

REDWOOD COUNTY, MINNESOTA

APRIL 6, 2010

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 Gary Dahms, Al Kokesch, John Schueller, Lon Walling and Priscilla Klabunde; Administrator Vicki Knobloch; Director of Environmental Services Jon Mitchell; Recycling Coordinator Brian Sams; Environmental Office Manager/Lead Clerk Angel Nelson; Highway Engineer Willy Rabenberg; Auditor-Treasurer Jean Price; Veteran Service Officer Marty Caraway; Custody Officer Mike Ingebretson; Maintenance Specialist I Joe Probst; Recorder Joyce Anderson; Financial Worker Nicole DeBiase; Sheriff Randy Hanson; Emergency Management Director/Safety Coordinator Jim Sandgren; City of Redwood Falls Public Works Project Coordinator Jim Doering; Red Rock Rural Water System representative Dan McDonald; Chuck Schoenberg; Neal Rohlik and Gary Rohlik.

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

No one was present for open forum.

On motion by Walling, second by Kokesch, the Board voted unanimously to approve the revised agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

- On motion by Dahms, second by Walling, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following:
 - March 16, 2010, Board minutes.
 - March 23, 2010, Board minutes.
 - March 30, 2010, Board minutes.
 - Per diems totaling \$421.40 for meetings and miscellaneous expenses not listed on the committee list.
 - Payment of bills as follows:

Revenue Fund	\$ 41,114.78
Building Fund	\$ 19,354.52
Ditch Maintenance Fund	\$ 92.69
Solid Waste Fund	\$ 15,385.18

BOYS & GIRLS COUNTY DAY

- Redwood County students entered the Board meeting at various times.

PSAP CONSOLIDATION

- Hanson updated the Board on the public safety answering point (PSAP) consolidation and discussed the SWMN 6 County Regional 9-1-1 Dispatch, Study, and Recommendations.
- On motion by Dahms, second by Kokesch, the Board voted unanimously not to participate in the development of a Joint Powers Agreement to further the specific research into conceptual planning of a multi-county 9-1-1 Emergency Communications Center.

COUNTY DITCH #100 PETITION FOR OUTLET

- Neal Rohlik and Gary Rohlik updated the Board on their petition to outlet into County Ditch # 100.
- On motion by Walling, second by Dahms, the Board voted unanimously to accept the petition for outlet into County Ditch #100, set an initial hearing date of April 20, 2010, at 8:45 a.m., and appointed a ditch viewer to review the ditch and determine benefits.
- Upon notification of scheduling conflicts, on motion by Walling, second by Dahms, the Board voted unanimously to rescind the motion above that reads as follows:
 - *On motion by Walling, second by Dahms, the Board voted unanimously to accept the petition for outlet into County Ditch #100, set an initial hearing date of April 20, 2010, at 8:45 a.m., and appointed a ditch viewer to review the ditch and determine benefits.*
- On motion by Walling, second by Dahms, the Board voted unanimously to accept the petition for outlet into County Ditch #100, set an initial hearing date of May 4, 2010, at 8:45 a.m., and appointed a ditch viewer to review the ditch and determine benefits.

ADMINISTRATOR

- The Board reviewed quotes submitted for the demolition services of the former Masonic Temple Building and cement slab at Former Tiffany Building located at 206 S. Lincoln and 316 2nd St., Redwood Falls. On motion by Dahms, second by Kokesch, the Board voted unanimously to table the demolition services bids until the May 4, 2010, Board meeting. All bids received are as follows:

Name of Business	Total Cost
Schmidt Construction, Redwood Falls	\$ 25,400.00
T & K Kennedy Excavating, Inc., Benson	\$ 26,693.00
TNT Construction/Kerkhoff Inc., Morgan	\$ 27,195.00
Blue Earth Environmental Co., Mankato	\$ 29,300.00
Hoffman Construction Co. Inc., New Ulm	\$ 29,318.00

- On motion by Walling, second by Klabunde, the Board voted unanimously to approve the First Amendment to Joint Use Agreement with Southwest ABE – Marshall Region for rental of a portion of the lower level of the Redwood County Courthouse beginning on April 6, 2010 and ending on June 1, 2010.
- On motion by Kokesch, second by Dahms, the Board voted unanimously to approve a Tobacco License to the Lower Sioux Community dba: Dacotah Ridge Golf Club.

- On motion by Walling, second by Klabunde, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Revised Redwood County Fee Schedule.
- On motion by Walling, second by Dahms, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Application for Exempt Permit for the Minnesota Sporting Clays.
- On motion by Dahms, second by Kokesch, the Board voted unanimously to approve the amended Data Practices Policy.
- On motion by Klabunde, second by Walling, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources 2010 Natural Resources Block Grant Agreement effective July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2011, in the amount of \$9,931.
- On motion by Kokesch, second by Walling, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following change order to add a trim strip under the counter to cover a gap due to the unevenness of the existing floor:

Trade Contractor	Total
Northwest Cabinets	\$ 422.05

- On motion by Dahms, second by Klabunde, the Board voted unanimously to approve the 2009 Budget Adjustments as presented by the Auditor-Treasurer's Office.
- On motion by Klabunde, second by Dahms, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following resolution accepting a donation for the Redwood County Restorative Justice Program:

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE DONATION OF \$1,189.75 FOR
SUPPORTING THE REDWOOD COUNTY RESTORATIVE JUSTICE
PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, Building Healthy Families wishes to donate \$1,189.75 to the Redwood County Restorative Justice Department for the training of the Circle Sentencing volunteers of Redwood County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners appreciates the generosity of Building Healthy Families, in supporting the Restorative Justice and Circle Sentencing Program;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners hereby approves the acceptance of \$1,189.75 from Building Healthy Families to the Redwood County Restorative Justice Department, on behalf of the County.

Personnel Items:

- On motion by Walling, second by Kokesch, the Board voted unanimously to approve an increase for Sr. Technical Clerk Lisa Bitker-Taber, who has been working out of class during the vacancy of the Lead Clerk in the Sheriff's Office to Grade 10, Step 1, \$15.72 through March 26, 2010.
- On motion by Walling, second by Klabunde, the Board voted unanimously to approve the request to hire Andrea Guetter as full time Social Worker at Human Services effective April 26, 2010, at Grade 12, Step 1, \$18.05.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Recycling:

- Sams and Mitchell updated the Board on the Earth Day celebration that will be held April 22, 2010, at the National Guard Armory.

- Sams and Mitchell updated the Board on the Redwood/Renville Solid Waste Committee meeting and informed them of the options that are being explored.
- Sams updated the Board on the May Collections including the Appliance Recycling collections day to be held May 5th, 2010, and the E-Waste collections day to be held May 19th, 2010.

Planning and Zoning:

- Mitchell discussed the future planning commission meetings.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR/SAFETY COORDINATOR

- Sandgren updated the Board on the preliminary damage estimates caused by the flooding that occurred in Redwood County.
- On motion by Walling, second by Dahms, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following resolution requesting a declaration of a major disaster:

Resolution Requesting a Presidential Declaration of a Major Disaster

WHEREAS the County of Redwood has sustained severe losses of major proportion, caused by flooding on the date of March 1; and

WHEREAS Redwood County is a public entity within the State of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS substantial damage has been sustained to public and private property, as outlined in the attached damage assessment forms; and

WHEREAS the cost of recovery from this disaster is beyond the resources available within the county, and state and federal resources are necessary;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners, for and on behalf of the citizens of Redwood County, request the Governor of the State of Minnesota to petition the President of the United States to declare the County of Redwood, Minnesota, to be a major disaster area, through appropriate channels.

Be it further resolved that this request is for:

The Public Assistance (Infrastructure Support) Program only, as offered under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act.

The Hazard Mitigation Program, as offered under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act.

Be it further resolved that the County Emergency Management Director is authorized to coordinate the damage survey teams with local government, and assist in the administration of the disaster recovery process, as needed.

CITY OF REDWOOD FALLS

- Doering and Lang updated the Board on the City of Redwood Falls Bike Trail Proposal, and presented maps with preliminary routing of the trail along County Ditch #52 from Sunrise Blvd. continuing on to Normandale Road.
- On motion by Walling, second by Dahms, the Board voted, in a four to one vote, with Klabunde voting nay, to approve a letter of support for the proposed Bike Trail Project.

ROAD & BRIDGE

- On motion by Walling, second by Kokesch, the Board voted unanimously to approve payment of Road & Bridge bills in the amount of \$77,245.92.

- Rabenberg reminded the Board of the 5-Year Plan Meeting to be held on April 19th, 2010 and the Annual Highway Department Meeting on April 22nd, 2010.
- On motion by Dahms, second by Walling, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following resolution to amend Mn/DOT Master Contract #92131.

COUNTY OF REDWOOD

WHEREAS, the County of Redwood entered into a State of Minnesota Professional and Technical Services Master Contract No. 92131 with the Minnesota Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS: the original master contract did not contain language for Emergency Services;

Therefore, be it resolved:

- That the County of Redwood approve the amendment to Master Contract No. 92131 as presented to the Board: and
- That the proper County officers are authorized to execute such amendments thereto.
- On motion by Kokesch, second by Dahms, the Board voted unanimously to approve the 2010 Equipment Rental Rates as presented.
- On motion by Dahms, second by Walling, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Professional Services Agreement with Bolton & Menk, Inc. to locate and remonument section corners as part of the reconstruction of County State Aid Highway No. 6 at an estimated total cost not to exceed \$6,046.00.
- Rabenberg updated the Board on the flood damage throughout Redwood County.

RED ROCK RURAL WATER SYSTEM

- McDonald updated the Board on the Red Rock Rural Water System expansion and discussed the projected financial obligation to Redwood County with the Board.

RESOLUTION

PERTAINING TO JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT

RED ROCK RURAL WATER SYSTEM 2009-2010 EXPANSION BONDING

BE IT RESOLVED that the Redwood County Board of Commissioners, State of Minnesota, at its duly convened meeting and pursuant to discussions had, and pursuant to motion by Commissioner Lon Walling, and seconded by Commissioner Al Kokesch, duly resolved as follows:

Hereby approved Joint Powers Agreement among the counties of Cottonwood, Jackson, Watonwan, Murray, Martin, Lyon, Redwood and Brown directing the Chairman and/or Administrator to execute the Joint Powers Agreement relative to the Red Rock Rural Water System expansion, and authorizing Cottonwood County to issue the necessary interim financing bonds and long-term financing bonds to fund said system expansion and to have said Joint Powers Agreement govern the repayment of said bonds; said Joint Powers Agreement being executed with the understanding that the counties of Cottonwood, Jackson, Watonwan, Murray, Martin, Lyon, Redwood and Brown would all be parties to this Agreement.

VOTE:

For: Priscilla Klabunde, John Schueller, Lon Walling, Gary Dahms, Al Kokesch

Against: None

LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER PROJECT

- Discussion was held regarding the Law Enforcement Center Project.
- The Building Committee members and Law Enforcement staff will explore alternative solutions for the needed larger more secure evidence area; safety and security of the Law Enforcement area; continue with general maintenance and upkeep of the LEC and Jail; and continue to evaluate county space and efficient use of county buildings.
- On motion by Kokesch, second by Dahms, the Board voted unanimously to terminate the contract with Construction Manager; Construction Analysis Management (CAM), pursuant to the terms and conditions of the contract, authorized payment of outstanding invoices, directed movement of job site trailer within thirty (30) days, and directed the County Attorney to draft the termination notice.
- By Consensus, the Board agreed to direct the Building Committee to meet with WOLD and finalize the Government Center project and to discuss completion of the outstanding items, noting no additional fees will be paid by Redwood County.
- The Board recessed for lunch at 12:03 p.m. to join the students with the Boy's and Girl's County for lunch at Public Health.
- At 1:00 p.m. the Board meeting reconvened.

2010 BUDGET DEFICIT STRATEGIES

- The budget reduction strategies submitted by all employees were scored and reviewed.
- The Commissioners will continue with ongoing budget discussions at a special Work Session to be held Monday, April 12, 2010, at 1:00 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS

- The commissioners reported on meetings they attended.

Walling

- AMC – General Government

Kokesch

- AMC Conference
- Budget/Finance Committee

Klabunde

- Policy/Procedures Committee
- Restorative Justice
- Local Advisory Council (LAC)
- Building Healthy Families
- Early Childhood Intervention

Dahms

- Soil & Water
- RADC

Schueller

- RSVP
- RC & D
- Area II
- Radio Board
- Rural MN Energy Board

ADJOURN

- There being no further business, Chair Schueller declared the meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

John Schueller, Chair
Board of County Commissioners

Attest: _____
Vicki Knobloch
County Administrator