,000.00 (removed by motion later in meeting)
23.170.002.0	\$100.00 \$400.00 (amount changed by motion later in meeting)

Jean Christoffels met with the County Board regarding Conditional Use Permit #1317 for Mike and Aaron Kluis to construct and operate a new feedlot over 300 animal units in the Agriculture District, S ½, SE 1/4, Section 30, Fenton Township. The board received the minutes from the August 20, 2015, public hearing, which included the findings of the Planning Commission.

It was moved by Magnus, seconded by Thiner to approve Conditional Use Permit #1317, for Mike and Aaron Kluis to construct and operate a new feedlot over 300 animal units in the Agriculture District, S ½, SE 1/4, Section 30, Fenton Township based on the recommendation of the Planning Commission.

Voting in Favor: Magnus, Moline, Thiner, and Jens
Abstained: Kluis
Motion carried 4 to 0.

Jean Christoffels met with the County Board (Kevin Carlson was also present) regarding Conditional Use Permit #1318, for Kevin and Susan Carlson to construct and operate a new campground in the General Business and Shoreland Districts of a general development lake, Block 1, Less E45', Valhalla Subdivision, Section 1, Mason Township. The board received the minutes from the August 20, 2015, public hearing, which included the findings of the Planning Commission. Zoning Administrator Christoffels acknowledged as part of the record the email submitted by Commissioner Moline.

It was moved by Moline, seconded by Jens and passed to approve Conditional Use Permit #1318, for Kevin and Susan Carlson to construct and operate a new campground in the General Business and Shoreland Districts of a general development lake, Block 1, Less E45', Valhalla Subdivision, Section 1, Mason Township, based on the recommendation of the Planning Commission.

Jim Trojanowski, Plum Creek Library Director, and Margie Salentiny met with the County Board regarding the 2016 funding request.

10:00 a.m. Open Forum/Public Comment – No members of the public were present.

Human Services Building Snow Removal

It was moved by Thiner, seconded by Moline and passed to approve extending the current contract for one year with Myron Johnson for snow removal at the Human Services Building.

Auditor/Treasurer Winter distributed survey results for statewide Ag Association appropriation.

The County Board discussed crop damage on County Ditch 35.

The Commissioners gave their committee reports for the period of August 16, 2015 to August 29, 2015.

James Jens reported on Commissioner Board Meeting – August 18, Insurance Committee Meeting – August 20, Safety Training and Ditch Inspections for (JD#20A, #4, #20 and JD#20) – August 21, Hospital Finance Meeting and Hospital Personnel – August 24, Commissioner Board Meeting and Hospital Board Meeting – August 25, Cottonwood/Murray JD#3 Final Hearing – August 26, Personnel Meeting – August 28.

Gerald Magnus reported on Commissioner Board Meeting – August 18, Southwest Health and Human Services (No Per Diem Claimed) – August 19, Insurance Committee Meeting – August 20, Hospital Finance Committee and Hospital Personnel Meeting – August 24, Commissioner Board Meeting and Hospital Board Meeting – August 25, Rural Minnesota Energy Board – August 26.

Robert Moline reported on Commissioner Board Meeting – August 18, Southwest Health & Human Services (No Per Diem Claimed) – August 19, AMC (No Per Diem Claimed) – August 19 – 21, Commissioner Board Meeting – August 25, Cottonwood/Murray JD#3 Final Hearing – August 26, Looking at property in Ellsborough Township (Partial Per Diem Claimed) – August 27, Southern Prairie Health Purchasing Alliance and an issue at Lake Shetek – August 28.

David Thiner reported on Commissioner Board Meeting – August 25, Cottonwood/Murray JD#3 Final Hearing – August 26, Personnel Meeting – August 28.

Glenn Kluis reported on Commissioner Board Meeting – August 18, Safety Training, Check on parking lot at Southwest Health & Human Services and Check progress on Ditch #68 – August 21, Commissioner Board Meeting, Hospital Board Meeting, Early Childhood Meeting and DAC Meeting – August 25.

It was moved by Magnus, seconded by Thiner and passed to approve the Commissioner Vouchers for the period of August 16, 2015 to August 29, 2015.

The County Board discussed the invitation received from the City of Chandler to attend a city council meeting.

The County Board discussed County Ditch 4. Attorney Smith recommended authorizing Bolton and Menk to come up with a proposal to fix the structure. Present for the discussion: Luther and Janice Tostengard, Vernell Kuehl, Maury Kuehl, LeRoy Peterson, County Engineer Randy Groves, Auditor/Treasurer Heidi Winter, County Coordinator Aurora Heard, County Attorney Travis Smith, Commissioner Jens, Commissioner Moline, Commissioner Magnus, Commissioner Kluis and Commissioner Thiner.

It was moved by Jens, seconded by Magnus and passed to approve to authorize Bolton and Menk to work with the landowners and DNR to work on a proposal to fix the outlet issues on County Ditch 4.

Petrofund Reimbursement

It was moved by Thiner, seconded by Kluis to approve accepting option number 2, to advise Petrofund Analyst Katherine Roelke, in writing that the county does not intend to appeal the amount approved for reimbursement.

Voting in Favor: Magnus, Kluis, Thiner and Jens
Opposed: Moline
Motion carried 4 to 1.

The County Board discussed County Ditch 43B.

The County Board discussed County Ditch 73.

Forfeited Land Values

It was moved by Jens, seconded by Thiner and passed to approve removing parcel #29.380.043.0 and reduce the price of parcel #23.170.002.0 to \$100.00 from the forfeited land value list.

11:59 a.m. The meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST: _____
Aurora Heard, County Coordinator

James Jens, Chairman of the Board