

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MURRAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MURRAY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER – SLAYTON, MINNESOTA
September 15, 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.

No conflicts of interest were identified.

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

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of the Minutes from September 1, 2015

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

Retainer Agreement with Kurt Deter

It was moved by Moline, seconded by Thiner and passed to approve and authorize the Board Chair to sign an agreement letter approving a retainer agreement with Kurt Deter in the amount of \$200.00 per month and approve County Attorney Smith to sign any conflict of interest letters.

Warrants

A motion was duly made by Magnus, seconded by Kluis and carried that all claims as presented were approved for payment. The Chairman was authorized to sign the Audit List dated September 15, 2015 with fund totals as follows and warrants numbered 147305 – 147376:

County Revenue Fund	41,567.23
County Road & Bridge Fund	15,426.99
EDA	1,671.23
Ditch	185.63
Sunrise Terrace	1,521.10
SAWSD	148.00
Total	60,520.18

The County Board reviewed a map of JD 14.

Ditch Bills

A motion was made by Moline, seconded by Magnus with all members of the Board voting their approval to accept the report of the Ditch Committee of the County and Judicial Ditches lying within the County of Murray on those petitions for repair that have been inspected for determining what repairs, if any, are necessary, the extent and nature of such repairs, an estimated costs of such repairs or a list of bills presented for payment that will enable said ditches to answer their purposes and to pay all bills contained within the report.

Contractor	Ditch	Amount	Petition #	Commissioner
Johnson Ditching, Inc				
	JD 14	31,481.29	2015-011	Moline
	Subtotal	31,481.29		
Bolton & Menk				
	CD 35	12,033.50	2013-006	Improvement
	CD 73	3,420.00	2013-042	Improvement
	CD 61	1,560.00	2014-070	Improvement
	JD 8	467.50	2014-085	Improvement
	Subtotal	17,481.00		
Rinke Noonan				
	JD 3	2,250.00	2012-018	Improvement
	Subtotal	2,250.00		
Steven Johnson (Viewer)				
	JD 3	147.80	2012-018	Improvement
	Subtotal	147.80		
William Moldestad (Viewer)				
	JD 3	4,770.65	2012-018	Improvement
	Subtotal	4,770.65		
Jim Weidemann (Viewer)				
	JD 3	323.38	2012-018	Improvement
	Subtotal	323.38		
Total for All Ditch Bills		56,454.12		

Pay Application #4 – County Ditch 35 Improvement/Lateral No. 1

It was moved by Magnus, seconded by Jens and passed to approve Pay Application No. 3 to Loo Con, Inc. for the County Ditch 35 Improvement/Lateral No. 1 Project in the amount \$259,866.70.

Ann Orren and Amy Jelen, Southwest Health and Human Services, met with the County Board and reviewed suggested revisions to the Murray County Tobacco Ordinance and a Clean Indoor Air Ordinance.

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

Commissioner Moline introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

Resolution 2015-09-15-01
Dinehart Holt House Historic Structure Report

Whereas the 1891 Historic Dinehart Holt House in Slayton, Minnesota is the property of Murray County,

Whereas the Murray County Board of Commissioners and the Murray County Historical Society have a cooperative management agreement to care for and manage the property,

Whereas the house has been listed on the National Register of Historic Places since 1982 and has never had a structural assessment completed.

Therefore, we, the Murray County Board of Commissioners, agree that a Historic Structure Report should be completed for the Dinehart Holt House to inform a comprehensive strategic plan for the property.

The foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Thiner and thereupon being put to a vote all members of the Board voted for its adoption.

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

Commissioner Magnus introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

Resolution 2015-09-15-02
Ditch Inspector Authorized Repair

Be it hereby resolved that the Murray County Board of Commissioners, acting as Drainage Authority for Murray County ditch systems, under Minnesota Statutes 103E, hereby authorize the Murray County Ditch Inspector to approve and implement repairs up to a cost of \$5,000.00 without prior approval of the Murray County Board of Commissioners, as Drainage Authority. The Murray County Ditch Inspector shall make a report of these minor repairs to be presented to the Murray County Board of Commissioners, as Drainage Authority for after the fact approval.

The foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Commissioner Moline and thereupon being put to a vote all members of the Board voted for its adoption.

The County Board discussed JD 14.

Ditch Inspection Reports

A motion was made by Moline, seconded by Magnus 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.

- #2015-062 (JD 14, 14-Chanarabie Township, District 2-Moline)
- #2015-063 (CD 7, 22-Cameron Township, District 2-Moline)
- #2015-064 (CD 7, 23-Cameron Township, District 2-Moline)

Redetermination of Benefits

It was moved by Thiner, seconded by Kluis and passed to approve beginning a systematic redetermination of benefits on all county ditches.

Auditor/Treasurer Winter will research the best method to determine which ditches to start with.

It was moved by Moline, seconded by Thiner and passed to approve County Attorney Smith set up a public meeting with Kurt Deter to present information on the new buffer strip requirements and the redetermination of benefits process.

Auditor/Treasurer Winter will check on availability of ditch viewers.

County Engineer Groves gave an update on construction projects.

Coordinator Heard gave an update on the organizational study meeting dates. Gary Weirs from David Drown Associates is scheduled to meet with department heads and supervisors on September 29th and 30th.

FSA Form CCC-861

It was moved by Magnus, seconded by Moline and passed to approve FSA Form CCC-861 (Agricultural risk coverage County Option (ARC-CO) and Price Loss Coverage (PLC) Contract) for property in the NE1/4SE1/4 of Section 13-Moulton, further authorizing the Auditor/Treasurer to sign the document on behalf of Murray County.

The Commissioners gave their committee reports for the period of August 30, 2015 to September 12, 2015.

David Thiner reported on Commissioner Board Meeting and Extension Meeting – September 1, Heron Lake Watershed Advisory Meeting – September 3, Buffalo Ridge Transit Joint Powers Meeting – September 10.

Glenn Kluis reported on Commissioner Board Meeting – September 1.

James Jens reported on Ditch Inspection (#37) – August 31, Commissioner Board Meeting and Ditch Inspection (#4) – September 1, EDA Meeting (No Per Diem Claimed) – September 2, Hospital Foundation Meeting – September 9, Soil & Water Meeting – September 10.

Gerald Magnus reported on Commissioner Board Meeting – September 1, EDA Meeting (No Per Diem Claimed) – September 2, SRDC Meeting (No Per Diem Claimed) – September 10, ATP 8 (No Per Diem Claimed) – September 12.

Robert Moline reported on Commissioner Board Meeting – September 1, Ditch Inspection (#7) – September 3, Area II and RCRC – September 10, Adult Mental Health Meeting (No Per Diem Claimed) – September 11.

It was moved by Thiner, seconded by Kluis and passed to approve the Commissioner Vouchers for the period of August 30, 2015 to September 12, 2015.

12:01 p.m. The meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST: _____
Aurora Heard, County Coordinator

James Jens, Chairman of the Board